

Induced matchings and the algebraic stability of persistence barcodes

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Motivates use of homology with field coefficients

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Matchings form a category Mch

- objects: sets
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Corollary (Algebraic stability via induced matchings)

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Thanks for your attention!