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## PONTE A ENTRENAR

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### §1 Problemas

**Problem 1.1** (3245291910836201005). Let  $P$  be a point inside triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $AP$  meet  $BC$  at  $A_1$ , let  $BP$  meet  $CA$  at  $B_1$ , and let  $CP$  meet  $AB$  at  $C_1$ . Let  $A_2$  be the point such that  $A_1$  is the midpoint of  $PA_2$ , let  $B_2$  be the point such that  $B_1$  is the midpoint of  $PB_2$ , and let  $C_2$  be the point such that  $C_1$  is the midpoint of  $PC_2$ . Prove that points  $A_2, B_2$ , and  $C_2$  cannot all lie strictly inside the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$ .

**Problem 1.2** (35724831608408). We will say that a set of real numbers  $A = (a_1, \dots, a_{17})$  is stronger than the set of real numbers  $B = (b_1, \dots, b_{17})$ , and write  $A > B$  if among all inequalities  $a_i > b_j$  the number of true inequalities is at least 3 times greater than the number of false. Prove that there is no chain of sets  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_N$  such that  $A_1 > A_2 > \dots > A_N > A_1$ .

Remark: For 11.4, the constant 3 is changed to 2 and  $N = 3$  and 17 is changed to  $m$  and  $n$  in the definition (the number of elements don't have to be equal).

**Problem 1.3** (723258861624579). Let  $n \geq 2$  be an integer and let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  be positive real numbers with sum 1. Prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a_k}{1 - a_k} (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{k-1})^2 < \frac{1}{3}.$$

**Problem 1.4** (8152181601565653036). Let  $D$  be a point on segment  $PQ$ . Let  $\omega$  be a fixed circle passing through  $D$ , and let  $A$  be a variable point on  $\omega$ . Let  $X$  be the intersection of the tangent to the circumcircle of  $\triangle ADP$  at  $P$  and the tangent to the circumcircle of  $\triangle ADQ$  at  $Q$ . Show that as  $A$  varies,  $X$  lies on a fixed line.

**Problem 1.5** (966139221944695). Stierlitz wants to send an encryption to the Center, which is a code containing 100 characters, each a "dot" or a "dash". The instruction he received from the Center the day before about conspiracy reads:

- i) when transmitting encryption over the radio, exactly 49 characters should be replaced with their opposites;
- ii) the location of the "wrong" characters is decided by the transmitting side and the Center is not informed of it.

Prove that Stierlitz can send 10 encryptions, each time choosing some 49 characters to flip, such that when the Center receives these 10 ciphers, it may unambiguously restore the original code.

**Problem 1.6** (1121095467606378762). Let  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  be mutually tangent circles. The three circles are also tangent to a line  $l$ . Let  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1$  be tangent to each other at  $B_1$ ,  $\Gamma, \Gamma_2$  be

tangent to each other at  $B_2$ ,  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  be tangent to each other at  $C$ .  $\Gamma, \Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  are tangent to  $l$  at  $A, A_1, A_2$  respectively, where  $A$  is between  $A_1, A_2$ . Let  $D_1 = A_1C \cap A_2B_2$ ,  $D_2 = A_2C \cap A_1B_1$ . Prove that  $D_1D_2$  is parallel to  $l$ .

**Problem 1.7** (3048608408918882691). Is it possible to arrange everything in all cells of an infinite checkered plane all natural numbers (once) so that for each  $n$  in each square  $n \times n$  the sum of the numbers is a multiple of  $n$ ?

**Problem 1.8** (6209707374283278028). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and  $D$  be a point inside triangle  $ABC$ .  $\Gamma$  is the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$ , and  $DB, DC$  meet  $\Gamma$  again at  $E, F$ , respectively.  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2$  are the circumcircles of triangle  $ADE$  and  $ADF$  respectively. Assume  $X$  is on  $\Gamma_2$  such that  $BX$  is tangent to  $\Gamma_2$ . Let  $BX$  meets  $\Gamma$  again at  $Z$ . Prove that the line  $CZ$  is tangent to  $\Gamma_1$ .

**Problem 1.9** (5514383858686655851). Determine all functions  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) f(y) = f(xy) + f\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

for all  $x, y > 0$ .

**Problem 1.10** (6029540617185205962). On a social network, no user has more than ten friends (the state "friendship" is symmetrical). The network is connected: if, upon learning interesting news a user starts sending it to its friends, and these friends to their own friends and so on, then at the end, all users hear about the news. Prove that the network administration can divide users into groups so that the following conditions are met: each user is in exactly one group each group is connected in the above sense one of the groups contains from 1 to 100 members and the remaining from 100 to 900.

**Problem 1.11** (37921131297270). You are given a set of  $n$  blocks, each weighing at least 1; their total weight is  $2n$ . Prove that for every real number  $r$  with  $0 \leq r \leq 2n - 2$  you can choose a subset of the blocks whose total weight is at least  $r$  but at most  $r + 2$ .

**Problem 1.12** (549441013338848). What is the minimal number of operations needed to repaint a entirely white grid  $100 \times 100$  to be entirely black, if on one move we can choose 99 cells from any row or column and change their color?

**Problem 1.13** (15195306726194). There are two piles of stones: 1703 stones in one pile and 2022 in the other. Sasha and Olya play the game, making moves in turn, Sasha starts. Let before the player's move the heaps contain  $a$  and  $b$  stones, with  $a \geq b$ . Then, on his own move, the player is allowed take from the pile with  $a$  stones any number of stones from 1 to  $b$ . A player loses if he can't make a move. Who wins?

Remark: For 10.4, the initial numbers are (444, 999)

**Problem 1.14** (5897111412933990257). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\Gamma$ , and points  $E$  and  $F$  are chosen from sides  $CA, AB$ , respectively. Let the circumcircle of triangle  $AEF$  and  $\Gamma$  intersect again at point  $X$ . Let the circumcircles of triangle  $ABE$  and  $ACF$  intersect again at point  $K$ . Line  $AK$  intersect with  $\Gamma$  again at point  $M$  other than  $A$ , and  $N$  be the reflection point of  $M$  with respect to line  $BC$ . Let  $XN$  intersect with  $\Gamma$  again at point  $S$  other than  $X$ .

Prove that  $SM$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

**Problem 1.15** (852531542088551). Given a triangle  $ABC$  for which  $\angle BAC \neq 90^\circ$ , let  $B_1, C_1$  be variable points on  $AB, AC$ , respectively. Let  $B_2, C_2$  be the points on line  $BC$  such that a spiral similarity centered at  $A$  maps  $B_1C_1$  to  $C_2B_2$ . Denote the circumcircle

of  $AB_1C_1$  by  $\omega$ . Show that if  $B_1B_2$  and  $C_1C_2$  concur on  $\omega$  at a point distinct from  $B_1$  and  $C_1$ , then  $\omega$  passes through a fixed point other than  $A$ .

**Problem 1.16** (8534263250311217423). In acute triangle  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A > \angle B > \angle C$ .  $\triangle AC_1B$  and  $\triangle CB_1A$  are isosceles triangles such that  $\triangle AC_1B \stackrel{\perp}{\sim} \triangle CB_1A$ . Let lines  $BB_1, CC_1$  intersect at  $T$ . Prove that if all points mentioned above are distinct,  $\angle ATC$  isn't a right angle.

**Problem 1.17** (796349431725149). An acute, non-isosceles triangle  $ABC$  is inscribed in a circle with centre  $O$ . A line go through  $O$  and midpoint  $I$  of  $BC$  intersects  $AB, AC$  at  $E, F$  respectively. Let  $D, G$  be reflections to  $A$  over  $O$  and circumcentre of  $(AEF)$ , respectively. Let  $K$  be the reflection of  $O$  over circumcentre of  $(OBC)$ . a) Prove that  $D, G, K$  are collinear. b) Let  $M, N$  are points on  $KB, KC$  that  $IM \perp AC, IN \perp AB$ . The midperpendiculars of  $IK$  intersects  $MN$  at  $H$ . Assume that  $IH$  intersects  $AB, AC$  at  $P, Q$  respectively. Prove that the circumcircle of  $\triangle APQ$  intersects  $(O)$  the second time at a point on  $AI$ .

