1056-Z1-610 Mindy Beth Capaldi\* (mindy\_capaldi@ncsu.edu), North Carolina State University, Department of Mathematics, Campus Box 8205, Raleigh, NC 27695.  $L_{\infty}$  Algebras and Symmetric Braces.

This presentation introduces  $L_{\infty}$  algebras, symmetric braces, and  $L_{\infty}$  morphisms, provides examples of each, and then shows how we can use  $L_{\infty}$  morphisms to derive new  $L_{\infty}$  algebras from existing ones. The proof that we do indeed have a new  $L_{\infty}$  algebra is in the context of symmetric brace algebras. We can demonstrate this process with a concrete example where we start with a small, but nontrivial,  $L_{\infty}$  algebra as well as a simple set of morphisms. (Received September 14, 2009)