

# MATH 350-2 Advanced Calculus

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Theorem (Apostol Theorem 1.5)

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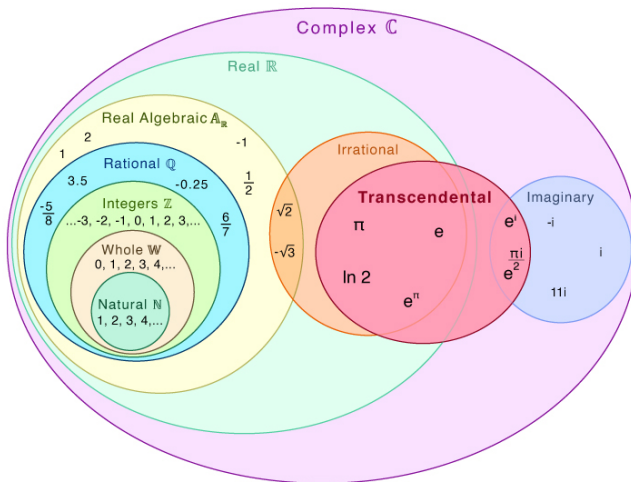
*If  $p$  is prime and  $p$  divides  $ab$ , then  $p$  divides  $a$  or  $p$  divides  $b$ .*

Theorem (Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic (Apostol Theorem 1.9))

*Every integer  $n > 1$  has a unique factorization as a product of primes, up to reordering.*

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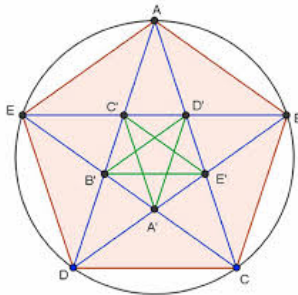
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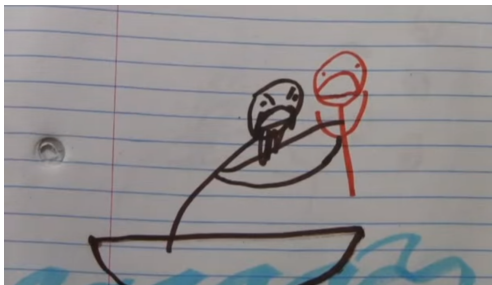
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