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"Bíllíards, ergodíc theory, and number theory"

Monday, February 25, 2008
Tea at 4:00 p.m. – Math Lounge, KINSC H208
Talk at 4:15 p.m. – KINSC Hilles 109

Abstract: By studying the properties of a billiard ball bouncing around a square table, we will be led to the ergodic theory of flows on surfaces, the Gauss circle problem for counting lattice points, and the study of continued fractions.

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