## **ALICE MEDVEDEV**, The City College of New York, CUNY *Upper-triangular polynomial dynamical systems.*

For an upper-triangular polynomial dynamical system like  $F(x_1, x_2) = (f_1(x_1), f_2(x_1, x_2))$ , vertical lines  $x_1 = a$  are invariant only when  $f_1(a) = a$  is a fixed point of  $f_1$ . These finitely many lines don't give much information about the whole system. On the other hand, over a sufficiently large difference field  $(L, \sigma)$ , there are infinitely many solutions of  $f_1(a) = \sigma(a)$ , and the corresponding lines  $x_1 = a$  are *skew-invariant*. This allows us to leverage our previous work on coordinate-wise polynomial dynamics. This is joint work with Thomas Scanlon.