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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Mathematics, Michigan State University September 2016 - Present
Advisor: Igor Rapinchuk. Graduation expected May 2022

B.A., Mathematics, Calvin College September 2012-May 2016
Thesis advisor: Christopher Mosely.

RESEARCH

Current interests: Abstract homomorphisms and representations of algebraic groups, special unitary groups, special orthogonal groups, algebraic K-theory, group cohomology, Brauer groups.

Publications:

- On abstract homomorphisms of some special unitary groups. With coauthor Igor Rapinchuk. Preprint, arXiv:2107.07351. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.07351>
- Consensus and clustering in opinion formation on networks. With coauthors Julia Bujalski, Grace Dwyer, Todd Kapitula, Quang-Nhat Le, Harjasleen Malvai, Jordan Rosenthal-Kay. 376. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society A: Mathematical, Physical and Engineering Sciences*. <http://doi.org/10.1098/rsta.2017.0186>
- An Algebraic Characterization of Highly Connected $2n$ -Manifolds. With coauthors Shamuel Auyeung, Daiwei Zhang. *Rose-Hulman Undergraduate Mathematics Journal*: Vol. 17 : Iss. 2 , Article 5. <https://scholar.rose-hulman.edu/rhumj/vol17/iss2/5>

Seminars participated in:

- *St. Petersburg University algebraic groups seminar*
- *Quadratic forms, linear algebraic groups, and beyond (QFLAG)*
- *ALGAR 2021 - Systems of quadratic forms over arithmetic fields, University of Antwerp*
Summer 2021
- *MSU Student algebra seminar, organizer 2020-2021*
- *Group cohomology, Brauer groups, and local class field theory (Lead organizer, MSU)* Spring 2019
- *Derived categories (MSU)* Spring 2018
- *Algebraic K-theory (MSU)* Spring 2018

Talks:

- *Abstract homomorphisms of some special unitary group*
St. Petersburg University algebraic groups seminar
Fall 2021

- $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ is a beautiful butterfly
Calvin University Math Colloquium Fall 2021
- *Abstract homomorphisms of special unitary groups*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2021
- *Pinnings of algebraic groups*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Spring 2021
- *An algebraic approach to musical scales*
MSU GAUSS Seminar Fall 2020
- *Galois descent*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2020
- *The norm torus*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2019
- *Extending the norm map to \mathbb{G}_m*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2019
- *Root systems with plentiful examples*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2019
- *Universal central extensions of groups with connections to K -theory*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2018
- *Absolute values on the rational numbers and Ostrowski's theorem*
Calvin College Math Colloquium Fall 2018
- *Absolute values, Ostrowski's theorem, and completions of fields*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Fall 2018
- *The Galois correspondence for infinite Galois extensions*
MSU Student Algebra Seminar Spring 2018
- *Lie algebras and their root systems*
Calvin College Math Colloquium Spring 2016
- *Classification of manifolds via homotopy*
Calvin College Math Colloquium Spring 2015
- *Is it possible to play in tune?*
Calvin College Math Colloquium Fall 2015

TEACHING

- Math 234 - Multivariable calculus, Lead TA, MSU Fall 2021
- Math 299 - Transitions to proofs, MSU Spring 2021
- Math 299 - Transitions to proofs, MSU Fall 2020
- Math 235 - Ordinary differential equations, MSU Summer 2020
- Math 299 - Transitions to proofs, MSU Spring 2020
- Math 299 - Transitions to proofs, MSU Fall 2019
- Math 133 - Calculus 2, MSU Summer 2019
- Math 124 - Survey of calculus, MSU Spring 2019
- Math 124 - Survey of calculus, MSU Fall 2018
- Math 234 - Multivariable calculus, MSU Summer 2018
- Math 234 - Multivariable calculus, MSU Summer 2017

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING

- Diversity, equity, and inclusion training seminar. August 2021

- Student mentoring workshop with CUR (Council on Undergraduate Research). June 2020
- Online teaching workshop SOIREE (Spartan Online Instructional Readiness Education Experience). May 2020
- Instructor for Mathnasium of Okemos. August 2019-December 2020
- Graduate assistant for summer REU in dynamical systems at ICERM with Todd Kapitula and Bjorn Sandstede. Summer 2016

SERVICE

- Graduate student panel for SURIEM REU. June 2021

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dissertation Completion Fellowship Summer 2021
- TA Award for Excellence in Teaching, MSU Department of Mathematics Spring 2021
- Herbert T. Graham Scholarship Spring 2021
- MSU College of Natural Science Recruiting Fellowship 2016-2017