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## December 14-18, 2009

Brownian motion and random matrices - American Institute of Mathematics, Palo Alto, California

http://aimath.org/ARCC/workshops/brownianrmt.html

## January 13-16, 2010

Joint Mathematics Meetings, San Francisco, California, USA http://www.ams.org/amsmtgs/2124\_intro.html

### May 27-28, 2010

From A = B to Z = 60, a conference in honor of Doron Zeilberger's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ, USA 16.5 #1 http://math.rutgers.edu/events/Z60/

## July 4-7, 2010

Seventh international conference on Lattice Path Combinatorics and Applications, Siena, Italy http://www.unisi.it/eventi/lattice\_path\_2010

## July 12-16, 2010

SIAM Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA http://www.siam.org/meetings/an10/index.php

## August 19-27, 2010

International Congress of Mathematicians, Hyderabad, India http://www.icm2010.org.in/

## September 17-19, 2010

Symmetry, Separation, Super-integrability and Special Functions (S4) Conference, in honor of Willard Miller on the occasion of his retirement, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA, 16.6 #1 http://math.umn.edu/conferences/s4/

# Topic #1 ----- OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: Francisco Marcellán pacomartc@ing.uc3m.es Subject: Message from the Chair

During the 10<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Orthogonal Polynomials, Special Functions and Applications held in Leuven, Belgium during July 20-24, 2009, we organized an informal meeting of the members of our SIAM Activity Group.

Francisco Marcellán, Peter Clarkson, and Diego Dominici, as Officers of the Activity Group, gave an overview of activities during the period January 2008-July 2009.

1. - We have around 140 members scattered about in more than 20 countries. A special emphasis on the attraction of people from developing countries would be welcome. In particular, there is an interesting and increasing activity in OPSFA in both Latin American and African countries, which can be strongly supported by us in order to share our expertise with them, both from a scientific and organizational approach. For example, the number of Tunisian mathematicians attending the Leuven Symposium was very impressive (18 people) and they offered the structure of some Tunisian universities for the organization of either a Summer School in 2011 or a version of the OPSFA Symposium in 2013. In Latin America, we should explore the opportunities offered by countries like Venezuela, where every year a Summer School in Universidad de los Andes (Mérida) with a successful participation of postgraduate students (around 70 people).

2. - Concerning OP-SF NET, we asked people to send written reports about meetings related to our Activity Group. There is good and updated information in the Calendar of Events, but comments and remarks about how the meeting succeeded, both from a scientific and social point of view, are very important for our external visibility. Comments about books, monographs, and other contributions would also be welcome.

3. - SIAM does not offer serious financial support to our Activity Group despite our individual annual contributions. One of the reasons seems to be the small membership in comparison with other Activity Groups. In the SIAM Annual Meetings, neither Special Sessions nor Activity Group events are supported; everybody attending must pay registration fees and this discourages participation in such activities. When we asked the SIAM Officers about the possibility of receiving some financial support for our proposals, they told us that the normal way would be to apply to the US National Science Foundation.

4. - The role of an Activity Group can be enhanced by a SIAM Journal, but this is not our situation. SIAM Journal of Mathematical Analysis, our traditional connection with SIAM, changed its scope substantially several years ago to become a journal focused on Partial Differential Equations and Applied Mathematics with almost no contributions on OPSF. Hence, very few people working on our subject have been involved recently in the Editorial Board and thus we have not had real participation in Editorial activities inside SIAM. This is a very difficult situation whose solution seems to be unclear in the short term unless we decide to take another approach to the question. Some people suggested the possibility of promoting a SIAM journal with a closer relation to OPSFA.

5. - Most of the SIAM Activity Groups promote an Award/Prize to recognize excellent contributions to their thematic framework. Several years ago, we proposed a Gabor Szegö Award but the response from the SIAM Officers was not enthusiastic, based on the low financial contribution of our Group to the SIAM budget. So we cannot expect success on this front in the short term.

The participants were very disappointed with these assessments and many suggested starting a discussion about the future of our Group. OP-SF NET would be a natural place to receive inputs from our members and colleagues in order to make a decision during the coming year. In November 2010, a new Officer list must be elected. This will give all of us an opportunity to decide whether we have a future as a real SIAM Activity Group.

Francisco Marcellán, Chair November 2009

# Topic #2 ------ OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

## From: OP-SF NET Editors

Subject: Conference in honor or Willard Miller, Jr.

