



This five-meters long triple tablet was hung in 1797 in the Onnma shrine in the Aichi prefecture (Japan) and contains 30 problems. It is called a Sangaku, a mathematical ex-voto representing solved geometrical problems. A book about Sangakus is forthcoming, [Sacred Mathematics: Japanese Temple Geometry](#).

What do our friends interested in the anthropology of maths (Christophe, Helen, Hugo...) think of this interplay of religion and geometry? As for me, growing up in catholic Brittany, I have seen my share of weird ex-votos (the last one on my list was this [toy boat](#), last June), but this tops everything else...

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