University of Notre Dame Department of Mathematics TOPOLOGY SEMINAR

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Will give a lecture entitled:

Smith Theory and Group Actions on Aspherical Manifolds

On

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12:45 PM

In

258 Hurley Hall

Abstract

In this talk, we discuss how Smith theory applies to topological actions of p-groups on aspherical manifolds. The focus is on a certain result of Connolly–Davis–Khan, which states that an H_1 -negative involution on the n-torus has exactly 2^n fixed points.