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*The Business of Height Pairings*

In algebraic geometry there is the notion of a height pairing of algebraic cycles, which lies at the confluence of arithmetic, Hodge theory and topology. After explaining a motivating example situation, we introduce new directions in this subject. (This is joint work with Souvik Goswami, and will appear in a special volume in honour of Steven Zucker's 65th birthday.)