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**An introduction to the Drinfeld-Langlands program**

The fundamental group of the Jacobian of a compact Riemann surface is abelian and is canonically isomorphic to the maximal abelian quotient of the fundamental group of the Riemann surface. In this talk, I would like to explain how this classical statement may be viewed as the GL(1)-case of the geometric Langlands program.