

12th Ontario Combinatorics Workshop

May 1–2, 2003

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Ottawa-Carleton Discrete Math Day

May 3, 2003

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The *12th Ontario Combinatorics Workshop* welcomes their 2003 speakers *Nick Wormald* (University of Waterloo) and *Sylvia Boyd* (University of Ottawa) and special colloquium speaker *Ram Murty* (Queen's University). This informal meeting of professors, graduate students, post-docs and young researchers is hosted by Carleton University and the University of Ottawa at the University of Ottawa campus.

Stay an extra day for the *Ottawa-Carleton Discrete Mathematics Day* and attend talks by *Brian Alspach* (University of Regina), *Bill Cunningham* (University of Waterloo), *Clement Lam* (Concordia University) and *Endre Szemerédi* (Rutgers University).

All areas of combinatorics and discrete mathematics are included! There is no registration fee!



Schedule of Events

This is only a preliminary schedule. It may change.

Thursday, May 1 – Combinatorics Workshop I

- Opening talk by Nick Wormald
- Contributed talks
- Lunch
- Open Problem Session
- Contributed talks

Friday, May 2 – Combinatorics Workshop II

- Opening talk by Sylvia Boyd
- Contributed talks
- Lunch
- Open Problem Session
- Colloquium by Ram Murty
- Party

Saturday, May 3 – Discrete Mathematics Day

- Talks by Clement Lam and Bill Cunningham
- Lunch
- Talks by Endre Szemerédi and Brian Alspach

Around Ottawa

While in Ottawa, take some time to enjoy these other events:

- *MITACS Annual Conference* at the National Arts Centre (May 8–10)
- *2003 Canadian Tulip Festival* (May 1–19)
- *Atlantic Scene*, the Atlantic Canadian Cultural Festival (April 22–May 4)

Accommodations

For information on hotel accommodations go to www.ottawa.com and go to accommodations.

Peter Rodney Book Prize

The best talk given by a student at the Ontario Combinatorics Workshop will be awarded the Peter Rodney Memorial Book Prize. This prize of a book and memorial book plate is given in honour of Dr. Peter Rodney (1965-1995).

Dr. Peter Rodney graduated from McGill University, and then obtained his Masters and Ph.D degrees in Combinatorics, from the University of Toronto. He graduated in 1993 and went on to do postdoctoral research at the University of Vermont. He then continued to work in both the public and private sectors, using discrete mathematics, cryptography, and number theory. He had a deep appreciation for probability theory and was an avid card player. He died unexpectedly at the age of 30. His friends and family created a fund in his memory whose proceeds finance this book prize.

Organizers

Sylvia Boyd, Jason Gao, Lucia Moura, Daniel Panario, Irwin Pressman, Mateja Šajna, Brett Stevens

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There will be two invited speakers:
Nick Wormald (University of Waterloo) and *Sylvia Boyd* (University of Ottawa) and one special colloquium by *Ram Murty* (Queen's University). The remainder of the two days is reserved for contributed talks and open problem sessions.

On *May 3, 2003*, the *Ottawa-Carleton Discrete Mathematics Day* will also be held and workshop participants are invited and encouraged to stay the extra day to attend talks by *Brian Alspach* (University of Regina), *Bill Cunningham* (University of Waterloo), *Clement Lam* (Concordia University) and *Endre Szemerédi* (Rutgers University).

The organizing committee is *Sylvia Boyd*, *Lucia Moura*, *Mateja Šajna* (University of Ottawa), and *Jason Gao*, *Daniel Panario*, *Irwin Pressman*, *Brett Stevens* (Carleton University). Please contact *Mateja Šajna* or *Brett Stevens* if you are attending or see www.site.uottawa.ca/~lucia/OCW03/ and www.site.uottawa.ca/~lucia/DMD03/ for more information.

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