**Problem 1.18** (122001240071629). Vasya has 100 cards of 3 colors, and there are not more than 50 cards of same color. Prove that he can create  $10 \times 10$  square, such that every cards of same color have not common side.

**Problem 1.19** (684771433215596). In triangle  $ABC$ , point  $A_1$  lies on side  $BC$  and point  $B_1$  lies on side  $AC$ . Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be points on segments  $AA_1$  and  $BB_1$ , respectively, such that  $PQ$  is parallel to  $AB$ . Let  $P_1$  be a point on line  $PB_1$ , such that  $B_1$  lies strictly between  $P$  and  $P_1$ , and  $\angle PP_1C = \angle BAC$ . Similarly, let  $Q_1$  be the point on line  $QA_1$ , such that  $A_1$  lies strictly between  $Q$  and  $Q_1$ , and  $\angle CQ_1Q = \angle CBA$ .

Prove that points  $P, Q, P_1$ , and  $Q_1$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.20** (4451072691230235426). A convex quadrilateral  $ABCD$  has an inscribed circle with center  $I$ . Let  $I_a, I_b, I_c$  and  $I_d$  be the incenters of the triangles  $DAB, ABC, BCD$  and  $CDA$ , respectively. Suppose that the common external tangents of the circles  $AI_bI_d$  and  $CI_bI_d$  meet at  $X$ , and the common external tangents of the circles  $BI_aI_c$  and  $DI_aI_c$  meet at  $Y$ . Prove that  $\angle XIY = 90^\circ$ .

**Problem 1.21** (4742951979457606021). There are 2021 points on a circle. Kostya marks a point, then marks the adjacent point to the right, then he marks the point two to its right, then three to the next point's right, and so on. Which move will be the first time a point is marked twice?

**Problem 1.22** (727078403801409). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$  and circum-circle  $\Omega$ . A point  $X$  on  $\Omega$  which is different from  $A$  satisfies  $AI = XI$ . The incircle touches  $AC$  and  $AB$  at  $E, F$ , respectively. Let  $M_a, M_b, M_c$  be the midpoints of sides  $BC, CA, AB$ , respectively. Let  $T$  be the intersection of the lines  $M_bF$  and  $M_cE$ . Suppose that  $AT$  intersects  $\Omega$  again at a point  $S$ .

Prove that  $X, M_a, S, T$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.23** (8024569764169071557). 12 schoolchildren are engaged in a circle of patriotic songs, each of them knows a few songs (maybe none). We will say that a group of schoolchildren can sing a song if at least one member of the group knows it. Supervisor the circle noticed that any group of 10 circle members can sing exactly 20 songs, and any group of 8 circle members - exactly 16 songs. Prove that the group of all 12 circle members can sing exactly 24 songs.

**Problem 1.24** (117986541208663). Given a triangle  $ABC$ .  $D$  is a moving point on the

edge  $BC$ . Point  $E$  and Point  $F$  are on the edge  $AB$  and  $AC$ , respectively, such that  $BE = CD$  and  $CF = BD$ . The circumcircle of  $\triangle BDE$  and  $\triangle CDF$  intersects at another point  $P$  other than  $D$ . Prove that there exists a fixed point  $Q$ , such that the length of  $QP$  is constant.

**Problem 1.25** (596902679696332). Find all positive integers  $n \geq 2$  for which there exist  $n$  real numbers  $a_1 < \dots < a_n$  and a real number  $r > 0$  such that the  $\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$  differences  $a_j - a_i$  for  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  are equal, in some order, to the numbers  $r^1, r^2, \dots, r^{\frac{1}{2}n(n-1)}$ .

**Problem 1.26** (227919487650283). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$  and circumcircle  $\Omega$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of side  $BC$ . Point  $D$  is chosen from the minor arc  $BC$  on  $\Gamma$  such that  $\angle BAD = \angle MAC$ . Let  $E$  be a point on  $\Gamma$  such that  $DE$  is perpendicular to  $AM$ , and  $F$  be a point on line  $BC$  such that  $DF$  is perpendicular to  $BC$ . Lines  $HF$  and  $AM$  intersect at point  $N$ , and point  $R$  is the reflection point of  $H$  with respect to  $N$ .

Prove that  $\angle AER + \angle DFR = 180^\circ$ .

**Problem 1.27** (733773583946080).  $AB$  and  $AC$  are tangents to a circle  $\omega$  with center  $O$  at  $B, C$  respectively. Point  $P$  is a variable point on minor arc  $BC$ . The tangent at  $P$  to  $\omega$  meets  $AB, AC$  at  $D, E$  respectively.  $AO$  meets  $BP, CP$  at  $U, V$  respectively. The line through  $P$  perpendicular to  $AB$  intersects  $DV$  at  $M$ , and the line through  $P$  perpendicular to  $AC$  intersects  $EU$  at  $N$ . Prove that as  $P$  varies,  $MN$  passes through a fixed point.

**Problem 1.28** (7017112574129036660). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $AB < AC$ , and let  $I_a$  be its  $A$ -excenter. Let  $D$  be the projection of  $I_a$  to  $BC$ . Let  $X$  be the intersection of  $AI_a$  and  $BC$ , and let  $Y, Z$  be the points on  $AC, AB$ , respectively, such that  $X, Y, Z$  are on a line perpendicular to  $AI_a$ . Let the circumcircle of  $AYZ$  intersect  $AI_a$  again at  $U$ . Suppose that the tangent of the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $A$  intersects  $BC$  at  $T$ , and the segment  $TU$  intersects the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $V$ . Show that  $\angle BAV = \angle DAC$ .

**Problem 1.29** (1580707630770476037). Two triangles intersect to form seven finite disjoint regions, six of which are triangles with area 1. The last region is a hexagon with area  $A$ . Compute the minimum possible value of  $A$ .

**Problem 1.30** (660403976209529). A number is called Norwegian if it has three distinct positive divisors whose sum is equal to 2022. Determine the smallest Norwegian number. (Note: The total number of positive divisors of a Norwegian number is allowed to be larger than 3.)

**Problem 1.31** (518384374486289). Let  $O$  be the center of the equilateral triangle  $ABC$ . Pick two points  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  other than  $B, O, C$  on the circle  $\odot(BOC)$  so that on this circle  $B, P_1, P_2, O, C$  are placed in this order. Extensions of  $BP_1$  and  $CP_1$  intersect respectively with side  $CA$  and  $AB$  at points  $R$  and  $S$ . Line  $AP_1$  and  $RS$  intersect at point  $Q_1$ . Analogously point  $Q_2$  is defined. Let  $\odot(OP_1Q_1)$  and  $\odot(OP_2Q_2)$  meet again at point  $U$  other than  $O$ .

Prove that  $2\angle Q_2UQ_1 + \angle Q_2OQ_1 = 360^\circ$ .

Remark.  $\odot(XYZ)$  denotes the circumcircle of triangle  $XYZ$ .

**Problem 1.32** (8895719454292056765). Given a non-right triangle  $ABC$  with  $BC > AC > AB$ . Two points  $P_1 \neq P_2$  on the plane satisfy that, for  $i = 1, 2$ , if  $AP_i, BP_i$  and  $CP_i$  intersect the circumcircle of the triangle  $ABC$  at  $D_i, E_i$ , and  $F_i$ , respectively, then  $D_iE_i \perp D_iF_i$  and  $D_iE_i = D_iF_i \neq 0$ . Let the line  $P_1P_2$  intersect the circumcircle of

$ABC$  at  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . The Simson lines of  $Q_1, Q_2$  with respect to  $ABC$  intersect at  $W$ . Prove that  $W$  lies on the nine-point circle of  $ABC$ .

