Burak Kaya

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Personal Info

Born in 1988. Turkish citizen.

Education

Ph.D. in Mathematics,

May 2016

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey,

New Brunswick, NJ, USA

Dissertation: Cantor minimal systems from a descriptive perspective

Advisor: Simon Thomas

B.S. in Mathematics with High Honor,

June 2010

CGPA: 3.90 / 4.00,

Ranked 1^{st} in the Class of 2010 of the Department of Mathematics,

Middle East Technical University,

Ankara, Turkey

Ankara Atatürk Anatolian High School,

July 2006

Ankara, Turkey

Positions

• Teaching Assistant Rutgers University

September 2010-May 2016.

• Instructor

METU July 2016-August 2016, February 2017-September 2017.

• Assistant Professor METU

September 2017-present.

Research Interests

Set theory, descriptive set theory and its applications to other fields of mathematics such as graph theory, topological dynamics and group theory.

Publications

- Kaya, B. The complexity of the topological conjugacy problem for Toeplitz subshifts, Israel J. Math. 220 (2017), no. 2, 873-897. doi:10.1007/s11856-017-1537-4
- Kaya, B. The complexity of topological conjugacy of pointed Cantor minimal systems, Arch. Math. Logic 56 (2017), no. 3-4, 215–235. doi:10.1007/s00153-017-0534-y
- Kaya, B., Kegel, O.H. & Kuzucuoğlu, M. On the existence of κ -existentially closed groups, Arch. Math. (2018) 111, no. 3, 225-229. doi:10.1007/s00013-018-1213-x
- Kaya, B & Sağlam, I. On the closed Ramsey numbers $R^{cl}(\omega+n,3)$, Israel J. Math. 245 (2021), 963–989. doi:10.1007/s11856-021-2239-5
- Kaya, B., Kuzucuoğlu, M. Automorphisms of κ -existentially closed groups, Monatsh Math (2022). doi:10.1007/s00605-022-01730-0

- Kaya, B., Kuzucuoğlu, M. Existentially and κ -existentially closed groups, Int. J. Group Theory (2022). doi:10.22108/IJGT.2022.131513.1758
- Benli, M.G. & Kaya, B. Descriptive complexity of subsets of the space of finitely generated groups, Expo. Math. 40 (2022), no. 4, 1116–1134. doi:10.1016/j.exmath.2022.08.001
- Bilge, O. & Kaya, B. Frucht's theorem in Borel setting, Period. Math. Hungar (2023).
 doi:10.1007/s10998-023-00537-2

Conferences and Workshops Attended

doi:10.1007/s10998-023-00537-2 • 35. Ulusal Matematik Sempozyumu Trakya University, Edirne, Turkey. September 2023 • Antalya Algebra Days XXI Izmir, Turkey. May 2019 • IMBM Mathematics Days II Istanbul, Turkey September 2018 • Simon Thomas, the first 60 years Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. September 2017 • BN-Pair Conference Istanbul, Turkey. October 2016 • Association for Symbolic Logic 2016 North American Annual Meeting Storrs, CT. May 2016 • 2015 Canadian Mathematical Society Winter Meeting Montréal, Canada. December 2015 • 8th Young Set Theory Workshop Jerusalem, Israel. October 2015 • Antalya Algebra Days XVII Izmir, Turkey. May 2015 • 2014 Rutgers Logic Conference Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. October 2014 • 7th Young Set Theory Workshop Będlewo, Poland. May 2014 • 2013 Fall Mid-Atlantic Mathematical Logic Seminar October 2013 Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. • 6th Young Set Theory Workshop Oropa, Italy. June 2013 • NY Graduate Student Logic Conference CUNY Graduate Center, New York City, NY. April 2013 • 2012 Fall Mid-Atlantic Mathematical Logic Seminar Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. October 2012

• UCLA Logic Center Summer School for Undergraduates

July 2009

Los Angeles, CA.

