



## Analysis Seminar

**Title:** A descriptive set-theoretic view of classification problems in operator

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**Abstract:** In the past 20 years, descriptive set theorists have developed a theory that provides a measure of relative complexity of equivalence relations. This theory has its roots in classical smooth/non-smooth distinction of Mackey, but provides a much more refined view of the complexity of concrete classification problems. In recent years, the complexity of classification problems in operator algebras (of von Neumann factors and of nuclear simple separable  $C^*$  algebras) have been examined from the descriptive set-theoretic perspective. In this talk, I will give an overview of these developments.