**Problem 1.33** (625002281186392279). Let  $\Gamma$  be the circumcircle of acute triangle  $ABC$ . Points  $D$  and  $E$  are on segments  $AB$  and  $AC$  respectively such that  $AD = AE$ . The perpendicular bisectors of  $BD$  and  $CE$  intersect minor arcs  $AB$  and  $AC$  of  $\Gamma$  at points  $F$  and  $G$  respectively. Prove that lines  $DE$  and  $FG$  are either parallel or they are the same line.

**Problem 1.34** (5261846980754565299). Let  $A, B, C$  be the midpoints of the three sides  $B'C', C'A', A'B'$  of the triangle  $A'B'C'$  respectively. Let  $P$  be a point inside  $\triangle ABC$ , and  $AP, BP, CP$  intersect with  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $P_a, P_b, P_c$ , respectively. Lines  $P_aP_b, P_aP_c$  intersect with  $B'C'$  at  $R_b, R_c$  respectively, lines  $P_bP_c, P_bP_a$  intersect with  $C'A'$  at  $S_c, S_a$  respectively, and lines  $P_cP_a, P_cP_b$  intersect with  $A'B'$  at  $T_a, T_b$ , respectively. Given that  $S_c, S_a, T_a, T_b$  are all on a circle centered at  $O$ .

Show that  $OR_b = OR_c$ .

**Problem 1.35** (6576585943791349484). Regular hexagon is divided to equal rhombuses, with sides, parallels to hexagon sides. On the three sides of the hexagon, among which there are no neighbors, is set directions in order of traversing the hexagon against hour hand. Then, on each side of the rhombus, an arrow directed just as the side of the hexagon parallel to this side. Prove that there is not a closed path going along the arrows.

**Problem 1.36** (16776483958513). Find all pairs  $(k, n)$  of positive integers such that

$$k! = (2^n - 1)(2^n - 2)(2^n - 4) \cdots (2^n - 2^{n-1}).$$

**Problem 1.37** (7948249970111159954). A  $\pm 1$ -sequence is a sequence of 2022 numbers  $a_1, \dots, a_{2022}$ , each equal to either  $+1$  or  $-1$ . Determine the largest  $C$  so that, for any  $\pm 1$ -sequence, there exists an integer  $k$  and indices  $1 \leq t_1 < \dots < t_k \leq 2022$  so that  $t_{i+1} - t_i \leq 2$  for all  $i$ , and

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^k a_{t_i} \right| \geq C.$$

**Problem 1.38** (318208660266829737). Let  $ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle with  $AB \neq AC$ , and let  $I$  and  $O$  be its incenter and circumcenter, respectively. Let the incircle touch  $BC, CA$  and  $AB$  at  $D, E$  and  $F$ , respectively. Assume that the line through  $I$  parallel to  $EF$ , the line through  $D$  parallel to  $AO$ , and the altitude from  $A$  are concurrent. Prove that the concurrency point is the orthocenter of the triangle  $ABC$ .

**Problem 1.39** (537574018594693). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $O$  as its circumcenter. A circle  $\Gamma$  tangents  $OB, OC$  at  $B, C$ , respectively. Let  $D$  be a point on  $\Gamma$  other than  $B$  with  $CB = CD$ ,  $E$  be the second intersection of  $DO$  and  $\Gamma$ , and  $F$  be the second intersection of  $EA$  and  $\Gamma$ . Let  $X$  be a point on the line  $AC$  so that  $XB \perp BD$ . Show that one half of  $\angle ADF$  is equal to one of  $\angle BD X$  and  $\angle BXD$ .

**Problem 1.40** (9026100911884959358). Let  $n$  be a positive integer, and set  $N = 2^n$ . Determine the smallest real number  $a_n$  such that, for all real  $x$ ,

$$\sqrt[n]{\frac{x^{2N} + 1}{2}} \leq a_n(x - 1)^2 + x.$$

**Problem 1.41** (719467452801051). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\Omega$  and incentre  $I$ . A line  $\ell$  intersects the lines  $AI, BI$ , and  $CI$  at points  $D, E$ , and  $F$ , respectively,

distinct from the points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $I$ . The perpendicular bisectors  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  of the segments  $AD$ ,  $BE$ , and  $CF$ , respectively determine a triangle  $\Theta$ . Show that the circumcircle of the triangle  $\Theta$  is tangent to  $\Omega$ .

**Problem 1.42** (6020628633767269011). Let  $ABCDE$  be a regular pentagon. Let  $P$  be a variable point on the interior of segment  $AB$  such that  $PA \neq PB$ . The circumcircles of  $\triangle PAE$  and  $\triangle PBC$  meet again at  $Q$ . Let  $R$  be the circumcenter of  $\triangle DPQ$ . Show that as  $P$  varies,  $R$  lies on a fixed line.

**Problem 1.43** (902621191535073). Given six points  $A, B, C, D, E, F$  such that  $\triangle BCD \stackrel{+}{\sim} \triangle ECA \stackrel{+}{\sim} \triangle BFA$  and let  $I$  be the incenter of  $\triangle ABC$ . Prove that the circumcenter of  $\triangle AID, \triangle BIE, \triangle CIF$  are collinear.

**Problem 1.44** (282712203118607). Let  $ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle with  $AC > AB$ , let  $O$  be its circumcentre, and let  $D$  be a point on the segment  $BC$ . The line through  $D$  perpendicular to  $BC$  intersects the lines  $AO, AC$ , and  $AB$  at  $W, X$ , and  $Y$ , respectively. The circumcircles of triangles  $AXY$  and  $ABC$  intersect again at  $Z \neq A$ . Prove that if  $W \neq D$  and  $OW = OD$ , then  $DZ$  is tangent to the circle  $AXY$ .

**Problem 1.45** (290912955085727393). Let  $n \geq 3$  be a positive integer and let  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  be a strictly increasing sequence of  $n$  positive real numbers with sum equal to 2. Let  $X$  be a subset of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that the value of

$$\left| 1 - \sum_{i \in X} a_i \right|$$

is minimised. Prove that there exists a strictly increasing sequence of  $n$  positive real numbers  $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$  with sum equal to 2 such that

$$\sum_{i \in X} b_i = 1.$$

**Problem 1.46** (633974672407561). Let  $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of positive real numbers with the property that

$$(a_{n+1})^2 + a_n a_{n+2} \leq a_n + a_{n+2}$$

for all positive integers  $n$ . Show that  $a_{2022} \leq 1$ .

**Problem 1.47** (677860185151955). The checker moves from the lower left corner of the board  $100 \times 100$  to the right top corner, moving at each step one cell to the right or one cell up. Let  $a$  be the number of paths in which exactly 70 steps the checker take under the diagonal going from the lower left corner to the upper right corner, and  $b$  is the number of paths in which such steps are exactly 110. What is more:  $a$  or  $b$ ?

**Problem 1.48** (1810915585111530473). Given a scalene triangle  $\triangle ABC$ .  $B', C'$  are points lie on the rays  $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{AC}$  such that  $\overline{AB'} = \overline{AC}, \overline{AC'} = \overline{AB}$ . Now, for an arbitrary point  $P$  in the plane. Let  $Q$  be the reflection point of  $P$  w.r.t  $\overline{BC}$ . The intersections of  $\odot(BB'P)$  and  $\odot(CC'P)$  is  $P'$  and the intersections of  $\odot(BB'Q)$  and  $\odot(CC'Q)$  is  $Q'$ . Suppose that  $O, O'$  are circumcenters of  $\triangle ABC, \triangle AB'C'$  Show that

1.  $O', P', Q'$  are colinear
2.  $\overline{O'P'} \cdot \overline{O'Q'} = \overline{OA}^2$

**Problem 1.49** (1248852037865425410). Let  $n > 1$  be a positive integer. Each cell of an  $n \times n$  table contains an integer. Suppose that the following conditions are satisfied:



Each number in the table is congruent to 1 modulo  $n$ . The sum of numbers in any row, as well as the sum of numbers in any column, is congruent to  $n$  modulo  $n^2$ . Let  $R_i$  be the product of the numbers in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  row, and  $C_j$  be the product of the number in the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column. Prove that the sums  $R_1 + \dots + R_n$  and  $C_1 + \dots + C_n$  are congruent modulo  $n^4$ .

