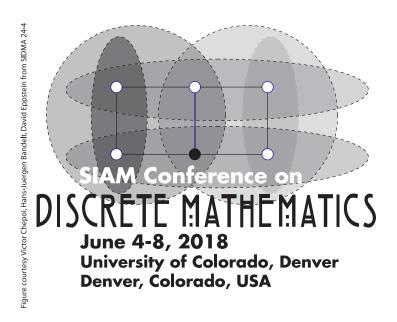
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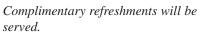
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Wednesday, June 6

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM



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Daniel Kral, University of Warwick, United Kingdom
Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250)

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

IP2 Interpolation Polynomials, Operator Method, and Theory of Enumeration

Catherine Yan, Texas A&M University, USA

Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250)

Tuesday, June 5

8:15 AM - 9:00 AM

IP3 Title Not Available at Time of Publication
Anna R. Karlin, University of Washington, USA
North Classroom 1130

Invited Plenary Speakers

Wednesday, June 6

8:15 AM - 9:00 AM

IP4 Waiter-Client Games

Michael Krivelevich, Tel Aviv University, Israel

North Classroom 1130

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

IP5 New Developments in Hypergraph Ramsey Theory
Andrew Suk, University of California, San Diego, USA
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IP6 Random Graph Processes

Robert Morris, Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics - IMPA, Brazil North Classroom 1130

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

IP7 Deciphering Cellular Networks: From Normal Functioning to Disease
Mona Singh, Princeton University, USA
North Classroom 1130

Friday, June 8 8:15 AM - 9:00 AM

IP8 Algorithms for the Asymmetric Traveling Salesman Problem
 Ola Svensson, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland
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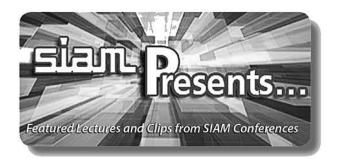
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** The Dénes König Prize Lecture will take place in North Classroom 1130**

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SP1 2018 Dénes König Prize Lecture:

Pseudorandom Graphs and the Green-Tao Theorem **Yufei Zhao**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA



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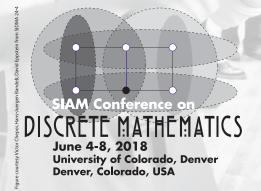
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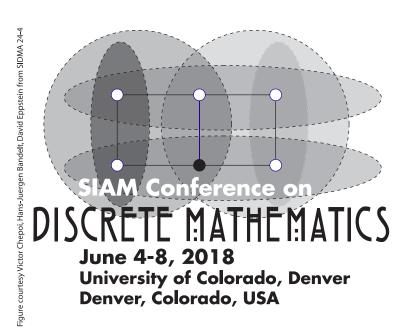
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The summer school is being organized by Laura Grigori (Inria and Sorbonne University), Matthew Knepley (University at Buffalo) Olaf Schenk (Università della Svizzera Italiana), and Rich Vuduc (Georgia Institute of Technology).

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Opening Remarks

8:00 AM-8:15 AM

Room:Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250)

Monday, June 4

IP1

Analytic Methods in Graph Theory

8:15 AM-9:00 AM

Room:Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250)

Chair: To Be Determined

The theory of graph limits provides analytic tools to study large graphs. Such tools have found applications in various areas of computer science and mathematics; they are also closely linked to the flag algebra method, which changed the landscape of extremal combinatorics. We will present an introduction to this rapidly developing area of graph theory and survey some of the recent results obtained in the area.

Daniel Kral

University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Coffee Break

9:00 AM-9:30 AM



Room:Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250) Atrium Monday, June 4
Registration

9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130 Entry

MS₁

Combinatorics of Partially Ordered Sets - Part I of III

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1604

For Part 2 see MS6

Over the past 10 years there has been a resurgence of research into the combinatorics of partially ordered sets, including significant progress on old conjectures, applications of classical techniques to seemingly unrelated problems in other areas of mathematics, and novel connections between well-studied areas. The goal of this minisymposium is to continue the growth of this area by bringing together senior and junior researchers working on the combinatorics of partially ordered sets.

Organizer: Mitchel T. Keller Washington and Lee University, USA

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9:30-9:55 Hereditary Semiorders and Enumeration of Semiorders by Dimension (Part I)

Mitchel T. Keller, Washington and Lee University, USA; Stephen J. Young, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, USA

10:00-10:25 Hereditary Semiorders and Enumeration of Semiorders by Dimension (Part II)

Mitchel T. Keller, Washington and Lee University, USA; *Stephen J. Young*, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, USA

10:30-10:55 A Simple Proof Characterizing Interval Orders with Interval Lengths between 1 and k

Simona Boyadzhiyska, Freie Universitaet Berlin, Germany; Garth T. Isaak, Lehigh University, USA; *Ann N. Trenk*, Wellesley College, USA

11:00-11:25 A Note on the Size of *N*-free Families

Shanise Walker and Ryan R. Martin, Iowa State University, USA

MS2

Structural Graph Theory -Part I of III

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

For Part 2 see MS7

Structural theorems in graph theory seek to describe all the graphs with satisfying some desirable property by showing such graphs either fall into one of a number of basic classes or can be decomposed into smaller graphs. The methodology has shown to be extremely effective in proving both theoretical results as well as in the development of efficient algorithms.

Organizer: Paul Wollan

University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

9:30-9:55 Large Independent Sets in Triangle-free Graphs Avoiding a Clique-minor

Zdenek Dvorak, Charles University, Czech Republic; Liana Yepremyan, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

10:00-10:25 Hereditary Families with Atypical Structure

Sergey Norin, McGill University, Canada; Yelena Yuditsky, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

10:30-10:55 Polynomial-time Algorithm for Maximum Weight Independent Set on P6-free Graphs

Andrzej Grzesik, University of Warwick, United Kingdom; *Tereza Klimosova*, Charles University, Czech Republic; Marcin Pilipczuk and Michal Pilipczuk, University of Warsaw, Poland

11:00-11:25 Erdös-Pósa Property of Chordless Cycles and its Applications

O-Joung Kwon, Incheon National University, Korea; Eun Jung Kim, Universite Paris Dauphine and CNRS, France

11:30-11:55 The Grid Theorem for Rank-Width

Jim Geelen, University of Waterloo, Canada; O-Joung Kwon, Incheon National University, Korea; *Rose McCarty*, University of Waterloo, Canada; Paul Wollan, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy Monday, June 4

MS3

Graph Coloring - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1005

For Part 2 see MS8

Graph coloring is a central area of discrete mathematics, and it is widely studied. In this minisymposium we will hear about recent developments in the area.

Organizer: Daniel Cranston Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

9:30-9:55 Acyclic Edge-coloring of Planar Graphs: Delta Colors Suffice when Delta is Large

Daniel Cranston, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

10:00-10:25 Characterization of Cycle Obstruction Sets for Improper Coloring Planar Graphs

Ilkyoo Choi, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, Korea

10:30-10:55 Distributed Coloring with Fewer Colors

Marthe Bonamy, LaBRI, Université de Bordeaux, and CNRS, France

11:00-11:25 Vector Coloring the Categorical Product of Graphs

Robert Šámal, Charles University, Czech Republic

11:30-11:55 Vertex Partition with Average Degree Constraint

Hehui Wu, Shanghai Center for Mathematical Sciences, China Monday, June 4

MS4

Discrete Random Processes - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1003

For Part 2 see MS10

The analysis of discrete random processes is a central topic in the fields of probabilistic combinatorics and random graph theory, and has important applications to extremal combinatorics. In this minisymposium, researchers will share recent results in the area including dynamic concentration and the so-called "differential equations method" and its applications.

Organizer: Deepak Bal Montclair State University, USA

Organizer: Patrick Bennett Western Michigan University, USA

9:30-9:55 The Bipartite $K_{2,2}$ -Free Process and Ramsey Numbers

Patrick Bennett, Western Michigan University, USA

10:00-10:25 A Probabilistic Approach Towards the Aharoni-Berger Conjecture on Rainbow Matchings

Pu Gao, Monash University, Australia

10:30-10:55 Domination in Random Regular Graphs and in Graphs with Large Girth

Carlos Hoppen and Giovane Mansan, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil

11:00-11:25 The Size of the Giant Component in the D-Process

Laura Eslava, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

11:30-11:55 Packing Edge-disjoint Spanning Trees in Random Geometric Graphs

Pu Gao, Monash University, Australia; *Xavier Perez-Gimenez*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA; Cristiane M. Sato, University of Waterloo, Canada

MS5

Extremal Problems Involving Cycles and Trees - Part I of II

9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1806

For Part 2 see MS11

Extremal combinatorics is the study of questions of the form "How large does a parameter of a graph G need to be to guarantee that G contains a certain substructure?" In addition to being interesting on their own right, problems in extremal combinatorics are important because they occur in many other branches of mathematics as well as computer science. Additionally, many useful methods, such as the probabilistic method and regularity, have arisen from the study of extremal combinatorics. The aim of this minisymposium is to bring together promising young researchers in extremal combinatorics. We will discuss recent progress on important conjectures, new methods developed to solve them, and interesting new problems in the area. We will particularly focus on extremal problems involving sparse structures such as cycles, trees and hypercubes. Such problems are usually much harder then ones involving dense structures. However, recently various new methods have been found for studying sparse structures e.g. the hypergraph container method. We hope that gathering researchers working on such problems will encourage the exchange of ideas, leading to further progress in the area.

Organizer: Shoham Letzter University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

Organizer: Alexey Pokrovskiy

ETH Zürich, Switzerland
9:30-9:55 Rainbow Trees

Alexey Pokrovskiy, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

10:00-10:25 Three Colour Bipartite Ramsey Number of Cycles and Paths

Matija Bucic, Shoham Letzter, and Benjamin Sudakov, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

10:30-10:55 A Stability Theorem for Small Cycle Covers

Frank Mousset, Tel Aviv University, Israel

11:00-11:25 Linear Cycles of Consecutive Lengths in Linear Hypergraphs

Liana Yepremyan, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Monday, June 4

CP1

Networks

9:30 AM-11:10 AM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Chair: To Be Determined

9:30-9:45 Algebraic Analysis of Spiking Neural Networks for Graph Partitioning

Kathleen Hamilton, Catherine Schuman, and Travis Humble, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, USA

9:50-10:05 Approximating Sparse Graphs: the Random Overlapping Communities Model

Samantha N. Petti and Santosh Vempala, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

10:10-10:25 Robust Maximal Independent Sets

Kevin C. Halasz, Simon Fraser University, Canada; Arnaud Casteigts, Universite de Bordeaux I, France; Luis Goddyn, Simon Fraser University, Canada

10:30-10:45 Large Degree Asymptotics and the Reconstruction Threshold of Asymmetric Ising Model on Regular D-Ary Trees

Wenjian Liu, City University of New York,

10:50-11:05 Dynamical Stability Despite Time-Varying Network Structure

David Reber and Benjamin Webb, Brigham Young University, USA Monday, June 4

CP2

Directed Graphs

9:30 AM-11:10 AM

Room:North Classroom 1607

Chair: To Be Determined

9:30-9:45 Proper Orientations of Planar Bipartite Graphs

Sebastian Gonzalez Hermosillo De La and Fiachra Knox, Simon Fraser University, Canada; Naoki Matsumoto, Seikei University, Japan; Bojan Mohar, Simon Fraser University, Canada; Claudia Linhares Sales, Federal University of Ceará, Brazil

9:50-10:05 Cyclic Triangle Factors in Regular Tournaments

Theodore Molla, University of South Florida, USA; Lina Li, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA

10:10-10:25 A Matrix Approach to p-Competition Graphs

Taehee Hong, Suh-Ryung Kim, and Seung Chul Lee, Seoul National University, Korea

10:30-10:45 On 1-Factors with Prescribed Lengths in Tournaments

Dongyeap Kang, Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Korea; Jaehoon Kim, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

10:50-11:05 Simple Transformation for Finding a Maximum Weighted Matching in General Digraphs

Choon Sung Lim, Bank of Korea, South Korea

Lunch Break

12:00 PM-1:30 PM

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IP2

Interpolation Polynomials, Operator Method, and Theory of Enumeration

1:30 PM-2:15 PM

Room:Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250)

Chair: To Be Determined

Goncarov Polynomials are the basis of solutions of the classical Goncarov Interpolation Problem, which have been studied extensively by analysts due to their significance in the interpolation theory of smooth and analytic functions. These Polynomials also play an important role in combinatorics due to their close relations to parking functions. This is not just a coincidence. In this talk we will present the interpolation problems with delta-operators, develop the algebraic and analytic theory of delta-Goncarov polynomials, and apply these results to problems in binomial enumeration and order statistics.

