Physical Mathematics Seminar

Using fluid flow to investigate lipid membranes

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ABSTRACT:

While most life takes place in an aqueous environment, the physics of micro-scale movement in fluid environments can be counterintuitive. I will discuss recent experiments with the theme of building up a three-dimensional, microscopic picture of motion. Multi-component lipid membranes act like two-dimensional fluids whose flow couples to that of the surrounding water. This fluidity can be used to ask questions about the physical properties of lipids and membrane proteins.

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Reception following in Building 2, Room 290 (Math Dept. Common Room)

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