High School Students' Evening Tuesday, November 25th, 2014 7 pm – 9 pm, FREE ENTRANCE

Fields Institute for Research in Mathematics, Room 230, 222 College Street, Toronto

7 pm – 8 pm Mono-monostatic Bodies: the Story of the Gömböc

Prof. Gabor Domokos

V.I.Arnold conjectured that convex, homogeneous bodies with less than four equilibria (also called monomonostatic) may exist. It turns out that monomonostatic bodies are neither flat, nor thin, they are not similar to typical objects with more equilibria and they are hard to approximate by polyhedra. There seems to be strong indication that these forms appear in Nature due to their special mechanical properties. In the talk, we will tell the sequence of events which ultimately led to its discovery.





We try to map the configuration space of a simple machine, a sixlegged idealized roach, and find out that good old cut-and-paste topology can be a lot of fun. 8 pm – 9 pm On Maps, Machines and Roaches

Prof. Dror Bar-Natan

Math Book Fair For school students (Springer, American Mathematical Society)

Fields Institute, Queen's Park Station College St. and Spadina Ave.

Everyone is WELCOME!





Conference on the Legacy of Vladimir Arnold (November 24 - 28, 2014)