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Yitang Zhang

In May of 2013, UNH mathematician Yitang “Tom” Zhang's proof of one of the world's oldest mathematical problems was heralded as a breakthrough. Zhang had been thinking about the “twin prime conjecture,” for three years. This problem states that there are an infinite number of prime numbers that are only two numbers apart, like 3 and 5 or 17 and 19. In September, he was named a 2014 MacArthur Fellow. [Read more about this prestigious accomplishment.](#)

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