Integration Bee

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Above: Pushing to check his answer, Ali Borhan '83 went on to win every successive round in MIT's first Integration Bee. This unique event was the brainchild of Andy Bernoff, a third year applied mathematics student who felt that integration was just as fundamental to mathematics as spelling was to English.

Left: A contestant looks on as Andy writes a problem. Each contestant was given one minute to do the integration. In later rounds harder problems were given and the time limit was increased to two minutes.