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standing in the shower
washing myself, arousal
hands sliding and groping,
images of trophies flashing in my head

at the university,
thumbing my text,
my grasps the concepts
and I'm tickled by a good grade

collapsed and drained, breathless
a few minutes of bliss
leaves me feeling much as I did
shortly before

paper in hand, smiling,
trying not to think
how much or how little
I've come in four years