## BOSTON UNIVERSITY GEOMETRY AND PHYSICS SEMINAR

## OPEN GROMOV-WITTEN THEORY AND KNOTS

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Tea: 3:45pm in Room 144

Abstract: Let X be a Calabi-Yau 3-fold, and L a Lagrangian submanifold of X. Open Gromov-Witten invariants are rational numbers  $K_{g,h}$  which, roughly speaking, count holomorphic maps from a genus g Riemann surface S with h boundary components into X, where the image of the boundary of S is constrained to lie on L. In this talk, I will discuss recent work computing  $K_{g,h}$  via localization, and describe current progress toward using mirror symmetry and knot contact homology to find  $K_{g,h}$  when L is obtained from a knot in  $\mathbb{S}^3$ .

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