



Distinguished Lecture Series
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New p -adic Methods In Number Theory



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Abstract:

Ever since Kummer's work on the arithmetic of cyclotomic integers, p -adic methods have been a crucial tool in number theory. In recent years, a new perspective on the application of these methods has emerged: the so-called p -adic Langlands program.

In this talk I will give an introduction to some of the ideas and results of this program, with an emphasis on aspects of the program that are accessible to non-specialists, but which give a sense of the interplay between analysis and algebra which is characteristic of p -adic techniques.

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(Refreshments served at 3:30 PM)