Math and Architecture
What are connections between math and architecture?

- Symmetry
- Proportions
- Scale
- Geometry
- Layering
- Nature
  - Landscapes (built and natural)
Architecture
Mobius Strip

- Buddhist temple designed by an architect who wanted to symbolize reincarnation.

- Does this remind you of anything we talked about in class?

- How does this connect to the Mobius Strip activity we did together?
Fibonacci Numbers

- World’s largest greenhouse and education center
- England

http://www.edenproject.com
Geometry

- Cube village
- Dutch Architect: Piet Blom
- 3 levels with windows at the top facing every direction
Landscape and Geometry

Math and design

https://nj.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/f79f2801-256b-4ddf-ba0d-0567845408f9/f79f2801-256b-4ddf-ba0d-0567845408f9/#.WOz-lFKZNE4
La Sagrada Familia

- Hyperbolic paraboloid structures (Pringles)
- Magic Square (in this building the magic number is 33)
La Sagrada Familia

- Catenary arches (a geometric curve)
- Scale models – created from chains and weighted string
- Optimal Arches
Fractals

- Los Angeles gas station
- “Green” building
- Recycled materials and a plant-covered roof complete the enviro-friendly revamp.

What mathematics from class does this represent?
Music

- Inspired by a violinist
- Home and concert space
- Named the **Integral House**
- Home owner: calculus professor who wanted math to be reflected in his home.
Exploring Math and Architecture

- What are things in your experience that connect math and architecture?
The Architecture of Montclair State

- Find examples of math in the architecture around campus

- What types of things can you look for?
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