**Problem 1.50** (8612979541975584705). Let  $G$  be a connected graph and let  $X, Y$  be two disjoint subsets of its vertices, such that there are no edges between them. Given that  $G/X$  has  $m$  connected components and  $G/Y$  has  $n$  connected components, what is the minimal number of connected components of the graph  $G/(X \cup Y)$ ?

**Problem 1.51** (6558910862034852540). Let  $\mathbb{R}^+$  denote the set of positive real numbers. Find all functions  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , there is exactly one  $y \in \mathbb{R}^+$  satisfying

$$xf(y) + yf(x) \leq 2$$

**Problem 1.52** (6612845742708555351). Cyclic quadrilateral  $ABCD$  has circumcircle  $(O)$ . Points  $M$  and  $N$  are the midpoints of  $BC$  and  $CD$ , and  $E$  and  $F$  lie on  $AB$  and  $AD$  respectively such that  $EF$  passes through  $O$  and  $EO = OF$ . Let  $EN$  meet  $FM$  at  $P$ . Denote  $S$  as the circumcenter of  $\triangle PEF$ . Line  $PO$  intersects  $AD$  and  $BA$  at  $Q$  and  $R$  respectively. Suppose  $OSPC$  is a parallelogram. Prove that  $AQ = AR$ .

**Problem 1.53** (844684477828422). Let point  $H$  be the orthocenter of a scalene triangle  $ABC$ . Line  $AH$  intersects with the circumcircle  $\Omega$  of triangle  $ABC$  again at point  $P$ . Line  $BH, CH$  meets with  $AC, AB$  at point  $E$  and  $F$ , respectively. Let  $PE, PF$  meet  $\Omega$  again at point  $Q, R$ , respectively. Point  $Y$  lies on  $\Omega$  so that lines  $AY, QR$  and  $EF$  are concurrent. Prove that  $PY$  bisects  $EF$ .

**Problem 1.54** (712971117639738). Let  $\mathcal{A}$  denote the set of all polynomials in three variables  $x, y, z$  with integer coefficients. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  denote the subset of  $\mathcal{A}$  formed by all polynomials which can be expressed as

$$(x + y + z)P(x, y, z) + (xy + yz + zx)Q(x, y, z) + xyzR(x, y, z)$$

with  $P, Q, R \in \mathcal{A}$ . Find the smallest non-negative integer  $n$  such that  $x^i y^j z^k \in \mathcal{B}$  for all non-negative integers  $i, j, k$  satisfying  $i + j + k \geq n$ .

**Problem 1.55** (6566259136811987209). Let  $\Omega$  be the  $A$ -excicle of triangle  $ABC$ , and suppose that  $\Omega$  is tangent to lines  $BC, CA$ , and  $AB$  at points  $D, E$ , and  $F$ , respectively. Let  $M$  be the midpoint of segment  $EF$ . Two more points  $P$  and  $Q$  are on  $\Omega$  such that  $EP$  and  $FQ$  are both parallel to  $DM$ . Let  $BP$  meet  $CQ$  at point  $X$ . Prove that the line  $AM$  is the angle bisector of  $\angle XAD$ .

**Problem 1.56** (8569243655022492300). Given a  $\triangle ABC$  and a point  $P$ . Let  $O, D, E, F$  be the circumcenter of  $\triangle ABC, \triangle BPC, \triangle CPA, \triangle APB$ , respectively and let  $T$  be the intersection of  $BC$  with  $EF$ . Prove that the reflection of  $O$  in  $EF$  lies on the perpendicular from  $D$  to  $PT$ .

**Problem 1.57** (5990443173263547430). Given a fixed circle  $(O)$  and two fixed points  $B, C$  on that circle, let  $A$  be a moving point on  $(O)$  such that  $\triangle ABC$  is acute and scalene. Let  $I$  be the midpoint of  $BC$  and let  $AD, BE, CF$  be the three heights of  $\triangle ABC$ . In two rays  $\overrightarrow{FA}, \overrightarrow{EA}$ , we pick respectively  $M, N$  such that  $FM = CE, EN = BF$ . Let  $L$  be the intersection of  $MN$  and  $EF$ , and let  $G \neq L$  be the second intersection of  $(LEN)$  and  $(LFM)$ .

a) Show that the circle  $(MNG)$  always goes through a fixed point.

b) Let  $AD$  intersect  $(O)$  at  $K \neq A$ . In the tangent line through  $D$  of  $(DKI)$ , we pick  $P, Q$  such that  $GP \parallel AB, GQ \parallel AC$ . Let  $T$  be the center of  $(GPQ)$ . Show that  $GT$  always goes through a fixed point.

**Problem 1.58** (6975633259976638169). On the round necklace there are  $n > 3$  beads, each painted in red or blue. If a bead has adjacent beads painted the same color, it can be repainted (from red to blue or from blue to red). For what  $n$  for any initial coloring of beads it is possible to make a necklace in which all beads are painted equally?

**Problem 1.59** (15595788767204175). Let  $ABC$  be an acute scalene triangle with orthocenter  $H$ . Line  $BH$  intersects  $\overline{AC}$  at  $E$  and line  $CH$  intersects  $\overline{AB}$  at  $F$ . Let  $X$  be the foot of the perpendicular from  $H$  to the line through  $A$  parallel to  $\overline{EF}$ . Point  $B_1$  lies on line  $XF$  such that  $\overline{BB_1}$  is parallel to  $\overline{AC}$ , and point  $C_1$  lies on line  $XE$  such that  $\overline{CC_1}$  is parallel to  $\overline{AB}$ . Prove that points  $B, C, B_1, C_1$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.60** (2252133047011954512). On a flat plane in Camelot, King Arthur builds a labyrinth  $\mathfrak{L}$  consisting of  $n$  walls, each of which is an infinite straight line. No two walls are parallel, and no three walls have a common point. Merlin then paints one side of each wall entirely red and the other side entirely blue.

At the intersection of two walls there are four corners: two diagonally opposite corners where a red side and a blue side meet, one corner where two red sides meet, and one corner where two blue sides meet. At each such intersection, there is a two-way door connecting the two diagonally opposite corners at which sides of different colours meet.

After Merlin paints the walls, Morgana then places some knights in the labyrinth. The knights can walk through doors, but cannot walk through walls.

Let  $k(\mathfrak{L})$  be the largest number  $k$  such that, no matter how Merlin paints the labyrinth  $\mathfrak{L}$ , Morgana can always place at least  $k$  knights such that no two of them can ever meet. For each  $n$ , what are all possible values for  $k(\mathfrak{L})$ , where  $\mathfrak{L}$  is a labyrinth with  $n$  walls?

**Problem 1.61** (689874125173032). Let  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  be two non-intersecting circles, with circumcenters  $O_1, O_2$  respectively, and radii  $r_1, r_2$  respectively where  $r_1 < r_2$ . Let  $AB, XY$  be the two internal common tangents of  $\omega_1, \omega_2$ , where  $A, X$  lie on  $\omega_1$ ,  $B, Y$  lie on  $\omega_2$ . The circle with diameter  $AB$  meets  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  at  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively. If

$$\angle AO_1P + \angle BO_2Q = 180^\circ,$$

find the value of  $\frac{PX}{QY}$  (in terms of  $r_1, r_2$ ).

