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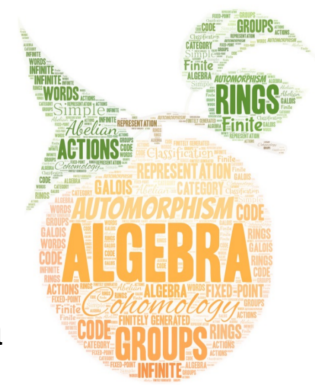which is meant to give you a small taste of Algebra at Bicocca and beyond

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The Kaplansky conjectures

Abstract: There is a series of four fundamental and long-standing conjectures on group rings attributed to Kaplansky: the unit, zero divisor, idempotent and direct finiteness conjectures. The zero divisor conjecture, for example, states that the group ring of a torsion-free group with field coefficients has no zero divisors. I will discuss these conjectures, their connections to other open questions in various areas of mathematics, and the disproof of the unit conjecture.