## Word-Representable Graphs: Orientations, Posets, and Bounds

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While word-representable graphs were introduced to study questions in algebra, there has been continued interest in the topic for their own combinatorial properties. A graph $G$ is said to be word-representable if there exists a string, $w$, consisting of the characters $v_{1}, \ldots, v_{n}$ for $v_{i} \in V(G)$ where $v_{i} v_{j} \in E(G)$ if and only if $v_{i}$ and $v_{j}$ alternate in $w$. The representation number of a word-representable graph is the smallest $k$ such that $w$ is $k$-uniform (each vertex appears exactly $k$ times in $w$ ). In this talk we will explore the representation number of Hasse diagrams.

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