1116-14-1529 Lorenzo Prelli\* (lorenzop@uw.edu), University of Washington, Department of Mathematics, Box 354350, Seattle, WA 98195-4350. On rationalizing divisors.

Rational pairs generalize the notion of rational singularities to reduced pairs (X, D). In this talk we will deal with the problem of determining whether a normal variety X has a rationalizing divisor, i.e. a reduced divisor D such that (X, D) is a rational pair. We will give a criterion for cones to have a rationalizing divisor, and relate the existence of such a divisor to the locus of rational singularities of a variety. (Received September 20, 2015)