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Kyle Larson

Appointments

2019—Present University of Georgia, Postdoctoral Research and Teaching Associate.

Athens, Georgia

2017–2019 **Rényi Institute of Mathematics**, *Postdoctoral Researcher*.

Spring 2016 Budapest, Hungary

2016–2017 Michigan State University, Visiting Assistant Professor.

East Lansing, Michigan

Education

Dec. 2015 **PhD in Mathematics**, University of Texas at Austin.

Advisor: Robert E. Gompf

Thesis: Some constructions involving surgery on surfaces in 4-manifolds.

May 2009 B.S. in Mathematics, Honors Degree, University of Utah.

Graduated Summa Cum Laude

Research interests

Low-dimensional topology, including: 4-manifolds, 3-manifolds, knot concordance, homology cobordism groups, lattices, Heegaard Floer homology, and computational topology

Publications

1. Generic fibrations around multiple fibers.

New York J. of Math. 20 (2014) 1161-1173.

2. Fibered ribbon disks, with J. Meier.

J. Knot Theory Ramifications 24 (2015), no. 14, 1550066, 22 pp.

3. Surgery on tori in the 4-sphere.

Math. Proc. Cambridge Philos. Soc. 164 (2018), no. 1, 109-124.

4. Knot concordance and homology sphere groups, with P. Aceto. Int. Math. Res. Not. IMRN (2018), no. 23, 7318-7334.

5. **Embedding 3-manifolds in spin 4-manifolds**, with P. Aceto and M. Golla. J. Topol. 10 (2017). no. 2, 301-323.

6. Brieskorn spheres bounding rational balls, with S. Akbulut.

Proc. Amer. Math. Soc. 146 (2018), no. 4, 1817-1824.

- 7. Linear independence in the rational homology cobordism group, with M. Golla. To appear in J. Inst. Math. Jussieu, preprint at arxiv.org/abs/1803.07931, 2018.
- 8. Lattices and correction terms.

To appear in Proc. of the Némethi60 Conf., preprint at arxiv.org/abs/1807.05098, 2018.

- 9. Surgeries on torus knots, rational balls, and cabling, with P. Aceto, M. Golla, and A. Lecuona. Preprint at arxiv.org/abs/2008.06760, 2020.
- 10. 3-manifolds that bound no definite 4-manifold, with M. Golla. Preprint at arxiv.org/abs/2012.12929, 2020.

Invited talks

- University of Glasgow, Geometry and Topology Seminar (November 2020)
- University of British Columbia, Topology Seminar (November 2020)
- o Georgia Tech University, Topology Seminar (February 2020)
- Workshop on the Chekanov-Eliashberg algebra and knot invariants in Budapest, Hungary (March 2019)
- University of Oxford, Topology Seminar (November 2018)
- Summer school on instanton gauge theory and applications to 3-manifold topology in Nantes, France (September 2018)
- Conference on Khovanov Homotopy Type in Budapest, Hungary (January 2018)
- Conference on 4-manifolds and knot concordance in Bonn, Contributed talk (October 2016)
- o 4-manifolds conference in Dubrovnik, Croatia, Contributed talk (June 2016)
- University of Ljubljana, seminar (April 2016)
- Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, seminar (January 2016)
- o University of Minnesota, Symplectic Topology Seminar (December 2015)
- Michigan State University, Topology Seminar (November 2015)
- Rice University, Topology Seminar (November 2015)
- University of Pisa, Topology Seminar (July 2015)
- ECSTATIC conference at Imperial College, London (June 2015)
- o IMBM in Istanbul, Geometry Topology Workshop (June 2015)
- Indiana University, informal Topology Seminar (March 2015)
- AMS Sectional Meeting at Michigan State University (March 2015)

