



# THE WILLIAM LOWELL PUTNAM MATHEMATICAL COMPETITION

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS

of the forty-ninth annual competition held on December 3, 1988

### WINNING TEAMS

Rank	School
1	HARVARD UNIVERSITY
2	PRINCETON UNIVERSITY
3	RICE UNIVERSITY
4	UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO
5	CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

The first place team receives an award of \$5,000 and each member of the team receives \$250. The awards for second place are \$2500 and \$200; for third place \$1,500 and \$150; for fourth place \$1,000 and \$100; and for fifth place \$500 and \$50.

In each of the following categories, the listing is in alphabetical order.

### THE PUTNAM FELLOWS – THE FIVE HIGHEST RANKING INDIVIDUALS

Each receives an award of \$500.

DAVID J. GRABINER  
JEREMY A. KAHN  
DAVID J. MOEWS  
BJORN M. POONEN  
RAVI D. VAKIL

Princeton University  
Harvard University  
Harvard University  
Harvard University  
University of Toronto

WILLIAM P. CROSS  
SERGE ELNITSKY  
KARL M. WESTERBERG  
GLEN T. WHITNEY  
SIHAO WU  
JOSHUA R. ZUCKER

California Institute of Technology  
Carleton University  
Carnegie-Mellon University  
Harvard University  
Yale University  
Stanford University

### HONORABLE MENTION – TEAMS

BROWN UNIVERSITY  
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY  
CARNEGIE-MELLON UNIVERSITY  
STANFORD UNIVERSITY  
YALE UNIVERSITY

Peter H. Golde, Kevin S. McFarland, David J. Morin  
I-Lin Kuo, Jordan Lampe, David P. Moulton  
Petros I. Hadjicostas, Joseph G. Keane, Karl M. Westerberg  
John C. Loftin, John A. Overdeck, Joshua R. Zucker  
Moses G. Klein, Robert S. Manning, William N. Nelson

### HONORABLE MENTION – INDIVIDUALS

THOMAS R. AMOTH, Oregon State University  
TIBOR BEKE, Armand Hammer United World College  
DANIEL J. BERNSTEIN, Princeton University  
DAVID T. BLACKSTON, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
HUBERT L. BRAY, Rice University  
JACKSON A. BROSS, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
TIMOTHY K. CALLAHAN, University of Chicago  
WILLIAM CHEN, Washington University, St. Louis  
DAVID COOK, Harvard University  
MATTHEW M. COOK, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
PETER H. GOLDE, Brown University  
THOMAS R. HAGEDORN, Princeton University  
GRAYDON H. HAZENBERG, University of Waterloo  
THOMAS M. HYER, Rice University  
JOSEPH G. KEANE, Carnegie-Mellon University  
MOSES G. KLEIN, Yale University  
MATTHEW A. KLIMESH, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
TAL N. KUBO, Harvard University  
JOHN W. MCINTOSH, Rice University

CHRISTOPHER J. MONSOUR, University of Maryland, College Park  
DAVID P. MOULTON, University of California, Berkeley  
MATTHEW D. MULLIN, Princeton University  
DU NGUYEN, University of Ottawa  
JOHN A. OVERDECK, Stanford University  
DAVID L. PETRY, University of Oregon  
EDWARD R. RATNER, California Institute of Technology  
RAYMOND M. SIDNEY, Harvard University  
STEPHEN A. SMITH, University of Waterloo  
ROBERT G. SOUTHWORTH, California Institute of Technology  
COLIN M. SPRINGER, University of Waterloo  
CONSTANTIN S. TELEMAN, Harvard University  
JOHN S. TILLINGHAST, University of California, Davis  
MINH-TUE VO, University of Waterloo  
ERIC K. WEPSIC, Harvard University  
CHRISTOPHER S. WILSON, Stanford University  
DAVID BRUCE WILSON, Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
JOHN H. WOO, Harvard University  
JAPHETH L. M. WOOD, Washington University, St. Louis

A total of 2,096 students from 360 colleges and universities in Canada and the United States participated in the Competition. There were teams from 257 institutions. More complete details will appear in the American Mathematical Monthly.



Leonard F. Klosinski, Director

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Dear Professor:

Enclosed is a report on your contestants in the 49th Competition and your team rank (if it was in the range 1-150), a list of the top 516 contestants (which you may wish to share with your committee of graduate students), an announcements of winners, and a list of participating schools. Some tables are given below. Your contributions to the Competition are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*Leonard F. Klosinski*

Leonard F. Klosinski, Director

Gerald L. Alexanderson, Associate Director

Loren C. Larson, Associate Director

Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank
120	1.5	74	32	52	107	38	259.5	18	1022
119	3	72	33	51	113.5	37	276.5	17	1038
112	4	71	35	50	123	36	288.5	16	1045
110	5	70	37	49 <i>Konstantin Ferry</i>	135.5	35	303	15	1056
107	6	69	38	48	143	34	323	14	1076.5
106	7	68 <i>J.D.</i>	41	47	147.5	33	345	13	1102.5
99	8	67 <i>J.D.</i>	44.5	46	155	32	369.5	12	1138.5
98	9	66	47.5	45	161.5	31	406	11	1237.5
97	10.5	65	50	44	167.5	30	459.5	10	1496
91	13	63	53	43	175.5	29	503.5	9	1686
90	15.5	62	57.5	42	183.5	28	530	8	1696.5
89	17.5	61	63.5	41	192.5	27	549.5	7	1701.5
87	19	60	69.5	40.9 <i>M. Horwitz</i>	199.5	26	563.5	6	1703
86	20.5	59	74.5	40.8	202.5	25	584.5	5	1705.5
85	22	58	80	40.7	204	24	611	4	1709
84	24	57	85.5	40.6	205	23	637.5	3	1712.5
81	26	56	92	40.5	206	22	669	2	1732
78	27.5	55	96.5	40.4	207	21	744.5	1	1782.5
77	29	54	98	40	216.5	20	885	0	1956
76	30.5	53	101	39	237	19	988.5		

FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION OF PROBLEM SCORES OF THE TOP 207 CONTESTANTS

	A-1	A-2	A-3	A-4	A-5	A-6	B-1	B-2	B-3	B-4	B-5	B-6	Total
10	202	174	42	45	32	59	176	88	20	17	9	38	902
9	0	1	17	29	8	14	25	38	16	1	0	9	158
8	0	7	10	2	4	10	0	30	17	0	10	4	94
7	0	1	0	2	0	7	0	0	2	0	1	4	17
6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	25
5	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	33
4	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
3	0	3	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	15
2	4	3	5	3	7	5	1	26	52	3	1	5	115
1	2	0	3	3	96	0	1	4	33	2	2	1	147
0	0	15	34	25	9	21	1	18	27	73	45	17	285
blank	0	4	91	62	51	92	4	4	41	112	140	93	694