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P-8 Math-434

Att: #1.

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Johann Heinrich Lambert

Att #2: A rational number x is rational

(b) Who proved π was transcendental?
Ferdinand von Lindemann.

Att #3: a pair of equations $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

(c) Show Berku Prue $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational.

(d) Why is $355/113$ important and famous? \Rightarrow It is an approximation for π ! Better than $22/7$.

$$\pi \approx \frac{355}{113} \rightarrow 2 + \frac{3}{4} \rightarrow \frac{4}{3} = 1 + \frac{1}{3} \rightarrow 3$$

$$\left[\frac{11}{4} \right] = [2, 1, 3] \Rightarrow 2 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{3}}$$

(e) $\sqrt{3}$. Let's say for the sake of contradiction that $\sqrt{3}$ is rational.

Therefore $\sqrt{3} = \frac{m}{n}$ where $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\gcd(m, n) = 1$.

If $\sqrt{3} = \frac{m}{n} \Rightarrow 3 = \frac{m^2}{n^2}$, so $3n^2 = m^2$. m^2 must be divisible by 3, and so must m , which means m has a factor of 3. They cannot be coprime and this $\gcd(m, n) > 1$.

Thus, $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational.