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Mathematics for exploring chemical space

Chemical space, as of today, consists of more than 20 million substances linked by more than 40 million reactions, and extensive data about its historical development over the last 200 years is available. In an ongoing project, Jost is developing mathematical tools for analyzing this structure and its dynamics.

The talk will describe some of these mathematical schemes, like discrete curvatures and spectral theory of hypergraphs, which also have other applications.

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