
Cosponsored Conferences

AAAS Meeting to Offer Strong Mathematics Program

The 2001 Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, February 15-20, in San Francisco, CA, will feature many outstanding expository talks by prominent mathematicians. These include the following three-hour symposia (and organizers) sponsored by Section A (Mathematics) of the AAAS:

- Beauty and the Beast: Realizations of the Art in Mathematics (Michael Field)
- Mathematics of the Visual Cortex (Jack Cowan)
- The Nature and Origins of Mathematical Thinking (Keith Devlin)
- Mathematical Aspects of Intellectual Property Management on the Internet (Matthew Franklin)
- Applications of Mathematics to Problems in Medicine (Parros M. Pardalos)
- The Role of Mathematics in Pricing and Hedging Financial Assets (Philip Protter)
- The Mathematics of Congressional and Other Apportionments (Donald G. Saari)

Other symposia that will be of interest to the mathematical community include:

From Juggling and Magic to Combinatorics
Understanding Music with Statistical Methods
Designing, Implementing, and Assessing Active Learning
College Science and Mathematics
Mathematical Statistics in Natural Language Analysis
Mathematical and Computational Properties of Universal
Grammar under Optimality Theory
The Sea of Data and How to Manage It
Science and Mathematics Education: California since the
End of Affirmative Action
Journey beyond TIMSS: Rethinking Professional
Development

The above symposia are only a few of the 150 or so AAAS program offerings in the physical, life, social, and

biological sciences. For details of the 2001 AAAS program, see the October 20, 2000, issue of *Science*.

AAAS annual meetings are the showcases of American science, and they deserve greater participation by mathematicians and mathematics educators. In presenting mathematics-related themes to the AAAS Program Committee, I have found the committee to be genuinely interested in offering symposia on mathematical topics of current interest. Thus, Section A's Committee is seeking organizers and speakers who can present substantial new material in an accessible manner to a large scientific audience. Toward this end I invite you to attend our Section A Committee business meeting 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., Friday, February 16, 2001, in Mason Room B of the San Francisco Hilton. I invite you also to send me, and encourage your colleagues to send me, symposia proposals for future AAAS annual meetings.

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