

- **Azzali, Sara: A Baum--Connes conjecture localised at the unit element of a discrete group (SR1 c)**

Let  $\Gamma$  be a discrete group. In this talk, we study a variant of the Baum--Connes isomorphism conjecture which can be called 'localised at the unit element of  $\Gamma$ '.

The localised assembly map is constructed in KK-theory with coefficients in  $\mathbb{R}$ . These KK-groups are natural receptacles of elements coming from traces on  $C^*$ -algebras.

We show that the localised Baum--Connes conjecture is weaker than the classical Baum--Connes conjecture but still implies the strong Novikov conjecture. Moreover, it does not see the difference between the reduced and maximal group  $C^*$ -algebras.

We explain these constructions and show the relation with the Novikov conjecture by explicitly comparing the classifying space for free and proper actions  $E\Gamma$  with the classifying space for proper actions  $\underline{E}\Gamma$  at the level of K-homology with real coefficients. This is joint work with Paolo Antonini and Georges Skandalis.