# Fall 2015 Welcome 

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## There are infinitely many primes

- Northshield 2015 a one liner
- Furstenberg 1955 (at age 20) a topological proof
- Euler 1737 (age 30) $\sum 1 / p=\infty$


## Talking Points

## Grade Distributions

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## ALEKS

"First Time in College" students in mac1114, mac1140, mac2233, mac2311 and mac2312 are required to take aleks. And they must use the FSU Summer/Fall 2015 cohort. Yes even if they have credit for previous class. Yes even if they took mac1105 this summer. Yes even if their advisor told them otherwise. Yes even if they took ALEKS for someone else.

## ALEKS is not

NOT a way to jump from MAC1105 to MAC2311
NOT a way to avoid repeating a course NOT a way to avoid trigonometry - separate trig score

## one liner

Let $P=\prod_{p} p$ and suppose there are only finitely many primes so $P$ is a finite integer.

$$
0<\prod_{p} \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{p}\right)=\prod_{p} \sin \left(\pi \frac{1+2 P}{p}\right)=0
$$

## Email

Advisors (other than Pamela or Kari) are not your friend

- Do not reply to email from students wanting to add your class, just forward them to advisor@math.fsu.edu


## Topology

- the union of open sets is open
- the complement of an open set is closed and the complement of a closed set is open
- a finite union of closed sets is closed.


## Topological proof 1955

Define sets of the form $A_{j, n}=\{i: i=j \bmod n\}$ to be open Sets of the form $B_{p}=\{i: i=0 \bmod p\}$ are closed, it is $\left(\cup_{0<j<p} A_{j, p}\right)^{c}$ $\{-1,1\}=\left(\cup B_{p}\right)^{c}$ is open if there are only finitely many primes. But all non-trivial open sets are infinite.

## Accommodations

- The letter isn't the request. It is a basis for discussion.
- Unlimited Excused Absences. One extra excused absence.


## Grade Distributions

http://www.maa.org/CSPCC

## Final Grades



Figure 1: Instructor reported final grades.

## Euler and the zeta function $\zeta(1)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(1+1 / 2+1 / 2^{2}+1 / 2^{3}+\cdots\right) \\
& \left(1+1 / 3+1 / 3^{2}+1 / 3^{3}+\cdots\right) \\
& \left(1+1 / 5+1 / 5^{2}+1 / 5^{3}+\cdots\right) \\
& \left(1+1 / 7+1 / 7^{2}+1 / 7^{3}+\cdots\right) \\
& \vdots \\
& =1 / 1+1 / 2+\cdots+1 / 84+\cdots
\end{aligned}
$$

## Punch line

If there are finitely many primes

$$
\infty>\prod_{p} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{p}}=\prod_{p}\left(1+\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{p^{2}}+\cdots\right)=\sum_{n} \frac{1}{n}=\infty
$$

## Euler and the zeta function $\zeta(2)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(1+1 / 2^{2}+1 / 2^{4}+1 / 2^{6}+\cdots\right) \\
& \left(1+1 / 3^{2}+1 / 3^{4}+1 / 3^{6}+\cdots\right) \\
& \left(1+1 / 5^{2}+1 / 5^{4}+1 / 5^{6}+\cdots\right) \\
& \left(1+1 / 7^{2}+1 / 7^{4}+1 / 7^{6}+\cdots\right) \\
& \vdots \\
& =1 / 1+1 / 2^{2}+\cdots+1 / 84^{2}+\cdots
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\prod_{p} \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{p^{2}}}=\prod_{P}\left(1+\frac{1}{p^{2}}+\frac{1}{p^{4}}+\cdots\right)=\sum_{n} \frac{1}{n^{2}}=\frac{\pi^{2}}{6}
$$

If there are finitely many primes the LHS is rational, but the RHS is transcendental (hence irrational).

## Appendix $\sum 1 / p$ diverges

$$
\begin{aligned}
-\ln (1-x) & =x+x^{2} / 2+x^{3} / 3+x^{4} / 4+\cdots \\
\prod(1 /(1-1 / p)) & =\sum 1 / n=\infty \\
-\sum \ln (1-1 / p) & =\sum\left(1 / p+1 / 2 p^{2}+1 / 3 p^{3}+\cdots\right) \\
& =\sum(1 / p)+\sum\left(\left(1 / p^{2}\right)(1 / 2+1 / 3 p+\cdots)\right) \\
& <\sum(1 / p)+\sum\left(\left(1 / p^{2}\right)(1 /+1 / p+\cdots)\right) \\
& =\sum(1 / p)+\sum\left(\left(1 / p^{2}\right)(1 /(1-1 / p))\right. \\
& =\sum(1 / p)+\sum(1 /(p(p-1)) \\
& =\sum(1 / p)+C
\end{aligned}
$$

## Finally

You have a lot of support, if you need help, ask. You are the math department.

