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WHEN EULER MET MORSE (AND MAYBE FLOER)

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ABSTRACT:

A very useful way to classify surfaces in 3d space is via their number of holes. There are many ways to compute such a number, but I will focus on the Morse theory point of view, which involves studying the behavior of a “height” function defined on the surface, and a system of ODEs associated to it.

Time permitting, I will mention how this perspective can be used to study more complicated spaces, which can even be infinite dimensional!

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HILL 423 AT 7:00 PM

**Pizza and refreshments will be served*

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