



## Mathematisches Kolloquium

Am Freitag, dem 18. Oktober 2013 spricht um 14 Uhr c.t. im Hörsaal IV  
der Fachrichtung Mathematik (Gebäude E2 4)

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über das Thema:

### **Patterns in the wake of fronts**

*Abstract:* This talk will explore patterns created in the wake of propagating fronts. The first part will show several examples, ranging from classical Liesegang patterns in chemical precipitation, over bacterial colony patterns, to nanodots created through surface instabilities. I will emphasize a common feature in these examples: the role of coherent invasion fronts (more commonly known in ecology) as a central building block in the description and prediction of the observed patterns. The second part will focus on the existence of invasion fronts in a particular example, the Cahn-Hilliard equation. I will in particular motivate the key ingredients to the existence proof: methods from dynamical systems, partial differential equations, and algebraic topology, notably Conley's index.

Der Gast wird von Prof. Groves betreut.

Alle Interessenten sind zum Vortrag herzlich eingeladen.

Kaffee ab 13.45 Uhr im Konferenzraum der Mathematik (Erdgeschoss, Raum 1.03)

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