

# SEMINAR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

DATE: 04 JANUARY 2019

## TITLE

Around two problems of Hardy and Mahler

# VENUE | TIME

Seminar Room I 03:45 P.M.- 04:45 P.M.

# SPEAKER

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### ABSTRACT

Abstract : Let  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\lambda$  be real numbers. About a century ago Hardy asked : "In what circumstances can it be true that the distance of  $\lambda \alpha^n$  to the nearest integer tends to 0 as n goes to  $\infty$ ?". This question is still open. We will present some advances in this topic and around a related problem of Mahler, in the case  $\alpha$  is algebraic.