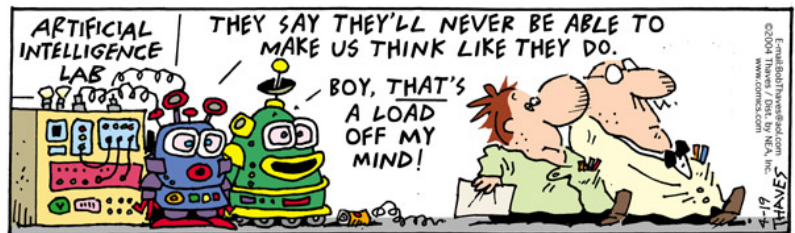
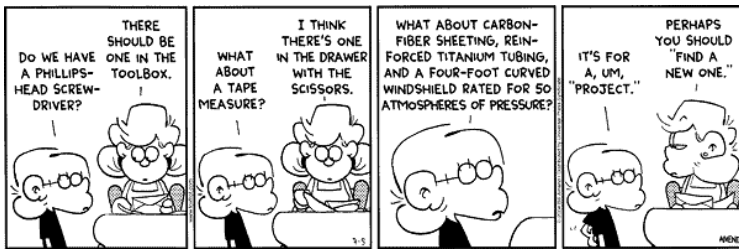
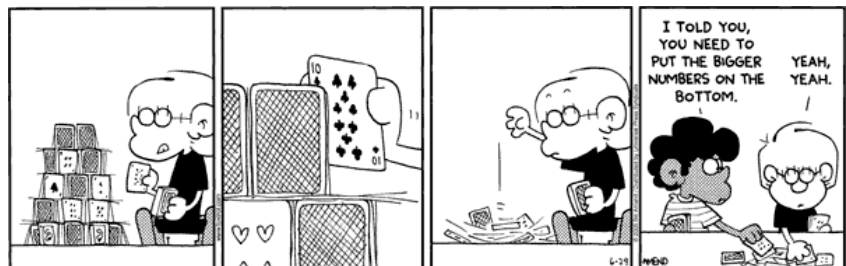


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"You couldn't have it if you did want it," the Queen said. "The rule is jam tomorrow and jam yesterday but never jam to-day."

"It must come sometimes to 'jam to-day,'" Alice objected.

"No it can't," said the Queen. "It's jam every other day; to-day isn't any other day, you know."

"I don't understand you," said Alice. "It's dreadfully confusing."

Charles DOGSON

"Mathematics is a game played according to certain simple rules with meaningless marks on paper."

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IMO 1959 - 2

For what real values of  $x$  is

$$\sqrt{x + \sqrt{2x-1}} + \sqrt{x - \sqrt{2x-1}} = A,$$

given:

$$A = \sqrt{2},$$

$$A = 1,$$

$$A = 2,$$

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Godfried HARDY

"it would be better for the true physics if there were no mathematicians on earth"

Daniel BERNOULLI

"Epur si muove"

Galileo GALILEI

"Euler calculated without effort, just as men breathe, as eagles sustain themselves in the air"

Dominique ARAGO

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IMO 1959 - 3

Let  $a, b, c$  be real numbers. Given the equation for  $\cos x$ :

$$a \cos^2 x + b \cos x + c = 0,$$

form a quadratic equation in  $\cos 2x$  whose roots are the same values of  $x$ . Compare the equations in  $\cos x$  and  $\cos 2x$  for:

$$a = 4,$$

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George BERKELEY

*"Common sense is nothing more than a deposit of prejudices laid down in the mind before you reach eighteen."*

Albert EINSTEIN

*"We [he and Halmos] share a philosophy about linear algebra: we think basis-free, we write basis-free, but when the chips are down we close the office door and compute with matrices like fury."*

Irving KAPLANSKY

*"A Mathematician is a machine for turning coffee into theorems."*

Paul ERDOS

*"What we know is not much. What we do not know is immense."*

Pierre Simon de LAPLACE



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## IMO 1959 - 4

Given the length  $|AC|$ , construct a triangle

$ABC$  with angle  $\hat{A}BC = 90^\circ$ , and the median  $BM$  satisfying:

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Stanislaw Marcin ULAM

*"You treat world history as a mathematician does mathematics, in which nothing but laws and formulae exist, no reality, no good and evil, no time, no yesterday, no tomorrow, nothing but an eternal shallow, mathematical present."*

Otto Ludwig HESSE

*"An important scientific innovation rarely makes its way by gradually winning over and converting its opponents: it rarely happens that Saul becomes Paul. What does happen is that its opponents gradually die out, and that the growing generation is familiarised with the ideas from the beginning"*

Max Karl Ernst Ludwig PLANCK

*"Everyone knows what a curve is, until he has studied enough mathematics to become confused through the countless number of possible exceptions."*

Felix KLEIN

*"The fact that the author thinks slowly is not serious, but the fact that he publishes faster than he thinks is inexcusable."*

Wolfgang PAULI

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### IMO 1959 - 5

An arbitrary point  $M$  is taken in the interior of the segment  $AB$ . Squares  $AMCD$  and  $MBEF$  are constructed on the same side of  $AB$ . The circles circumscribed about these squares, with centers  $P$  and  $Q$ , intersect at  $M$  and  $N$ .

