

**SCHEDULE for Knots in the Triangle XLII**

**Friday, April 29, 2016**

<b>1:00 – 1:05</b>	<b>Opening remarks by Dean William Ditto, College of Sciences (SAS 1102)</b>			
<b>1:05 – 1:55</b>	<b>Effie Kalfagianni (Michigan State University) Properties of the degree of colored Jones polynomials (SAS 1102)</b>			
<b>1:55 – 2:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
<b>2:15 – 3:05</b>	<b>Oleg Viro (Stony Brook University) Geometry of secants (SAS 1102)</b>			
<b>3:05 – 3:20</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
	<b>Session 1 (SAS 1102)</b>		<b>Session 2 (SAS 2102)</b>	
<b>3:20 – 3:45</b>	Anh Tran	The AJ conjecture for cable knots	Tye Lidman	Some remarks on the nugatory crossing conjecture
<b>3:55 – 4:20</b>	Katherine Walsh	Higher order stability in the colored Jones polynomial	Seung Yeop Yang	Geometric realizations of distributive structure homology and shadow homotopy invariants
<b>4:30 – 4:55</b>	Iva Halacheva	Tangles and the Alexander polynomial: studying related invariants	Xiao Wang	Equivalence of “graphic” and “algebraic” definitions of set-theoretic Yang-Baxter homology
<b>4:55 – 5:10</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
	<b>Session 1 (SAS 1102)</b>		<b>Session 2 (SAS 2102)</b>	
<b>5:10 – 5:35</b>	Huan Vo	On the $\mathfrak{sl}_2$ weight system and intersection graphs	Thomas Riggs	Counting cycles in directed graphs
<b>5:45 – 6:10</b>	Dan Scofield	Torsion in Khovanov link homology via chromatic graph cohomology	Pengyu Li	On the braid index of alternating braids

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**Saturday April 30, 2016**

<b>10:00 – 10:50</b>	<b>Mikhail Khovanov</b> (Columbia University)		<b>Reflections on categorification</b> (SAS 1102)	
<b>10:50 – 11:10</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
	<b>Session 1 (SAS 1102)</b>		<b>Session 2 (SAS 1108)</b>	
<b>11:10 – 11:35</b>	Juanita Pinzon Caicedo	Independence of Whitehead doubles of torus knots in the smooth concordance group	Vladimir Vershinin	Brunnian braids and Lie algebras
<b>11:45 – 12:10</b>	Reiko Shinjo	On coherent regions of a oriented knot diagram	Adam Lowrance	The Jones polynomial of almost alternating and Turaev genus one links
<b>12:20 – 12:40</b>	<b>Ester Dalvit</b> (University of Toronto) <b>A movie on knotted surfaces in 4-space</b> (SAS 1102)			
<b>12:40 – 2:00</b>	<b>Lunch (pizza, in SAS) + Movie by Ester Dalvit</b>			
<b>2:00 – 2:50</b>	<b>Dror Bar-Natan</b> (University of Toronto)		<b>Gauss-Gassner Invariants</b> (SAS 1102)	
	<b>Session 1 (SAS 1102)</b>		<b>Session 2 (SAS 1108)</b>	
<b>3:10 – 3:35</b>	Masahico Saito	Cocycle knot invariants with topological quandles	Patrick Gilmer	On the Kauffman bracket skein module of the 3-torus
<b>3:45 – 4:10</b>	Zhiyun Cheng	On twisted cocycle invariants with coefficient $\mathbb{Z}$	Jonathan Paprocki	On Kauffman bracket skein algebras of marked surfaces and the Chebyshev-Frobenius homomorphism
<b>4:20 – 4:45</b>	Sam Nelson	Bikei homology	Huygens Ravelomanana	Exceptional cosmetic surgeries on $S^3$
<b>4:45 – 5:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
<b>5:00 – 5:50</b>	<b>Eugene Gorsky</b> (UC Davis)		<b>Homology of Jucys-Murphy elements and the flag Hilbert scheme</b> (SAS 1102)	
<b>6:00 – 6:25</b>	Ken Perko	Branched covers of tricolored knots (SAS 1102)		
<b>7:00</b>	<b>Conference Dinner at David's dumplings</b>			

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**Sunday, May 1, 2016**

<b>10:00 – 10:50</b>	<b>Caitlin Levenson</b> (Duke University) <b>Legendrian Link Invariants</b> (SAS 1102)			
<b>10:40 – 11:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>			
	<b>Session 1 (room 1102)</b>		<b>Session 2 (room 1108)</b>	
<b>11:00 – 11:25</b>	Lenny Ng	Knot contact homology and string topology		
<b>11:35 – 12:00</b>	Yu Pan	The augmentation category map induced by exact Lagrangian cobordisms	Kodai Wada	Milnor invariants of covering links
<b>12:10 – 12:35</b>	Michael Abel	HOMFLY-PT homology of general link diagrams up to braidlike isotopy and its decategorification	Elizabeth Denne	Ribbonlength of knot diagrams
<b>12:35 – 2:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>			
<b>2:00 – 2:50</b>	<b>Louis H. Kauffman</b> (UIC) <b>Elements of Khovanov Homology and Khovanov Homotopy</b> (SAS 1102)			
<b>3:05 – 3:30</b>	Ben Webster	Annular homology and Hochschild homology		
<b>3:40 – 4:05</b>	Lev Rozansky	On a possible relation between HOMFLY-PT homology and geometric Langlands duality		