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GEOMETRY AND TOPOLOGY SEMINAR

13:45 AM, Tuesday, May 15, 2018 B1-37, Collegium Mathematicum

Speaker: Damian Sawicki (IMPAN)

Title: Metric spaces defined by group actions

Abstract:

We will discuss an over 20-year-old construction, which is currently undergoing a renaissance that has yielded spectacular results in metric geometry (a construction of a continuum of different super-expander graphs or counterexamples to the coarse Baum-Connes conjecture) and certain applications to the dimension theory of dynamical systems.

The construction associates to a group action on a compact manifold (or a Cantor set) an unbounded metric space, "warped cone", whose geometry reflects dynamical and ergodic properties of the action.