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Piecewise-linear and non-archimedean geometries

Abstract:
This will be kind of a survey talk (including classical results, more recent ones, and a joint work with Amaury Thuillier which is still in progress ) about the deep links which exist between non-archimedean geometry over a valued field and piecewise linear geometry. I will mainly focus on the properties of some subsets of non-archimedean analytic spaces (in the sense of Vladimir Berkovich), called the skeleta, that inherit a canonical piecewise linear structure.