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Education

University of Georgia

Mathematics, Ph.D Candidate.

Athens, Georgia 2014 – Present

- Advisor: Daniel K. Nakano
- Research Area: Cohomology of Lie superalgebras.

University of Massachusetts

Mathematics, BS. Computer Science, Minor.

Amherst, Massachusetts

2010 - 2014

- Advisor: Farshid Hajir
- Senior Project: Hasse-Witt invariants of Jacobi polynomials.

Research

• Representations, cohomology, and geometry of Lie superalgebras.

I am studying the relative cohomology ring $H^{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{l};\mathbf{C})$ of a Lie superalgebra $\mathfrak{g}=\mathfrak{g}_{\bar{0}}\oplus\mathfrak{g}_{\bar{1}}$ relative to a reductive subalgebra $\mathfrak{l}\subseteq\mathfrak{g}_{\bar{0}}$. My conjecture is that $H^{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{l};\mathbf{C})$ is finitely generated over $H^{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{g}_{\bar{0}};\mathbf{C})$ and that there is a very nice spectral sequence abutting to this relative cohomology. Once this is established I will be able to use algebro-geometric techniques to investigate the mapping of support varieties induced by $H^{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{g}_{\bar{0}};\mathbf{C})\to H^{\bullet}(\mathfrak{g},\mathfrak{l};\mathbf{C})$.

This research relies heavily on work by Benson, Boe, Carlson, Friedlander, Gruson, Hochschild, Kujawa, Nakano, Parshall, and Serre.

• Tropical geometry, algebra, and Grassmannians

The Grassmannian Gr(d, n) is often identified with the image of the Plücker embedding. This variety is isomorphic to the GIT quotient of $M_{d\times n}$ by the (left) action of GL_d . There has been much interest in defining tropical analogues of the Grassmannian, with several constructions due to Speyer and Sturmfels. With N. Giansiracusa, I have been working on an analogue that mimics the GIT construction. We have discovered many interesting similarities and many interesting differences when compared to the classical theory.

This research relies heavily on work by Fink, G. Giansiracusa, N. Giansiracusa, Rincón, Speyer, and Sturmfels.

Talks Given

• Cohomology, Support Varieties, and Lie Superalgebras University of Colorado Boulder, Student Algebra Seminar	Spring 2016
• Tropical linear spaces UGA Tropical Geometry VRG	Fall 2015
• The tropical Grassmannian UGA Tropical Geometry VRG	Fall 2015
• Asymptotically good families UGA Graduate Student Seminar	Spring 2015
• Determinental complexity of the permanent UGA Student Algebraic Geometry Seminar	Spring 2015
• Construction of Grassmannian for Schubert calculus UGA Schubert Calculus on Grassmannian VRG	Fall 2014
• Computability with an eye towards elliptic curves Elliptic Curves Discussion Section	Fall 2014

Conferences, Summer Schools, and Workshops Attended

• Topological & Geometric Aspects of the Representation Theory of Finite Groups (Summer School & Workshop) Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences	Summer 2016
• Character Theory and the McKay Conjecture Summer School Mathematical Sciences Research Institute	Summer 2016
• Southeastern Lie Theory Workshop University of Virginia	Summer 2016
• Hodge Theory in Combinatorics Mini-Conference Georgia Institute of Technology	Spring 2016
• Georgia Algebraic Geometry Symposium Georgia Intstitute of Technology	Fall 2015
• Discrete Mathematics and Algorithms Clemson University Mini-Conference	Fall 2015
• Georgia Algebraic Geometry Symposium University of Georgia	Fall 2014
• Algebraic Geometry Northeastern Series University of Pennsylvania	Fall 2014

Service

• Algebra Qualifying Exam Preparation Assistant UGA Department of Mathematics

Summer 2016

• Graduate Visitation Day Organizer UGA Department of Mathematics

Spring 2016

• President Secretary UGA Chapter of the American Mathematical Society Spring 2016 Fall 2015

• Logistic Organizer

Student Algebraic Geometry Seminar

Fall 2014 - Spring 2015

Graduate Coursework

- University of Georgia: Elliptic Curves, Varieties, Schemes, Algebraic Curves, Sheaves and Cohomology, Flag Varieties, Lie Algebras, Toric Varieties, Complex Multiplication, Central Simple Algebras, Schubert Calculus VRG, Tropical Geometry VRG.
- University of Massachusetts: Algebra I & II, Real Analysis I & II, Complex Analysis, Topology, Manifolds I & II, Asymptotic Problems, Algebraic Number Theory, Theory of Computation.

Teaching History

• Upward Bound: SAT / ACT Math Teacher

Summer 2014 Upward Bound Summer Program

• Math 300: Introduction to Proofs Teaching Assistant

Fall 2013 – Spring 2014 University of Massachusetts

• Math 127 & 128: Calculus I & II Teaching Assistant Fall 2011 – Spring 2013 University of Massachusetts

• Math 235: Linear Algebra Supplemental Instruction Leader Fall 2011 – Spring 2012 University of Massachusetts

Computer Skills

- General Programming: Java and Python.
- Mathematical Programming: Sage, Pari/GP, and Magma, R.
- Scripting Languages: Perl, bash.
- Markup: LATEX, org-mode, and HTML.
- Operating Systems: Windows, Mac OS, GNU/Linux.