# WELCOME TO THE ERINDALE COMPUTER SCIENCE **CLUB**

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# What is Competitive Programming?

Mind sport like chess.

Solves computational problem under constraints.

Generates requires participants program.

#### **Contests**

**Beaver Computing Contests** 

CCC Series

ECOO Series

**DMPG** 

Woburn Challenge Series (idk if they're gonna continue)

Many, many, many online contests.

## **Beaver Computing Contest**

Hosted by CEMC (Waterloo Uni)

No past programming experience required.

Gr 9 and 10

3 part multiple choice on a school computer.

Weeks of Nov 4 and Nov 11

Registration deadline: October 23rd

#### **CCC Series**

Arguably the most important contest

Hosted by Waterloo

Two Divisions Junior/Senior

5 problems for each division worth 15 pts each

Around top 20-30 get invited to CCO

Sometime in February

### **ECOO Series**

Team Competition Out of school competition Teams of 4 people 4-5 problems 3 stages (Boardwide, Regional, Provincial) Top teams win money at Provincials Boardwide starting in April

### **DMPG**

Can work with a pair or solo
Out of school competition
3 Divisions (Bronze, Silver, Gold)
6 problems
Sometime in May

### **Online Contests**

There's lots, lots and lots.

Write at home.

On an online judge (website)

Example: DMOJ, Codeforces.

Archives of thousands of problems.







# **Basics of Competitive Programming**

Given a problem (similar to a math contest problem)

Write a program that takes the problem variables as input, and output the correct answer

Multiple test cases for each problem with different variable values each time

### Example

Problem statement:

A and B are two integers with  $0 \le A,B \le 100$ . Given the value of A and B, output A+B.

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int A, B; #define the variable you will use
input(A); #take the variable as input
input(B);

print(A + B); #output the sum
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# **Example Problem**

Your friend is thinking of an integer between 1 and 63 (inclusive). They offer to give you money if you guess the integer are thinking of.

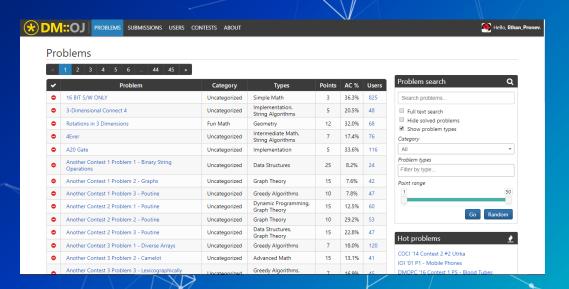
Every guess will tell you whether your guess was above or below the integer they were thinking of.

Find a strategy that uses the minimum number of guesses before you know the answer with certainty.

### **DMOJ**

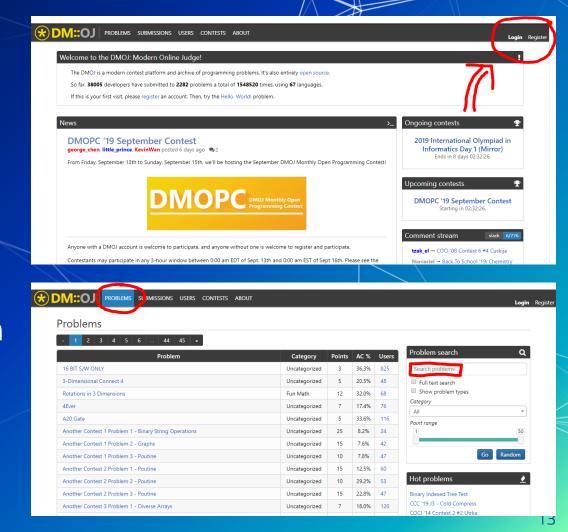
Online judge with many practice problems (including past contests)

Monthly online contests



#### **DMOJ**

- Go to dmoj.ca
- Create an account
- Join Erindale S.S.
   Organization
- Submit to the problem titled "Hello, World!"



#### **Extra Practice**

If you want to practice submitting to dmoj, you can try the following problems.

- A Plus B
- CCC '13 J1 Next in line
- CCC '14 J1 Triangle Time

### Temporary outline

- What is competitive programming
- Classroom code
- Intro to contests that the club will do
  - What a contest problem looks like (statement & solution)
- Logic riddles (maybe past beaver prob)
- Teach how to output
- DMOJ how to sign up and submit, etc.
- Submit to Hello, World!
- Hw other easy problems to practice i/o