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Simplicial analogues of homotopic distance

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Abstract: Homotopic distance as introduced by Macias-Virgos and Mosquera-Lois in [2] can be realised as a generalisation of topological complexity (TC) and Lusternik Schnirelmann category (cat). In this talk, we will introduce a simplicial analogue (in the sense of Gonzalez as in [1] and as given in [3]) of homotopic distance and show that it has a relation with simplicial complexity (SC) as homotopic distance has with TC. We will also have a quick glance at contiguity distance as introduced in [2] and improved in [4].

References

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