## Symmetry, Separation, Super-integrability and Special Functions (S<sup>4</sup>) Conference

School of Mathematics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis MN, USA September 17-19, 2010

## Organizing committee:

Ernie Kalnins, Niky Kamran, Pavel Winternitz, and Peter Olver

This conference is in honor of Willard Miller, Jr., who will be retiring from the University of Minnesota. We will celebrate and honor Willard's career and his many wide-ranging research contributions.

## Invited Speakers:

- Dick Askey (University of Wisconsin)
- Sergio Benenti (University of Torino, Italy)
- Charles Boyer (University of New Mexico)
- Peter Clarkson (University of Kent, UK)
- Costas Daskloyannis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece)
- Roberto Floreanini (INFN, Trieste, Italy)
- Mourad Ismail (University of Central Florida)
- Tom Koornwinder (University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands)
- Jonathan Kress (University of New South Wales, Australia)
- Ray McLenaghan (University of Waterloo, Canada)
- Anatoly Nikitin (Institute of Mathematics of National Academy of Sciences, Ukraine)
- Frank Olver (University of Maryland)
- Jiri Patera (Université de Montreal, Canada)
- Stefan Rauch-Wojciechowski (Linköping University, Sweden)
- George Pogosyan (Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, Russia)
- Sarah Post (Université de Montreal, Canada)
- Greg Reid (University of Western Ontario, Canada)
- Dennis Stanton (University of Minnesota)
- Alexander Turbiner (UNAM, Mexico)
- Luc Vinet (Université de Montreal, Canada)
- Bernardo Wolf (Cuernavaca, Mexico)

Further details will be found at the web site http://math.umn.edu/conferences/s4/

# Topic #3 ------ OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Conference on Lattice Path Combinatorics

> LATTICE PATH COMBINATORICS AND APPLICATIONS July 4-7, 2010, Siena, Italy

Second Announcement

The seventh international conference on Lattice Path Combinatorics and Applications will take place at the Santa Chiara College of the University of Siena, Italy, from Sunday, July 4, 2010 to Wednesday, July 7, 2010.

Topics to be covered include (but are not limited to)

Lattice path enumeration Plane Partitions Young tableaux q-calculus Orthogonal polynomials Random walks Nonparametric statistical inference Discrete distributions and urn models Queueing theory Analysis of algorithms Graph Theory and Applications Self-dual codes and unimodular lattices Bijections between paths and other combinatoric structures

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Important Dates

March 31st, 2010: deadline for submission of extended abstracts April 30th, 2010: communication of acceptance May 15th, 2010: deadline for early registration and final version of extended abstract due July 4th-7th, 2010: Lattice Path Combinatorics and Applications 2010

Further information

All important information concerning Lattice Path Combinatorics 2010 can be found on the conference web site at http://www.unisi.it/eventi/lattice\_path\_2010

# Topic #4 ----- OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Proceedings of conference in honor of Walter Gautschi

Numerical Algorithms (vol 45, 2007, nos. 1-4) has published the proceedings of a conference in honor of Walter Gautschi. The editors are Stefano de Marchi, Michela Redivo-Zaglia and Marco Vianello. This was the first Dolomites Workshop on Constructive Approximation, held in Alba di Canazei, Italy in September 2006.

See the description of the Conference by Martin Buhmann in AT-NET Bulletin No. 136: http://tinyurl.com/at-netGautschi

## Topic #5 ----- OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Overview of Maratea conferences

At the site

www.dm.uniba.it/faat2009/abstracts/marateaconferences.pdf

you can find "The Maratea Conferences on Functional Analysis and Approximation Theory from 1989 to 2009 - an overview". This gives very complete information, including programs, on this series of conferences.

If you are tired of coffee breaks in windowless corridors, check out the picture on page 39!

Topic #6 ----- OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Book on the H-Function

The following information is from the web site http://www.springer.com/physics/book/978-1-4419-0915-2

## The H-Function

Theory and Applications Mathai, A.M., Saxena, Ram Kishore, Haubold, Hans J. Springer-Verlag, 2010, XIV, 270 p., Hardcover, 99.95 Euro ISBN: 978-1-4419-0915-2

## About this book

The topics of special H-function and fractional calculus are currently undergoing rapid changes both in theory and application. Taking into account the latest research results, the authors delve into these topics as they relate to applications to problems in statistics, physics, and engineering, particularly in condensed matter physics, plasma physics, and astrophysics.

