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Kenta Sato (University of Tokyo)
*Ascending chain condition for F-pure thresholds*

For a germ of a variety in positive characteristic and a non-zero ideal sheaf on the variety, we can define the F-pure threshold of the ideal by using the Frobenius morphism. This is an invariant that measures the singularities of the pair formed by the ambient variety and the ideal. In this talk, I will show that the set of all F-pure thresholds on a fixed strongly F-regular germ satisfies the ascending chain condition. This is a positive characteristic analogue of the "ascending chain condition for log canonical thresholds" in characteristic 0, which was recently proved by Hacon, McKernan, and Xu.

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*Well partial orderings and their maximum extending ordinals*

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