DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY/PDE SEMINAR

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Time Reversal and Elliptic Boundary Value Problems

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In this talk, I will present a new probabilistic way to solve Dirichlet boundary value problem on bounded Euclidean domains for a class of second order elliptic operators that contain the div(cu) term (dual to the first order term $c\nabla u$). The novelty of our approach is the use of time-reversal of a Girsanov transform. We will derive probabilistic representation for solutions to the elliptic boundary problem. Such a representation also enable us to obtain some new results in PDE.

Joint work with Tusheng Zhang.

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