Abstract

In this talk we will introduce the notion of zero location preserving operators on the ring of polynomials $\mathbb{R}[x]$, and will briefly discuss the seminal work of J. Borcea and P. Brändén classifying all linear preservers on circular domains. As a special case, we will treat reality preserving linear operators and multiplier sequences, and we will close the talk with a recent result on sector preservers. We will highlight some student contributions to the literature these topics, and state some open problems which are accessible to the interested student and faculty supervisor.

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Cookies will be provided before the talk at 4 p.m. in the same room as the talk, Building 53 Room 206.