

The Math/Stats Colloquium Department of Mathematics and Statistics San José State University



## Elizabeth Miller SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory Synchrotron Characterization

of Energy Materials: From Optics to Operando Measurements

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**Abstract:** Synchrotrons are a source of high-powered X-rays used to characterize materials, devices, proteins, and more. Complex optics and electronics are required to create these X-rays, which provide significant insights into the chemistry and structure of materials.

In this talk, an overview of synchrotron radiation and its use in studying materials for energy conversion and storage will be provided. Several case studies focusing on batteries will exhibit the power of synchrotron characterization and its application for *operando* experiments.

*Background:* Math for chemistry and physics. The necessary background knowledge in materials science will be explained in the talk.

About the speaker: Elizabeth (Beth) Miller is a postdoc at the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Lightsource at SLAC. She received her Ph.D. in Materials Science & Engineering from Northwestern Univ. while researching solid oxide fuel cells. Her current research involves X-ray characterization of lithium-sulfur batteries.

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