The 2017 Mathematics Prize Examinations

The Junior and Senior Prize Examinations will be given by the Mathematics Department on Monday, February 27, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m in IA-525. The Senior Prize Examination is open to any Brooklyn College undergraduate in the day or evening session. The Junior Prize Examination is open to any Brooklyn College undergraduate who did not receive credit for Calculus 2 (Mathematics 1206) or the equivalent earlier than the spring semester of 2016; this examination does not normally require knowledge of “advanced” topics.

Prizes are awarded as follows:

1. Milton Abramowitz Award ($200): to the best paper of the Senior Prize Examination, provided that at least one paper is considered worthy of an award.

2. Department of Mathematics Awards (amount varies): to other high-scoring contestants, if any, on both examinations.

Recent examinations are posted on the Web site


Scores of 20 or more (based on 10 points per problem) are usually sufficient to win awards. There is no penalty for doing badly; only names of award winners are revealed to the department. All interested students who think they can solve at least one problem are encouraged to compete.

If you wish to take either examination, please sign up by the end of Sunday, February 26 by sending an e-mail to Professor Beneš at CBenes@brooklyn.cuny.edu stating whether you are registering for the Junior or Senior Prize Examination. Signing up does not obligate you to participate in any way.

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