Graduate Geometry, Topology and Dynamics Seminar

Geometrically motivated partial orders on simplicial complexes

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Abstract: A simplicial complex is a pair (V, S), where V is a (finite) set and S is a subset of the power set $\mathcal{P}(V)$ closed under taking appropriate subsets ("faces"). The natural partial order from this definition is inclusion, which also makes some geometric sense. I will introduce two other partial orders, based on the Vietoris-Rips and Čech constructions of a simplicial complex from a vertex set and a radius. These orders correspond with the interpretation of a "path" in the universal space over the product of the Ran space (space of all finite subsets of some other space) and the non-negative real numbers.

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