

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

- **D.Sc. in Mathematics**, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria, 2005  
*Thesis: "Extremal Problems for Polynomials"*
- **Ph.D. in Mathematics**, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria, 1990  
*Thesis: "Gaussian Quadrature Formulae of Birkhoff Type"*
- **M.Sc. in Mathematics**, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria, 1985  
*Thesis: "A Comparison Theorem in the Theory of Quadrature Formulae"*

## Research Interests

Approximation Theory, Numerical Analysis, Quadrature and Cubature Formulae, Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions, Inequalities

## Professional Experience

- **Professor**, Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2009-present
- **Associate Professor**, Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria, 1998-2009
- **Assistant Professor**, Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria, 1991-1998
- **Assistant Professor**, Higher School on Architecture and Civil Engineering, Sofia, Sofia, Bulgaria, 1990-1991

## Teaching Experience

- **Professor**, Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2009-present  
*Courses: Numerical Methods, Numerical Methods of Linear Algebra, Numerical Integration, Approximation Theory, Mathematics (for students in Economics)*

## Specializations Abroad and Visiting Positions

- 2019, Isaac Newton Institute of Mathematics, Cambridge, United Kingdom (2 months)
- 2016, Sao Jose do Rio Preto, State University of Sao Paulo, Brazil (1 month)
- 2000, University of South Carolina, Columbia, USA (3 months)
- 1999, University of Duisburg, Germany (1 month)
- 1997-1998, University of Bradford, United Kingdom (1 year), Fellowship of the Royal Society
- 1997, University of Duisburg, Germany (1 month)
- 1993, Technical University of Braunschweig, Germany (3 months)

## List of Publications

1. G. Nikolov, On certain inequalities for real-root polynomials, *in*: “Mathematics and Education in Mathematics. Proceedings of 51<sup>th</sup> Spring Conference of the Union of Bulgarian Mathematicians, Tryavna, April 5-9, 2022”, pp. 77-85, Union of Bulgarian Mathematicians, Sofia, 2022.
2. G. Nikolov and B. Petrova, On the regularity of certain three-row almost Hermitian incidence matrices, *Ann. Sofia Univ. Fac. Math. Inf.* **107** (2022), 131-137.
3. G. Nikolov, A. Shadrin, Markov-type inequalities and extreme zeros of orthogonal polynomials, *J. Approx. Theory* **271** (2021), 105644.
4. D. K. Dimitrov, I. Gadjev, G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Hardy’s inequalities in finite dimensional Hilbert spaces, *Proceedings of the AMS* **149** (2021), no. 6, 2515-2529.
5. D. K. Dimitrov and G. P. Nikolov, A discrete weighted Markov-Bernstein inequality for sequences and polynomials, *J. Math. Anal. Appl.* **493** (2021), 124522.
6. G. Nikolov, Some inequalities for Chebyshev polynomials, *in*: “Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2019” (B. Draganov, K. Ivanov, G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), pp. 181-193, Prof. Marin Drinov Publishing House of BAS, Sofia, 2020.
7. G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Bounds for the extreme zeros of Laguerre polynomials, *in* “Numerical Methods and Applications. 9th International Conference, NMA 2018” (G. Nikolov, N. Kolkovska and K. Georgiev, Eds.), *LNCS 11189* (2019), pp. 243-250, Springer, 2019.
8. A. Avdzhieva, V. Gushev and G. Nikolov, Definite quadrature formulae of order three based on the compound midpoint rule, *in* “Numerical Methods and Applications. 9th International Conference, NMA 2018” (G. Nikolov, N. Kolkovska and K. Georgiev, Eds.), *LNCS 11189* (2019), pp. 227-234, Springer, 2019.
9. N. Kyurkchiev and G. Nikolov, Comments on some new classes of sigmoidal and activation functions. Applications, *Dynamic Systems and Applications* **28** (2019), no. 4, 789-808.
10. A. Avdzhieva and G. Nikolov, Definite quadrature formulae of 5-th order with equidistant nodes, *Ann. Sofia Univ. Fac. Math. Inf.* **106** (2019), 101-115.
11. G. Nikolov, New bounds for the extreme zeros of Jacobi polynomials, *Proceedings of the AMS* **147** (2019), no. 4, 1541-1550.
12. G. Nikolov and A. Shadrin, On the Markov inequality in the  $L_2$ -norm with the Gegenbauer weight, *Constr. Approx.* **49** (2019), 1-27.
13. A. Avdzhieva, V. Gushev and G. Nikolov, Definite quadrature formulae of order three with equidistant nodes, *Ann. Sofia Univ. Fac. Math. Inf.* **104** (2018), 155-170.
14. G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Estimates for the best constant in a Markov  $L_2$ -inequality with the assistance of computer algebra, *Ann. Sofia Univ. Fac. Math. Inf.* **104** (2018), 55-75.
15. D. Aleksov and G. Nikolov, Markov  $L_2$  inequality with the Gegenbauer weight, *J. Approx. Theory* **225** (2018), 224-241.
16. G. Nikolov and A. Shadrin, Markov  $L_2$ -inequality with the Laguerre weight, *in*: “Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2016” (K. Ivanov, G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), pp. 207-221, Prof. Marin Drinov Publishing House of BAS, Sofia, 2018.
17. N. Naidenov, G. Nikolov and A. Shadrin, On the largest critical value of  $T_n^{(k)}$ , *SIAM J. Math. Anal.* **50** (2018), no. 3, 2389-2408.
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19. G. Nikolov and A. Shadrin, On the  $L_2$  Markov inequality with Laguerre weight, *in*: “Progress in Approximation Theory and Applicable Complex Analysis”, pp. 1-17, Springer Optimization and Its Applications vol. **117**, Springer, 2017.

