

## **ALGEBRA SEMINAR**

## An introduction to representation stability and FImodules

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**Abstract:** Given a sequence  $\{G_n\}$  of groups and vector spaces  $\{V_n\}$  where each  $G_n$  acts on  $V_n$ , representation stability studies the eventual/uniform behavior of  $V_n$  as a  $G_n$ -representation, as n varies.

One of the most robust and applicable variants is when  $G_n$  is the symmetric group on *n* letters, categorified by the framework of FI-modules. In addition to giving an overview of FI-modules and consequences of their finite generation, I will discuss applications such as the cohomology of configuration spaces and homology of congruence subgroups, where several stabilization results can be obtained even when explicit computations are lacking.

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