

K–Theory and the Classification of Symmetric Spaces

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Riemannian symmetric spaces have been classified using root space theory. In this talk we sketch how tools from noncommutative geometry can be used for this purpose, and show that these methods can also be applied to inductive limits, where classical methods no longer seem to work.