Talks	and
Semin	ars

• 35. Ulusal Matematik Sempozyumu Trakya University, Edirne, Turkey. September 2023 • Izmir Institute of Technology Mathematics Department, General Seminar Online Fall 2021 • Yozgat Bozok University Mathematics Department, General Seminar Online Fall 2021 • METU Mathematics Department, Ergodic Theory Meetings Ankara, Turkey Spring 2019 • Cankaya University Mathematics Department Ankara, Turkey November 2018 • Atılım University Mathematics Department Ankara, Turkey October 2018 • IMBM Mathematics Days II Istanbul, Turkey September 2018 • METU Mathematics Department, General Seminar Ankara, Turkey. October 2016, November 2017/2021/2023, December 2019/2022 • Hacettepe Mathematics Department, General Seminar Ankara, Turkey. October 2017 • Association for Symbolic Logic 2016 North American Annual Meeting May 2016 Storrs, CT. • Rutgers Mathematics Department, Logic Seminar Piscataway, NJ. February 2016 • 2015 Canadian Mathematical Society Winter Meeting Montréal, Canada. December 2015 • Cornell Mathematics Department, Logic Seminar November 2015 Ithaca, NY. • MSFAU Mathematics Department, General Seminar Istanbul, Turkey. January 2014/2015, December 2015, November 2016, March 2018, June 2019 • METU Mathematics Department, Algebra Seminar Ankara, Turkey. December 2013/2014/2015, June 2015, Fall 2017, Spring 2018 • Rutgers Mathematics Department, Descriptive Set Theory Seminar Piscataway, NJ. Fall 2013 Instructor at METU

Teaching Experience

• MATH 111 Fundamentals of Mathematics Fall 2018/2019/2022 • MATH 116 Basic Algebraic Structures Spring 2019/2023

• MATH 119 Calculus with Analytic Geometry

Fall 2017/2018/2020, Spring 2019/2020

• MATH 120 Calculus of Functions of Several Variables

Summer 2016/2017/2018/2019, Spring 2017/2018/2021

• MATH 123 Introduction to Number Theory

Fall 2023

• MATH 319 Lebesgue Integral

Fall 2017

MATH 220 Cat Theory	Coming 2017/2018/2010/2021/2022	
MATH 320 Set Theory MATH 340 Introduction to Mathematics	Spring 2017/2018/2019/2021/2023	
• MATH 349 Introduction to Mathematical Analysis Fall 2023		
• MATH 406 Introduction to Mathematical Logic and Model Theory Spring 2020, Fall 2021		
• MATH 452 Introduction to Functional A		
• MATH 496 Supervised Independent Study & Research Fall 2019/2021		
• MATH 501 Analysis	Fall 2019/2022	
• MATH 535 Topology	Fall 2020	
• MATH 779 Set Theory	Spring 2022	
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Instructor at Rutgers University		
• MATH 151 Calculus I for Mathematical and Physical Sciences Summer 2012		
Teaching assistant at Rutgers University		
• MATH 135 Calculus I	Fall 2011, Spring 2012	
\bullet MATH 151 Calculus I for Mathematical and Physical Sciences Fall 2012/2013		
• MATH 152 Calculus II for Mathematical and Physical Sciences		
	Fall 2014, Spring 2016	
Grader at Rutgers University		
• MATH 300 Introduction to Mathematical Reasoning Fall 2010, Spring 2011		
• MATH 403 Introduction to Theory of Functions of a Complex Variable		
·	Spring 2011	
Mentor for the Directed Reading Program of Rutgers Mathematics Department		
• Supervised Yao Rui Yeo for his project i	n Set Theory. Spring 2013	
• Supervised Brennan Young for his project	ct in Set Theory. Fall 2013	
(Voluntary) Instructor at the Nesin Mathematics Village		
• Some results in combinatorial set theory	Summer 2017	
• Paradoxical decompositions: The Banach-Tarski paradox and others		
	Summer 2018	
• Axiom of determinacy and some of its co	onsequences Summer 2018	
• Ultrafilters and how to use them	Summer 2019	
(Voluntary) Instructor at TMD-Ankara Branch Workshop II		

Fall 2019

(Voluntary) Instructor at Çakılarası Mathematics Village

• Measure theory

• Fantastic Beasts: What are ultrafilters and what are they for? Summer 2023

Thesis supervised

- Irmak Sağlam, Some new bounds on closed ordinal Ramsey numbers, M.Sc., December 2020.
- Onur Bilge, Dichotomy theorems and Frucht theorem in descriptive graph combinatorics, M.Sc., August 2023.

Academic Honors and Awards

• Received The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey Scholarship for Undergraduates. 2006-2010

Professional memberships

- The Turkish Mathematical Society
- Mathematics Foundation of Turkey

Languages Turkish (native), English (fluent).