Ph.D. student in Mathematics

Education

Ph.D. in Mathematics

2019 - Today

Concordia University, Montréal

- Interests: Computational and arithmetic aspects of Drinfeld modular forms
- Supervisor: Giovanni Rosso

M.A. in Mathematics

2017 - 2019

Université Laval, Québec

- Interests: Number Theory, Modular forms, Class numbers
- Supervisor: Antonio Lei

B.A. in Mathematics with honours

2014 - 2017

Université Laval, Québec

Programming and Software skills

- Programming: Python, Bash, LATEX, C++
- Software: git, SageMath, PARI/GP, WeBWorK, Visual Studio Code, GNU/Linux, WSL2
- Github: github.com/DavidAyotte

Experiences

SageMath Developer

2021 - Today

Google Summer of Code (Summer 2021), Voluntary basis (since Fall 2021)

- In summer 2021, I participated in the Google Summer of Code (GSoC) were I worked as a student programmer for the open-source mathematical software SageMath. I blogged about my experience on my website. I now work on a voluntary basis
- My contributions includes: new enhancements (quasimodular forms), bug fixes and code reviews

Teaching assistant

2016 - Today

Université Laval and Concordia University

- eConcordia teaching assistant involving answering questions on a forum, via email or Zoom
- Assistant in two linear algebra courses, one advance algebra course (ring theory) and the math help center at ULaval

WeBWorK assistant

2017 - 2019

Université Laval, Québec

- WeBWorK is an online homework delivery system allowing questions with randomely generated parameters with automated marking
- I scripted (WeBWorK language, based on PERL) a number of questions (> 100) and assisted the students and professors in the usage of the platform

Sage Days 87 workshop: p-adics in Sage and the LMFDB July 2017 (1 week)

University of Vermont, Burlington, USA

- One-week workshop focused on developing specialized functionalities in the SageMath open source software
- I learned the basics of the development process of SageMath (Reports, coding, testing and reviewing)

Undergraduate summer research projects

Summer 2015, 2016 and 2017

Université Laval, Québec

- Carried out numerical calculation on different advanced math concepts such as the class number of cyclotomic fields and the symmetric square L-function of a modular form
- Worked in collaboration with another researcher (Prof. Antonio Lei) and graduates students
- Wrote a paper on properties of supersingular Weyl polynomials (summer 2015)
- Programmed using specialized software in mathematics such as Maple and SageMath to obtain numerical results

Publications

- Ayotte D., Relations entre le nombre de classes et les formes modulaires, Master's thesis, 63 pages, 2019
- Ayotte D. and Lei A. and Rondy-Turcotte J.-C., On the parity of supersingular Weil polynomials, Archiv der Mathematik, 6 pages, February 2016.

Scholarships and Awards

- FRQNT Doctoral research scholarship	
- Concordia School of Graduate Studies top-up funding	
- Teaching assistant scholarship of the Mathematics Department at U. Laval	
– Mention on the roll of honour of the Mathematics Department at U. Laval 2016 and 2017	
– NSERC undergraduate summer scholarship	
- FRQNT supplement to the NSERC undergraduate summer scholarship 2016	
– ISM undergraduate summer scholarship	

Other Interests and Volunteering

_	Open Source Developer for SageMath (volunteering)	2021 - Today
•	Online	
_	PADI open water diver certified	2021
•	Montréal, QC, Canada	
_	Member of the Club de Triathlon de l'Université Laval	2016 - 2018
•	Université Laval, QC, Canada	
_	Lifeguard for the Traversée Internationale du lac St-Jean (volunteering)	2011 - 2015
•	Roberval, Canada	
_	Lifeguard and swimming instructor (paid work)	2011 - 2014
•	Roberval, Canada	
_	Défi de la Fondation des Pompiers du Québec pour les Grands Brûlés	2011
•	Raise funds and bike from Saguenay (La Baie) to Roberval	