

**Progress in Variational Problems**  
**- New Trends of Geometric Gradient Flow**  
**and Critical Point Theory -**

RIMS conference

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**June 7 (Mon) - June 9 (Wed), 2010**

**Research Institute for Mathematical Sciences (RIMS),**

**4F Lecture Room 420, Kyoto University,**

**Session 1 - New Trends of Geometric Gradient Flow - ( Session organizer: S. Okabe )**

June 7 (Mon)

10:00~10:50 Matteo Novaga ( Padova )

Variational evolutions in image analysis

11:00~11:50 Takeyuki Nagasawa ( Saitama Univ. )

Gradient flow for the Helfrich variational problem

13:00~13:50 Yoshihito Kohsaka ( Muroran Institute Tech. )

On evolving hypersurfaces with boundaries by mean curvature flow

14:00~14:50 Shigetoshi Yazaki ( Miyazaki Univ. )

Various gradient flows in the plane — modeling, applications and polygonal analogues

15:00~15:50 Yohei Sato ( OCAMI )

The existence and non-existence for the nonlinear Schrödinger equations

16:00~16:50 Boyan Sirakov ( Paris Ouest )

Liouville theorems for elliptic inequalities and systems

June 8 (Tue)

10:00~10:50 Matteo Novaga ( Padova )  
Evolution of a relativistic string

11:00~11:50 Yoshihiro Tonegawa ( Hokkaido Univ. )  
A new two-phase fluid problem with surface energy

**Session 2 - New Trend of Critical Point Theory** - ( Session organizer: M. Ishiwata )

13:30~15:00 Andrzej Szulkin ( Sweden Univ. )  
The method of Nehari manifold revisited

15:10~16:00 Tatsuya Watanabe ( Kyoto Sangyo Univ. )  
Dual variational approach to a quasilinear Schrödinger equation  
arising in plasma physics

16:10~17:00 Hiroshi Ohtsuka ( Miyazaki Univ. )  
On the variational structure of the Gel'fand problem

18:30~ Banquet

June 9(Wed)

9:30~10:20 Hidemitsu Wadade ( National Taiwan Univ. )  
Minimizing problems for the Hardy-Sobolev type inequality  
with the singularity on the boundary

10:30~11:20 Andrzej Szulkin ( Sweden Univ. )  
A semilinear Schrödinger equation with Aharonov-Bohm magnetic potential

11:30~12:20 Naoki Shioji ( Yokohama National Univ. )  
Multiple sign-changing solutions for an asymptotically linear elliptic problem