**Problem 1.62** (579228243242060). Let  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram. A line through  $C$  crosses the side  $AB$  at an interior point  $X$ , and the line  $AD$  at  $Y$ . The tangents of the circle  $AXY$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively, cross at  $T$ . Prove that the circumcircles of triangles  $ABD$  and  $TXY$  intersect at two points, one lying on the line  $AT$  and the other one lying on the line  $CT$ .

**Problem 1.63** (7088779505939683183). Find all triples  $(a, b, c)$  of positive integers such that  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = (abc)^2$ .

**Problem 1.64** (1427062131747349943). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and orthocenter  $H$  such that  $OH$  is parallel to  $BC$ . Let  $AH$  intersect again with the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $X$ , and let  $XB, XC$  intersect with  $OH$  at  $Y, Z$ , respectively. If the projections of  $Y, Z$  to  $AB, AC$  are  $P, Q$ , respectively, show that  $PQ$  bisects  $BC$ .

**Problem 1.65** (8972547734710795566). Let incircle  $(I)$  of triangle  $ABC$  touch the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $D, E, F$  respectively. Let  $(O)$  be the circumcircle of  $ABC$ . Ray  $EF$



meets  $(O)$  at  $M$ . Tangents at  $M$  and  $A$  of  $(O)$  meet at  $S$ . Tangents at  $B$  and  $C$  of  $(O)$  meet at  $T$ . Line  $TI$  meets  $OA$  at  $J$ . Prove that  $\angle ASJ = \angle IST$ .

**Problem 1.66** (8609709793627283757). Define the sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  by  $a_n = 2^n + 2^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}$ . Prove that there are infinitely many terms of the sequence which can be expressed as a sum of (two or more) distinct terms of the sequence, as well as infinitely many of those which cannot be expressed in such a way.

**Problem 1.67** (574223786384294). Find all integers  $n \geq 3$  for which there exist real numbers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+2}$  satisfying  $a_{n+1} = a_1$ ,  $a_{n+2} = a_2$  and

$$a_i a_{i+1} + 1 = a_{i+2},$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

**Problem 1.68** (423911944927735). In acute  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $O$  is the circumcenter,  $I$  is the incenter. The incircle touches  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $D, E, F$ . And the points  $K, M, N$  are the midpoints of  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively.

a) Prove that the lines passing through  $D, E, F$  in parallel with  $IK, IM, IN$  respectively are concurrent.

b) Points  $T, P, Q$  are the middle points of the major arc  $BC, CA, AB$  on  $\odot ABC$ . Prove that the lines passing through  $D, E, F$  in parallel with  $IT, IP, IQ$  respectively are concurrent.

**Problem 1.69** (409146991986056). For each prime  $p$ , construct a graph  $G_p$  on  $\{1, 2, \dots, p\}$ , where  $m \neq n$  are adjacent if and only if  $p$  divides  $(m^2 + 1 - n)(n^2 + 1 - m)$ . Prove that  $G_p$  is disconnected for infinitely many  $p$ .

**Problem 1.70** (8851048763094130212). Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle  $\Omega$ . Let the tangent to  $\Omega$  at  $D$  meet rays  $BA$  and  $BC$  at  $E$  and  $F$ , respectively. A point  $T$  is chosen inside  $\triangle ABC$  so that  $\overline{TE} \parallel \overline{CD}$  and  $\overline{TF} \parallel \overline{AD}$ . Let  $K \neq D$  be a point on segment  $DF$  satisfying  $TD = TK$ . Prove that lines  $AC, DT$ , and  $BK$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.71** (685138775901874). The cells of a  $100 \times 100$  table are colored white. In one move, it is allowed to select some 99 cells from the same row or column and recolor each of them with the opposite color. What is the smallest number of moves needed to get a table with a chessboard coloring?

**Problem 1.72** (54214990954304). The vertices of a convex 2550-gon are colored black and white as follows: black, white, two black, two white, three black, three white, ..., 50 black, 50 white. Dania divides the polygon into quadrilaterals with diagonals that have no common points. Prove that there exists a quadrilateral among these, in which two adjacent vertices are black and the other two are white.

**Problem 1.73** (952584318797289). Show that the inequality

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sqrt{|x_i - x_j|} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sqrt{|x_i + x_j|}$$

holds for all real numbers  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ .

**Problem 1.74** (4389998719836463980). Let  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram with  $AC = BC$ . A point  $P$  is chosen on the extension of ray  $AB$  past  $B$ . The circumcircle of  $ACD$  meets the segment  $PD$  again at  $Q$ . The circumcircle of triangle  $APQ$  meets the segment  $PC$  at  $R$ . Prove that lines  $CD, AQ, BR$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.75** (836909183133087). Given a triangle  $\triangle ABC$  with circumcircle  $\Omega$ . Denote its incenter and  $A$ -excenter by  $I, J$ , respectively. Let  $T$  be the reflection of  $J$  w.r.t  $BC$  and  $P$  is the intersection of  $BC$  and  $AT$ . If the circumcircle of  $\triangle AIP$  intersects  $BC$  at  $X \neq P$  and there is a point  $Y \neq A$  on  $\Omega$  such that  $IA = IY$ . Show that  $\odot(IXY)$  tangents to the line  $AI$ .

**Problem 1.76** (7550072974614174968). Let  $n \geq 3$  be an integer, and let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be real numbers in the interval  $[0, 1]$ . Let  $s = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$ , and assume that  $s \geq 3$ . Prove that there exist integers  $i$  and  $j$  with  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$  such that

$$2^{j-i} x_i x_j > 2^{s-3}.$$

**Problem 1.77** (5949258338135822858). In  $10 \times 10$  square we choose  $n$  cells. In every chosen cell we draw one arrow from the angle to opposite angle. It is known, that for any two arrows, or the end of one of them coincides with the beginning of the other, or the distance between their ends is at least 2. What is the maximum possible value of  $n$ ?

**Problem 1.78** (1440964279096111130). Let  $a$  be a positive integer. We say that a positive integer  $b$  is  $a$ -good if  $\binom{an}{b} - 1$  is divisible by  $an + 1$  for all positive integers  $n$  with  $an \geq b$ . Suppose  $b$  is a positive integer such that  $b$  is  $a$ -good, but  $b + 2$  is not  $a$ -good. Prove that  $b + 1$  is prime.

**Problem 1.79** (161342796381450). For each integer  $n \geq 1$ , compute the smallest possible value of

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \left\lfloor \frac{a_k}{k} \right\rfloor$$

over all permutations  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ .

**Problem 1.80** (528087142744727). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with orthocenter  $H$  and circumcenter  $O$ . Let  $P$  be the midpoint of  $\overline{AH}$  and let  $T$  be on line  $BC$  with  $\angle TAO = 90^\circ$ . Let  $X$  be the foot of the altitude from  $O$  onto line  $PT$ . Prove that the midpoint of  $\overline{PX}$  lies on the nine-point circle\* of  $\triangle ABC$ .

\*The nine-point circle of  $\triangle ABC$  is the unique circle passing through the following nine points: the midpoint of the sides, the feet of the altitudes, and the midpoints of  $\overline{AH}$ ,  $\overline{BH}$ , and  $\overline{CH}$ .

**Problem 1.81** (915997916422887). Let  $ABC$  and  $A'B'C'$  be two triangles so that the midpoints of  $\overline{AA'}$ ,  $\overline{BB'}$ ,  $\overline{CC'}$  form a triangle as well. Suppose that for any point  $X$  on the circumcircle of  $ABC$ , there exists exactly one point  $X'$  on the circumcircle of  $A'B'C'$  so that the midpoints of  $\overline{AA'}$ ,  $\overline{BB'}$ ,  $\overline{CC'}$  and  $\overline{XX'}$  are concyclic. Show that  $ABC$  is similar to  $A'B'C'$ .

