

The Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) was incorporated as a non-profit organization under the laws of the State of Delaware on April 30, 1952.

By the fall of 1954, SIAM had 500 members and sections had been formed in New York City, San Francisco and Washington, DC. On December 28, 1954, SIAM held its first national meeting.



In 1959, the society published the first SIAM REVIEW and translation of *Teoriya Veroyatnostei i ee Primeneniya (Theory of Probability and its Applications)*.



The society co-sponsored the first Gatlinburg symposium on numerical linear algebra in April 1961.



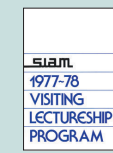
In October 1964, SIAM developed the JOURNAL OF THE SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS SERIES B: NUMERICAL ANALYSIS.

The JOURNAL OF THE SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS was renamed the SIAM JOURNAL ON APPLIED MATHEMATICS in January 1966.

In May 1969, the society released its first volume in the book series, SIAM-AMS Proceedings.



SIAM published the first volume in its SIMS proceedings in 1974.



Around 1978, SIAM initiated its focused-conference program to concentrate on timely topics in applied and computational mathematics.



In July 1980, SIAM moved its headquarters to 117 South 17th Street in Philadelphia.



SIAM held a record-setting, international celebration to mark the society's 30th anniversary on the campus of Stanford University in July, 1982.

The Richard C. DiPrima Prize was established in December 1985 to commemorate the former SIAM president.



SIAM co-sponsored the First International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics (ICIAM) in Paris, on June 29-July 3, 1987.



In July 1989, the society moved into its new offices at 3600 Science Center, in Philadelphia, and also established an activity group on Geometric Design.



The SIAM Journal on Optimization made its debut in February 1991.



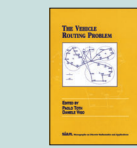
The society instituted the W.T. and Idalia Reid Prize in Mathematics in 1993.



The SOFTWARE, ENVIRONMENTS AND TOOLS book series premiered in 1995.



The society released its Mathematics in Industry report in 1996.



SIAM released the first volume in its MONOGRAPHS ON DISCRETE MATHEMATICS AND APPLICATIONS, and established the Ralph E. Kleinman Prize in 1998.



In January 2001, the society appointed a representative in Washington, DC to act on behalf of its members.



The JOURNAL ON APPLIED DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS—SIAM's first, all-electronic journal—was released in April 2002.

In October 1952, SIAM held its first election of officers, trustees and council members.

The first issue of the JOURNAL OF THE SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS was published in September 1953.



At the end of 1955, the society had 1,000 members, and another section of SIAM was formed in Baltimore.

By 1958, SIAM admitted its 2,000th member, and had grown so much that it had to lease office space and hire two secretaries.



Lars V. Ahlfors presented the first John von Neumann Lecture in August 1960.

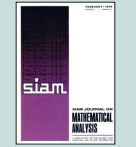
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The American Mathematical Society and SIAM established the Norbert Wiener Prize and the George David Birkoff Prize in 1967.

The SIAM JOURNAL ON MATHEMATICAL ANALYSIS was first published in February 1970.



SIAM instituted the George Polya Prize in 1969.



In March 1972, SIAM released its premier issue of the JOURNAL ON COMPUTING.



SIAM's student chapter at the University of Washington in 1986.

The society's first student chapter was formed at the University of Washington in the spring of 1976.

In 1979, SIAM and the Mathematical Programming Society established the George B. Dantzig Prize. The society also instituted its Prize in Numerical Analysis and Scientific Computing, which was re-named in 1987 to honor James H. Wilkinson.



The society first published the JOURNAL ON SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMPUTING and the JOURNAL ON ALGEBRAIC AND DISCRETE METHODS in March 1980.

By December 1980, SIAM had close to 5000 members and added student chapters at Clemson University, the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Virginia Tech and the University of Tennessee in Chattanooga.



SIAM's first activity group—on Linear Algebra—was formally established in July 1982.



In 1983, SIAM inaugurated its book series, FRONTIERS IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS.

SIAM's activity group on Optimization began formal operations in January, 1986.

Activity groups in Discrete Mathematics and in Supercomputing were formed in July 1984.



In July 1986, I. Edward Block became the first recipient of SIAM's Distinguished Service to the Profession Award.

SIAM began its CLASSICS IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS book series in 1988.



The SIAM JOURNAL ON DISCRETE MATHEMATICS first appeared in February 1988.

SIAM approved the formation of an activity group on Orthogonal Polynomials and Geometric Design in 1990.



The society's Student Travel Fund was established in 1991.

SIAM hosted the Second ICIAM in Washington, DC in July 1991. More than 2000 mathematicians, computational scientists, engineers and scientists attended the event.



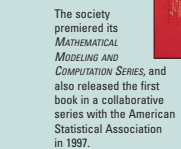
SIAM established its website—www.siam.org—in 1994.



In October 1995, SIAM held its first Graduate Student Focus on Diversity Workshop in Charlotte, NC.



In 1995, SIAM established the I. E. Block Community Lecture and the Germond Dahlquist Prize.



The society premiered its MATHEMATICAL MODELING AND COMPUTATION SERIES, and also released the first book in a collaborative series with the American Statistical Association in 1997.

The MPS-SIAM SERIES ON OPTIMIZATION was begun in 2000.



In 2002, the society formed an activity group on Computational Science and Engineering.

SIAM celebrated its 50th anniversary at the 2002 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, in July.

