# Kalina Mincheva

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

May 2016 Ph.D. in Mathematics, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, USA.

(Expected) Thesis title: Tropical geometry and idempotent semirings.

Thesis Advisor: Caterina Consani

June 2010 M.Sc. in Mathematics, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary.

Thesis title: Automorphisms of non-abelian p-groups.

Thesis Advisor: Pál Hegedűs

May 2008 B.A. Summa Cum Laude, American University in Bulgaria, Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria.

Computer Science (major), Mathematics (major) Senior project title: Gröbner Basis Cryptosystems

#### Research interests

My research is in algebraic geometry, in particular tropical geometry and semiring algebra. I am interested in studying the geometry of tropical schemes and varieties in terms of the congruences on the polynomial and Laurent polynomial semiring with coefficients in the tropical semifield or other idempotent semifields.

# **Publications**

- 2015 Joó, D. and Mincheva, K. On the dimensions of polynomial semirings, eprint arXiv:1510.02493
- 2014 Joó, D. and Mincheva, K. Prime congruences of idempotent semirings and a Nullstellensatz for tropical polynomials, eprint arXiv:1408.3817
- 2010 K. Mincheva, Automorphisms of non-Abelian p-groups, eprint, CEU Electronic Theses and Dissertations Collection.

## Invited Talks and Posters

- March 2016 AMS Sectional Meetings, AMS Special Session on Interactions Between Algebraic and Tropical Geometry talk
- January 2016 Joint Math Meetings, AMS Session on Algebraic Geometry talk
  - Nov 2015 George Mason University Combinatorics, Algebra and Geometry Seminar talk
- October 2015 University of Pennsylvania Algebra seminar talk
- October 2015 Binghamton University, SUNY Algebra seminar talk
  - May 2015 Aspects of Algebraic Geometry Program for Women and Mathematics, IAS talk
  - April 2015 Student Tropical Algebraic Geometry Symposium 2015 talk
  - March 2015 Number Theory Seminar at Johns Hopkins University talk
    - Nov 2014 AGNES poster

# Programs Attended

May 2015 Aspects of Algebraic Geometry - Program for Women and Mathematics, IAS

June 2012 MSRI Summer School in Non-commutative algebraic geometry

# **Teaching**

#### Instructor

Fall 2014 Introduction to Calculus

Summer 2013 On-line Linear Algebra - co-instructor

## **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Fall 2015 Calculus I - Head TA

Spring 2015 Abstract Algebra I

Spring 2015 Linear Algebra

Spring 2014 Calculus III - Head TA

Fall 2013 Linear Algebra

Spring 2013 Linear Algebra

Spring 2013 Honors Linear Algebra

Fall 2012 Linear Algebra

Spring 2012 Calculus II

Fall 2011 Calculus I

Fall 2010 Calculus II

#### Exam preparation

Fall 2015 Preparing problem sets for the PILOT learning - a peer-led-team learning program

Spring 2012 Created and graded the JHU Future scholars exam

#### Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

2005 - 2006 Introductory Mathematics, Linear Algebra, Calculus 1

#### Undergraduate Tutor

2006 Mathematics tutor at the math center

## Undergraduate Grader

2006 - 2008 Differential Equations, Introductory Mathematics, Calculus 2, Calculus 3, Linear Algebra

# **Teacher Training**

Johns Hopkins Teaching Academy - One year program (3 phases) designed to provide an overview and foundation for the teaching and give the opportunity for a hands-on introduction to college level teaching before graduation.

#### Awards

- 2010 Pro-Rector Award for highest GPA in the department
- 2010 Outstanding Academic Achievement Award

2008 Award for special achievements in Computer Science

2008 Award for special achievements in Mathematics

2007 10th AUBG Programming competition - 3rd place

2007 American Foundation for Bulgaria essay scholarship

2005-2008 President's list for high GPA

2004-2008 Dean's list for high GPA

# Extracurricular activities

Fall 2013 Organizing the JHU Math TA lunches - a place where math TAs can share and discuss their experience in the classroom

# Memberships

AMS American Mathematical Society

AWM Association for Women in Mathematics

ACM Association for Computing and Machinery (SIGSAM)

CIRTL The Center for the Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning

# Non-academic work experience

June 2008 – Junior Software Engineer, PostPath (Cisco)

August 2008

## Skills

C/C++, HTML, CSS, Mathematica, GAP

# Languages

Bulgarian Native

English Fluent

French Advanced

German Beginner

## Hobbies

Web Design, Argentine tango, Yoga