Speaker: Hyuk Jun Kweon (University of Georgia)

Title: Bounds on the torsion subgroups of second cohomology

Abstract: Let $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^r$ be a smooth projective variety defined by homogeneous polynomials of degree $\leq d$ over an algebraically closed field k. Let **Pic** X be the Picard scheme of X, and **Pic**⁰X be the identity component of **Pic** X. The Néron–Severi group scheme of X is defined by $\mathbf{NSX} = (\mathbf{Pic} X)/(\mathbf{Pic}^0 X)_{\text{red}}$, and the Néron–Severi group of X is defined by $\mathrm{NS} X = (\mathbf{NSX})(k)$. We give an explicit upper bound on the order of the finite group (NS X)_{tor} and the finite group scheme (**NS**X)_{tor} in terms of d and r. As a corollary, we give an upper bound on the order of the torsion subgroup of second cohomology groups of X and the finite group $\pi^1_{\text{et}}(X, x_0)^{\text{ab}}_{\text{tor}}$. We also show that (NS X)_{tor} is generated by $(\deg X - 1)(\deg X - 2)$ elements in various situations.