

**Talk title:** Sharp  $L^p$  bounds for the helical maximal function

**Abstract:** A natural 3-dimensional analogue of Bourgain's circular maximal function theorem in the plane is the study of the sharp  $L^p$  bounds in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  for the maximal function associated with averages over dilates of the helix (or, more generally, of any curve with non-vanishing curvature and torsion). In this talk, we present a sharp result, which establishes that  $L^p$  bounds hold if and only if  $p > 3$ . This is joint work with Shaoming Guo, Jonathan Hickman and Andreas Seeger.