Catherine Yan

Texas A&M University, USA

Coffee Break

2:15 PM-2:45 PM



Room:Tivoli Student Union Turnhalle (TV 250) Atrium Monday, June 4

MS₆

Combinatorics of Partially Ordered Sets - Part II of III

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

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2:45-3:10 Local Dimension is Unbounded for Planar Posets

Bartlomiej Bosek, Jagiellonian University, Poland; Jaroslaw Grytczuk, Warsaw University of Technology, Poland; William T. Trotter, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

3:15-3:40 Fractional Local Dimension

Fidel Barrera-Cruz, Thomas Prag, Heather C. Smith, and *William T. Trotter*, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

3:45-4:10 Dimension and Subdivision of K_{Δ} Free Posets

Adam Bamforth, University of Louisville, USA

4:15-4:40 Partially Ordered Sets and Finite Topologies

Emilie Purvine, Cliff Joslyn, and Brenda Praggastis, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, USA; Michael Robinson, American University, USA

4:45-5:10 A Random Version of the r-fork-free Theorem

Kirsten Hogenson, Colorado College, USA

Monday, June 4

MS7

Structural Graph Theory -Part II of III

2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Room: North Classroom 1130

For Part 1 see MS2 For Part 3 see MS13

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Organizer: Paul Wollan

University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

2:45-3:10 Scattered Classes of Graphs O-Joung Kwon, Incheon National University,

Korea; Sang-Il Oum, KAIST, Korea

3:15-3:40 On the Genus of the Complete 3-uniform Hypergraph

Bojan Mohar and Yifan Jing, Simon Fraser University, Canada

3:45-4:10 The Genus of a Random Bipartite Graph

Yifan Jing and Bojan Mohar, Simon Fraser University, Canada

4:15-4:40 Half-integral Linkages in Highly Connected Directed Graphs

Irene Muzi, University of Warsaw, Poland; Paul Wollan, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy; Katherine Edwards, Nokia Bell Labs, USA

MS8

Graph Coloring - Part II of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1539

For Part 1 see MS3

Graph coloring is a central area of discrete mathematics, and it is widely studied. In this minisymposium we will hear about recent developments in the area.

Organizer: Daniel Cranston Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

2:45-3:10 Bounding the Chromatic Number by a Fraction of the Maximum Degree for Graphs with no Large Cliques

Thomas Kelly, University of Waterloo, Canada

3:15-3:40 Circular Flow and Circular Coloring of Graphs

Jiaao Li, West Virginia University, USA

3:45-4:10 4-coloring P₆-free Graphs *Sophie Spirkl*, Princeton University, USA

4:15-4:40 Clustered Coloring, Hajos' Conjecture and Gerards-Seymour Conjecture

Chun-Hung Liu, Princeton University, USA

4:45-5:10 Coloring ($2K_2$, W_4)-Free Graphs

Aurélie Lagoutte, University Clermont-Auvergne, France Monday, June 4

MS9

Secret Sharing at the Intersection of Cryptography and Coding Theory

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Secret sharing is an important primitive in cryptography, allowing n parties to share a secret, x, so that "qualified" subsets of parties can recover the secret, but an "unqualified" subsets of parties learn nothing about the secret. There are rich connections between secret sharing and error correcting codes, and this mini-symposium will bring together researchers working at this intersection to discuss their work and share ideas. Secret sharing has found numerous applications in theoretical and realworld cryptographic constructions, and these cryptographic applications have motivated many variations and extensions of the basic definitions, including robust, verifiable, pseudorandom, and homomorphic secret sharing, among others. Ideas from coding theory have been a key tool in the approach of many of these problems, going all the way back to the Shamir secret sharing scheme, which is essentially a Reed-Solomon code. However, more recent advances have including connections throughout coding theory, in particular to locally decodable codes and coding for distributed storage. This minisymposium will highlight recent research on secret sharing across the fields of cryptography, theoretical computer science and electrical engineering, with the aim to strengthen the ties between these fields.

Organizer: Mary Wootters Stanford University, USA

Organizer: Brett Hemenway University of Pennsylvania, USA

2:45-3:10 Secure Distributed Storage and Its Connections to Communication-efficient Secret Sharing

Ankit Rawat, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

3:15-3:40 Staircase Codes for Secret Sharing and Private Information Retrieval

Salim El Rouayheb, Rutgers University, USA

3:45-4:10 Homomorphic Secret Sharing, or: Locally Decodable Codes for Functions (Part 1)

Yuval Ishai, Technion, Israel

4:15-4:40 Homomorphic Secret Sharing, or: Locally Decodable Codes for Functions (Part 2)

Elette Boyle, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, Israel

4:45-5:10 Coding for Private Function Computation

Joerg Kliewer, New Jersey Institute of Technology, USA

MS10

Discrete Random Processes - Part II of II

2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Room: North Classroom 1003

For Part 1 see MS4

The analysis of discrete random processes is a central topic in the fields of probabilistic combinatorics and random graph theory, and has important applications to extremal combinatorics. In this minisymposium, researchers will share recent results in the area including dynamic concentration and the so-called "differential equations method" and its applications.

Organizer: Deepak Bal Montclair State University, USA

Organizer: Patrick Bennett Western Michigan University, USA

2:45-3:10 Embedding the Uniform Random Graph into the Bipartite Regular Random Graph

Tereza Klimosova, Charles University, Czech Republic; Christian Reiher, University of Hamburg, Germany; Andrzej Rucinski, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland, and Emory University, USA; *Matas Sileikis*, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic

3:15-3:40 Packing Nearly Optimal Ramsey R(3,t) Graphs

He Guo and Lutz Warnke, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

3:45-4:10 Assessing Significance in a Markov Chain Without Mixing

Wes Pegden, Carnegie Mellon University,

4:15-4:40 Minimizing the Number of 5-cycles in Graphs with Given Edgedensity

Andrzej Dudek, Western Michigan University, USA

Monday, June 4

MS11

Extremal Problems Involving Cycles and Trees -Part II of II

2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Room:North Classroom 1806

For Part 1 see MS5

Extremal combinatorics is the study of questions of the form "How large does a parameter of a graph G need to be to guarantee that G contains a certain substructure?" In addition to being interesting on their own right, problems in extremal combinatorics are important because they occur in many other branches of mathematics as well as computer science. Additionally, many useful methods, such as the probabilistic method and regularity, have arisen from the study of extremal combinatorics. The aim of this minisymposium is to bring together promising young researchers in extremal combinatorics. We will discuss recent progress on important conjectures, new methods developed to solve them, and interesting new problems in the area. We will particularly focus on extremal problems involving sparse structures such as cycles, trees and hypercubes. Such problems are usually much harder then ones involving dense structures. However, recently various new methods have been found for studying sparse structures e.g. the hypergraph container method. We hope that gathering researchers working on such problems will encourage the exchange of ideas, leading to further progress in the area.

Organizer: Shoham Letzter University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

Organizer: Alexey Pokrovskiy ETH Zürich. Switzerland

2:45-3:10 Path Partitions of Regular Graphs

Shoham Letzter, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

3:15-3:40 Generalized Turan Problem for Trees

Clara Shikhelman, Tel Aviv University, Israel

3:45-4:10 Maximising the Number of Induced Cycles in a Graph

Natasha Morrison, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

4:15-4:40 Incomplete Tilings

Vytautas Gruslys, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

CP3

Algebraic Combinatorics/ Geometry

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1607

Chair: To Be Determined

2:45-3:00 Solving Tropical Linear Systems in Terms of the Shortest Path Problem

Yuki Nishida, Doshisha University, Japan; Sennosuke Watanabe, National Institute of Technology, Oyama College, Japan ; Yoshihide Watanabe, Doshisha University, Japan

3:05-3:20 Topology and Holomorphic Invariants Using the Application of Combinatorics

Abdulsalam G. Ya'u, Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University Bauchi, Nigeria; Mohammed Abdulhameed, Federal Polytechnic Bauchi, Nigeria

3:25-3:40 Many *k*-Neighborly Polytopes from Quivers

Daniel Mckenzie, University of Georgia, USA; Patricio Gallardo, Washington University, St. Louis, USA

3:45-4:00 On Generalized Quadrangles and Girth Eight Algebraically Defined Graphs

Brian Kronenthal, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, USA; Felix Lazebnik, University of Delaware, USA; Jason Williford, University of Wyoming, USA

Welcome Reception

5:15 PM-7:15 PM



Room: Tivoli Brewing Company

Tuesday, June 5

Registration

7:30 AM-3:30 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130 Entry

Announcements

8:10 AM-8:15 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

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8:15 AM-9:00 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

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Anna R. Karlin

University of Washington, USA

Coffee Break

9:00 AM-9:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130 Atrium

Tuesday, June 5

MS12

Combinatorics of Partially Ordered Sets - Part III of III

9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1604

For Part 2 see MS6

Over the past 10 years there has been a resurgence of research into the combinatorics of partially ordered sets, including significant progress on old conjectures, applications of classical techniques to seemingly unrelated problems in other areas of mathematics, and novel connections between well-studied areas. The goal of this minisymposium is to continue the growth of this area by bringing together senior and junior researchers working on the combinatorics of partially ordered sets.

