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**Title:** Some applications of  $o$ -minimality in Diophantine Geometry

**Abstract:** In this talk I will outline recent strategies to approach some open problems in Diophantine Geometry concerning '*unlikely intersections*' in certain types of algebraic varieties. The strategy, initiated by Pila and Zannier, makes essential use of the theory of  $o$ -minimality which combines ideas from real algebraic and analytic geometry and model theory.

After an overview of  $o$ -minimality, I will illustrate the strategy on one concrete example - the Manin-Mumford conjecture for the two dimensional torus.