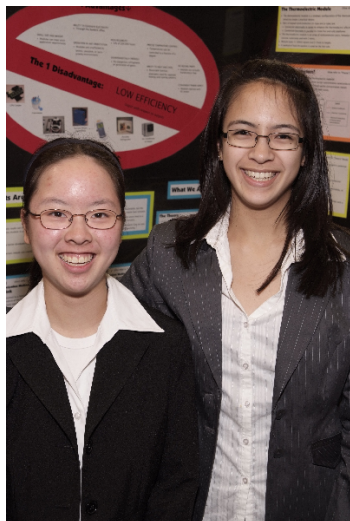


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Thermoelectricity: A Cool Idea Or Hot Air?

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Abstract: The thermoelectric effects, Peltier and Seebeck, involve the conversion between heating/cooling and electricity. Using thermoelectric modules, these effects were explored, demonstrated, and measured. Despite having numerous advantages in society, a low coefficient of performance remains a setback. Existing solutions were studied. Additionally, an innovative solution, involving effective management of waste heat, was proposed.

Biography

My name is Florence Chan. I am in grade 10 at Marc Garneau Collegiate Institute. My favourite subjects are Science and Math. In the Toronto Sci-Tech Fair 2006, I received a gold medal and the Science Teachers Association of Ontario Award. I have performed well in many math competitions hosted by the University of Waterloo and the University of Toronto. In the Canadian Open Mathematics Challenge, I was on the Canadian Honour Roll. I was invited by the Canadian Mathematical Society to attend the 2007 National Mathematics Camp. As well, I have a strong interest in music. I have won awards in piano competitions, such as the Kiwanis Music Festival and Contemporary Showcase. I was selected as a student performer for the 2005 World Piano Pedagogy Conference in California and the 2007 Music Teachers National Association Conference in Toronto. I am working towards an ARCT Performer's diploma. My hobbies include solving the Rubik's Cube and creating websites, and I am a dedicated Harry Potter fan. At school, I am the president of the Rubik's Cube Club. In the community, I volunteer at the school library, the local hospital and the YMCA. I hope to have a career in medicine.

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