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Seminar

Goedel's Incompleteness Theorems and more

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Abstract

Goedel's First Incompleteness Theorem is often paraphrased as: no consistent axiomatic system can establish all true statements. On the one hand, this imposes serious restrictions on what mathematics can achieve when formalized as an axiomatic system. On the other hand, it is the starting point of many research areas in logic.

The emphasis of this talk is on the mathematical essence of Goedel's Incompleteness Theorems. If time permits, then I will also talk about some active research directions in mathematical logic that are influenced by the Incompleteness Theorems. I will not assume any prior knowledge in mathematical logic.

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Time: 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Venue: Room 222, Lady Shaw Building,

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All are Welcome