Brownsville Seminar School of Mathematical & Statistical Sciences

Multiplicative structures on free resolutions <u>Speaker: Dr. Luigi Ferraro</u>

Abstract

In commutative algebra we study modules over a commutative ring R which are analogues of vector spaces over a field k. Finite dimensional vector spaces are all of the form k^n for some natural number n. It is not true that all finitely generated R-modules are of the form R^n . Modules of the form R^n are called free modules. One way to study a module is to approximate it by free modules. This approximation leads to objects called free resolutions.

Some of these resolutions admit multiplicative structures, turning them into differential graded algebras. When this is the case, this extra structure can be exploited to prove stronger theorems. Of particular interest in this talk will be the minimal resolutions of ideals in the polynomial ring k[x,y,z], where k is a field. Such resolutions always admit a multiplicative structure, and since they are minimal they convey a lot of information about the ideal.

In this talk we will survey the classic results about multiplicative structures on free resolutions and, time permitting, we will talk about some more recent results about minimal free resolutions of ideals in k[x,y,z].

!Coffee and Cookies Will Be Provided!

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