Organizer: Mitchel T. Keller Washington and Lee University, USA

Organizer: Stephen J. Young
Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, USA

9:30-9:55 On the Dimension of Random Posets

Csaba Biro, University of Louisville, USA; Peter Hamburger, Western Kentucky University, USA; H. A. Kierstead, Arizona State University, USA; Attila Por, Western Kentucky University, USA; William T. Trotter and Ruidong Wang, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

10:00-10:25 The Width of Down Sets in Boolean Lattices

Dwight Duffus, Emory University, USA; David M. Howard, Colgate University, USA; Imre Leader, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

10:30-10:55 Minimum Saturated Families of Sets

Tuan Tran, Matija Bucic, Shoham Letzter, and Benny Sudakov, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

11:00-11:25 Whitney Duals of Graded Posets

Joshua Hallam, Wake Forest University, USA

MS13

Structural Graph Theory -Part III of III

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

For Part 2 see MS7

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Organizer: Paul Wollan
University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

9:30-9:55 Coloring Graphs with No Clique Immersion

Paul Wollan and Tommaso d'Orsi, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

10:00-10:25 Caterpillars and the Strong Erdos-Hajnal Property

Anita Liebenau, Monash University, Australia; Marcin Pilipczuk, University of Warsaw, Poland; Paul Seymour and Sophie Spirkl, Princeton University, USA

10:30-10:55 Obstructions for Three-Coloring and List Three-Coloring H-Free Graphs

Maria Chudnovsky, Princeton University, USA; Jan Goedgebeur, Ghent University, Belgium; Oliver Schaudt, RWTH Aachen, Germany; *Mingxian Zhong*, Columbia University, USA

11:00-11:25 Unavoidable Minors in 2-connected Graphs of Large Pathwidth

Tony Huynh and Gwenael Joret, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium; Piotr Micek, Jagiellonian University, Poland; David R. Wood, Monash University, Australia

11:30-11:55 Attacking Hadwiger's Conjecture via Chordal Partitions

David R. Wood, Monash University, Australia Tuesday, June 5

MS14

Graph Colouring - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1539

For Part 2 see MS17

In it's broadest definition, graph coloring involves assigning labels (which might be colors, numbers, lists) to each vertex or edge of a graph using stated restrictions, rules, and goals. Each type of graph coloring has its own uses and motivations. There are many forms of graph coloring. 'Proper' coloring, list coloring, path coloring, fractional coloring, distinguishing coloring are just a few of these. Graph theorists who study various graph colorings often find it useful to learn each others' motivations and methods. This session brings together researchers from a variety of types of graph colorings in order to encourage such sharing and productive cross fertilization.

Organizer: Debra L. Boutin *Hamilton College, USA*

Organizer: Gary MacGillivray University of Victoria, Canada

9:30-9:55 Acyclic Colouring of Graphs on Surfaces

Shayla Redlin and Luke Postle, University of Waterloo, Canada

10:00-10:25 The Distinguishing Cost of Graph Products

Debra L. Boutin, Hamilton College, USA

10:30-10:55 On Uniquely k-List Colorable Graphs

Joan P. Hutchinson, Macalester College, USA; Ebad Mahmoodian, Sharif University of Technology, Iran

11:00-11:25 Distinguishing Numbers of Partially Ordered Sets

Karen Collins, Wesleyan University, USA; Ann N. Trenk, Wellesley College, USA

11:30-11:55 Arithmetic Progressions in Graphs

Michael Young, Iowa State University, USA

Tuesday, June 5

MS15

Computational Biology - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1003

For Part 2 see MS18

This minisymposium surveys a host of different topics where graph theory, combinatorics, and discrete mathematics more generally are making contributions to computational biology. Part I focuses on the analysis of biological networks. Part II looks at a range of topics from biological networks to sequence analysis, and circles back to new mathematical problems inspired by the biology.

Organizer: Lenore J. Cowen *Tufts University, USA*

9:30-9:55 Random Walk Methods and Their Application to Biological Networks

Lenore J. Cowen, Tufts University, USA

10:00-10:25 Synthesizing Signaling Pathways from Temporal Phosphoproteomic Data

Anthony Gitter, University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA

10:30-10:55 Integration and Dissection of Molecular Networks for Functional Analysis and Disease Modeling

Jian Peng, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA

11:00-11:25 A Multi-Species Functional Embedding Integrating Sequence and Network Structure

Mark Leiserson, University of Maryland, College Park, USA

11:30-11:55 Denoising Large Scale Molecular Profiling Data Using Network Filters

Andrew J. Kavran and Aaron Clauset, University of Colorado Boulder, USA

MS16

New Trends in Enumerative Combinatorics - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1806

For Part 2 see MS19

The origin of algebraic combinatorics lies in the desire to bring coherence and unity to the discipline of combinatorics, in particular, enumeration, and to incorporate it into the mainstream of contemporary mathematics. Today Algebraic and Enumerative Combinatorics concerns itself with the study of combinatorial problems arising from other branches of mathematics and, on the other hand, with the application and use of techniques coming from other parts of mathematics to combinatorial problems. At the heart of the subject there is the development of algebraic theories for the solution to such problems. The implied interactions with other fields are mutually beneficial and concern particularly Algebra, Geometry, Topology, Computer Science, Probability Theory and Statistics. The development of combinatorics requires a familiarity of several mathematical branches for its researchers. This minisymposium is proposed to facilitate the contact between Enumerative and Algebraic Combinatorics and other fields in an effective way. It is aimed to bring together a strong group of active researchers in Algebraic Combinatorics with an emphasis on Enumeration, as well as other areas of mathematical sciences in which substantial enumerative questions with a strong algebraic or geometric foundation have arisen.

Organizer: Catherine Yan

Texas A&M University, USA

Organizer: Yue Cai Texas A&M University, USA

9:30-9:55 Parking Distributions on Trees

Catherine Yan, Texas A&M University, USA

10:00-10:25 Barely Set-valued Tableaux and Nonintersecting Paths in Young Diagrams

Peter L. Guo, Nankai University, China

10:30-10:55 Mahonian-Stirling Statistics on Labeled Trees

Svetlana Poznanovikj and Amy Grady, Clemson University, USA

11:00-11:25 Log-behavior of Partition Function

Xingwei Wang, Nankai University, China

11:30-11:55 Counting with Borel's Triangle

Yue Cai and Catherine Yan, Texas A&M University, USA

Tuesday, June 5

CP4

Algorithms and Applications

9:30 AM-11:50 AM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Chair: To Be Determined

9:30-9:45 Polynomial Time Solution to the Domino Puzzle

Ivan Avramovic, George Mason University, USA

9:50-10:05 The Solution Attractor Theory of Local Search System: The Traveling Salesman Problem Case

Weiqi Li, University of Michigan-Flint, USA

10:10-10:25 Efficient Methods for Enforcing Contiguity in Geographic Districting Problems

Sheldon H. Jacobson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA; Douglas King, University of Illinois, USA; Edward Sewell, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, USA

10:30-10:45 Optimizing Order Picking Problem By a New Scalable Method

Arash Ghasemi, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, SimCenter, USA

10:50-11:05 Leximax and Leximin Rank-Ordered Rules on the Power Set with Discrete Categories

Takashi Kurihara, Waseda University, Japan

11:10-11:25 Garden-of-Eden States and Fixed Points of Monotone Systems

Ricky X. Chen, Virginia Tech, USA; Christian Reidys and Henning Mortveit, Biocomplexity Institute, USA

11:30-11:45 The Fullerene Project

Elizabeth Hartung, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, USA; Jack Graver, Syracuse University, USA

Lunch Break

12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Attendees on their own

SP1

2018 Dénes König Prize Lecture: Pseudorandom Graphs and the Green-Tao Theorem

1:30 PM-2:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

The celebrated Green-Tao theorem states that there are arbitrarily long arithmetic progressions in the primes. I will explain some of the main ideas of the proof from a graph theoretic perspective, with a focus on the role of pseudorandomness in the proof. (Based on joint work with David Conlon and Jacob Fox)

Yufei Zhao

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

Coffee Break

2:15 PM-2:45 PM



Room:North Classroom 1130 Atrium

Tuesday, June 5

MS17

Graph Colouring - Part II of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1539

For Part 1 see MS14

This 2-part minisymposium will showcase some of the many faces of graph colouring, arguably one of the most studied topics in graph theory. Part I features talks on distinguishing colourings where the colouring breaks the graph symmetry, list colourings where lists of colours are assigned to each vertex, and polychromatic colourings where given subgraphs must contain an element of each colour class. Part II features the following topics: a coloring game, colourings in which colour classes may induce cliques or independent sets, the chromatic number of subgraphs of a clustered graph, colouring with restrictions on the number of times each colour can appear in any neighborhood, and structures that forbid generalized colourings (i.e., homomorphisms) of graphs with two edge sets.

Organizer: Debra L. Boutin Hamilton College, USA

Organizer: Gary Macgillivray University of Victoria, Canada

2:45-3:10 The Slow-Coloring Game

Douglas B. West, Zhejiang Normal University, China and University of Illinois, USA

3:15-3:40 Fractional Cocolorings of Graphs

John Gimbel, University of Alaska, Fairbanks, USA; Andre Kundgen, California State University, San Marcos, USA

3:45-4:10 The Selective Coloring Problem

Tinaz Ekim, Bogazici University, Turkey

4:15-4:40 Homomorphism Duals for 2-Edge-Coloured Paths

Kyle Booker and *Richard Brewster*, Thompson Rivers University, Canada

4:45-5:10 Frugal Colourings and Homomorphisms

Gary MacGillivray, University of Victoria, Canada

Tuesday, June 5

MS18

Computational Biology - Part II of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

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2:45-3:10 Network-based Investigation of Mutational Profiles Reveals Cancer Genes

Borislav Hristov, Princeton University, USA

3:15-3:40 New Directions in Deconvolving Genomic Mixtures of Copy Number Variation Data

Haoyun Lei, Theodore Roman, Jesse Eation, and Russell Schwartz, Carnegie Mellon University, USA

3:45-4:10 Two Problems on Tree-based Networks

Megan Owen, City University of New York,

4:15-4:40 The Language of RNA Base Pairings

Christine Heitsch, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA; Svetlana Poznanović, Clemson University, USA; Torin Greenwood, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

4:45-5:10 Multi de Bruijn Sequences

Glenn Tesler, University of California, San Diego, USA

MS19

New Trends in Enumerative Combinatorics - Part II of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

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Organizer: Catherine Yan Texas A&M University, USA

Organizer: Yue Cai
Texas A&M University, USA

2:45-3:10 CLT for Descents in Matchings and Derangements

Gene Kim, University of South Carolina, USA

3:15-3:40 Two Types of Quasisymmetric Power Sums

Angela Hicks, Lehigh University, USA; Cristina Ballantine, College of the Holy Cross, USA; Zajj Daugherty, The City College of New York, USA; Sarah Mason, Wake Forest University, USA; Elizabeth Niese, Marshall University, USA

3:45-4:10 Enumeration on Rowincreasing Tableaux of Shape $2 \times n$

Ruoxia Du, East China Normal University, China

4:15-4:40 Detecting the Integer Decomposition Property and Ehrhart Unimodality in Reflexive Simplices

Robert Davis, Michigan State University, USA

4:45-5:10 New Duals of MacMahon's Theorem on Plane Partitions

Tri Lai, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA

Tuesday, June 5

MS20

Linear Algebra Methods in Combinatorics

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1005

Linear algebraic methods provide powerful tools for answering questions in combinatorics. Surprisingly, often the only solution for a purely combinatorial problem is found using linear algebra. Recent representative applications of these types of methods is the breakthrough upper bound on the maximum size of a 3-term AP free subset of $\mathbb{F}^{n}/_{3}$ and the recent constructions of smaller counterexamples to Borsuk's conjecture. Our minisymposium will focus on linear algebra methods with a special emphasis on spectral graph theory. Often, spectral graph theory theorems can be used to strengthen those in classical extremal graph theory. Our session will bring together both junior and senior researchers, both domestic and international.

