APPLIED MATHEMATICS COLLOQUIUM

IS INCOMPLETENESS SERIOUS?

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ABSTRACT:

Does incompleteness imply that math should be done differently? I think so.

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