

# STUDY GROUP ON TROPICAL MODULI OF CURVES

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The intend of this reading course is to study the paper [ACP12] by Abramovich, Caporaso and Payne on the tropicalization of the moduli space of curves. This includes introductions to toroidal embeddings, cone complexes, Berkovich spaces and Thuillier’s retraction to the skeleton, as well as a review of Deligne-Mumford stacks and  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$ . Moreover, we take advantage to explore related topics as skeleta of Berkovich spaces given by semistable models and Tyomkin’s correspondence theorems.

We divide the reading course into the following 5 topics:

- (1) Introduction to Berkovich spaces, toroidal embeddings, cone complexes and Thuillier’s retraction to the skeleton. This follows [ACP12], using additional material from [Ber09], [Thu07]. *Speaker: Oliver*
- (2) Skeleta from semistable models and their relation to tropicalizations. This summarizes [BPR13] and [Wer15]. *Speaker: Ethan*
- (3) Introduction to the moduli space of (tropical) curves. Extensions of the earlier results to Deligne-Mumford stacks. This follows [ACP12], summarizing some results from [CT07], [Cos10] and [HM98]. *Speaker: open*
- (4) The Berkovich analytification of the moduli space of curves and its tropicalization. This is the heart piece of [ACP12]. *Speaker: open*
- (5) Tyomkin’s correspondence theorems between rational curves in projective space satisfying point conditions and their tropical counterparts. This is [Tyo15]. *Speaker: open*

We will meet for the rest of this semester every **Monday for 13:30–15:30 in room 345 at IMPA**, beginning with **October 19**.

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