

# The Combinatorics Seminar

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## SPRING 2006

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Directions to the department.

Organizers: Laura Anderson, Christopher Hanusa, and Thomas Zaslavsky.

The usual day, time, and place, this semester, are:

**Thursdays, 1:15 - 2:15**, in

Room **LN-2201**,

with coffee, tea, and cookies at 3:45 in the Anderson Room, LN-2207.

Some meetings will be at other times, e.g., when joint with other seminars.

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### ▪ Thursday, February 16

*Speaker:* Garry Bowlin (Binghamton)

*Title:* Intrinsic Chirality of 3-Connected Graphs

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

### ▪ Thursday, February 23

*Speaker:* Leandro Junes (Binghamton)

*Title:* The Combinatorial Grassmannian and Extension Spaces: I

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

*Room:* LN-2205

This talk is the first part of Mr. Junes' candidacy exam. The examining committee is Laura Anderson (chair), Chris Hanusa, and Thomas Zaslavsky. All are invited to attend.

### ▪ Thursday, March 2

*Speaker:* Leandro Junes (Binghamton)

*Title:* The Combinatorial Grassmannian and Extension Spaces: II, III

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15 and 2:50 - 3:50

*Room:* LN-2205

These talks are the second and third parts of Mr. Junes' candidacy exam. The examining committee is Laura Anderson (chair), Chris Hanusa, and Thomas Zaslavsky. All are invited to attend.

### ▪ Thursday, March 9

*Speaker:* Megan Owen (Cornell)

*Title:* Combinatorics in Information Theory

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

**▪ Tuesday, March 21**

*Speaker:* Carlene Klivans (Chicago)

**Cancelled**

**▪ Thursday, March 23**

*Speaker:* Bruce Sagan (Michigan State and Rutgers)

*Title:* Counting Permutations by Congruence Class of Major Index

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

*Room:* LN-2201

**▪ Friday, March 24 (Colloquium)** (Note unusual date and time.)

*Speaker:* Bruce Sagan (Michigan State and Rutgers)

*Title:* Rational Generating Functions and Compositions

*Time:* 1:10 - 2:10

*Room:* LN-2205

**▪ Thursday, April 20 (joint with the Algebra Seminar)**

*Speaker:* Stephanie van Willigenburg (Univ. of British Columbia)

*Title:* Coincidences Amongst Skew Schur Functions: A Pictorial Approach

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

**▪ Thursday, April 27**

*Speaker:* Steven Tedford (Franklin and Marshall)

*Title:* Connectivity in Lifts of Greedoids

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

*Room:* LN-2205 (**Note special room.**)

**▪ Thursday, May 4 (Colloquium)**

*Speaker:* Henry Cohn (Microsoft Research)

*Title:* Representation Theory, Combinatorics, and Fast Matrix Multiplication

*Time:* 1:15 - 2:15

*Room:* LN-2205

**▪ Saturday, May 6****Discrete Mathematics Day at Binghamton**

Right here in Room SL-212. See the Web page.

**▪ Monday, May 8** (joint with the Geometry and Topology Seminar)

*Speaker:* Daniel Biss (Chicago)

*Title:* Annihilators in Cayley-Dickson Algebras

*Time:* 3:30 - 4:30 (**Note unusual date and time.**)

*Room:* LN-2205

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