## 國立中央大學數學系 專題演講

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演講題目: Symmetric functions, tilings, and the nabla operator

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## Abstract:

The study of Macdonald symmetric polynomials has produced many interesting combinatorial objects. Perhaps the most famous and well-studied such objects are the \$q,t\$-Catalan numbers, which can be defined combinatorially as the sum over Dyck paths weighted by the area and dinv statistics. Numerous generalizations of the \$q,t\$-Catalan numbers have been developed, including extensions to Schroder paths and to nested families of Dyck paths. All of these objects have natural interpretations in terms of the nabla operator \$\nabla\$ on symmetric functions.

In this talk, I will introduce the algebraic and combinatorial background of the nabla operator and present its new connections with domino tilings of a certain region on the square lattice. In particular, a product formula for the \$q,t\$-generalization of domino tilings of the Aztec diamond, together with a combinatorial proof of the joint symmetry of the area and dinv statistics on the Aztec diamond, is presented. If time permits, I will also outline some proof ideas and related results on tiling enumeration. This talk does not assume any prior background.