The book sets forth the definitions, contours, existence conditions, and particular cases for the H-function, then explores the properties and relationships among the Laplace, Fourier, Hankel, and other transforms. From here, the H-functions are utilized for applications in statistical distribution theory, structures of random variables, generalized distributions, Mathai's pathway models, and versatile integrals. Functions of matrix argument are introduced with a focus on real-valued scalar functions when the matrices are real or Hermitian positive-definite. The text concludes with important recent applications to physical problems in reaction, diffusion, reaction-diffusion theory and statistics, and superstatistics. Generalized entropies as well as applications in astrophysics are dealt with.

Over the last few years, material in this book has been added to various courses and developed to meet the needs of scholars at the PhD level. All exercises in the book have been used to probe the knowledge and ability of mathematics, statistics, and physics to students and researchers.

Written for: Researchers and graduate students applying fractional calculus to problems in astrophysics, math, statistics, and engineering Keywords:

- Disordered systems
- Dynamical systems theory
- Fractional calculus
- Mathai pathway models
- Reaction diffusion applied mathematics
- Stochastic theory
- applications H-functions
- applied mathematics
- statistical distribution applications

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## Topic #7 ----- OP-SF NET 16.5 ----- September 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: ICM speakers - addendum

In our most recent issue (OP-SF NET 16.5, Topic #7), Tom Koornwinder mentioned that Arno Kuijlaars, Alexander Its, Fedor Nazarov and Alexei Borodin will be invited sectional speakers at ICM (International Congress of Mathematicians), Hyderabad, India, August 19-27, 2010. He informs us that he forgot to mention that **Eric Rains** will speak in the combinatorics section

See http://www.icm2010.org.in/speakers.php

for more information on speakers.

## Topic #8 ------ OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: Tom Koornwinder Subject: Passings of Gel'fand and Gohberg

I.M. Gel'fand (1913-2009) and I. Gohberg (1928-2009), two giants of 20th century mathematics, died during October. Gelfand contributed to many subjects including special functions. MathSciNet gives 42 hits for papers by him with "hypergeometric" in the title. His paper "General theory of hypergeometric functions" (Russian), Dokl. Akad. Nauk SSSR 288 (1986), no. 1, 14-18, laid the foundation for what are Now called Gelfand hypergeometric functions or A-hypergeometric functions. For further information on Gel'fand, see http://e-math.ams.org/news/home-news.html#gelfand

Gohberg was a very broad and productive analyst, in particular in operator theory. But his work touches on orthogonal polynomials. As a student of Krein, some of his work dealt with Krein's matrix-valued orthogonal polynomials. Gohberg concentrated on the case of the unit circle and with indefinite inner product. See some of the chapters in I. Gohberg, P. Lancaster and L. Rodman, "Indefinite linear algebra and applications", Birkhäuser, 2005. For more information on Gohberg, see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Israel\_Gohberg

## Topic #9 ------ OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: Tom Koornwinder Subject: MathSciNet Citations

MathSciNet has a new feature with Citations. Apart from Author Citations and Journal Citations, three other choices are now possible. In particular, one may choose: Search by Subject. Then choose for Subject Classification 33 and click on Search. With Publication Type "All", the top ten turn out to be books, with Andrews-Askey-Roy first and Gasper & Rahman (1990) second. But Andrews-Askey-Roy is beaten by the sum of Gasper & Rahman (1990) and Gasper & Rahman (2004). Gasper & Rahman, in their turn, are beaten by the sum of Watson, Bessel functions (1944) and *idem* (1995).

With Publication Type "Journals", Charles Dunkl is the winner with the paper that introduced the Dunkl operators: "Differential-difference operators associated to reflection groups", Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. 311 (1989), 167-183. (By the way, this high score is not the merit of the review, since the late Waleed Al-Salam only provided an author's summary.) Eric Opdam is second with his paper "Harmonic analysis for certain representations of graded Hecke algebras", Acta Math. 175 (1995), 75-121. It is remarkable that 6 papers in the top ten deal with special functions associated with root systems.

It should be borne in mind that MathSci Net did not begin to systematically include full bibliographies with reviews until about 2000. To that extent some of the older items are under-valued in these comparisons.

## Topic #10 ----- OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Preprints in arXiv.org

The following preprints related to the fields of orthogonal polynomials and special functions were posted or cross-listed to one of the subcategories of arXiv.org mostly during September and October 2009.

