

My friend is a mathematician who is using ai a lot and is unsure of how and whether or not to use it.

I would like you to write a dialogue between him and a Taoist master

(i'm thinking of Raymond Smullyan https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Raymond_Smullyan).

I want the dialogue in the spirit of Smullyan's book "The Tao is Silent"

to help my friend decide how and if he should use ai, the consequences etc.

It should broach the various themes and dilemmas that mathematicians are facing with ai today

(see the various references here

<https://terrytao.wordpress.com/2026/09/10/crowdsourcing-a-list-of-general-resources-on-ai-and-mathematics/>

such as

- <https://leidendeclaration.ai/>
- <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2608.02859>
- <https://www.ahmath.org/>
- <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2603.03684>
- <https://ergosphere.blog/posts/the-machines-are-fine/>
- <https://www.daniellitt.com/blog/2026/2/20/mathematics-in-the-library-of-babel/>
- <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2405.04699>
- <https://www.normaltech.ai/p/what-will-be-left-for-us-to-work>
- <https://francissu.substack.com/p/the-enduring-value-of-math-in-an>
- <https://proofsandprompts.com/>)

but taking a Taoistic viewpoint.