Organizer: Michael Tait Carnegie Mellon University, USA

Organizer: Sebastian Cioaba

University of Delaware, USA

2:45-3:10 The Normalized Laplacian Matrix and Qualitative Properties of Graphs Including Random Walks

Steve Butler, Iowa State University, USA; Shaun Fallat, University of Regina, Canada; Kristin Heysse, Macalester College, USA; Stephen Kirkland, University of Manitoba, Canada

3:15-3:40 Forbidden Subgraphs and Equiangular Lines

Zilin Jiang, Technion Israel Institute of Technology, Israel

3:45-4:10 Rainbow Spanning Trees in General Graphs

Lauren M. Nelsen and Paul Horn, University of Denver, USA

4:15-4:40 Graphs Whose Distance Matrices Have the Same Determinant

Jephian C.-H. Lin, University of Victoria, Canada; Yen-Jen Cheng, National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan

4:45-5:10 Balanced Set Type Conditions

Jason Williford, University of Wyoming, USA

CP5

Hypergraphs, Ordered Sets, Extremal Combinatorics

2:45 PM-3:45 PM

Room: North Classroom 1604

Chair: To Be Determined

2:45-3:00 The Zarankiewicz Problem in 3-Partite Graphs

Craig Timmons, California State University, Sacramento, USA; Michael Tait, Carnegie Mellon University, USA

3:05-3:20 Decomposition of Random Hypergraphs

Xing Peng, Tainjin University, China

3:25-3:40 The Saturation Number, Extremal Number, Spectral Radius, and Family of k-Edge-Connected Graphs

Suil O, State University of New York, USA; Hui Lei and Yongtang Shi, Nankai University, China; Douglas B. West, Zhejiang Normal University, China and University of Illinois, USA; Xuding Zhu, Zhejiang Normal University, China Tuesday, June 5

CP6

Computational Geometry/ Words

2:45 PM-3:25 PM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Chair: To Be Determined

2:45-3:00 An Algorithm to Find Maximum Area Polygons Circumscribed About a Convex Polygon

Zsolt Langi, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Hungary

3:05-3:20 Circular Repetition Thresholds for Small Alphabets

James D. Currie, *Lucas Mol*, and Narad Rampersad, The University of Winnipeg, Canada

Wednesday, June 6

Registration

7:30 AM-3:30 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130 Entry

Announcements

8:10 AM-8:15 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

IP4

Waiter-Client Games

8:15 AM-9:00 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

Waiter-Client games (also called Picker-Chooser games) is a type of positional games that gained popularity recently. When played on the edge set of a graph G (typically a complete graph K_n , or a random graph drawn from G(n,p), the game goes as follows. For a positive integer q (the so called game bias), in each round Waiter offers to Client q+1 previously unoffered edges of G. Client chooses one of the edges offered, the rest go to Waiter. Waiter wins the game if by the time every edge of G has been claimed, Client's graph possesses a given graph theoretic property P, Client wins otherwise. We will present several recent results about Waiter-Client games played on complete and random graphs and discuss the role of the so called probabilistic intuition in their analysis. Based on joint works with M. Bednarska-Bzdega, D. Hefetz, T. Luczak, W. E. Tan, N. Trumer.

Michael Krivelevich

Tel Aviv University, Israel

Coffee Break

9:00 AM-9:30 AM



Room:North Classroom 1130 Atrium

Wednesday, June 6

MS21

Edge Colouring and Related Notions - Part I of II

9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1003

For Part 2 see MS28

Speakers will discuss problems related to edge colouring, including but not limited to: the classification problem, the Goldberg--Seymour conjecture, edge list colouring, matchings, and rainbow/ antirainbow subgraphs in edge-coloured graphs.

Organizer: Gregory J. Puleo *Auburn University*, USA

Organizer: Jessica McDonald Auburn University, USA

9:30-9:55 *t*-Cores for $(\Delta + t)$ -edge-colouring

Jessica McDonald and *Gregory J. Puleo*, Auburn University, USA

10:00-10:25 Star Edge-colorings of Subcubic Multigraphs

Zixia Song, University of Central Florida, USA

10:30-10:55 Delay Edge-colouring Bipartite Graphs

Katherine Edwards and William Kennedy, Nokia Bell Labs, USA

11:00-11:25 Recent Progress Toward Goldberg's Conjecture

Guantao Chen, Georgia State University, USA

Wednesday, June 6

MS22

Theoretical Computer Science as a New Discovery Engine of Discrete Mathematics

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1607

Theoretical Computer Science has a close relationship with discrete mathematics. The recent developments and breakthroughs in theoretical computer science can lead to surprising new progress of discrete mathematics. This session is a collection of some such amazing breakthroughs and connections.

Organizer: Rupei Xu University of Texas at Dallas, USA

Organizer: Andrea Lincoln

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

9:30-9:55 Fine-grained Complexity, Meta-algorithm and their Connections with Extremal Graph Theory

Rupei Xu and András Faragó, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

10:00-10:25 The 4/3 Additive Spanner Exponent Is Tight

Amir Abboud, IBM Research, USA; *Greg Bodwin*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

10:30-10:55 A Fast New Algorithm for Weak Graph Regularity

Jacob Fox, Stanford University, USA; László M. Lovász, University of California, Los Angeles, USA; *Yufei Zhao*, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

11:00-11:25 Explicit Constructions of Ramsey Graphs via Randomness Extractors

Xin Li, Johns Hopkins University, USA

11:30-11:55 Duality, Flows, and Shortest Paths in Planar Graphs

Jeff Erickson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA; *Kyle Fox*, University of Texas, Dallas, USA; Luvsandondov Lkhamsuren, Airbnb, USA

MS23

Reconfiguration Problems

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1604

Given two feasible solutions to a (combinatorial) problem, reconfiguration is the process of modifying the first into the second through a sequence of allowed steps while ensuring all intermediate configurations are feasible. A common framework for studying reconfiguration is to build a graph whose vertices are feasible solutions and adjacency indicates two solutions differ by a single reconfiguration step. Natural questions include studying the algorithmic complexity of finding reconfiguration sequences, conditions for the existence of reconfiguration sequences, and properties of reconfiguration graphs. Reconfiguration problems are interesting in their own right, They are also naturally applied to problems where one wishes to incrementally improve an existing solution while maintaining feasibility. Typically NP-hard problems lead to PSPACE-complete reconfiguration problems. A surprising example 3-colouring: it is NP-complete to determine if a graph admits a 3-colouring, but it is polynomial to determine if one colouring reconfigures to the another. This mini-symposium includes an introductory talk, and talks on reconfiguration of matroids, homomorphisms, matching, and dominating sets.

Organizer: Richard Brewster Thompson Rivers University, Canada

9:30-9:55 Invitation to Combinatorial Reconfiguration

Takehiro Ito, Tohoku University, Japan

10:00-10:25 Reconfiguring Graph Colourings and Homomorphisms

Richard Brewster, Thompson Rivers
University, Canada; Jae-Baek Lee,
Kyungpook National University, Korea;
Sean Mcguinness, Thompson Rivers
University, Canada; Benjamin Moore,
University of Waterloo, Canada; *Jonathan A. Noel*, University of Warwick, United
Kingdom; Mark Siggers, Kyungpook
National University, Korea

10:30-10:55 The Independent Domination Graph

Laura E. Teshima, University of Victoria, Canada; Richard Brewster, Thompson Rivers University, Canada; Kieka Mynhardt, University of Victoria, Canada

11:00-11:25 Hamilton Connectedness of Sdr Graphs

Stefan Bard, University of Victoria, Canada

11:30-11:55 Reconfiguration of Common Independent Sets of Matroids

Moritz Muehlenthaler, TU Dortmund, Germany

Wednesday, June 6

MS24

Analytic and Probabilistic Techniques in Combinatorics - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1005

For Part 2 see MS30

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Organizer: Andrzej Grzesik University of Warwick, United Kingdom

Organizer: Jan Volec McGill University, Canada

9:30-9:55 Extremal Graph Theory and Finite Forcibility

Andrzej Grzesik and Daniel Kral, University of Warwick, United Kingdom; *Laszlo M. Lovasz*, University of California, Los Angeles, USA

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10:00-10:25 Inducibility in Graphs

Florian Pfender, University of Colorado at Denver, USA; Bernard Lidicky, Iowa State University, USA

10:30-10:55 Large Multipartite Subgraphs of H-Free Graphs

Jan Volec, McGill University, Canada;
 Bernard Lidicky, Iowa State University,
 USA; Taisa Martins, University of Warwick,
 United Kingdom; Sergey Norin, McGill
 University, Canada; Ping Hu, University of
 Warwick, United Kingdom

11:00-11:25 Forcing Oriented Cycles

Roman Glebov, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel; *Andrzej Grzesik*, University of Warwick, United Kingdom; Jan Volec, McGill University, Canada

11:30-11:55 Step Sidorenko Property and Non-Norming Edge-Transitive Graphs

Daniel Kral, *Taisa Martins*, and Péter Pál Pach, University of Warwick, United Kingdom; Marcin Wrochna, University of Warsaw, Poland Wednesday, June 6

MS25

Graph Pebbling - Part I of III

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

For Part 2 see MS31

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Organizer: Franklin Kenter *United States Naval Academy, USA*

Organizer: Carl Yerger Davidson College, USA

9:30-9:55 A Brief Introduction to Graph Pebbling

Franklin Kenter, United States Naval Academy, USA

10:00-10:25 Graph Pebbling Algorithms, Doppelgangers, and Lemke Graphs

Charles A. Cusack, Hope College, USA

10:30-10:55 Pebbling on Semi-2-Trees

Liliana Alcon and Marisa Gutierrez, Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina; *Glenn Hurlbert*, VCU, Center for the Study of Biological Complexity, USA

11:00-11:25 Pebbling on Graph Products and More!

