

Emergent Research:

The PIMS Postdoctoral Fellow Seminar

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Mixing times and representation theory

ABSTRACT:

Consider a poker game where you have to mix the deck of cards between two turns. How (many times) should you shuffle it to prevent any cheating?

In this talk we will introduce the theory of mixing times, and explain how representation theory can be used to study card mixing and diffusions on other objects.



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SPEAKER BIO:

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