**Problem 1.82** (1790114062253914451). Given a triangle  $\triangle ABC$  and a point  $O$ .  $X$  is a point on the ray  $\overrightarrow{AC}$ . Let  $X'$  be a point on the ray  $\overrightarrow{BA}$  so that  $\overline{AX} = \overline{AX_1}$  and  $A$  lies in the segment  $\overline{BX_1}$ . Then, on the ray  $\overrightarrow{BC}$ , choose  $X_2$  with  $\overline{X_1X_2} \parallel \overline{OC}$ .

Prove that when  $X$  moves on the ray  $\overrightarrow{AC}$ , the locus of circumcenter of  $\triangle BX_1X_2$  is a part of a line.

**Problem 1.83** (7268978143074030034). Given two circles  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  where  $\omega_2$  is inside  $\omega_1$ . Show that there exists a point  $P$  such that for any line  $\ell$  not passing through  $P$ , if  $\ell$  intersects circle  $\omega_1$  at  $A, B$  and  $\ell$  intersects circle  $\omega_2$  at  $C, D$ , where  $A, C, D, B$  lie on  $\ell$  in this order, then  $\angle APC = \angle BPD$ .

**Problem 1.84** (522990139281725). For any odd prime  $p$  and any integer  $n$ , let  $d_p(n) \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  denote the remainder when  $n$  is divided by  $p$ . We say that  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$  is a  $p$ -sequence, if  $a_0$  is a positive integer coprime to  $p$ , and  $a_{n+1} = a_n + d_p(a_n)$  for  $n \geq 0$ . (a) Do there exist infinitely many primes  $p$  for which there exist  $p$ -sequences  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$  and  $(b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots)$  such that  $a_n > b_n$  for infinitely many  $n$ , and  $b_n > a_n$  for infinitely many  $n$ ? (b) Do there exist infinitely many primes  $p$  for which there exist  $p$ -sequences  $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$  and  $(b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots)$  such that  $a_0 < b_0$ , but  $a_n > b_n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ ?

**Problem 1.85** (748616641641895). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle. Let  $ABC_1, BCA_1, CAB_1$  be three equilateral triangles that do not overlap with  $ABC$ . Let  $P$  be the intersection of the circumcircles of triangle  $ABC_1$  and  $CAB_1$ . Let  $Q$  be the point on the circumcircle of triangle  $CAB_1$  so that  $PQ$  is parallel to  $BA_1$ . Let  $R$  be the point on the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC_1$  so that  $PR$  is parallel to  $CA_1$ .

Show that the line connecting the centroid of triangle  $ABC$  and the centroid of triangle  $PQR$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

**Problem 1.86** (8639636622304457736). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a triangle, and let  $S$  and  $T$  be the midpoints of the sides  $BC$  and  $CA$ , respectively. Suppose  $M$  is the midpoint of the segment  $ST$  and the circle  $\omega$  through  $A, M$  and  $T$  meets the line  $AB$  again at  $N$ . The tangents of  $\omega$  at  $M$  and  $N$  meet at  $P$ . Prove that  $P$  lies on  $BC$  if and only if the triangle  $ABC$  is isosceles with apex at  $A$ .

**Problem 1.87** (215375559035207).  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle, with  $AB = AC$ .  $D$  is a moving point such that  $AD \parallel BC$ ,  $BD > CD$ . Moving point  $E$  is on the arc of  $BC$  in circumcircle of  $ABC$  not containing  $A$ , such that  $EB < EC$ . Ray  $BC$  contains point  $F$  with  $\angle ADE = \angle DFE$ . If ray  $FD$  intersects ray  $BA$  at  $X$ , and intersects ray  $CA$  at  $Y$ , prove that  $\angle XEY$  is a fixed angle.

**Problem 1.88** (233559801569582). Let  $n$  be a positive integer. Find the number of permutations  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  of the sequence  $1, 2, \dots, n$  satisfying

$$a_1 \leq 2a_2 \leq 3a_3 \leq \dots \leq na_n$$

**Problem 1.89** (183354438240037). Let  $I, O, H$ , and  $\Omega$  be the incenter, circumcenter, orthocenter, and the circumcircle of the triangle  $ABC$ , respectively. Assume that line  $AI$  intersects with  $\Omega$  again at point  $M \neq A$ , line  $IH$  and  $BC$  meets at point  $D$ , and line  $MD$  intersects with  $\Omega$  again at point  $E \neq M$ . Prove that line  $OI$  is tangent to the circumcircle of triangle  $IHE$ .

**Problem 1.90** (6783316811528119504). Let  $S$  be an infinite set of positive integers, such that there exist four pairwise distinct  $a, b, c, d \in S$  with  $\gcd(a, b) \neq \gcd(c, d)$ . Prove that there exist three pairwise distinct  $x, y, z \in S$  such that  $\gcd(x, y) = \gcd(y, z) \neq \gcd(z, x)$ .

**Problem 1.91** (627600286851318227). Find all triples  $(a, b, p)$  of positive integers with  $p$  prime and

$$a^p = b! + p.$$

**Problem 1.92** (3435532350205377704). Find all functions  $f : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that  $a + f(b)$  divides  $a^2 + bf(a)$  for all positive integers  $a$  and  $b$  with  $a + b > 2019$ .

**Problem 1.93** (8670333331361701457). Let  $n$  be a given positive integer. Sisyphus performs a sequence of turns on a board consisting of  $n + 1$  squares in a row, numbered  $0$  to  $n$  from left to right. Initially,  $n$  stones are put into square  $0$ , and the other squares are

empty. At every turn, Sisyphus chooses any nonempty square, say with  $k$  stones, takes one of these stones and moves it to the right by at most  $k$  squares (the stone should stay within the board). Sisyphus' aim is to move all  $n$  stones to square  $n$ . Prove that Sisyphus cannot reach the aim in less than

$$\left\lceil \frac{n}{1} \right\rceil + \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil + \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil + \cdots + \left\lceil \frac{n}{n} \right\rceil$$

turns. (As usual,  $\lceil x \rceil$  stands for the least integer not smaller than  $x$ .)

**Problem 1.94** (682786464566571). Let  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram with  $AC = BC$ . A point  $P$  is chosen on the extension of ray  $AB$  past  $B$ . The circumcircle of  $ACD$  meets the segment  $PD$  again at  $Q$ . The circumcircle of triangle  $APQ$  meets the segment  $PC$  at  $R$ . Prove that lines  $CD, AQ, BR$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.95** (4439711278400170990).  $N$  oligarchs built a country with  $N$  cities with each one of them owning one city. In addition, each oligarch built some roads such that the maximal amount of roads an oligarch can build between two cities is 1 (note that there can be more than 1 road going through two cities, but they would belong to different oligarchs). A total of  $d$  roads were built. Some oligarchs wanted to create a corporation by combining their cities and roads so that from any city of the corporation you can go to any city of the corporation using only corporation roads (roads can go to other cities outside corporation) but it turned out that no group of less than  $N$  oligarchs can create a corporation. What is the maximal amount that  $d$  can have?

**Problem 1.96** (5101270312905584526). The exam has 25 topics, each of which has 8 questions. On a test, there are 4 questions of different topics. Is it possible to make 50 tests so that each question was asked exactly once, and for any two topics there is a test where are questions of both topics?

**Problem 1.97** (607556370102952). Let  $\Omega$  be the circumcircle of an acute triangle  $ABC$ . Points  $D, E, F$  are the midpoints of the inferior arcs  $BC, CA, AB$ , respectively, on  $\Omega$ . Let  $G$  be the antipode of  $D$  in  $\Omega$ . Let  $X$  be the intersection of lines  $GE$  and  $AB$ , while  $Y$  the intersection of lines  $FG$  and  $CA$ . Let the circumcenters of triangles  $BEX$  and  $CFY$  be points  $S$  and  $T$ , respectively. Prove that  $D, S, T$  are collinear.

