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Non-Crossing Partitions, I and II

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The first talk is an introductory talk on non-crossing partitions of a circularly ordered set based on Kreweras' original paper. A non-crossing partition of n points on a circle is a partition π such that, if you draw all the chords joining points in the same block of π , there are no crossing chords. The theory is remarkably rich and has become more and more important.

The second talk on non-crossing partitions takes up questions of enumeration: how many non-crossing partitions are there, how many have a given type, et al.

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