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International Workshop

Enveloping Algebras and Representation Theory

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Second Announcement

Universal enveloping algebras of Lie algebras appeared more than a century ago as one of the major tools in Lie Theory. They find many applications in Differential Geometry and Mathematical Physics, and are indispensable to many directions of research in representation theory of Lie groups and algebras. With the increasing interest in infinite-dimensional representations, the role of enveloping algebras becomes even more significant. More recently, universal enveloping algebras have appeared in the theory of nonassociative algebras other than Lie (alternative, Jordan, Malcev and their super analogs), which are of growing importance in the most advanced areas of mathematics and physics where traditional approaches fail to work. In addition, the Hopf algebra structure of universal enveloping algebras lends itself to quantization, leading to the celebrated Drinfeld - Jimbo "quantum groups". Far - going generalizations of the latter have recently appeared in the theory of Hopf Algebras in connection with the classification of pointed Hopf algebras. Thus, Enveloping Algebras is a vibrant area of research, with many mathematicians around the globe working and hundreds of papers published.

The aim of this workshop is to discuss the current state of research in the area of Enveloping Algebras and their applications, primarily in Representation Theory. We have invited several prominent mathematicians to give lectures illuminating the main achievements in these areas and outline the prospects of further research. There will be a number of longer research talks as well as some shorter research communications, in particular by graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

We expect about 40 participants in total; almost a half of them will be graduate students and postdoctoral fellows, primarily associated with AAC and NOLT, but also from other universities in Canada and abroad. We will make lecture notes available to anyone interested on AAC web site http://www.mun.ca/aac/ and will consider the possibility of publishing proceedings of the workshop in a mathematical journal, as we did for some of the previous workshops held by AAC.

The current workshop is the first to be organized jointly by AAC (Yuri Bahturin, Margaret Beattie and Mikhail Kochetov) and NOLT (Yuly Billig and Kirill Zaynullin).

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web pages of the workshop can be found at <u>http://www.fields.utoronto.ca/programs/scientific/14-15/enveloping/#top</u> and <u>http://www.mun.ca/aac/Workshops/</u>

The list of confirmed invited speakers includes

- 1. Alberto Elduque (Univeristy of Zaragoza, Spain)
- 2. Vyacheslav Futorny (University of Sao Paulo, Brazil)
- 3. Antony Joseph (Weizmann Institute, Israel)
- 4. Victor Kac (Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA)
- 5. Vladislav Kharchenko (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México)
- 6. Vladimir Mazorchuk (University of Uppsala, Sweden)
- 7. Erhard Neher (University of Ottawa)
- 8. José María Pérez Izquierdo (University of La Rioja, Spain)
- 9. Alexander Premet (University of Manchester, UK)
- 10. Ivan Shestakov (Unversity of Sao Paulo, Brazil)
- 11. Sudarshan Sehgal (University of Alberta)

One of the days of the workshop will be assigned to informal discussions and a whale/puffin watching tour. We will most probably attend the Gatheralls Puffin and Whale watch. You can find their rates at <u>http://www.gatheralls.com/rates.php#.U3EwTfldU6w</u> There are many other attractions in St John's, see the tour operators at http://www.stjohns.ca/visiting/city-guide/tours

If you wish to attend the workshop, please write us at <u>aac@mun.ca</u> with topic EART2014. Please provide your name, affiliation, the topic of your talk(s), if you wish or if you have been invited to speak. The deadline for registration is July 1, 2014. Please write also if you are interested to attend the tour.

A support for the accommodation expenses in St. John's could be available to the students doing research in the entitled areas of the workshop. If you want to be considered for this support, please attach a letter from your supervisor. The deadline for this application is June 15, 2014.

We will provide our invited speakers with Bed and Breakfast accommodation at The Roses Heritage Inn at 9 Military Road (see their web site at <u>http://www.therosesnl.com/</u>). If we committed to pay your local expenses, please write us soon because the rooms are blocked, starting August 27, for a limited time.

For the hostel accommodation view, for example, <u>http://www.hostels.com/st.-john's/canada</u>. The end of August is a hot tourist season, so we advise that you book you accommodation well in advance. Use Google Maps to determine if the hotel you are willing to book is close to the Math and Stat Department of Memorial University, which is approximately 230 Elizabeth Avenue.

If you have any questions, please ask us at aac@mun.ca.