# Metric geometry of singularity types Joint work with T. Darvas and C. Lu 

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## Theorem (DDL'19)

Solutions to a family of Monge-Ampère equations with varying singularity type converge as governed by the $d_{\mathcal{S}}$-topology. More precisely, $\left\|\psi-\psi_{j}\right\|_{L^{1}} \rightarrow 0$.

