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Education

- Aug. 2022 Ph.D. in Mathematics, University of Colorado Boulder
"Advances in the combinatorics of the unipotent upper triangular groups," sup. Nat Thiem
- 2019 M.A. in Mathematics, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2016 B.A. in Mathematics, Macalester College
Attended Budapest Semester in Mathematics Fall 2014

Credentials

- (exp.) 2024 Certificate in College Teaching, University of Colorado Boulder
- 2023 Instructional Skills Intensive Workshop, York University

Academic Employment

- 2022-2025 Postdoctoral Visitor, York University
Mentored by Nantel Bergeron

Papers

Conventions: authors are always listed alphabetically by last name, and authors who were undergraduate (resp. grad.) students at the time of research are distinguished with an * (resp. **).

In preparation

- N. Andrews*, L. Gagnon, F. Gelinas**, E. Schlums*, F. Soltani**, and M. Zabrocki. *Free, graded, connected, co-commutative Hopf algebras are integer sequences*. In preparation.
- N. Bergeron, L. Gagnon, P. Nadeau, H. Spink, and V. Tewari. *Equivariant forest polynomials and the quasisymmetric flag variety*. In preparation.
- A. Abram** and L. Gagnon. *An Edelman–Greene type insertion for excedance classes of the symmetric group*. In preparation.
- L. Gagnon. *Supercharacters and the Hecke algebra*. In preparation.

Refereed conference proceedings

- N. Bergeron and L. Gagnon. Extended Abstract: *Excedance quotients, Quasisymmetric Varieties, and Temperley–Lieb algebras*. Sémin. Loth. Comb. 91B: FPSAC Proceedings (2024), Paper No. 67.
- L. Gagnon. Extended Abstract: *A unipotent realization of the chromatic quasisymmetric function*. Sémin. Loth. Comb. 89B: FPSAC Proceedings (2023), Paper No. 72.

Published and forthcoming

N. Bergeron and L. Gagnon. *The excedance quotient of the Bruhat order, Quasisymmetric Varieties and Temperley–Lieb algebras*. Journal of the London Mathematical Society 110-4 (2024). arXiv:2302.10814

L. Gagnon. *A unipotent realization of the chromatic quasisymmetric function*. Algebra & Number Theory 18-9 (2024), 1737–1766. arXiv:2211.06981

L. Gagnon. *A $GL(\mathbb{F}_q)$ -compatible Hopf algebra of unitriangular class functions*. Journal of Algebra 632 (2023), 426–461. arXiv:2211.05960

L. Gagnon. *The combinatorics of normal subgroups in the unipotent upper triangular group*. Combinatorial Theory 1 (2021), Paper No. 15. arXiv:2012.00108.

Undergraduate Research Mentorship

Summer Project Summer 2024	<i>Using machine learning to find combinatorial bijections</i> , with Inderpreet Ganda and Eniola Ogunjimi. Jointly advised with M. Zabrocki at York.
Summer Project Summer 2024	<i>Catalan Hopf subalgebras of NCSym</i> , with Nicholas Andrews and Eric Schlums. Jointly advised with M. Zabrocki at York.
Honors Thesis AYs 2020–2022	<i>Motivating a q-version of the embedding between the categories Heis and $\text{Par}(t)$</i> , by Theodore Gonzales. Jointly advised with T. Xu at CU Boulder.
REU Mentor Summer 2020	<i>Rewiring matrices using combinatorial tools</i> , with Jacob Gaiter, Juliet Hawkes, Tom Kauffman, Adam Nelson. Supervised by N. Thiem at CU Boulder.

Courses Taught

York University

Mathematics for Life Sciences I (Spring 2024)
Conjecture, Theorem, and Proof (Spring 2023)

University of Colorado Boulder

Assistant Course Coordinator for Multivariable Calculus (Fall 2021, Spring 2022)
SASC Calculus Coseminar (Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021)
Differential Calculus (Instructor of Record: Fall 2019, Recitation TA: Fall 2017)
Integral Calculus (Instructor of Record: Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Recitation TA: Spring 2019)

Fellowships and Awards

W. J. Thron Mathematics Fellowship, University of Colorado Boulder, 2021.
Graduate School Summer Fellowship, University of Colorado Boulder, 2020.
Konhauser Award for Mathematical Achievement, Macalester College, 2016.

Selected Presentations

Upcoming

Workshop on recent perspectives on non-crossing partitions through algebra, combinatorics, and probability, Erwin Schrödinger Institute, Feb. 17-21, 2025.

Past

Combinatorics seminar, University of Southern California, Dec. 9 2024.

Bay Area Discrete Math Day, UC Berkeley, Dec. 7 2024.

Algebra & discrete mathematics seminar, UC Davis, Dec. 6 2024.

Combinatorics seminar, Stanford University, Dec. 5 2024.

Séminaire du LACIM, Université du Québec à Montréal, Nov. 22, 2024.

Discrete geometry and combinatorics seminar, Cornell University, Nov. 11 2024.

Poster presentation, 33rd international conference on formal power series and algebraic combinatorics (FPSAC), Ruhr-Universität Bochum, July 22-26, 2024.

Algebraic Lie theory seminar, University of Colorado Boulder, May 7, 2024.

Special session on groups and representations, AMS Spring Western Sectional Meeting, San Francisco State University, May 4-5, 2024.

Scientific session on algebraic and enumerative combinatorics, CMS Winter Meetings, Montreal, Dec. 3, 2023.

Special session on combinatorial and categorical techniques in representation theory, AMS Fall Eastern Sectional Meeting, the University at Buffalo, Sept. 9, 2023.

Poster presentation, 32nd international conference on formal power series and algebraic combinatorics (FPSAC), UC Davis, July 20, 2023.

Algebra and geometry seminar, Queen's University, April 17, 2023.

Algebraic and enumerative combinatorics seminar, University of Waterloo, Mar. 23, 2023.

Séminaire du LACIM, Université du Québec à Montréal, Mar. 10, 2023.

Discrete math seminar, University of British Columbia (Online), Feb. 14, 2023.

Combinatorial algebra meets algebraic combinatorics conference, University of Waterloo, Jan. 20, 2023.

Combinatorics seminar, Washington University in St. Louis, Dec. 8, 2022

Scientific session on algebraic combinatorics and representation theory, CMS Winter Meetings, Toronto, Dec. 3, 2022

Service

Event Organization

2022–2025 Applied Algebra Seminar
York University

June 7-8 2023 “Many perspectives on Hopf Algebras in Combinatorics” Contributed
Minisymposium, Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Mathematics Conference.

April 19 2022 Structured conversation on “Discussing the Campus Culture Survey”
University of Colorado Department of Mathematics

2018–2020 Graduate Student Seminar
University of Colorado Department of Mathematics

Departmental Service

2021–2022 Diversity Committee
University of Colorado Department of Mathematics

2019–2021 Undergraduate Committee
University of Colorado Department of Mathematics

Journal Review

Algebraic Combinatorics; Communications in Algebra; Electronic Journal of Combinatorics;
Forum of Mathematics, Sigma.