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Maths expert's awards add up

AN HONORARY maths professor at Edinburgh University has been given a top award for his contribution to the subject.

Sir Michael Atiyah, who is widely regarded as one of the most influential mathematicians of the 20th century, has been awarded the French Academy of Sciences' Grande Medaille for his contribution to the subject.

The professor's many previous awards include the two most important prizes in mathematics: the Fields Medal, which he won in 1966, and the Abel Prize, which he shared in 2004.