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The quiver-graded Springer and the Grothendieck-Springer resolutions are extremely interesting geometric objects as they appear in the geometric construction of quiver Hecke algebras, modified Steinberg varieties, quantum shuffle algebras and quantum cluster algebras, to name a few. I will talk about the general notion of categorification, leading us to the current work-in-progress of categorifying Verma modules for the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ . This is joint with Ben Cox, a faculty at the College of Charleston. (Received September 14, 2015)