HISTORY OF MATHEMATICS SEMINAR

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Time: 11:00 AM Location: Zoom

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Meeting ID: 976 2940 8366 Password: 9319326955

Lecture Title:

Power at Play: Contextualizing David Blackwell's

Experiences



Abstract:

David Blackwell was a towering figure in the mathematics and statistics field. His rise, in spite of all the doors that were closed to him, speaks to his character, intelligence, and love of learning. In this talk, we will contextualize some of David Blackwell's experiences and share some of his work. Centered throughout the talk is the notion of power. In which places do we have power over others? What do we do with this power? Who do we listen to? Who is missing in these places?