20. D. Aleksov, G. Nikolov and A. Shadrin, On the Markov inequality in the  $L_2$ -norm with the Gegenbauer weight, *J. Approx. Theory* **208** (2016), 9-20.
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28. G. Nikolov and A. Alexandrov, An inequality of Duffin-Schaeffer type for Hermite polynomials, in: "Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2010" (G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), pp. 9-20, Prof. Marin Drinov Publishing House of BAS, Sofia, 2012.
29. A. Avdzhieva and G. Nikolov, Numerical computation of Gaussian quadrature formulae for spaces of cubic splines with equidistant knots, in: "BGSIAM'12, Proceedings of the 7th meeting of the Bulgarian Section of SIAM" (A. Slavova, G. Nikolov and Kr. Georgiev, Eds.), pp. 28-38, 2012.
30. G. Nikolov and A. Shadrin, On Markov-Duffin-Schaeffer inequalities with a majorant, in: "Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2010" (G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), pp. 227-264, Prof. Marin Drinov Publishing House of BAS, Sofia, 2012.
31. G. Nikolov and A. Alexandrov, On the behaviour of Gegenbauer polynomials in the complex plane, *Results Math.* **62** (2012), no. 3-4, 415-428.
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33. D. K. Dimitrov and G. P. Nikolov, Sharp bounds for the extreme zeros of classical orthogonal polynomials, in: "120 Years Faculty of Mathematics and Informatics", pp. 236-243, St. Kliment Ohridski University Press, 2011.
34. G. P. Nikolov, P. B. Nikolov, Gauss-type quadrature formulae for parabolic splines with equidistant knots, *East J. Approx.* **16** (2010), no. 3, 219-233.
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55. D. Hunter and G. Nikolov, On the error term of symmetric Gauss-Lobatto quadrature formulae for analytic functions, *Math. Comp.* **69** (1999), no. 229, 269-282.
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70. B. Bojanov and G. Nikolov, Comparison of Birkhoff type quadrature formulae, *Math. Comp.* **54** (1990), no. 190, 627-648.
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### **Presentations and Conference Contributions (selected/recent)**

1. New bounds for the extreme zeros of classical orthogonal polynomials  
10<sup>th</sup> International Conference Numerical Methods and Applications  
August 22-26, 2022, Borovets, Bulgaria
2. On the relative extrema of  $T_n^{(k)}$  (*with N. Naidenov*)  
FMI Spring Scientific Session,  
March 26, 2022, Sofia (Bulgaria)
3. On certain inequalities for real-root polynomials (Plenary talk)  
51<sup>th</sup> Spring Conference of the Union of Bulgarian Mathematicians  
April 5-9, 2022, Tryavna (Bulgaria)
4. On the relative extrema of  $T_n^{(k)}$  (*with N. Naidenov*)  
9<sup>th</sup> CMAPT Workshop, Computational Mathematics and Approximation Theory  
June 13-17, 2022, Strobl/St. Wolfgang (Austria)
5. Some inequalities for Chebyshev polynomials. Supplement to the Finite Increment Theorem  
FMI Spring Scientific Session  
March 27, 2021, Sofia (Bulgaria)

