



Kolloquium über Reine Mathematik

Einladung zu einem Vortrag

Dienstag, 27. Oktober 2015

17 Uhr s.t., Geom H4

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Quantum $sl(2)$, low-dimensional topology and TQFTs

Abstract:

Discovery of Jones polynomial invariant of Knots, and its interpretation by Witten in terms of Chern-Simons Quantum Field Theory were the starting points for so called Quantum Topology. Quantum groups play a fundamental role in the domain. We will present a choice of constructions and results in relation with quantum $sl(2)$ and its representations.

We will start with the Lie algebra $sl(2)$, describe quantum deformation of its representations, their role in constructing Knot invariants, 3-manifold invariants and Reshetikhin-Turaev Topological Quantum Field Theories (TQFT). We will then consider a variant of quantum $sl(2)$ used by Costantino-Geer-Patureau for construction of new invariants of 3-dimensional manifolds with flat connexion and describe their non semisimple TQFT extensions.

Vor dem Vortrag (ab 16.30 Uhr) stehen im Raum 327 Kaffee und Tee bereit.