John Asplund, Dalton State College, USA; Franklin Kenter, United States Naval Academy, USA; Glenn Hurlbert, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

11:30-11:55 Pebbling on Split Graphs

Liliana Alcon and *Marisa Gutierrez*, Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina; Glenn Hurlbert, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

MS26

Matroid Theory - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1806

For Part 2 see MS32

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Organizer: Sandra Kingan
City University of New York, Brooklyn, USA

9:30-9:55 Graph and Matroid Designs

Talmage J. Reid, University of Mississippi, USA

10:00-10:25 Delta-Matroids and Rigidity Matroids

Brigitte Servatius, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, USA

10:30-10:55 Interlacement and Activities in Delta-Matroids

Ada Morse, University of Vermont, USA

11:00-11:25 Algebraic Structures Related to Matroid Theory

Ivan Martino, Northeastern University, USA

11:30-11:55 Projective Planarity of 3-Nets and Biased Graphs

Rigoberto Florez, The Citadel, USA

Wednesday, June 6

CP7

Structural Graph Theory

9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Chair: To Be Determined

9:30-9:45 A Bandwidth Theorem for Approximate Decompositions

Padraig Condon, Jaehoon Kim, Daniela Kühn, and Deryk Osthus, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

9:50-10:05 Coloring Vertex-minor-free Graphs with No Short Cycles

James G. Davies, University of Warwick, United Kingdom

10:10-10:25 On the Excluded Minors for Represented Frame Matroids

Cynthia Rodriguez and Jim Geelen, University of Waterloo, Canada

10:30-10:45 Extending a Result of Corradi and Hajnal

Michael Santana, Grand Valley State University, USA

10:50-11:05 Extremal Collections of k-Uniform Vectors

Joseph G. Briggs and Wesley Pegden, Carnegie Mellon University, USA

11:10-11:25 On Group Divisible Designs with Two Associate Classes and Larger Second Index

Chariya Uiyyasathian, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand

Lunch Break

12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Attendees on their own

Wednesday, June 6

IP5

New Developments in Hypergraph Ramsey Theory

1:30 PM-2:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

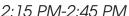
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The Ramsey number $r_k(s,n)$ is the minimum integer N, such that for any red/blue coloring of the k-tuples of $\{1,2,...,N\}$, there are s integers such that every k-tuple among them is red, or there are n integers such that every k-tuple among them is blue. In this talk, I will discuss new lower bounds for $r_k(s,n)$ which nearly settles a question of Erdos and Hajnal from 1972. I will also discuss a more general function introduced by Erdos and Hajnal, and several interesting open problems in the area. This is joint work with Dhruv Mubayi.

Andrew Suk

University of California, San Diego, USA

Coffee Break





Room:North Classroom 1130 Atrium

MS27

Modification Problems to Discrete Structures -Part I of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1604

For Part 2 see MS34

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Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China

Organizer: Saket Saurabh Institute of Mathematical Sciences, India

2:45-3:10 Modifications to Chodal Graphs

Saket Saurabh, Institute of Mathematical Sciences, India

3:15-3:40 Dynamic Parameterized Problems and Algorithms

Josh Alman, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

3:45-4:10 Solving Feedback Vertex Set via Half-Integral Relaxation

Yoichi Iwata, National Institute of Informatics, Japan

4:15-4:40 Delta Decomposition

Ross McConnell, Colorado State University Fort Collins, USA

Wednesday, June 6

MS28

Edge Colouring and Related Notions - Part II of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1003

For Part 1 see MS21

Speakers will discuss problems related to edge colouring, including but not limited to: the classification problem, the Goldberg--Seymour conjecture, edge list colouring, matchings, and rainbow/ antirainbow subgraphs in edge-coloured graphs.

Organizer: Gregory J. Puleo

Auburn University, USA

Organizer: Jessica McDonald

Auburn University, USA

2:45-3:10 Edge-Colouring Planar Graphs with Precoloured Edges

Joshua Harrelson, Jessica McDonald, and Gregory J. Puleo, Auburn University, USA

3:15-3:40 Total List Coloring of Planar Graphs

Marthe Bonamy, LaBRI, Université de Bordeaux, and CNRS, France; *Théo Pierron* and Eric Sopena, Universite de Bordeaux I, France

3:45-4:10 Independence Number of Edge-chromatic Critical Graphs

Yan Cao, Guantao Chen, and Guanming Jing, Georgia State University, USA; *Songling Shan*, Vanderbilt University, USA

4:15-4:40 Polychromatic Colorings of Complete Graphs with Respect to 1-,2-factors and Hamiltonian Cycles

Maria Axenovich, Karlsruhe Institute of
Technology, Germany; John L. Goldwasser
and Ryan Hansen, West Virginia University,
USA; Bernard Lidicky and Ryan R.
Martin, Iowa State University, USA; David
Offner, Westminster College, USA; John
Talbot, University College London, United
Kingdom; Michael Young, Iowa State
University, USA

4:45-5:10 Polychromatic Colorings of the Integers and Integers Mod N

John L. Goldwasser, West Virginia University, USA

MS29

Spatial Random Networks

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1606

The application of random graphs to the analysis of complex networks has led to many new mathematical models. Of special interest are spatial random graph models, where the vertices of the graphs are embedded in a metric space, and link formation depends on the distance of the vertices in the space. Spatial models are especially suited for the modelling of complex networks, such as social networks, biological networks, and Web-based networks such as Wikipedia. The underlying metric space represents the feature space, in which vertices are placed according to their defining properties. Vertices that are close together represent entities that are similar and so are more likely to be linked. This minisymposium aims to give an overview of the many different aspects of spatial random graphs. The simplest spatial graph model is the random geometric graph, where vertices are connected if and only if they are within a threshold distance of each other. The study of spatial random graphs is flourishing, and some of our speakers will give the latest results, including research on infinite random geometric graphs. A fundamental question addressed by some of our speakers is whether a large finite or infinite graph embodies the characteristics of the underlying metric space. Finally, some speakers will present state-of-the-art research using spatial random graphs to simulate the properties of real-life networks.

Organizer: Jeannette Janssen

Dalhousie University, Canada

Organizer: Anthony Bonato

Ryerson University, Canada

2:45-3:10 Infinite Random Geometric Graphs

Jeannette Janssen, Dalhousie University, Canada

3:15-3:40 Random Geometric Graphs in Normed Spaces

Karen Gunderson, University of Manitoba, Canada

3:45-4:10 Geometric Networks and Graph Limits

Mahya Ghandehari, University of Delaware, USA

4:15-4:40 On Geometric Embedding of Graphs and Random Graphs

Huda Chuangpishit, Ryerson University, Canada

4:45-5:10 Layout of Random Circulant Graphs

Israel S. Rocha, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech Republic Wednesday, June 6

MS30

Analytic and Probabilistic Techniques in Combinatorics

- Part II of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1539

For Part 1 see MS24

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2:45-3:10 Induced Subgraphs of Ramsey Graphs

Matthew Kwan and Benjamin Sudakov, ETH Zürich, Switzerland

3:15-3:40 On the Turón Number of Ordered Forests

Daniel Korandi, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland; Gábor Tardos, Alfréd Rényi Institute of Mathematics, Budapest; Istvan Tomon, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland; Craig Weidert, Google, Inc., USA

3:45-4:10 Polynomial Time Smoothed Analysis for Local Max-Cut

Fan Wei, Stanford University, USA; Omer Angel, University of British Columbia, Canada; Yuval Peres and Sébastien Bubeck, Microsoft Research, USA

4:15-4:40 Counting Tree-Like Graphs in Locally Dense Graphs

Joonkyung Lee, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

4:45-5:10 The Erdos-Gallai Theorem for Berge-Cycles in Hypergraphs

Alexandr Kostochka and *Ruth Luo*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA

Wednesday, June 6

MS31

Graph Pebbling - Part II of III

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

For Part 1 see MS25 For Part 3 see MS37

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2:45-3:10 Thresholds for Random Pebbling

Neal Bushaw, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

3:15-3:40 Optimal Pebbling Number of Graphs with Given Minimum Degree

Andrjez Czygrinow, Arizona State University, USA

3:45-4:10 The Weight Function Lemma and Its Applications

Glenn Hurlbert, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

4:15-4:40 Distance Pebbling on Directed Cycle Graphs

Michael P. Knapp, Loyola University Maryland, USA

4:45-5:10 A Graph Pebbling Algorithm on Weighted Graphs

Nandor Sieben, Northern Arizona University, USA

MS32

Matroid Theory - Part II of II

2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Room: North Classroom 1806

For Part 1 see MS26

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Organizer: Sandra Kingan City University of New York, Brooklyn, USA

2:45-3:10 Deletion Sets in Binary **Matroids**

Sandra Kingan, City University of New York, Brooklyn, USA

3:15-3:40 Efficient Enumeration of Binary Matroids Using a New **Canonical Form**

Ken Sugimori, University of Tokyo, Japan; Sonoko Moriyama, Nihon University, Japan; Kunihiko Sadakane, University of Tokyo, Japan

3:45-4:10 Beta Invariants of 3-Connected Matroids

Sooyeon Lee, University of Mississippi, USA

4:15-4:40 Triangle Roundedness in **Matroids**

Joao Paulo Costalonga, Federal University of Espirito Santo, Brazil

Wednesday, June 6

CP8

Enumeration

2:45 PM-4:05 PM

Room: North Classroom 1607

Chair: To Be Determined

2:45-3:00 Some Partitions Identities Between P(n,m) -P(n-1,m) and p(n,m-1)

Acadia B. Larsen, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, USA

3:05-3:20 Enumeration of Unsensed Orientable Maps on Surfaces of a Given Genus

Evgeniy Krasko and Alexander Omelchenko, St. Petersburg Academic University, Russia

3:25-3:40 Tools for Enumerating **Graphs with Prescribed Degree** Sequences

David Burstein, Swarthmore College, USA; Jonathan E. Rubin, University of Pittsburgh, USA

3:45-4:00 A Randomized Algorithm for Approximating Zonotopes

Paul Constantine, University of Colorado Boulder, USA; David F. Gleich, Purdue University, USA; Kerrek Stinson, Carnegie Mellon University, USA

Intermission

5:15 PM-5:30 PM

SIAG/DM Business Meeting

5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130





Complimentary refreshments will be served.

Thursday, June 7

Registration

7:30 AM-3:30 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130 Entry

Announcements

8:10 AM-8:15 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

IP6

Random Graph Processes

8:15 AM-9:00 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

When dealing with random objects, it is often useful to reveal the randomness gradually, rather than all at once; that is, to turn a static random object into a random process. In this talk we will describe some classical proofs of this type, and a few more recent applications, for example to Ramsey numbers, and to determining sharp thresholds in G(n,p)and in random sets of integers. Various parts of the talk are based on joint work with Paul Balister, Béla Bollobás, Asaf Ferber, Gonzalo Fiz Pontiveros, Simon Griffiths, Oliver Riordan, Wojciech Samotij, and Paul Smith.

Robert Morris

Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics -IMPA, Brazil

Coffee Break

9:00 AM-9:30 AM



Room:North Classroom 1130 Atrium

Thursday, June 7

MS33

The Structure of Families of Finite Sets - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1539

For Part 2 see MS39

The theme of this minisymposium is the research on ordered sets in recent years, mainly on the structure of families of finite sets. In the last decade, more and more results on the problems related to finding the families of subsets avoiding a given pattern have been discovered and published. In the two sessions, we invite international researchers to give talks on the problems and results of determining the largest size of P-free families (avoiding the poset P as a subfamily) for general posets, for the specific posets, and for the induced subposets. In addition, we also invite the researchers to give talks addressing the results on antichains as well as the Ramseytype results in Boolean lattices. We expect this minisymposium will enhance the development of new theory of the structures of finite sets and draw attention to more people who may be interested in this type of problems.

