Yale University Hosts and Competes in Major Programming Competition

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On Sunday October 27, 2013 Yale University hosted the Greater New York Regional of the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC). The ICPC is the most prominent programming competition with over 30,000 students participating worldwide. This year, the Greater New York Regional had fifty one teams of three students. Over twenty schools sent contestants to Yale, coming from as far as Cornell University.

Yale itself had four teams that competed in the regional. The members of Yale Team 1, Cyril Zhang ’15, Cezar Mocan ’16, and Serban Stan ’17, each received $100 for being the top exclusively undergraduate team (They came in 4th place overall).

The Yale programing team is led by Professor Michael Fischer who is the faculty adviser, coach, and who arranged for the contest to be held at Yale. The teams are also coached by Yitzchak Lockerman, a fourth year graduate student. Michael Hopkins ’15 is the team captain.

The full listing of Yale teams and their standing is below:

4th: Cyril Zhang ’15, Cezar Mocan ’16, Serban Stan ’17
7th: Michael Zhao ’15, Jeffrey Lai ’17, Ruan Silva
13th: Mason Liang ’15, Eric Pan ’15, Michael Tan ’15
16th: Avi Arfin ’14, Daniel Tahara ’14, Brandon Li ’14

Contest director Adam Florence presents the trophy to winning team NYU 1. (The ‘Y’ shape trophy was printed by the Yale Graphics Group.)

Yale Team 1 was the top undergraduate team in the competition and was 4th place overall. From left to right: Cezar Mocan ’16, Serban Stan ’17, and Cyril Zhang ’15.

Contestants practicing before the competition in 17 Hillhouse room 111.