



1988 Brouwer Award Winner - William Kaula

William Kaula's development of series expressions for the gravity potential of a planet, and for the perturbations on orbits which arise from them, have found application in geodesy and planetary physics, as well as celestial mechanics. He has himself employed these techniques to problems as diverse as the origin of the moon and planets, geodetic measurements of plate motions, and the determination and interpretation of gravitational anomalies of the moon and other planets. While at UCLA from 1963 to 1984, he supervised 14 PhD students, several of whom are members of the DDA. His administrative contributions include serving as Department Chairman twice at UCLA, as Director of the National Geodetic Survey, and service on numerous advisory committees, editorial boards, etc.

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