Lecture 1: Rationality in Families

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Abstract: Consider a family of smooth complex projective varieties over a connected base. Which members are rational? Stably rational? We focus on recent general results and also outstanding questions that remain. These are illustrated in several key examples, including hypersurfaces of low degree. (joint with Kresch, Pirutka, and Tschinkel)