Local talks

- "Surgeries on torus knots, rational balls, and cabling," UGA Topology Seminar (October 2020)
- "Linear independence in the rational homology cobordism group," UGA Topology Seminar (September 2019)
- "Homology cobordism groups and an obstruction from Donaldson's Theorem," UGA Topology Seminar (September 2019)
- "Linear independence in the rational homology cobordism group," Rényi Institute Algebraic Geometry and Differential Topology Seminar (May 2018)
- "Brieskorn spheres bounding rational balls," Rényi Institute Algebraic Geometry and Differential Topology Seminar (November 2017)
- "Using Donaldson's theorem as an obstruction to bounding a rational ball," Rényi Institute Topology learning seminar (November 2017)
- "Knot concordance and homology sphere groups," MSU Topology Seminar (September 2016)
- "Knot concordance and homology sphere groups," Rényi Institute Algebraic Geometry and Differential Topology Seminar (May 2016)
- o "The Gluck twist" Rényi Institute 4-manifolds seminar (February 2016)
- "Surgery on tori and embedding 3-manifolds," Rényi Institute Algebraic Geometry and Differential Topology Seminar (February 2016)
- "Applications of Heegaard Floer Homology," UT Austin Heegaard Floer Seminar (December 2015)

- "Surgery on tori and embedding 3-manifolds," UT Austin Dissertation Defense (November 2015)
- "Surgery on tori in the 4–sphere," UT Austin Junior Topology Seminar (April 2015)
- "Fibered disks and knots," UT Austin Junior Topology Seminar (October 2014)
- "Exotic spheres and 2-knots," UT Austin Undergraduate Math Club (October 2014)
- o "Handle decompositions and surgery," UT Austin Chern-Simons Seminar (July 2014)
- o "The annulus twist," UT Austin Junior Topology Seminar (November 2013)
- "Knot surgery and a window into the world of 4-manifolds," UT Austin Junior Topology Seminar (April 2013)
- "The Gluck twist operation on smooth 4-manifolds," UT Austin Candidacy Exam (November 2012)
- o "The h-cobordism theorem," UT Austin Junior Topology Seminar (February 2012)

Teaching experience

University of Georgia, Instructor

- Multivariable Calculus (Spring 2021)
- Graduate topics course on 4-manifolds and Kirby Calculus (Fall 2020)
- o Calculus I (Fall 2019 two sections, Fall 2020)
- Graduate student reading course (Spring 2020)

Central European University, Instructor

- Graduate student reading course (Spring 2018)
- Graduate topics course on 4-manifolds and Kirby Calculus (Fall 2017)

Michigan State University, Instructor

Calculus I (Spring 2017 two sections, Fall 2016)

University of Texas at Austin, Assistant Instructor (instructor of record)

Calculus I (Spring 2015)

University of Texas at Austin, Teaching Assistant

- o From Numbers to Chaos, First-Year Signature Course (IBL based) (Fall 2015, Fall 2013)
- Modern Mathematics: Plan II Honors (Spring 2012)
- Introduction to Mathematics (Fall 2011)
- o Calculus I (Fall 2014, Fall 2012, Fall 2010, Spring 2010)
- o Calculus II (Summer 2014, Spring 2011, Fall 2009)

Teaching and curriculum related activities

- Attended UGA Center for Teaching and Learning workshops on "Becoming a Critically Reflective Practitioner," and "ABCs and XYZs: Teaching Today's Students" (Spring 2020)
- Teaching Certificate in First-Year Interdisciplinary Instruction (Fall 2013)
- o Participant in weekly Signature Course cohort group (Fall 2013)
- Participant in the College of Natural Science's New Faculty Teaching Workshop (Spring 2013)
- Selected participant in the Supplemental Instruction Program (Fall 2012, Spring 2011, Fall 2010)

Selected service to the profession

- o Co-organizer, UGA/GT Joint Topology Seminar (Fall 2019, Spring 2020)
- Co-organizer, Graduate Student Topology and Geometry Conference, UT Austin (May 2014)
- Organizer, UT Austin Junior Topology Seminar (Fall 2014)
- Invited speaker for UT Austin Undergraduate Math Club (October 2014)
- Mentor in the UT Math Department's Directed Reading Program (DRP) (Spring 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2014)

Awards and honors

- o RTG Graduate Fellowship: Summer 2015, Spring 2014, Summer 2013, Summer 2012
- o J.L. Gibson Senior Award Given to top graduating math major (2009)
- President's Club Scholarship Full-academic undergraduate scholarship (2005-2009)
- o CorpusBeat Scholars Award Academic undergraduate scholarship (2005-2009)