Organizer: Wei-Tian Li

National Chung-Hsing University, Taiwan

9:30-9:55 An Improvement on the Intersecting Shadow Theorem

Gyula Katona, Renyi Institute, Hungary

10:00-10:25 Problems and Results Related to Maximal Antichains

Uwe Leck, Europa-Universitaet Flensburg, Germany

10:30-10:55 On Difference Graphs and the Local Dimension of Posets

Ryan R. Martin, Iowa State University, USA; Jinha Kim, Seoul National University, Korea; Tomas Masarik, Charles University, Czech Republic; Warren Shull, Emory University, USA; Heather C. Smith, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA; Andrew Uzzell, Grinnell College, USA; Zhiyu Wang, University of South Carolina, USA

11:00-11:25 Forbidden Induced Subposets

Istvan Tomon, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland

11:30-11:55 Ramsey-Type of Problems on Posets in the Boolean Lattices

Wei-Tian Li, National Chung-Hsing University, Taiwan Thursday, June 7

MS34

Modification Problems to Discrete Structures - Part II of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1604

For Part 1 see MS27

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Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China

Organizer: Saket Saurabh Institute of Mathematical Sciences, India

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9:30-9:55 An $O(k^4)$ Kernel for Unit Interval Vertex Deletion

Yixin Cao, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China

10:00-10:25 Complexity Dichotomies for H-free Edge Modification Problems

R B Sandeep, Indian Institute of Information Technology, India

10:30-10:55 Modification of Matroids and Matrices

Meirav Zehavi, Ben-Gurion University, Israel

11:00-11:25 A Polynomial Kernel of Distance-Hereditary Vertex Deletion

Eun Jung Kim, Universite Paris Dauphine and CNRS, France; O-Joung Kwon, Incheon National University, Korea

11:30-11:55 Maximum Induced Matching Algorithms via Vertex Ordering Characterizations

Lalla Mouatadid, University of Toronto, Canada Thursday, June 7

MS35

Modeling and Mining Network Data - Part I of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room: North Classroom 1003

For Part 2 see MS40

Discrete mathematics is at the heart of challenging data-driven problems. Many discrete datasets look like networks, a mathematical formalism for modeling complex systems by interactions between entities. This minisymposium highlights several recent advances in modeling and mining network data with an underlying theme of connecting theory and applications with real data. The theoretical tools are quite diverse and include extremal graph theory, numerical linear algebra, and algorithm design. The applications are equally diverse, drawing from marketing, machine learning, and social network analysis, using data from protein interactions, neural systems, email communications, transportation systems, and more. This minisymposium will showcase the exciting opportunities at the intersection of discrete mathematics and data science.

Organizer: Austin Benson Cornell University, USA

9:30-9:55 New Perspectives on Measuring Network Clustering

Austin Benson, Cornell University, USA; Hao Yin and Jure Leskovec, Stanford University, USA

10:00-10:25 Hypergraph Kronecker Models for Networks

David F. Gleich and Nicole Eikmeier, Purdue University, USA

10:30-10:55 Mitigating Overexposure in Viral Marketing

Rediet Abebe, Cornell University, USA; Lada Adamic, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA; Jon M. Kleinberg, Cornell University, USA

11:00-11:25 Modeling and Mining Dynamic Competition Networks

Anthony Bonato, Ryerson University, Canada

11:30-11:55 Tuning the Activity of Neural Networks at Criticality

Kathleen Finlinson, University of Colorado Boulder, USA Thursday, June 7

MS36

Open Problems in Combinatorics on Words

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1806

Combinatorics on words is a rapidly growing field at the border of mathematics and computer science. Roughly speaking, it is the study of words (finite lists of symbols) and their combinatorial properties. Our minisymposium will center around the theme of open problems in combinatorics on words. We propose to have speakers discussing (1) the additive k'th power problem: does there exist an infinite word over a finite subset of Z avoiding k consecutive blocks of the same size and the same sum? Recently this problem was (positively) resolved for k = 3, but the problem for k = 2 is still open. (2) discrete tilings and their relationship to combinatorics on words. Here the principal open problem is Nivat's conjecture about two-dimensional periodicity. (3) automatic sequences (sequences generated by finite automata) and their generalizations. Here we propose to have speakers addressing generalizations of Cobham's theorem and p-adic properties.

Organizer: Jeffrey Shallit University of Waterloo, Canada

Organizer: Narad Rampersad The University of Winnipeg, Canada

Organizer: James D. Currie *The University of Winnipeg, Canada*

9:30-9:55 Introduction to Combinatorics on Words

James D. Currie, The University of Winnipeg, Canada

10:00-10:25 Generalizations of Cobham's Theorem

Jakub Byszewski, Jagiellonian University, Poland

10:30-10:55 The Additive K'th Power Problem and Generalizations

Matthieu Rosenfeld, LIMOS- UCA, France

11:00-11:25 Decidability and the Ostrowski Numeration System

Philipp Hieronymi, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA

11:30-11:55 Automatic Sequences and p-adic Asymptotics

Eric Rowland, Hofstra University, USA

Thursday, June 7

MS37

Graph Pebbling - Part III of III

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

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9:30-9:55 Pebbling on Low Diameter Interval Graphs

Carl Yerger, Davidson College, USA; Xuchen Zhou, Columbia University, USA

10:00-10:25 Optimal Pebbling Number of Grids

Ervin Gyori, Renyi Institute, Hungary; Gyula Y. Katona and *Laszlo F. Papp*, Budapest University of Technology and Economics, Hungary; Casey Tompkins, Renyi Institute, Hungary

10:30-10:55 Variations on the Pebbling Game: Critical, Weighted, and Transport Pebbling

Josh Laison, Willamette University, USA

11:00-11:25 On Some Questions Regarding Class 0 Graphs

John Schmitt, Middlebury College, USA

11:30-11:55 Pebbling Bounds for Class 0 Graphs

Daniel Cranston, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA; Luke Postle, University of Waterloo, Canada; Carl Yerger, Davidson College, USA; *Chenxiao Xue*, Google, Inc., USA Thursday, June 7

CP9

Coloring

9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Chair: To Be Determined

9:30-9:45 A k-Partite Generalization of Chordal Bipartite Graphs

Terry McKee, Wright State University, USA

9:50-10:05 Properly Colored Connections in Graphs

Wayne Goddard and Robert Melville, Clemson University, USA

10:10-10:25 An Asymptotic Bound for the Strong Chromatic Number

Allan Lo and *Nicolás Sanhueza-Matamala*, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

Lunch Break

12:00 PM-1:30 PM

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Thursday, June 7

IP7

Deciphering Cellular Networks: From Normal Functioning to Disease

1:30 PM-2:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

Each cell in our body accomplishes its functions via a complex network of molecular interactions. Analyses of these networks are thus key to understanding cellular functioning (and, in the case of disease, malfunctioning). I will overview what has been discovered about the basic structure and organization of cellular networks, and present frameworks and algorithms that leverage these properties in order to gain a better understanding of diseases such as cancer.

Mona Singh

Princeton University, USA

Coffee Break

2:15 PM-2:45 PM



Room:North Classroom 1130 Atrium

Thursday, June 7

MS38

Extremal Problems for Sparse Graphs and Hypergraphs - Part I of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1003

For Part 2 see MS43

Extremal theory for graphs and hypergraphs is a fast developing and important area within Combinatorics that typically studies extrema of parameters of graphs and hypergraphs with given properties. It has applications to areas such as combinatorial geometry, number theory, coding theory, computer science, and etc. In recent decades, extremal (hyper-)graph theory has experienced significant growth thanks to the development of some powerful methods such as the probabilistic method, the regularity method and the absorbing method. The latter two are especially effective on dense graphs. Relatively speaking, there has been a lack of general tools for tackling extremal problems for sparse graphs. However, there have been many interesting developments in this area and some promising methods have been introduced such as dependent random choice, delta system method, junta method and etc. The aim of this mini-symposium is to bring together a diverse group of active researchers working on sparse problems using different methods. The hope is that the interchanging of ideas from different angles will help forging the development of more universal tools for extremal problems in the sparse setting. We also hope that the broad range of the interesting results and methods covered by the talks will help generate more interests from the general discrete mathematics community in the extremal problems in the sparse setting.

Organizer: Tao Jiang Miami University, USA

Organizer: Liana Yepremyan *University of Oxford, United Kingdom*

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2:45-3:10 Spanning Subgraphs of Randomly Perturbed Graphs

Julia Boettcher, London School of Economics, United Kingdom; Yury Person and Olaf Parczyk, University of Frankfurt, Germany; Richard Montgomery, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom

3:15-3:40 Proof of Komlos's Conjecture on Hamiltonian Subsets

Jaehoon Kim, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom; Hong Liu and Maryam Sharifzadeh, University of Warwick, United Kingdom; *Katherine L. Staden*, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

3:45-4:10 On Subgraphs of 2k-cyclefree Graphs and Some Generalised Turán Problems

Abhishek Methuku, Central European University, Hungary

4:15-4:40 The Junta Method in Extremal Hypergraph Theory and Chvátal's Conjecture

Nathan Keller and *Noam Lifshitz*, Bar-Ilan University, Israel

4:45-5:10 Isoperimetric Stability for the Cube

Peter Keevash and *Eoin Long*, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Thursday, June 7

MS39

The Structure of Families of Finite Sets - Part II of II

2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Room:North Classroom 1539

For Part 1 see MS33

The theme of this minisymposium is the research on ordered sets in recent years, mainly on the structure of families of finite sets. In the last decade, more and more results on the problems related to finding the families of subsets avoiding a given pattern have been discovered and published. In the two sessions, we invite international researchers to give talks on the problems and results of determining the largest size of P-free families (avoiding the poset P as a subfamily) for general posets, for the specific posets, and for the induced subposets. In addition, we also invite the researchers to give talks addressing the results on antichains as well as the Ramsey-type results in Boolean lattices. We expect this minisymposium will enhance the development of new theory of the structures of finite sets and draw attention to more people who may be interested in this type of problems.

Organizer: Wei-Tian Li

National Chung-Hsing University, Taiwan

2:45-3:10 Sizes of Maximal Antichains in B_n

Jerry Griggs, University of South Carolina, USA; *Thomas Kalinowski*, University of New England, Armidale, Australia; Uwe Leck, Europa-Universitaet Flensburg, Germany; Ian Roberts, Charles Darwin University, Australia; Michael Schmitz, Europa-Universitaet Flensburg, Germany

3:15-3:40 An Algorithm Approach to Bounding Families of Subsets Avoiding a Subposet in Boolean Lattices

Hong-Bin Chen, Feng-Chia University, Taiwan

3:45-4:10 An Upper Bound on the Size of Diamond-Free Families of Sets

Dániel Grósz, Universita di Pisa, Italy; Abhishek Methuku, Central European University, Hungary; *Casey Tompkins*, Renyi Institute, Hungary

4:15-4:40 A Generalization of Sperner's Theorem for Convex Families

Lili Mu, Liaoning Normal University, China

Thursday, June 7

MS40

Modeling and Mining Network Data - Part II of II

2:45 PM-4:45 PM

Room:North Classroom 1604

For Part 1 see MS35

Discrete mathematics is at the heart of challenging data-driven problems. Many discrete datasets look like networks, a mathematical formalism for modeling complex systems by interactions between entities. This minisymposium highlights several recent advances in modeling and mining network data with an underlying theme of connecting theory and applications with real data. The theoretical tools are quite diverse and include extremal graph theory, numerical linear algebra, and algorithm design. The applications are equally diverse, drawing from marketing, machine learning, and social network analysis, using data from protein interactions, neural systems, email communications, transportation systems, and more. This minisymposium will showcase the exciting opportunities at the intersection of discrete mathematics and data science.

