

2014 Evans Hall Lecture Series and Awards Ceremony

All are invited to attend on Thursday, April 24 at 4pm in MSC E208.
Reception to follow in atrium.

Dr. Rick Durrett Duke University

Truth Is Stranger Than Fiction: A Look at Some Improbabilities



Probability is full of surprises and paradoxes, most of which result from doing the calculation incorrectly. We will illustrate this using some familiar old stories and new ones: the Monty Hall problem, cognitive dissonance in Monkeys, the birthday problem, lottery coincidences, the sad story of Sally Clark, the 2012 election, and Warren Buffet's bracket challenge.



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