

# APPLIED MATHEMATICS COLLOQUIUM

## ANCESTRY MAPPING USING POPULATION GENETICS TO FIND DISEASE GENES

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### ABSTRACT:

We describe *recombination*, a basic biological process that underlies most of modern genetics, and briefly sketch how geneticists are seeking for the genetic causes of human disease.

We then will discuss *ancestry mapping*, which has only recently become feasible, and is a method that uses population genetics to search the whole genome efficiently for disease mutations.

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**4:15 PM**  
**Building 4, Room 231**

*Refreshments at 3:30 PM in Building 2, Room 349.*

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