Organizer: Austin Benson

Cornell University, USA

2:45-3:10 Graph Matching Via Low Rank Factors

Huda Nassar, Purdue University, USA

3:15-3:40 Risk-Averse Matchings over Uncertain Graph Databases

Charalampos Tsourakakis, Boston University and Harvard University, USA

3:45-4:10 Detectability of Hierarchical Community Structure in Preprocessed Multilayer Networks

Dane Taylor, State University of New York, Buffalo, USA; Peter J. Mucha, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA

4:15-4:40 Evaluating Overfit and Underfit in Models of Network Community Structure

Amir Ghasemian, University of Colorado Boulder, USA; Homa Hosseinmardi, University of Southern California, USA; Aaron Clauset, University of Colorado Boulder, USA Thursday, June 7

MS41

Foundations of Data Science - Part I of II

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

For Part 2 see MS47

In support of the NSF initiative on Trandisciplinary Research in Principles of Data Science (TRIPODS) and tapping into the broader research interest and investment from research labs across the nation, this minisymposium will feature lectures on frontier research in foundational aspects of data science. A primary goal is to feature a diverse set of speakers from computing, engineering and statistics who will help identify algorithmic and mathematical challenges confronting the current state of this fast growing, exciting interdisciplinary field. Topics will include nonlinear optimization and high-dimensional statistics, statistical and large-scale machine learning, data-driven algorithm design, scalable learning algorithms, automation of data analysis, neural nets and deep learning, structured sparsity and compressed sensing, submodular optimization, and analysis of complex, high-dimensional data sets, large networks and computational phylogeny.

Organizer: Prasad Tetali Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

Organizer: Jennifer Chayes

Microsoft Research, USA

Organizer: David Shmoys

Cornell University, USA

2:45-3:10 Bayesian Optimization with Exotic Structure

Peter I. Frazier, Saul Toscano Palmerin, Matthias Poloczek, and Andrew Wilson, Cornell University, USA; Jian Wu, Two Sigma, USA

3:15-3:40 Graphons: From Graph Limits to Non-Parametric Graph Models and Estimation

Christian Borgs, Microsoft Research, USA

3:45-4:10 Learning Determinantal Point Processes

Philippe Rigollet, Victor-Emmanuel
Brunel, Ankur Moitra, and John Urschel,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

4:15-4:40 Stochastic Combinatorial Optimization with Queries

Takanori Maehara, RIKEN Center for Advanced Intelligence Project, Japan; Yutaro Yamaguchi, Osaka University, Japan

4:45-5:10 Mathematical and Computational Grand Challenges in Estimating the Tree of Life

Tandy Warnow and Mike Nute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA; Sebastien Roch, University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA; Siavash Mirarab, University of California, San Diego, USA Thursday, June 7

MS42

Results from the Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics

2:45 PM-5:15 PM

Room:North Classroom 1606

Since the summer of 2014 the Graduate Research Workshop in Combinatorics (GRWC) has worked with over a hundred graduate students and postdocs by engaging them in original research in combinatorics. The research topics that have been explored cover a wide range including structural graph theory, graph coloring, extremal graph theory, and combinatorial linear algebra, resulting in over twenty papers (and counting). This minisymposium will bring together a few of the past participants to speak on some of the research which has come out of GRWC over the past few years. More information about GRWC is online at CombinatoricsWorkshop.org.

Organizer: Bernard Lidicky

Iowa State University, USA

Organizer: Steve Butler *Iowa State University, USA*

2:45-3:10 The Zero Forcing Polynomial of a Graph

Kirk Boyer, University of Denver, USA; Boris Brimkov, Rice University, USA; Sean English, Western Michigan University, USA; Daniela Ferrero, Texas State University, San Marcos, USA; Ariel Keller, Emory University, USA; Rachel Kirsch, University of Nebraska, USA; Michael Phillips, University of Colorado, Denver, USA; Carolyn Reinhart, Iowa State University, USA

3:15-3:40 A Forest Building Process for Simple Graphs

Zhanar Berikkyzy and Steve Butler, Iowa State University, USA; Jay Cummings, Sacramento State University, USA; Kristin Heysse, Macalester College, USA; Paul Horn, University of Denver, USA; Ruth Luo, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA; Brent Moran, Berlin Mathematical School, Germany

3:45-4:10 Graph Saturation Problems with Colored Edges

Michael Tait, Carnegie Mellon University, USA

4:15-4:40 I,F Partitions of Sparse Graphs

Axel Brandt, Davidson College, USA; Micheal Ferrarra, University of Colorado, Denver, USA; Mohit Kumbhat, University of Nevada, Reno, USA; Sarah Loeb, College of William & Mary, USA; Derrick Stolee, Microsoft, USA; *Matthew Yancey*, IDA/CCS, USA

4:45-5:10 Degree Conditions for Small Contagious Sets in Bootstrap Percolation

Andrew Uzzell, Grinnell College, USA

Thursday, June 7

CP10

General Graph Theory

2:45 PM-4:05 PM

Room: North Classroom 1607

Chair: To Be Determined

2:45-3:00 Limited Broadcast Domination and Multipacking

Frank Yang, University of Victoria, Canada

3:05-3:20 On Essentially 4-Edge-Connected Cubic Bricks

Nishad Kothari, University of Vienna, Austria; Marcelo de Carvalho, Universidade Federal do Mato Grosso do Sul, Brazil; Charles Little, Massey University, New Zealand; Claudio Lucchesi, University of Campinas, Brazil

3:25-3:40 Vertex Disjoint Paths Covers of Rectangular Grids, Tori, and Hypertori

Wing Hong Tony Wong, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, USA

3:45-4:00 A Local Chordalization Approach to the Hadwiger Conjecture and the Erdös-Faber-Lovász Conjecture

Soogang Eoh, Seoul National University, Korea; Jihoon Choi, Cheongju University, South Korea; Suh-Ryung Kim, Seoul National University, Korea

Intermission

5:15 PM-5:30 PM

SP2

Hot Topics Session

5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

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Henry Cohn

Microsoft Research New England, USA

Registration

7:30 AM-10:30 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130 Entry

Closing Remarks

8:10 AM-8:15 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

IP8

Algorithms for the Asymmetric Traveling Salesman Problem

8:15 AM-9:00 AM

Room:North Classroom 1130

Chair: To Be Determined

The traveling salesman problem is one of the most fundamental optimization problems. Given n cities and pairwise distances, it is the problem of finding a tour of minimum distance that visits each city once. In spite of significant research efforts, current techniques seem insufficient for settling the approximability of the traveling salesman problem. The gap in our understanding is especially large in the general asymmetric setting where the distance from city i to j is *not* assumed to equal the distance from i to i. In this talk, we will give an overview of old and new approaches for settling this question. We shall, in particular, talk about our new approach that gives the first constantfactor approximation algorithm for the asymmetric traveling salesman problem. This is based on joint work with Jakub Tarnawski and László Végh.

Ola Svensson

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland

Coffee Break

9:00 AM-9:30 AM



Friday, June 8

MS43

Extremal Problems for Sparse Graphs and Hypergraphs -Part II of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1806

For Part 1 see MS38

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Organizer: Liana Yepremyan University of Oxford, United Kingdom

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9:30-9:55 Embedding Trees with Minimum and Maximum Degree Conditions

Maya Stein, Universidad de Chile, Chile

10:00-10:25 Extremal Problems for Multigraphs

Dhruv Mubayi, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA; Caroline Terry, University of Maryland, USA

10:30-10:55 Independent Sets in Sparse Hypergraphs

Jacques Verstraete, University of California, San Diego, USA; Jeroen Schillewaert, University of Auckland, New Zealand

11:00-11:25 Kissing Numbers in High Dimensions

Matthew Jenssen, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

11:30-11:55 Turan Exponents of Bipartite Graphs

Tao Jiang, Miami University, USA; Jie Ma,University of Science and Technologyof China, China; Liana Yepremyan,University of Oxford, United Kingdom

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MS44

Structured Families of Graphs and Posets

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 3205

This minisymposium brings together researchers in the areas of structured families of graphs and posets, including basic graph properties, graph minors and interval orders. These structured families are utilized to organize and analyze data. Key goals include characterization; recognition and translation from one setting to another. Some families can be recognized in polynomial time and others not.

Organizer: Karen Collins Wesleyan University, USA

Organizer: Ann N. Trenk Wellesley College, USA

9:30-9:55 Structured Graphs and Posets Overview

Karen Collins, Wesleyan University, USA

10:00-10:25 Hereditary Families and the Dominance Order

Michael D. Barrus, University of Rhode Island, USA

10:30-10:55 Hamiltonian Path Variants in Structured Graph Families

Garth T. Isaak, Lehigh University, USA

11:00-11:25 Using Three-Sided Brambles to Bound Treewidth in Planar Graphs

Brett Smith, Yale University, USA

11:30-11:55 Non-monochromatic Triangles in 2-edge-coloured Graphs

Jessica McDonald, Auburn University, USA

Friday, June 8

MS45

Graph Curvature and Related Topics

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 3207

There are rich connections between the spectral theory of the Laplace-Beltrami operator on Riemannian manifolds and the spectral theory of graph Laplacians. A recent effort of researchers has been to further develop analogies between Riemannian manifolds and graphs by developing notions of curvature and curvature lower bounds for graphs. These efforts involve a number of ideas from probability and geometry. Two major approaches developed recently are the use of curvature-dimension type inequalities, generalizing Bochner's formula, in a graph setting and using the Wasserstein distance between probability distributions to define a notion of graph curvature. Graph curvature notions have led to graph theoretical analogues of a number of results from Riemannian geometry, including eigenvalue bounds (such as Buser's inequality), and volume and diameter bounds. This mini-symposium brings together a number of active researchers in the area to discuss recent results in this direction, and further challenges on applying graph curvature as well as on related problems.

Organizer: Paul Horn University of Denver, USA

9:30-9:55 Curvature and the Geometry of Graphs

Paul Horn, University of Denver, USA

10:00-10:25 Volume Growth and Buser's Inequality in Graphs

Peter Ralli, Princeton University, USA

10:30-10:55 Gradient Flows of Wasserstein Spaces on Data Clouds and Their Continuum Limits

Nicolas Garcia Trillos, Brown University, USA

11:00-11:25 Large Scale Ricci Curvature on Graphs

Mark Kempton, Harvard University, USA; Gabor Lippner, Northeastern University, USA; Florentin Munch, University of Potsdam, Germany; Shing-Tung Yau, Harvard University, USA

11:30-11:55 Using Curvature to Bound Stretches in Eigenfunctions of Graphs

Fan Chung, University of California, San Diego, USA; Shing-Tung Yau, Harvard University, USA

MS46

Computational Methods in Discrete Mathematics

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1207

Computational methods in discrete mathematics have become more widely used in recent years. Such approaches have had some stunning successes, such as the Four Color Theorem, the nonexistence of the projective plane of order 10, and the proof of the Kepler Conjecture, but these methods are now becoming part of the toolbox of the everyday working mathematician. This minisymposium will showcase recent results in the area.

