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GEOMETRY AND TOPOLOGY SEMINAR

11 AM, Friday, June 2, 2017 B1-37, Collegium Mathematicum

Speaker: Martin Frankland (Universität Osnabrück)

Title: Realization problems in algebraic topology

Abstract:

Given a space X, its homotopy groups π_*X form a graded group equipped with the action of primary homotopy operations. Given a graded group with such operations, can it be realized as π_*X for some space X, and if so, can we classify all realizations? We will discuss some classification results and some non-realizability results, as well as obstruction-theoretic methods to tackle these problems. We will also survey realization problems for algebraic structures other than homotopy operations.