

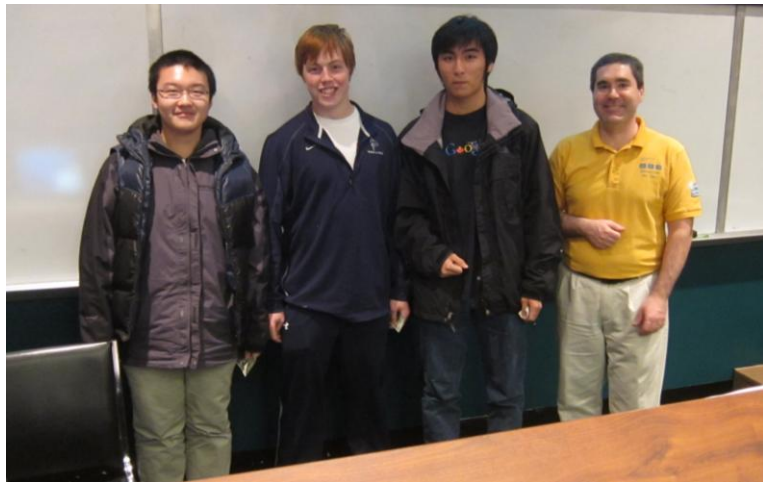
Yale Programming Team

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The Yale Programming Team tops Freshman/Sophomore category in Prestigious Contest.

The ACM Regional Collegiate Programming Contest of the Greater New York Region (ACMGNYR), perhaps the most prestigious annual contest in our area, took place Sunday October 30th 2011. Yale's freshmen team came in 1st in the freshman/sophomore category and came in 10th place overall. Michael Hopkins '15, Cyril Zhang '15, and Xiao Shi '15 each received \$100 for the accomplishment. Yale's other teams obtained 7th and 27th places out of 51 teams competing.

The ACMGNYR is the local regional for what is arguably the world's most well known programming competition. Teams of three students and two computers compete to solve around nine programming challenges within five hours. Teams are ranked first by the number of problems they solved and then by the time. Each year at least one team from the regional moves on to the International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC). More information about the ACMGNYR as well as past



The Yale freshman team next to contest director Adam Florence (right), after being called to the stage.

problems can be found on their website at <http://www.acmgnyr.org>. Other universities that compete in our Regional include Columbia, Princeton, NYU, Queens College, Polytechnic, and Cooper Union.

The Yale Programming team is a group of students with a variety of majors and skill levels who practice for and compete in programming competitions. It is the sole group at Yale that sends students to the ACMGNYR. The team is based in the Zoo Computer lab in the Yale Computer Science Department. This year it is coached by Professor Michael Fischer, with Assistant Coaches Yitzchak Lockerman and Hao Pan. Michael Hopkins '15 is captain. Prospective teammates are strongly encouraged to contact the team.