Topology Seminar

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Duality in topological Hochschild homology (THH)

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Topological Hochschild homology (THH) is a beautiful and computable invariant of rings and ring spectra. In this talk, I will focus on the ring spectrum DX, and discuss a few different aspects of THH(DX). For example, it splits when X is a suspension, and we can use this for computations in topological cyclic homology. I will also recall the "Atiyah duality" between THH(DX) and the free loop space LX, and prove that this duality preserves the genuine S^1 -structure. This uses the new "norm" model of THH, and a surprising technical result about orthogonal G-spectra. If there is time, I will apply these tools once more and describe an enrichment of the character map from representation theory.