



## Analysis Seminar

**Title:** Non-commutative function theory

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**Location:**

**Abstract:** A holomorphic function (in  $d$  variables) can be thought of as a generalized polynomial in  $d$  variables. These functions work very well when applied to  $d$ -tuples of commuting matrices or operators. An nc function in  $d$  variables can be thought of as a generalized non-commutative polynomial in  $d$  variables. These functions can naturally be applied to  $d$ -tuples of non-commuting matrices or operators. We shall talk about how this is useful when studying matrix varieties, that is sets of tuples of matrices like  $\{ (X, Y) : X^2 + 2XY + 3YX = 0 \}$ ; and when automorphisms of symmetric domains in  $\mathbb{C}^d$  extend to nc automorphisms of the corresponding nc-domains.