Organizer: Stephen Hartke University of Colorado, USA

9:30-9:55 Chromatic Folkman Numbers and Some Related Computational Challenges

Xiaodong Xu, Guangxi Academy of Sciences, Guangxi, China; Meilian Liang, Guangxi University, China; *Stanislaw Radziszowski*, Rochester Institute of Technology, USA

10:00-10:25 Computational Bounds on Classical Ramsey Numbers

Brendan McKay, Australian National University, Australia

10:30-10:55 Generating New Patterns for Antique Lace

Veronika Irvine, University of Waterloo, Canada

11:00-11:25 On Small k-chromatic Graphs of Girth g

Geoffrey Exoo, Indiana State University, USA

11:30-11:55 Rotation Systems for Hamilton Cycles

Aaron Williams, Bard College at Simon's Rock, USA

Friday, June 8

MS47

Foundations of Data Science - Part II of II

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 1130

For Part 1 see MS41

In support of the NSF initiative on Trandisciplinary Research in Principles of Data Science (TRIPODS) and tapping into the broader research interest and investment from research labs across the nation, this minisymposium will feature lectures on frontier research in foundational aspects of data science. A primary goal is to feature a diverse set of speakers from computing, engineering and statistics who will help identify algorithmic and mathematical challenges confronting the current state of this fast growing, exciting interdisciplinary field. Topics will include nonlinear optimization and high-dimensional statistics, statistical and large-scale machine learning, data-driven algorithm design, scalable learning algorithms, automation of data analysis, neural nets and deep learning, structured sparsity and compressed sensing, submodular optimization, and analysis of complex, high-dimensional data sets, large networks and computational phylogeny.

Organizer: Prasad Tetali Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

Organizer: Jennifer Chayes *Microsoft Research, USA*

Organizer: David Shmoys Cornell University, USA

9:30-9:55 Robustness and Submodularity

Stefanie Jegelka and Matthew Staib, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA; Bryan Wilder, University of Southern California, USA

10:00-10:25 Statistical Estimation Under Group Actions: The Sample Complexity of Multi-Reference Alignment

Afonso Bandeira, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York University, USA

10:30-10:55 Differential Privacy for Growing Databases

Rachel Cummings, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA; Sara Krehbiel, University of Richmond, USA; Kevin Lai and Uthaipon (Tao) Tantipongpipat, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

11:00-11:25 Title Not Available At Time Of Publication

Hanie Sedghi, Google, Inc., USA

11:30-11:55 Catalyst, Generic Acceleration Scheme for Gradientbased Optimization

Zaid Harchaoui, University of Washington, USA; Hongzhou Lin, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA; Courtney Paquette, Lehigh University, USA; Julien Mairal, Inria, France; Dmitriy Drusvyatskiy, University of Washington, USA

MS48

Graph Polynomials

9:30 AM-12:00 PM

Room:North Classroom 3209

For a variety of combinatorial problems, such as network reliability and graph colourings, the models turn out to be graph polynomials. On the other hand, the investigation of various subgraph properties (such as independence and domination) leads one to explore the associated combinatorial sequences by formulating generating polynomials. In all cases, polynomials carry useful or even essential information about the underlying combinatorics, and the connections allow one to draw on classical areas of mathematics, such as analysis and algebra, in the investigations. Combinatorial properties such as unimodality and log-concavity of various graphical sequences can surprisingly be extracted from the location of the roots of such polynomials. Different graph properties can also lead to interesting analytical and algebraic properties of the polynomials as well, such as factorability, the distribution of roots in the complex plane, and even fractals appearing in their roots. We aim to draw on the research of people working on a variety of graph polynomials to share techniques and methods to help advance the study of each polynomial.

Organizer: Ben R. Cameron

Dalhousie University, Canada

Organizer: Jason Brown Dalhousie University, Canada

9:30-9:55 The Theory of Network Reliability

Jason Brown, Dalhousie University, Canada

10:00-10:25 Counting Increasing Spanning Forests in Graphs

Joshua Hallam, Wake Forest University, USA;

Jeremy Martin, University of Kansas, USA; Bruce Sagan, Michigan State University, USA

10:30-10:55 On the Stability of Independence Polynomials

Ben R. Cameron and Jason Brown, Dalhousie University, Canada

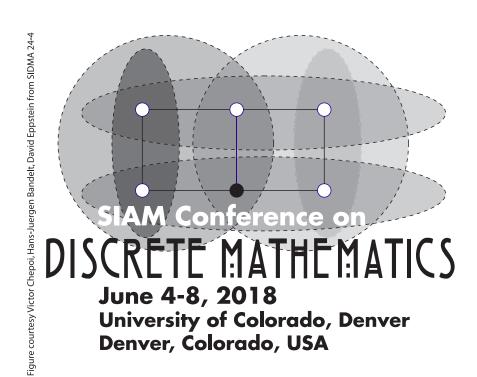
11:00-11:25 Chromatic Symmetric Functions and e-Positivity

Samantha Dahlberg, University of British Columbia, Canada

11:30-11:55 On the Roots of Wiener Polynomials of Graphs

Jason Brown, Dalhousie University, Canada; Lucas Mol, The University of Winnipeg, Canada; Ortrud R. Oellermann, The University of Winnipeg, Canada

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MacGillivray, Gary, MS14, 9:30 Tue Macgillivray, Gary, MS17, 2:45 Tue MacGillivray, Gary, MS17, 4:45 Tue Maehara, Takanori, MS41, 4:15 Thu Martin, Ryan R., MS33, 10:30 Thu Martino, Ivan, MS26, 11:00 Wed Martins, Taisa, MS24, 11:30 Wed McCarty, Rose, MS2, 11:30 Mon McConnell, Ross, MS27, 4:15 Wed McDonald, Jessica, MS21, 9:30 Wed McDonald, Jessica, MS28, 2:45 Wed McDonald, Jessica, MS44, 11:30 Fri McKay, Brendan, MS46, 10:00 Fri McKee, Terry, CP9, 9:30 Thu Mckenzie, Daniel, CP3, 3:25 Mon Methuku, Abhishek, MS38, 3:45 Thu Mohar, Bojan, MS7, 3:15 Mon Mol, Lucas, CP6, 3:05 Tue Mol, Lucas, MS48, 11:30 Fri Molla, Theodore, CP2, 9:50 Mon Morris, Robert, IP6, 8:15 Thu Morrison, Natasha, MS11, 3:45 Mon Morse, Ada, MS26, 10:30 Wed Mouatadid, Lalla, MS34, 11:30 Thu Mousset, Frank, MS5, 10:30 Mon Mu, Lili, MS39, 4:15 Thu Mubayi, Dhruv, MS43, 10:00 Fri Muehlenthaler, Moritz, MS23, 11:30 Wed Muzi, Irene, MS7, 4:15 Mon

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Puleo, Gregory J., MS21, 9:30 Wed Puleo, Gregory J., MS21, 9:30 Wed Puleo, Gregory J., MS28, 2:45 Wed Purvine, Emilie, MS6, 4:15 Mon

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Radziszowski, Stanis{1}aw, MS46, 9:30 Fri

Ralli, Peter, MS45, 10:00 Fri

Rampersad, Narad, MS36, 9:30 Thu

Rawat, Ankit, MS9, 2:45 Mon

Reber, David, CP1, 10:50 Mon

Redlin, Shayla, MS14, 9:30 Tue

Reid, Talmage J., MS26, 9:30 Wed

Rigollet, Philippe, MS41, 3:45 Thu

Rocha, Israel S., MS29, 4:45 Wed

Rodriguez, Cynthia, CP7, 10:10 Wed

Rosenfeld, Matthieu, MS36, 10:30 Thu

Rowland, Eric, MS36, 11:30 Thu

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Šámal, Robert, MS3, 11:00 Mon

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Sandeep, R B, MS34, 10:00 Thu Sanhueza-Matamala, Nicolás, CP9, 10:10 Thu Santana, Michael, CP7, 10:30 Wed Saurabh, Saket, MS27, 2:45 Wed Saurabh, Saket, MS27, 2:45 Wed Saurabh, Saket, MS34, 9:30 Thu Schmitt, John, MS37, 11:00 Thu Sedghi, Hanie, MS47, 11:00 Fri Servatius, Brigitte, MS26, 10:00 Wed Shallit, Jeffrey, MS36, 9:30 Thu Shan, Songling, MS28, 3:45 Wed Shikhelman, Clara, MS11, 3:15 Mon Shmoys, David, MS41, 2:45 Thu Shmoys, David, MS47, 9:30 Fri Sieben, Nandor, MS31, 4:45 Wed Sileikis, Matas, MS10, 2:45 Mon Singh, Mona, IP7, 1:30 Thu Smith, Brett, MS44, 11:00 Fri Song, Zixia, MS21, 10:00 Wed Spirkl, Sophie, MS8, 3:45 Mon Spirkl, Sophie, MS13, 10:00 Tue Staden, Katherine L., MS38, 3:15 Thu Stein, Maya, MS43, 9:30 Fri Sugimori, Ken, MS32, 3:15 Wed Suk, Andrew, IP5, 1:30 Wed Svensson, Ola, IP8, 8:15 Fri

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Uiyyasathian, Chariya, CP7, 11:10 Wed Uzzell, Andrew, MS42, 4:45 Thu



Verstraete, Jacques, MS43, 10:30 Fri Volec, Jan, MS24, 9:30 Wed Volec, Jan, MS24, 10:30 Wed Volec, Jan, MS30, 2:45 Wed

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Walker, Shanise, MS1, 11:00 Mon Wang, Xingwei, MS16, 11:00 Tue Warnow, Tandy, MS41, 4:45 Thu Wei, Fan, MS30, 3:45 Wed West, Douglas B., MS17, 2:45 Tue Williams, Aaron, MS46, 11:30 Fri Williford, Jason, MS20, 4:45 Tue Wollan, Paul, MS2, 9:30 Mon Wollan, Paul, MS7, 2:45 Mon Wollan, Paul, MS13, 9:30 Tue Wollan, Paul, MS13, 9:30 Tue Wong, Wing Hong Tony, CP10, 3:25 Thu Wood, David R., MS13, 11:30 Tue Wootters, Mary, MS9, 2:45 Mon Wu, Hehui, MS3, 11:30 Mon

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Yang, Frank, CP10, 2:45 Thu
Ya'u, Abdulsalam G., CP3, 3:05 Mon
Yepremyan, Liana, MS5, 11:00 Mon
Yepremyan, Liana, MS38, 2:45 Thu
Yerpemyan, Liana, MS43, 9:30 Fri
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Young, Michael, MS14, 11:30 Tue
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Notes

Early Career and Students

DM18 Budget

Conference Budget SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics June 4-8, 2018 Denver, Colorado

Expected Paid Attendance		300
Revenue		
Registration Income		\$83,865
	Total	\$83,865
Expenses		
Printing		\$1,900
Organizing Committee		\$2,700
Invited Speakers		\$10,200
Food and Beverage		\$18,000
Room Rental		\$0
Advertising		\$3,300
Conference Labor (including benefits)		\$29,535
Other (supplies, staff travel, freight, misc.)		\$6,425
Administrative		\$6,813
Accounting/Distribution & Shipping		\$4,456
Information Systems		\$7,538
Customer Service		\$2,907
Marketing		\$4,758
Office Space (Building)		\$3,091
Other SIAM Services		\$3,802
	Total	\$105,425
Net Conference Expense		(\$21,560)
Support Provided by SIAM		\$21,560
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Estimated Support for Travel Awards not	t included ab	ove:

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