

“It’s not a lie... if you believe it. ”

– George Costanza

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Curvature flow for curves and surfaces

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Abstract

Evolution of manifolds by a geometric flow can be a useful tool to analyze several problems in differential geometry and topology, the most notable example being Perelman’s proof of the Poincare conjecture via Ricci flow. Of particular interest are the singularities that may occur under such a flow.

In this talk, we will survey the curve-shortening flow and its generalization to Euclidean hypersurfaces, and discuss the singularities that arise.

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