## Virginia Tech Math Contest, Oct. 25

Location: LSU Campus, TBA Registration Deadline: Oct. 1

## Putnam Exam, Dec. 6

Location: Lockett Hall Registration Deadline: Oct. 8

## \*\* Problem-Solving Seminar \*\*

Every Wednesday, 5:30 - 7:10 P.M. Third-Floor Lockett Lounge

## Open to any **Undergraduate** Student

Free Pizza and Soda provided!!

Are you interested in challenging and fun Math Problems? Attend the weekly Problem-Solving Seminar and sign up to represent LSU in national Competitions! Everyone is welcome: you do **not** need to be a math major, and only Calculus (MATH 1550) is required!

Learn how to solve problems like these:

• Evaluate

$$\int_{0}^{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}} \sin(x^{2}) + \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}\arcsin\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}x\right)} dx = ?$$

• There is something remarkable about the following sequence:

$$11-2$$
,  $1111-22$ ,  $111111-222$ , ...

What is special about these numbers?

• Without using a calculator, determine which quantity is larger:

$$2^{3^{4^5}}$$
 or  $5^{4^{3^2}}$ ?

To register or learn more about the Competitions, please feel free to attend the Problem-Solving Seminar or write to Professor Karl Mahlburg.

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