- Prove that  $AF$  and  $BC$  intersect at  $N$ ;
- prove that the lines  $MN$  pass through a fixed point  $S$  (independent of  $M$ );
- find the locus of the midpoints of the segments  $PQ$  as  $M$  varies.

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Richard Phillips FEYNMAN

"To isolate mathematics from the practical demands of the sciences is to invite the sterility of a cow shut away from the bulls."

Pafnuti Lvovi CHEBYSHEV

"Mathematics is veri much like poetry. What makes a great poem is tat there is a great amount of thought expressed in very few words. in this sense, formulas like  $e^n+1=0$  are poems.

Lipa BERS

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### IMO 1959 - 6

The planes  $P$  and  $Q$  are not parallel. The point  $A$  lies in  $P$  but not  $Q$ , and the point  $C$  lies in  $Q$  but not  $P$ . Construct points  $B$  in  $P$  and  $D$  in  $Q$  such that the quadrilateral  $ABCD$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (1) it lies in a plane,
- (2) the vertices are in the order  $A, B, C, D$ ,
- (3) it is an isosceles trapezoid with  $AB$  is parallel to  $CD$  (meaning that  $AD = BC$ , but  $AD$  is not parallel to  $BC$  unless it is a square), and
- (4) a circle can be inscribed in  $ABCD$  touching the sides.

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Maurits Cornelius ESCHER

*"The more I see of men, the better I like my dog"*

Blaise PASCAL

*"Science is a differential equation. Religion is a boundary condition"*

Alan Mathison TURING

*"In my opinion, a mathematician, in so far as he is a mathematician, need not preoccupy himself with philosophy -- an opinion, moreover, which has been expressed by many philosophers."*

Henri LEBESGUE



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Determine all 3 digit numbers  $N$  which are divisible by 11 and where  $\frac{N}{11}$  is equal to the sum of the squares of the digits of  $N$

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John DEE

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Anagram to establish priority in the discovery of elasticity: "Ut tensio, sic vis"

Robert HOOKE

*"[The infinitesimals] neither have nor can have theory; in practise it is a dangerous instrument in the hands of beginners ... anticipating, for my part, the judgement of posterity, I would predict that this method will be accused one day, and rightly, of having retarded the progress of the mathematical sciences. "*

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*"A quantity which is increased or decreased by an infinitely small quantity is neither increased nor decreased."*

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### IMO 1960 - 2

For what real values of  $x$  does the following inequality hold:

$$\frac{4x^2}{(1 - \sqrt{1+2x})^2} < 2x + 9?$$

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"Cubum autem in duos cubos, aut quadratoquadratum in duos quadratoquadratos, et generaliter nullam in infinitum ultra quadratum potestatem in duos ejusdem nominis fas est dividere: cujus rei demonstrationem mirabilem sane detexi. Hanc marginis exiguitas non caperet"

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In a given right triangle  $ABC$ , the hypotenuse  $BC$ , length  $a$ , is divided into  $n$  equal parts with  $n$  an odd integer. The central part subtends an angle  $\alpha$  at  $A$ .  $h$  is the perpendicular distance from  $A$  to  $BC$ . Prove that:

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Construct a triangle  $ABC$  given the lengths of the altitudes from  $A$  and  $B$  and the length of the median from  $A$ .

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Charles BABBAGE

"Unfortunately what is little recognized is that the most worthwhile scientific books are those in which the author clearly indicates what he does not know; for an author most hurts his readers by concealing difficulties."

Evariste GALOIS

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The cube  $ABCD A'B'C'D'$  has  $A$  above  $A'$ ,  $B$  above  $B'$  and so on.  $X$  is any point of the face diagonal  $AC$  and  $Y$  is any point of  $B'D'$ .

(a) find the locus of the midpoint of  $XY$ ;

(b) find the locus of the point  $Z$  which lies one-third of the way along  $XY$ , so that  $ZY = 2XZ$ .

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Fredrich Ludwig Gottlob FREGE

*"Logic is the hygiene the mathematician practices to keep his ideas healthy and strong."*

Hermann Klaus Hugo WEYL

*"The British Mathematical Colloquium consists of three days of mathematics with no dogs and no wives"*

John Henry Constantine WHITEHEAD

*"The modern physicist is a quantum theorist on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and a student of gravitational relativity theory on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. On Sunday he is neither, but is praying to his God that someone, preferably himself, will find the reconciliation between the two views."*

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A cone of revolution has an inscribed sphere tangent to the base of the cone (and to the sloping surface of the cone). A cylinder is circumscribed about the sphere so that its base lies in the base of the cone. The volume of the cone is  $V_1$  and the volume of the cylinder is  $V_2$ .

(a) Prove that  $V_1 \neq V_2$ ;

(b) Find the smallest possible value of  $\frac{V_1}{V_2}$ .

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Tycho BRACHE

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Janos BOLYAI

"I believe there are 15 747 724 136 275 002 577 605 653 961 181 555 468 044 717 914 527 116 709 366 231 425 076 185 631 031 296 296 protons in the universe and the same number of electrons."

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