6. Markov type inequalities and extreme zeros of orthogonal polynomials (Plenary Talk)  
15<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Bulgarian Section of SIAM  
December 15-17, 2020, Sofia (Bulgaria)
7. On the sharp constant in the  $L_2$  Hardy inequality in certain finite dimensional spaces (with D.K. Dimitrov, I. Gadjev and R. Uluhev)  
ICNAAM 2019, 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Numerical Analysis and Applied Mathematics  
September 23-28, 2019, Rhodes (Greece)
8. A discrete Markov-Bernstein inequality for sequences and polynomials (with D.K. Dimitrov)  
8<sup>th</sup> CMAPT Workshop, Computational Mathematics and Approximation Theory  
August 24-28, 2019, Strobl/St. Wolfgang (Austria)
9. New bounds for the extreme zeros of classical orthogonal polynomials  
15<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Orthogonal Polynomials, Special Functions and Applications  
July 22-26, 2019, Hagenberg (Austria)
10. Markov-type inequalities and extreme zeros of orthogonal polynomials  
Approximation, sampling, and compression in high dimensional problems  
July 17-21, 2019, Cambridge, United Kingdom
11. A discrete Markov-Bernstein inequality for sequences and polynomials (with D. K. Dimitrov)  
International Conference "Constructive Theory of Functions"  
June 02-08, 2019, Sozopol (Bulgaria)
12. A class of polynomial inequalities and extreme zeros of orthogonal polynomials  
7<sup>th</sup> CMAPT Workshop, Computational Mathematics and Approximation Theory  
September 02-08, 2018, Sozopol (Bulgaria)
13. A class of polynomial inequalities and extreme zeros of orthogonal polynomials  
IX Jaen Conference on Approximation  
July 08-13, 2018, Ubeda (Spain)
14. Markov inequalities in  $L_2$  norms with the Gegenbauer weights  
14<sup>th</sup> Serbian Mathematical Congress  
May 16-19, 2018, Kragujevac (Serbia)
15. On the Markov  $L_2$  inequality with the Laguerre weight  
Workshop "Approximation and Numerical Methods"  
October 19-22, 2017, Streltcha (Bulgaria)
16. Markov  $L_2$  inequality with the Gegenbauer weight  
6<sup>th</sup> CMAPT Workshop, Computational Mathematics and Approximation Theory  
September 05-09, 2017, Linz (Austria)
17. Markov-type inequalities with a majorant  
Seminar on Approximation Theory  
September 28, 2016, Sao Jose do Rio Preto (Brasil).
18. Markov-type inequality in the  $L_2$  norm induced by the Laguerre weight (with A. Shadrin)  
International Conference "Constructive Theory of Functions"  
June 11-17, 2016, Sozopol (Bulgaria)

## Editorial Work

1. “Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2019” (B. Draganov, K. Ivanov, G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), Prof. Marin Drinov Publ. House BAS, Sofia, 2020.
2. “Numerical Methods and Applications. 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference, NMA 2018” (G. Nikolov, N. Kolkovska, K. Georgiev, Eds), *LNCS 11189*, Springer, 2019.
3. “Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2016” (K. Ivanov, G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), Prof. Marin Drinov Acad. Publ. House, Sofia, 2018.
4. “Constructive Theory of Functions, Sozopol 2013: A Volume Dedicated to Blagovest Sendov and to the Memory of Vasil Popov” (K. Ivanov, G. Nikolov and R. Uluchev, Eds.), Prof. Marin Drinov Acad. Publ. House, Sofia, 2014.
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## Scientific Projects (selected)

1. Theory and Algorithms for Approximation with Polynomials and Splines, 2019-2022  
Bilateral project KP-06-Austria/8/2019 (WTZ BG 03/2019), funded by Bulgarian National Science Fund and OeAD (Austria).
2. Low-Rank, Polynomial and Spline Approximations and Applications, 2017-2019  
Bilateral project DNTS Austria 01/3, funded by Bulgarian National Science Fund and OeAD (Austria).
3. Research in Pairs, 2016, Grant 1615p  
Funded by the Leibnitz Foundation
4. Contemporary Methods in Constructive Theory of Functions, 2016-2019  
Grant DN 02/14, funded by the Bulgarian National Science Fund, Ministry of Education and Science.
5. Effective Methods and Algorithms for Geometric Modelling, 2012-2014,  
Grant DFNI-T01/0001, funded by the Bulgarian National Science Fund, Ministry of Education and Science.
6. Modern Methods in Approximation Theory, 2010-2013 (Project Coordinator)  
Grant DDVU 02/30, funded by the Bulgarian National Science Fund, Ministry of Education and Science.
7. Extremal Problems in Approximation Theory, 2004-2007  
Grant MM-1402/2004, funded by the Bulgarian National Science Fund, Ministry of Education and Science.
8. SCOPUS Joint Project "New Methods for Quadrature", 2004-2007  
Funded by the Swiss Scientific Foundation