1138-55-150 Jesse Leo Kass and Kirsten Graham Wickelgren* (kwickelgren3@math.gatech.edu). An arithmetic count of the lines on a cubic surface.
A celebrated 19th century result of Cayley and Salmon is that a smooth cubic surface over the complex numbers contains exactly 27 lines. Over the real numbers, it is a lovely result of Finashin-Kharlamov and Okonek-Teleman that while the number of real lines depends on the surface, a certain signed count of lines is always 3 . We extend this count to an arbitrary field k using an Euler number in A1-homotopy theory. The resulting count is valued in the Grothendieck-Witt group of non-degenerate symmetric bilinear forms. This is joint work with Jesse Kass. (Received February 07, 2018)

