

MATERIALS WORKING GROUP -- MONDAY FEB 12

TIME AND ROOM: 9:30am, WWH 1314 (*NOTE THE EARLIER-THAN-USUAL START TIME!*)

TITLE: Mathematical methods for the statistical mechanics of mesoscopic particles

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ABSTRACT: I will present some mathematical methods for investigating the statistical mechanics of mesoscopic particles. Specifically, I will discuss (i) a numerical algorithm for computing the partition function of a system of particles interacting by a short-ranged potential, and (ii) some recent work on determining of the symmetry numbers of sticky-sphere clusters. This is joint work with Jonathan Goodman and Miranda Holmes-Cerfon.