# Algorithms for the topology of arithmetic groups and Hecke actions II: Higher skeleta 

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## Previous work computing modular forms in homology

- Trace formula methods. (Chenevier, Renard, Taïbi, Cohen, Skoruppa, Zagier ...)
- Modular symbols methods for $G L_{2} / \mathbb{Q}$. (Cremona, Manin, Stein, ...)
- Voronoi and sharbly methods. (Ash, Doud, Gunnells, McConnell, Pollack, Top, van Geemen, Voronoi, Yasaki, ...)
- Fundamental domains. (Greenberg, Voight, Page, Rahm, Sengün, ...)
- Algebraic modular forms. (Gross, Savin, Lansky, Pollack, Greenberg, Voight, Dembélé, Donnelly, Loeffler, Cunningham, Chenevier, Lannes, Mégarbané, ...)


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- An explicit isomorphism $\pi_{1}(S) \rightarrow \Gamma$

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We do not expect compactness to be an essential condition.

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## Theorem (Borsuk, Cech)

If the balls $B_{r}(x), x \in F$ are convex and their union covers $M$, then the nerve of the covering has the homotopy type of $M$.

## The nerve in one interesting example

The arithmetic group $\Gamma$ :

- $A=$ quaternion algebra over $Q(\sqrt{-2})$ of discriminant $\mathfrak{p}_{2} \mathfrak{p}_{3}, O=$ maximal order in $A$.
- $q=$ reduced norm on $A$.
- $L:=$ trace 0 elements of $O$.
- $\Gamma:=$ the principal congruence level $\mathfrak{p}_{3}^{\prime}$ subgroup of $S O(Q, L)$.


## The nerve in one interesting example

Covering and nerve information for $\operatorname{Cech}_{\Gamma \backslash X}(0.65)$ :

- 1172s to compute a cover.
- 285 s to compute the 1 -skeleton of the nerve, i.e. when pairs of balls of radius $0.65 / 2$ centered at our grid points intersect.
- 2-skeleton of the nerve (3-fold intersections): started earlier this afternoon. Now $\frac{9}{10}$-finished.
- Simplices of each degree:

$$
\left(N_{0}, N_{1}, N_{2}, \ldots\right)=(176,3135, \text { ? so far, } \ldots)
$$

## The nerve in one interesting example

Homology:

- abelianization of presentation for $\Gamma: \mathbb{Z} / 3 \oplus \mathbb{Z} / 6 \oplus \mathbb{Z} / 6$.
- External consistency: confimed to agree with output from Aurel's Kleinian groups package.
- simplicial computation: not yet finished because computation of 2-skeleton of nerve not yet finished.


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## Algorithm to compute the nerve

Discussed at board.

## Difficulties of computing with nerves

- Time-consuming to compute.
- Difficult to store.


## Revisiting our 3-dimensional example using a Rips complex

Covering and nerve information for $\operatorname{Rips}_{\Gamma \backslash X}(0.65)$ :

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- The 1-skeleton completely determines the higher skeleta!
- Simplices of each degree:

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\left(N_{0}, N_{1}, \ldots\right)=(176,3135,11836,23159,24484,14915,5268)
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## 3-dimensional example using a Rips complex

Homology for $\operatorname{Rips}_{\Gamma \backslash X}(0.65)$ :

- abelianization of presentation for $\Gamma: \mathbb{Z} / 3 \oplus \mathbb{Z} / 6 \oplus \mathbb{Z} / 6$.
- simplicial computation: 103s over $\mathbb{F}_{2}$, 96s over $\mathbb{F}_{3}, 84$ s over $\mathbb{F}_{11}, 154$ s over $\mathbb{F}_{1009}$. Betti numbers:

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Simplicial computation of mod $p$ betti numbers succeeded here in reasonable time.

Suppose balls of radius $r$ are convex in $M$. Can you prove that
$\operatorname{Rips}_{\Gamma \backslash X}(r)$ is homotopy equivalent to $M$ ?

