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CONDENSED MATTER THEORY SEMINAR

"Metal-Insulator Transitions: Cd2Os2O7 and the Iridates"

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Abstract: The intersection of strong spin-orbit coupling and strong interactions in iridate materials has attracted a lot of recent interest. One hotly debated question is the nature of the metal-insulator transition in the different iridate families — is it a Slater or Mott transition? Is it possible to have a second-order Mott transition? In this journal-club style talk, I will review the different types of metal-insulator transitions and their relevance in the iridates and the related Cd2Os2O7.

3:30pm Wednesday, June 5, 2013 (Duboc Seminar Room) Room 4-331

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