Research Statement

Diana Carolina Montoya Amaya. Universidad de Los Andes Bogotá, Colombia

December 2010

Since I was studing the undergraduate program in Mathematics in the National University of Colombia I was interested on set theory, for that reason I worked on the final thesis work (which is a requirement to obtain the Mathematics degree) called *Definable Versions in Combinatorial Set Theory* which was supervised by professor Andres Villaveces. This work was based on the paper of Amir Leshem called On the Consistency of the Definable Tree Property on \aleph_1 , I studied some simple forcing techniques and learnt some consistency results; also using the knowledge about weakly compact cardinals and Π_1^1 - reflecting cardinals (introduced by Leshem), we studied the paper (preprint) *Weakly Compact Cardinals and* κ - torsionless modules written by Juan Nido, Pablo Mendoza and Luis Miguel Villegas; and proved a result about torsionless modules and κ - torsionless modules are arbitrary and κ - torsionless of the Mathematics Department and also was chosen to participate in the National Contest of final thesis works Otto de Greiff.

After, I started the Master Program in Mathematics in Andes University (Bogotá), I participate on the First Meeting of Set Theory between Venezuela and Colombia and also I was attending to a course on Forcing of the Reals teaching by professor Jorg Brendle from Kobe University (Japan), since that day I started to read some papers written by him; then he accepted to be my supervisor for the Master Thesis, called *Forcing Notions Presented as Quotients*, which was presented on June of the present year. In this work we studied mainly the results of Jindrich Zapletal and Michael Hrusak of the paper *Forcing with quotients* and answered an open question given by Bohuslav Balcar, Fernando Hernández-Hernández and Michael Hrušák in their paper *Combinatorics of Dense Subsets of the Rationals*.

Now, I'm starting the Phd program also in Andes University, and I want to keep doing research on set theory, also joint with professor Brendle we're going to prepare a paper to show the results of our work.