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Title: Introductory Bumponomics: untouchable points in boundaries of deformation spaces of hyperbolic 3-manifolds.

Abstract: In this talk, we study the space AH(M) of all (marked) hyperbolic 3-manifolds homotopy equivalent to a fixed compact 3-manifold M (with boundary.) The topology of the interior of AH(M) is quite simple and has been well-understood since the 1970's. However, in the last decade it has become clear that the global topology of AH(M) is quite complicated.

In this talk, we will survey the history and discuss recent joint work with Brock, Bromberg and Minsky, which shows, in many cases, that the topology is well-behaved at "most" points in the boundary of AH(M).