## Persistent diagrams as diagrams

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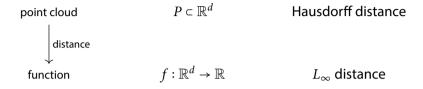
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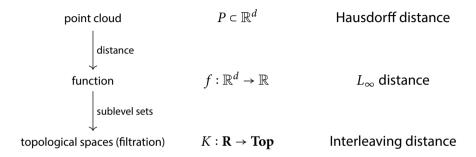
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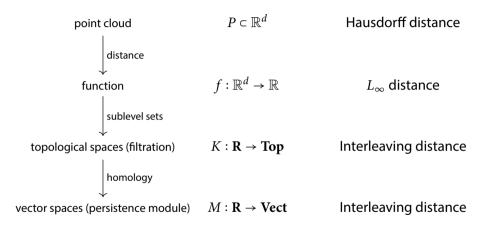
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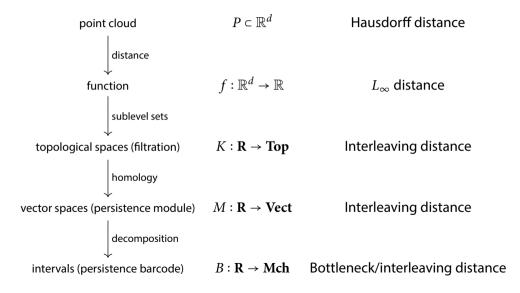
 $P \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ 

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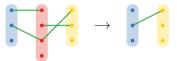


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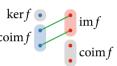
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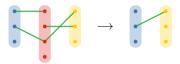


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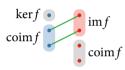
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#### **Mch** is *Puppe-exact* (*p-exact*):

- ▶ it has a zero object (∅)
- ▶ it has all (co)kernels
- every mono (epi) is (co)kernel
- every morphism  $f: A \to B$  has an epi-mono factorization  $A \twoheadrightarrow \operatorname{im} f \hookrightarrow B$

#### but not additive:

▶ it does not have all (co)products

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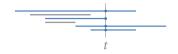


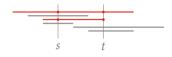
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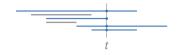
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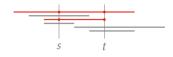
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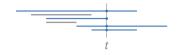
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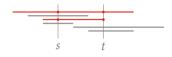
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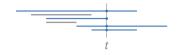
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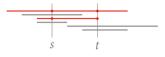
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Turn this into an equivalence of categories  $\mathbf{Barc} \simeq \mathbf{Mch}^{\mathbb{R}}$ 

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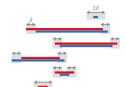
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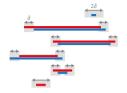


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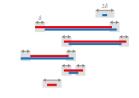
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There is no functor  $\mathbf{vect} \to \mathbf{Mch}$  sending every vector space V to a set of cardinality  $\dim V$  (equivalently, a linear map f to a matching of cardinality  $\operatorname{rank} f$ ).

But: there is a barcode functor for subcategories of monos/epis of persistence modules  $\mathbf{vect}^{\mathbb{R}}$ :

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There is a functor from epimorphisms of persistence modules to epimorphisms of matching diagrams.
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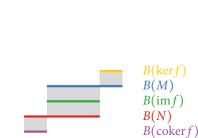
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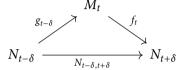
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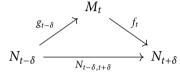
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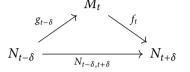


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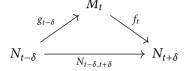
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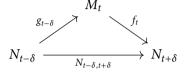
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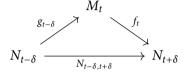
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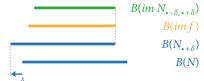
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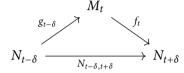
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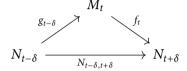
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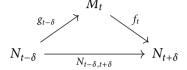
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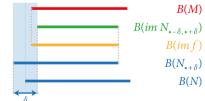
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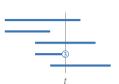


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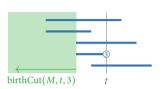
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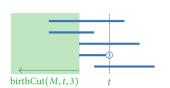
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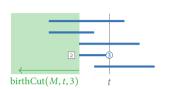
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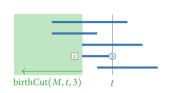
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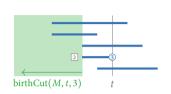
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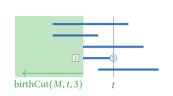
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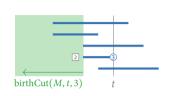
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Yields a barcode without using interval decomposition!

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Applies even to q-tame persistence modules (rank  $M_{t,u} < \infty$  for all t < u)!

### Induced matchings for matching diagrams

Let N be a quotient module of a persistence module M (M woheadrightarrow N an epimorphism). Define

$$\chi(M \twoheadrightarrow N)_t = \{(i,j) \mid \text{birthId}(M,t,i) = \text{birthId}(N,t,j)\}.$$

#### Theorem

B and  $\chi$  form a functor from epimorphisms of persistence modules to epimorphisms of matching diagrams.

(Dually, there is a functor from monos to monos.)



- ▶ This is the structure theorem for sub-/quotient modules, in terms of matching diagrams.
- Using an epi-mono factorization, this yields induced matchings and algebraic stability for q-tame persistence modules.
- Can be used to guide the construction of a decomposition for pdf modules.

# Thanks for your attention!

