

Mathematisches Kolloquium

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Abstract:

This talk revolves around the issue of understanding the convergence of gradient curves in a Riemannian-like metric setting. Positive answers to this question impact many fields including PDE, optimal transport, real algebraic geometry, optimization and machine learning. I will mainly focus on optimal transport applications.

I will first explain, at a general level, the tight link existing between the finite length issue for gradient curves and geometric inequalities called Lojasiewicz inequalities. I will then show how this approach can be fruitful in optimal transport by evidencing transparent geometrical interpretations of some famous functional inequalities as log-Sobolev, Gagliardo-Nirenberg-Sobolev, Talagrand or Poincaré inequalities. This will in turn allow for an intuitive unified proof of several stabilization results as H-Boltzmann theorem or porous media equations.

If time allows, I will also give a simple geometric interpretation of Otto-Villani's theorem.

The talk is built upon results obtained with Blanchet, Daniilidis, Ley, Lewis, Mazet, Shiota.

15.45 Uhr: Kaffeejause

16.15 Uhr: Vortrag

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