

Arithmetic Quantum Field Theory Program

Kickoff Lecture Series

Feb. 5-9, 2024

Room G10, Harvard CMSA, 20 Garden Street Cambridge

In this lecture series we will introduce some of the themes underlying the CMSA Program on Arithmetic Quantum Field Theory taking place this year and at the upcoming conference March 25-29, 2024.

David Ben-Zvi: The Langlands program via arithmetic QFT

Structures in QFT (like factorization for observables and functorial QFT for states and their relation to geometric / deformation quantization) that are sufficiently algebraic and formal to allow for arithmetic analogs.

Minhyong Kim: Arithmetic topology and field theory

The setup of arithmetic topology as a bridge between the background of QFT to that of arithmetic (both “global” and “local”), including the “middle realm” of positive characteristic function fields.

Brian Williams: Algebraic quantum field theory

Questions and structures in arithmetic that have been / might be amenable to inspiration from QFT, in particular the theory of L-functions and the Langlands program.

Schedule

Monday, Feb. 5, 2024

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

1:30 - 2:30 pm

2:30 - 3:30 pm

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Brian Williams

David Ben-Zvi

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Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

2:30 - 3:30 pm

Minhyong Kim

Brian Williams

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Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024

2:30 - 3:30 pm

4:00 - 5:00 pm

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Friday, Feb. 9, 2024

1:00 - 2:00 pm

2:00 - 3:00 pm

3:30 - 4:30 pm

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