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**Pritha Chakraborty\*** (pritha.chakraborty@tamucc.edu) and **Alexander Solynin.** *An Extremal Problem Approach to Korenblum's Maximum Principle in Bergman Spaces.*

B. Korenblum conjectured and W. Hayman proved that for  $f, g \in \mathcal{A}^2(\mathbb{D})$ , there is a constant  $c$ ,  $0 < c < 1$ , such that if  $|f(z)| \leq |g(z)|$  for all  $z$  in  $c \leq |z| < 1$ , then  $\|f\|_2 \leq \|g\|_2$ , where  $\mathcal{A}^2(\mathbb{D})$  is the set of square integrable analytic functions in the unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$ . The largest possible value of such  $c$  is called the Korenblum's constant. The exact value of this constant, which is denoted by  $\kappa$ , remains unknown. We define the Korenblum's problem in extremal setting to discuss a new approach towards finding  $\kappa$ . The focus of this talk will lie on some non-linear extremal problems in Bergman spaces and properties of extremal functions. (Received September 16, 2016)