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MATH CLUB TEASER #12

February 13, 2009
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Between each pair of digits place a symbol $+$, $-$, \times , $/$ Then add one pair of parenthesis so that the formula

$$9 \ 8 \ 7 \ 6 \ 5 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1 \ = \ 2009$$

is true.

Note that the rules do not allow solutions like $(987+6\times 5-4\times 3)\times 2-1=2009$.

The IUPUI Math Club invites everybody to submit solutions to its weekly recreational mathematics problem. Interested individuals and teams of up to four participants must submit a cover sheet (available at jagmath.usg.iupui.edu) together with their written solution. At the end of the semester, every IUPUI student that sent a correct solution will receive a certificate of merit. Prizes will be distributed among the IUPUI undergraduate teams that submit the most correct solutions.

Solutions are due one week after each problem is posted, and should be faxed to (317) 274-3460, dropped off in person at LD 270, or sent by campus or U.S. mail to:

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