

3rd Annual Southern California Women in Math Symposium
Saturday, November 20, 2010, Pomona College
Schedule

Harry's Room (209)

8:15–9:00 Registration, coffee and continental breakfast,
2nd floor of Millikan Laboratory

Talk Session I

Millikan 207:

9:00 – 9:20 Gizem Karaali, Pomona College
So what is a Combinatorial Hopf Algebra and what can you do with it?

9:30 – 9:50 Julia Galstad, UC Santa Barbara
The Effect of Tilting on the Quivers of Left Serial Algebras

10:00 – 10:20 Maria Isabel Bueno Cachadina, UC Santa Barbara
Recovery of eigenvectors of Matrix Polynomials from Generalized Fiedler linearizations

10:30 – 10:50 Laura Zirbel, UC Santa Barbara
Random Embedded Polygons and Characteristics Correlated with Knotting

Millikan 208:

9:00 – 9:20 Su Liang, CSU San Bernardino
Nail Down the Misconception: $(a+c)/(a+b) = c/b$

9:30 – 9:50 Kathryn Leonard, CSU Channel Islands
Doing Research with Academic Year Undergraduate Groups

10:00 – 10:20 Liming Wang, UC Irvine
A Critical Quantity for Noise Attenuation in Biological Systems

10:30 – 10:50 Amy Mulgrew, CSU Long Beach
Mathematical Features of Placenta Images Investigated with Techniques of Pattern Recognition

Millikan 213:

9:00 – 9:20 Johanna Hardin, Pomona College
Outliers when Clustering Microarray Data

- 9:30 – 9:50** Gulhan Bourget, CSU Fullerton
A Modified Test to Detect Significant Genes
- 10:00 – 10:20** Alona Chubatiuk, USC
Nonparametric Methods for Estimating an Unknown Probability Distribution: Maximum Likelihood and Bayesian Approaches
- 10:30 – 10:50** Olga Korosteleva, CSU Long Beach
Does Extirpation of the Primary Tumor Give Boost to Growth of Metastases? Evidence Revealed by Mathematical Modeling
- Millikan 218:**
- 9:00 – 9:20** Ellie Grano, UC Santa Barbara
The Jellyfish Algorithm
- 9:30 – 9:50** Emille Davie Lawrence, Cal Poly Pomona
An Introduction to Right-Angled Artin Groups
- 10:00 – 10:20** Azadeh Rafizadeh, UC Riverside
Twisted Alexander Polynomials and Fiberability
- 10:30 – 10:50** Kathleen Grace Kennedy, UC Santa Barbara
A new algorithm for the Multivariable Alexander Polynomial of a Link
- 11:00 – 11:20** Yen Duong, UC Santa Barbara
A New Problem with Expander Graphs
- Harry's Room**
- 11:30 – 11:50** Coffee break
- 11:50 – 12:45** Breakout sessions. (Various rooms)
- Smith Campus Center 201**
- 12:45 – 2:00** Lunch
- Millikan 134**
- 2:00 – 3:00** Asuman Aksoy, Claremont McKenna College
Keynote Address in Millikan 134
Norms That Are Not: Projections With Respect to Numerical Radii
- Harry's Room**

3:00 – 3:30 Coffee

Talk Session II

Millikan 207:

3:30 – 3:50

Cynthia Flores-Monroy, UC Santa Barbara
An Investigation of Compact Manifolds with Positive Curvature

4:00 – 4:20

Barbara Herzog, UC Riverside
Toward a Notion of Index for Critical Points of Distance Functions

4:30 – 4:50

Emek Kose Can, Loyola Marymount
Vector Fields and Differential Forms for Optical Design

Millikan 213:

3:30 – 3:50

Mihaela Ignatova, USC
Unique Continuation and Complexity of Solutions to Higher Order Elliptic and Parabolic Equations

4:00 – 4:20

Sara Jamshidi, CSU Los Angeles
The Sub-Super Solution Method Applied to a Hyperbolic Initial Boundary Value Problem

4:30 – 4:50

Nishu Lal, UC Riverside
The Spectral Zeta Function of Fractals and Multivariable Complex Dynamical System

Millikan 218:

3:30 – 3:50

Hala K. King, Cal Lutheran
An Overview of Two Public Key Cryptosystems

4:00 – 4:20

Sarah Olson, Tulane University
Coupling Biochemistry, Mechanics, and Hydrodynamics to Model Hyperactivated Sperm Motility

4:30 – 4:50

Elizabeth Thoren, UC Santa Barbara
*How Fluid Flow is like a Tennis Racket:
An Exploration into the Geometry of Fluid Motion*

Harry's room:

5:00 – 6:00

Wrap-up with wine and cheese in Millikan ???

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