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講 題: An isoperimetric sloshing problem in shallow containers

時 間:113年12月3日(星期二)下午13:30-14:20

## Abstract

The classical isoperimetric inequality asserts that the sphere encloses the largest volume with a given surface area, but we can pretty much ask the problem of optimising any quantity with a given geometrical constraint. We will review existing results for the problem of optimising the kth-eigenvalue of the Laplacian with various boundary conditions subject to volume constraint. We will then discuss the problem of optimising the first nonzero eigenvalue of a certain coupled ODE that is motivated by the sloshing problem in fluid dynamics.

主講人: Dr. Harry Richman (NCTS)

講 題: Perspectives on tropical geometry, old and new 時 間: 113 年 12 月 3 日(星期二) 下午 14:30-15:20

## **Abstract**

Tropical geometry is a way to approach geometry at "extreme magnitudes", and to work with "combinatorial shadows" of algebraic varieties. It is a recent branch of mathematics, but its central ideas can be traced back much farther. I will present some ideas underlying tropical mathematics, starting with two tools for solving for roots of a single-variable polynomial equation: Descartes's "rule of signs" and Newton polygons. In more modern mathematics, these tools are extended to "higher dimension" versions and used for understanding moduli spaces of varieties and their degenerations. I will describe these ideas through examples and cover some current developments.

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