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will deliver the first*

LEONIDAS ALAOGLU MEMORIAL LECTURE

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Paul Erdős entered the University of Budapest as a freshman in 1930. Four years later he had published seven papers in number theory. Fifty years later his publications numbered more than seven hundred. They cover a wide mathematical spectrum including number theory, set theory, combinatorial geometry, the theory of designs, graph theory, probability and its applications, real analysis, infinite series, and the theory of interpolation.

His output of papers reflects only one aspect of his service to mathematics. His life has been devoted to proving and conjecturing theorems and to interacting with other mathematicians. Paul Erdős has been described as a Wandering Scholar, a peripatetic mathematician who has traveled extensively across the five continents to nearly every mathematical center on earth. An Erdős visit results in an intense and highly productive interplay of ideas. More than two hundred people have written joint papers with Paul Erdős, including Leon Alaoglu, who was a close personal friend. The Mathematics Faculty at Caltech is especially pleased that Professor Erdős has agreed to deliver the first Alaoglu Memorial Lecture.



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The Leonidas Alaoglu Memorial Lecture was established by friends and family of the late Leonidas Alaoglu in recognition of his great talents, his distinguished contributions to mathematics, and his long friendship with Caltech. The Institute is privileged to honor his memory with a lecture each year by an outstanding mathematician.