**Problem 1.98** (448881061747528). A magician intends to perform the following trick. She announces a positive integer  $n$ , along with  $2n$  real numbers  $x_1 < \cdots < x_{2n}$ , to the audience. A member of the audience then secretly chooses a polynomial  $P(x)$  of degree  $n$  with real coefficients, computes the  $2n$  values  $P(x_1), \dots, P(x_{2n})$ , and writes down these  $2n$  values on the blackboard in non-decreasing order. After that the magician announces the secret polynomial to the audience. Can the magician find a strategy to perform such a trick?

**Problem 1.99** (6654677204410680146). In the plane, there are  $n \geq 6$  pairwise disjoint disks  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n$  with radii  $R_1 \geq R_2 \geq \dots \geq R_n$ . For every  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , a point  $P_i$  is chosen in disk  $D_i$ . Let  $O$  be an arbitrary point in the plane. Prove that

$$OP_1 + OP_2 + \dots + OP_n \geq R_6 + R_7 + \dots + R_n.$$

(A disk is assumed to contain its boundary.)

**Problem 1.100** (300334293164389). Kid and Karlsson play a game. Initially they have a square piece of chocolate  $2019 \times 2019$  grid with  $1 \times 1$  cells. On every turn Kid divides an arbitrary piece of chocolate into three rectangular pieces by cells, and then Karlsson

chooses one of them and eats it. The game finishes when it's impossible to make a legal move. Kid wins if there was made an even number of moves, Karlsson wins if there was made an odd number of moves. Who has the winning strategy?

**Problem 1.101** (599825051147866097). Show that  $n! = a^{n-1} + b^{n-1} + c^{n-1}$  has only finitely many solutions in positive integers.

**Problem 1.102** (2134021625648303394). The infinite sequence  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  of (not necessarily distinct) integers has the following properties:  $0 \leq a_i \leq i$  for all integers  $i \geq 0$ , and

$$\binom{k}{a_0} + \binom{k}{a_1} + \dots + \binom{k}{a_k} = 2^k$$

for all integers  $k \geq 0$ . Prove that all integers  $N \geq 0$  occur in the sequence (that is, for all  $N \geq 0$ , there exists  $i \geq 0$  with  $a_i = N$ ).

**Problem 1.103** (482459214391384). On a table with 25 columns and 300 rows, Kostya painted all its cells in three colors. Then, Lesha, looking at the table, for each row names one of the three colors and marks in that row all cells of that color (if there are no cells of that color in that row, he does nothing). After that, all columns that have at least a marked square will be deleted. Kostya wants to be left as few as possible columns in the table, and Lesha wants there to be as many as possible columns in the table. What is the largest number of columns Lesha can guarantee to leave?

**Problem 1.104** (8053761138620448460). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle, and points  $O$  and  $H$  be its circumcenter and orthocenter, respectively. Point  $P$  lies inside triangle  $AHO$  and satisfies  $\angle AHP = \angle POA$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of segment  $\overline{OP}$ . Suppose that  $BM$  and  $CM$  intersect with the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$  again at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively.

Prove that line  $XY$  passes through the circumcenter of triangle  $APO$ .

**Problem 1.105** (302438226120877). Given triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $BPCQ$  be a parallelogram ( $P$  is not on  $BC$ ). Let  $U$  be the intersection of  $CA$  and  $BP$ ,  $V$  be the intersection of  $AB$  and  $CP$ ,  $X$  be the intersection of  $CA$  and the circumcircle of triangle  $ABQ$  distinct from  $A$ , and  $Y$  be the intersection of  $AB$  and the circumcircle of triangle  $ACQ$  distinct from  $A$ . Prove that  $\overline{BU} = \overline{CV}$  if and only if the lines  $AQ$ ,  $BX$ , and  $CY$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.106** (526922799283626). For each  $1 \leq i \leq 9$  and  $T \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $d_i(T)$  to be the total number of times the digit  $i$  appears when all the multiples of 1829 between 1 and  $T$  inclusive are written out in base 10.

Show that there are infinitely many  $T \in \mathbb{N}$  such that there are precisely two distinct values among  $d_1(T), d_2(T), \dots, d_9(T)$ .

**Problem 1.107** (4992489807901310938). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and  $\ell_1, \ell_2$  be two parallel lines. Let  $\ell_i$  intersects line  $BC, CA, AB$  at  $X_i, Y_i, Z_i$ , respectively. Let  $\Delta_i$  be the triangle formed by the line passed through  $X_i$  and perpendicular to  $BC$ , the line passed through  $Y_i$  and perpendicular to  $CA$ , and the line passed through  $Z_i$  and perpendicular to  $AB$ . Prove that the circumcircles of  $\Delta_1$  and  $\Delta_2$  are tangent.

**Problem 1.108** (3813623497653179264). The real numbers  $a, b, c, d$  are such that  $a \geq b \geq c \geq d > 0$  and  $a + b + c + d = 1$ . Prove that

$$(a + 2b + 3c + 4d)a^a b^b c^c d^d < 1$$

**Problem 1.109** (3923745101517032298). Let  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1$ , and for every  $n \geq 2$  there exists  $1 \leq k \leq n$  satisfying

$$a_n = \frac{a_{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-k}}{k}.$$

Find the maximum possible value of  $a_{2018} - a_{2017}$ .

**Problem 1.110** (105422576188851). A short-sighted rook is a rook that beats all squares in the same column and in the same row for which he can not go more than 60-steps. What is the maximal amount of short-sighted rooks that don't beat each other that can be put on a  $100 \times 100$  chessboard.

**Problem 1.111** (6025085618534905645). Let  $ABCD$  be a cyclic quadrilateral whose sides have pairwise different lengths. Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of  $ABCD$ . The internal angle bisectors of  $\angle ABC$  and  $\angle ADC$  meet  $AC$  at  $B_1$  and  $D_1$ , respectively. Let  $O_B$  be the center of the circle which passes through  $B$  and is tangent to  $\overline{AC}$  at  $D_1$ . Similarly, let  $O_D$  be the center of the circle which passes through  $D$  and is tangent to  $\overline{AC}$  at  $B_1$ . Assume that  $\overline{BD_1} \parallel \overline{DB_1}$ . Prove that  $O$  lies on the line  $\overline{O_B O_D}$ .

**Problem 1.112** (7500559455615129254). For every positive integer  $N$ , determine the smallest real number  $b_N$  such that, for all real  $x$ ,

$$\sqrt[N]{\frac{x^{2N} + 1}{2}} \leq b_N(x - 1)^2 + x.$$

**Problem 1.113** (1336030836839904136). Let  $ABCDE$  be a convex pentagon with  $CD = DE$  and  $\angle EDC \neq 2 \cdot \angle ADB$ . Suppose that a point  $P$  is located in the interior of the pentagon such that  $AP = AE$  and  $BP = BC$ . Prove that  $P$  lies on the diagonal  $CE$  if and only if  $\text{area}(BCD) + \text{area}(ADE) = \text{area}(ABD) + \text{area}(ABP)$ .

**Problem 1.114** (857598260795435). Let  $ABCD$  be a rhombus with center  $O$ .  $P$  is a point lying on the side  $AB$ . Let  $I, J$ , and  $L$  be the incenters of triangles  $PCD, PAD$ , and  $PBC$ , respectively. Let  $H$  and  $K$  be orthocenters of triangles  $PLB$  and  $PJA$ , respectively.

Prove that  $OI \perp HK$ .