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1286

New hypergeometric series solutions to the general Heun equation Authors: R. Sokhoyan, D. Melikdzanian, A. Ishkhanyan

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1988

Special Functions: Integral properties of Jack polynomials, hypergeometric functions and invariant polynomials Authors: Jose A. Diaz-Garcia

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.3002

On the regulator of Fermat motives and generalized hypergeometric functions Authors: Noriyuki Otsubo

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.4793

An elliptic hypergeometric integral with W(F\_4) symmetry Authors: Fokko J. van de Bult

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.0093

An invariance group for a linear combination of two Saalschützian \${}\_4F\_3(1)\$ hypergeometric series Authors: Ilia D. Mishev

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1914

Dyson's constant for the hypergeometric kernel Authors: O. Lisovyy

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.3087

General transformations between the Heun and Gauss hypergeometric functions Authors: Galina Filipuk, Raimundas Vidunas

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1655

Higher order matching polynomials and d-orthogonality Authors: Dan Drake

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1824

Polynomials with no zeros on the bidisk Authors: Greg Knese

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1985

Uniform Asymptotics for Discrete Orthogonal Polynomials with Respect to Varying Exponential Weights on a Regular Infinite Lattice Authors: Pavel Bleher, Karl Liechty

http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.3184

Large Degree Asymptotics of Generalized Bernoulli and Euler Polynomials Authors: Jose Luis Lopez, Nico M. Temme

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.3668

Infinitely many shape invariant discrete quantum mechanical systems and new exceptional orthogonal polynomials related to the Wilson and Askey-Wilson polynomials

Authors: Satoru Odake, Ryu Sasaki

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.4352

Meixner polynomials of the second kind and quantum algebras representing su(1,1)

Authors: Gábor Hetyei

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.5512

Shifted Jacobi polynomials and Delannoy numbers Authors: Gábor Hetyei

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.5581

Hankel determinants of generalized q-exponential polynomials Authors: Johann Cigler

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.5626

The global parametrix in the Riemann-Hilbert steepest descent analysis for orthogonal polynomials Authors: Arno Kuijlaars, Man Yue Mo

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.0617

Asymptotics for a generalization of Hermite polynomials Authors: M. Alfaro, J.J. Moreno-Balcazar, A. Pena, M.L. Rezola

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.0619

Orthogonal polynomials associated with an inverse quadratic spectral transform Authors: M. Alfaro, F. Marcellan, A. Pena, M.L. Rezola

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.0684

Iterated Bernstein polynomial approximations Authors: Zhong Guan

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.0979

Exponential Polynomials, Stirling Numbers, and Evaluation of Some Gamma Integrals

Authors: Khristo N. Boyadzhiev

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.0995

Coefficients of cyclotomic polynomials Authors: Pingzhi Yuan

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.0631

Orthogonal Polynomials with Respect to Self-Similar Measures Authors: Steven M. Heilman, Philip Owrutsky, Robert S. Strichartz

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.0987

Symmetry properties of the generalized higher-order Euler polynomials Authors: Taekyun Kim

http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1746

An Operator Approach to the Al-Salam-Carlitz Polynomials Authors: William Y. C. Chen, Husam L. Saad, Lisa H. Sun

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1788

Strong asymptotics for Bergman polynomials over domains with corners Authors: Nikos Stylianopoulos

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1858

Tableaux combinatorics for the asymmetric exclusion process and Askey-Wilson polynomials Authors: Sylvie Corteel, Lauren Williams

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1982

On the coefficients of the cyclotomic polynomials of order three Authors: Jia Zhao, Xianke Zhang

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.3809

Spreading lengths of Hermite polynomials Authors: P. Sánchez-Moreno, J.S. Dehesa, D. Manzano, R. Yáñez

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.4041

A high order \$q\$-difference equation for \$q\$-Hahn multiple orthogonal polynomials Authors: Jorge Arvesú Carballo, Chiara Esposito

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.4188

Entropic functionals of Laguerre polynomials and complexity properties of the half-line Coulomb potential Authors: P. Sanchez-Moreno, J.J. Omiste, J.S. Dehesa

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.4223

On the norms and roots of orthogonal polynomials in the plane and \$L^p\$optimal polynomials with respect to varying weights Authors: F. Balogh, M. Bertola

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.4673

A remark about positive polynomials Authors: Olga M. Katkova, Anna M. Vishnyakova

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.4715

Some differentiation formulas for Legendre polynomials Authors: Radoslaw Szmytkowski

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.5088

A spectral method based on \$(0,2)\$ Jacobi polynomials. Application to Poisson problems in a sphere Authors: Cornou Jean-Louis, Bonazzola Silvano

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1209

Exceptional orthogonal polynomials and exactly solvable potentials in position dependent mass Schroedinger Hamiltonians Authors: Bikashkali Midya, Barnana Roy

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.3682

An Inequality for Ratios of Gamma Functions Authors: Yaming Yu

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.5228

Some conjectures on the zeros of approximates to the Riemann \$\Xi\$-function and incomplete gamma functions Authors: J. Haglund

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.2538

Modified zeta functions as kernels of integral operators Authors: Jan-Fredrik Olsen

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.3653

Fermi-Dirac integrals in terms of Zeta Functions Authors: Michael Morales

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1694

Fractions de Bernoulli-Carlitz et opérateurs q-Zeta Authors: Frédéric Chapoton (ICJ)

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.0664

On the correlation of shifted values of the Riemann zeta function Authors: Vorrapan Chandee

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.2052

A note on the gaps between consecutive zeros of the Riemann zeta-function Authors: H. M. Bui, M. B. Milinovich, N. Ng

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.2179

The monodromy conjecture for zeta functions associated to ideals in dimension two

Authors: Lise Van Proeyen, Willem Veys

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.5004

An Euler-type formula for the Dirichlet beta function at even values and an exact closed-form expression for a class of rational zeta series Authors: F. M. S. Lima

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.0029

Functional determinants, generalized BTZ geometries and Selberg zeta function Authors: R Aros, D E Diaz

#### http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.4232

Comment on the orthogonality of the Macdonald functions of imaginary order Authors: Radoslaw Szmytkowski, Sebastian Bielski

http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1492

An orthogonality relation for the Whittaker functions of the second kind of imaginary order Authors: Radoslaw Szmytkowski, Sebastian Bielski

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1737

Vector interpretation of the matrix orthogonality on the real line Authors: A. Branquinho, F. Marcellán, A. Mendes

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.2105

On rational functions orthogonal to all powers of a given rational function on a curve

Authors: F. Pakovich

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.0494

The Plane Wave Expansion, Infinite Integrals and Identities involving Spherical Bessel Functions Authors: Rami Mehrem

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.0365

On the Computation and Applications of Bessel Functions with Pure Imaginary Indices Authors: A. A. Matyshev, E. Fohtung

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.2508

A note on the generalized q-Euler numbers(2) Authors: Kyoung-Ho Park, Young-Hee Kim, Taekyun Kim

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.3563

Some congruences involving central q-binomial coefficients Authors: Victor J. W. Guo, Jiang Zeng

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.2983

Combinatorial Identities Involving the Mobius Function Authors: Mohamed El bachraoui, Mohamed Salim

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.1534

Failed attempt to disproof the Riemann Hypothesis Authors: Marek Wolf

### http://arxiv.org/abs/0910.2533

A nonlinear stationary phase method for oscillatory Riemann-Hilbert problems Authors: Yen Do

## http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1684

New solutions of Heun general equation Authors: Artur Ishkhanyan, Kalle-Antti Suominen

http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.1686

Incomplete beta-function expansions of the solutions to the confluent Heun equation Authors: Artur Ishkhanyan http://arxiv.org/abs/0909.2822 The Askey scheme as a four-manifold with corners Author: Tom H. Koornwinder

## Topic #11 ----- OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: About the Activity Group

The SIAM Activity Group on Orthogonal Polynomials and Special Functions consists of a broad set of mathematicians, both pure and applied. The Group also includes engineers and scientists, students as well as experts. We have around 140 members scattered about in more than 20 countries. Whatever your specialty might be, we welcome your participation in this classical, and yet modern, topic. Our WWW home page is:

http://math.nist.gov/opsf/

This is a convenient point of entry to all the services provided by the Group. Our Webmaster is Bonita Saunders (bonita.saunders@nist.gov).

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For several years the Activity Group sponsored a printed Newsletter, most recently edited by Rafael Yanez. Back issues are accessible at: http://www.mathematik.uni-kassel.de/~koepf/siam.html

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## Topic #12 ------ OP-SF NET 16.6 ----- November 15, 2009

From: OP-SF NET Editors Subject: Submitting contributions to OP-SF NET

To contribute a news item to OP-SF NET, send email to poly@siam.org with a copy to one of the OP-SF Editors dominicd@newpaltz.edu or muldoon@yorku.ca. Contributions to OP-SF NET 17.1 should be sent by January 1, 2010.

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