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## **Number Theory Seminar**

## On the exceptional sets of integral quadratic forms

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## Abstract

A collection *S* of equivalence classes of positive definite integral quadratic forms in *n* variables is called an *n*-exceptional set if there exists a positive definite integral quadratic form which represents all equivalent classes of positive definite integral quadratic forms in *n* variables except those in *S*. In this talk, I will describe a joint work with Byeong-Kewon Oh which shows that for any given positive integers *m* and *n*, there is always an *n*-exceptional set of size *m* and there are only finitely many of them.

All are welcome