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## D I S P U T A T I O N

**Freitag, 21. September 2018, 13:00 Uhr**

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**Disputation über die Doktorarbeit von**

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**Thema der Dissertation:**

**Rank 1 isocrystals on simply connected varieties and their moduli**

**Thema der Disputation**

**Applications of arithmetic geometry in cryptography**

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**Abstract:**

The study of objects such as abelian varieties and algebraic curves over finite fields has gained a lot of interest during the last years, even outside the community of algebraic geometers, due to their relevance in cryptography. Cryptography studies ways for successfully transmitting a message with secrecy or for keeping data hidden. It is becoming even more relevant as people nowadays use the Internet for a growing number of applications and the need to save or send well encrypted data is growing. Arithmetic geometry and especially abelian varieties have found astonishing applications in the area of cryptography and are being used extensively for basic operations our computers do every day. In this talk, we introduce the basics of some public key cryptographic methods, like RSA and Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange and present how and why elliptic curves are used to improve security of these methods. We discuss some specific cases and, if time permits, how curves of higher genus can be similarly used.

Die Disputation besteht aus dem o. g. Vortrag, danach der Vorstellung der Dissertation einschließlich jeweils anschließenden Aussprachen.

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