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School Year 2015–2016
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Dan Goldston

Sums and Differences of Pairs of Primes



Santa Clara University, Daly Science 207
Friday, December 4, 2015, 7:30 pm

Is every even number greater than 2 the sum of two prime numbers? Is 2 the difference of two prime numbers for infinitely many primes? These are two famous unsolved problems that concern sums or differences of pairs of prime numbers. We will look at a number of such problems, some of which are solved, some of which we think we know the answer but cannot prove it, and some which we don't know the answer for and can't compute or prove anything.

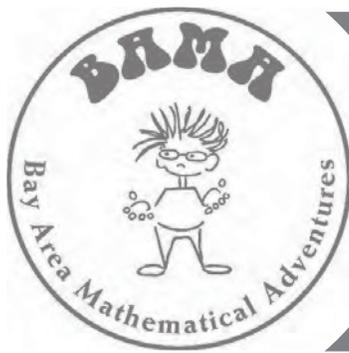
Daniel Goldston was born on January 4, 1954, in Oakland, California. He attended the University of California Berkeley starting in 1972, receiving his Ph.D. in 1981 under the supervision of R. Sherman Lehman. He worked at the University of Minnesota Duluth for a year before spending the 1982–1983 academic year at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. Since 1983 he has worked at San Jose State University except for semesters spent at the Institute for Advanced Study in 1990, the University of Toronto in 1994, and the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute in 1999. He was awarded a 2014 Cole Prize in Number Theory as were János Pintz, Cem Y. Yıldırım and Yitang Zhang.



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WHY?

BAMA aims to challenge and motivate students to think mathematically. Speakers will present real mathematics, and will share with the audience modern views of mathematics. Some talks will provide students with related problems, or will enable teachers to expand later on the topics with their students.

WHO?

BAMA is aimed at bright high-school age students. However, all are welcome: younger or older students, teachers, parents, and the general public.

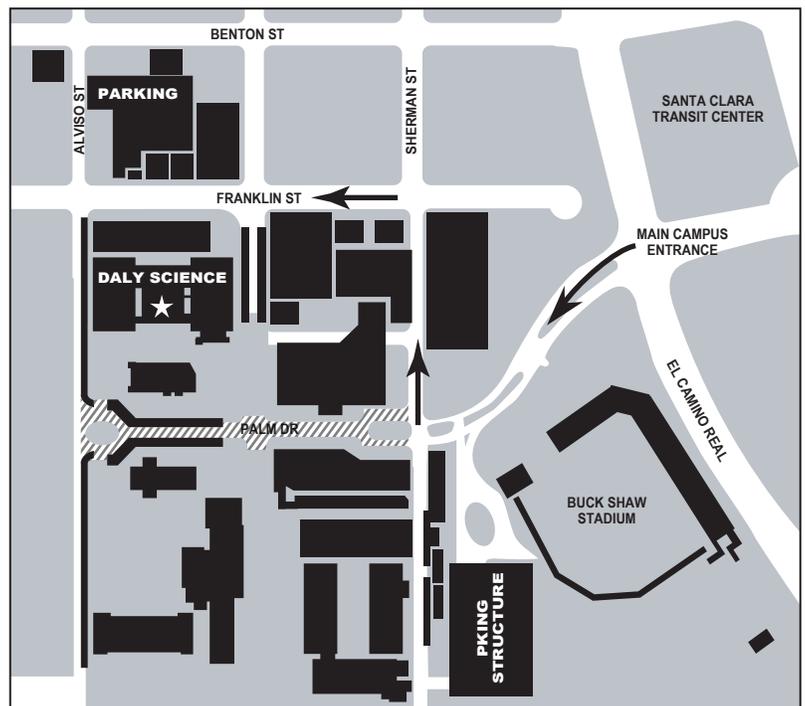
WHEN?

Evening talks will be given approximately once a month between September and April. Each talk will be self-contained (speakers will not assume their audiences have attended previous talks).

WHERE?

Santa Clara University Daly Science, rm. 207

- From US Highway 101, take the De La Cruz Blvd/Santa Clara exit and follow the signs to El Camino real and main campus entrance.
 - From I-280, take I-880 north toward Oakland to The Alameda exit. Turn left onto The Alameda (which becomes El Camino Real) to main campus entrance.
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