**Problem 1.115** (684265043263216). Let  $\mathbb{Z}$  be the set of integers. Determine all functions  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that, for all integers  $a$  and  $b$ ,

$$f(2a) + 2f(b) = f(f(a + b)).$$

**Problem 1.116** (961350373727093). Given a positive integer  $k$  show that there exists a prime  $p$  such that one can choose distinct integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{k+3} \in \{1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$  such that  $p$  divides  $a_i a_{i+1} a_{i+2} a_{i+3} - i$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

**Problem 1.117** (1222382895728709073). Given a triangle  $ABC$ , a circle  $\Omega$  is tangent to  $AB, AC$  at  $B, C$ , respectively. Point  $D$  is the midpoint of  $AC$ ,  $O$  is the circumcenter of triangle  $ABC$ . A circle  $\Gamma$  passing through  $A, C$  intersects the minor arc  $BC$  on  $\Omega$  at  $P$ , and intersects  $AB$  at  $Q$ . It is known that the midpoint  $R$  of minor arc  $PQ$  satisfies that  $CR \perp AB$ . Ray  $PQ$  intersects line  $AC$  at  $L$ ,  $M$  is the midpoint of  $AL$ ,  $N$  is the midpoint of  $DR$ , and  $X$  is the projection of  $M$  onto  $ON$ . Prove that the circumcircle of triangle  $DNX$  passes through the center of  $\Gamma$ .

**Problem 1.118** (2672133756769464425). Is there a scalene triangle  $ABC$  similar to triangle  $IHO$ , where  $I, H$ , and  $O$  are the incenter, orthocenter, and circumcenter, respectively, of triangle  $ABC$ ?



**Problem 1.119** (3417358984411200361). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\Omega$ , circumcenter  $O$  and orthocenter  $H$ . Let  $S$  lie on  $\Omega$  and  $P$  lie on  $BC$  such that  $\angle ASP = 90^\circ$ , line  $SH$  intersects the circumcircle of  $\triangle APS$  at  $X \neq S$ . Suppose  $OP$  intersects  $CA, AB$  at  $Q, R$ , respectively,  $QY, RZ$  are the altitude of  $\triangle AQR$ . Prove that  $X, Y, Z$  are collinear.

**Problem 1.120** (8811824418974048155).  $ABCDE$  is a cyclic pentagon, with circumcentre  $O$ .  $AB = AE = CD$ .  $I$  midpoint of  $BC$ .  $J$  midpoint of  $DE$ .  $F$  is the orthocentre of  $\triangle ABE$ , and  $G$  the centroid of  $\triangle AIJ$ .  $CE$  intersects  $BD$  at  $H$ ,  $OG$  intersects  $FH$  at  $M$ . Show that  $AM \perp CD$ .

**Problem 1.121** (571373387028298). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $\angle BAC > 90^\circ$ , and let  $O$  be its circumcenter and  $\omega$  be its circumcircle. The tangent line of  $\omega$  at  $A$  intersects the tangent line of  $\omega$  at  $B$  and  $C$  respectively at point  $P$  and  $Q$ . Let  $D, E$  be the feet of the altitudes from  $P, Q$  onto  $BC$ , respectively.  $F, G$  are two points on  $\overline{PQ}$  different from  $A$ , so that  $A, F, B, E$  and  $A, G, C, D$  are both concyclic. Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $\overline{DE}$ . Prove that  $DF, OM, EG$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.122** (883811987981100). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $AB = AC$ , and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . Let  $P$  be a point such that  $PB < PC$  and  $PA$  is parallel to  $BC$ . Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be points on the lines  $PB$  and  $PC$ , respectively, so that  $B$  lies on the segment  $PX$ ,  $C$  lies on the segment  $PY$ , and  $\angle PXM = \angle PYM$ . Prove that the quadrilateral  $APXY$  is cyclic.

**Problem 1.123** (221552874820768). The incircle of a scalene triangle  $ABC$  touches the sides  $BC, CA$ , and  $AB$  at points  $D, E$ , and  $F$ , respectively. Triangles  $APE$  and  $AQF$  are constructed outside the triangle so that

$$AP = PE, AQ = QF, \angle APE = \angle ACB, \text{ and } \angle AQF = \angle ABC.$$

Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$ . Find  $\angle QMP$  in terms of the angles of the triangle  $ABC$ .

**Problem 1.124** (614247648874042). Misha has a  $100 \times 100$  chessboard and a bag with 199 rooks. In one move he can either put one rook from the bag on the lower left cell of the grid, or remove two rooks which are on the same cell, put one of them on the adjacent square which is above it or right to it, and put the other in the bag. Misha wants to place exactly 100 rooks on the board, which don't beat each other. Will he be able to achieve such arrangement?

**Problem 1.125** (3866807698726339637). Let  $n$  and  $k$  be two integers with  $n > k \geq 1$ . There are  $2n + 1$  students standing in a circle. Each student  $S$  has  $2k$  neighbors - namely, the  $k$  students closest to  $S$  on the left, and the  $k$  students closest to  $S$  on the right.

Suppose that  $n + 1$  of the students are girls, and the other  $n$  are boys. Prove that there is a girl with at least  $k$  girls among her neighbors.

**Problem 1.126** (695330092247108707). There is an integer  $n > 1$ . There are  $n^2$  stations on a slope of a mountain, all at different altitudes. Each of two cable car companies,  $A$  and  $B$ , operates  $k$  cable cars; each cable car provides a transfer from one of the stations to a higher one (with no intermediate stops). The  $k$  cable cars of  $A$  have  $k$  different starting points and  $k$  different finishing points, and a cable car which starts higher also finishes higher. The same conditions hold for  $B$ . We say that two stations are linked by a company if one can start from the lower station and reach the higher one by using one or more cars of that company (no other movements between stations are allowed).

Determine the smallest positive integer  $k$  for which one can guarantee that there are two stations that are linked by both companies.

**Problem 1.127** (6246999615324043054). A site is any point  $(x, y)$  in the plane such that  $x$  and  $y$  are both positive integers less than or equal to 20.

Initially, each of the 400 sites is unoccupied. Amy and Ben take turns placing stones with Amy going first. On her turn, Amy places a new red stone on an unoccupied site such that the distance between any two sites occupied by red stones is not equal to  $\sqrt{5}$ . On his turn, Ben places a new blue stone on any unoccupied site. (A site occupied by a blue stone is allowed to be at any distance from any other occupied site.) They stop as soon as a player cannot place a stone.

Find the greatest  $K$  such that Amy can ensure that she places at least  $K$  red stones, no matter how Ben places his blue stones.

**Problem 1.128** (297274918587198). Find all positive integers  $n$  with the following property: the  $k$  positive divisors of  $n$  have a permutation  $(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k)$  such that for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , the number  $d_1 + d_2 + \dots + d_i$  is a perfect square.

**Problem 1.129** (5395714337110519657). The vertices of a convex 2550-gon are colored black and white as follows: black, white, two black, two white, three black, three white, ..., 50 black, 50 white. Dania divides the polygon into quadrilaterals with diagonals that have no common points. Prove that there exists a quadrilateral among these, in which two adjacent vertices are black and the other two are white.

**Problem 1.130** (3906812380515301028). Given a triangle  $\triangle ABC$ . Denote its incenter and orthocenter by  $I, H$ , respectively. If there is a point  $K$  with

$$AH + AK = BH + BK = CH + CK$$

Show that  $H, I, K$  are collinear.

**Problem 1.131** (781756252908608). Let  $n \geq 2$  be a positive integer and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  be real numbers such that

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = 0.$$

Define the set  $A$  by

$$A = \{(i, j) \mid 1 \leq i < j \leq n, |a_i - a_j| \geq 1\}$$

Prove that, if  $A$  is not empty, then

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in A} a_i a_j < 0.$$

**Problem 1.132** (5363953658134647103). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ . The line through  $I$ , perpendicular to  $AI$ , intersects the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at points  $P$  and  $Q$ . It turns out there exists a point  $T$  on the side  $BC$  such that  $AB + BT = AC + CT$  and  $AT^2 = AB \cdot AC$ . Determine all possible values of the ratio  $IP/IQ$ .

**Problem 1.133** (4875666253256352039). Suppose that there are roads  $AB$  and  $CD$  but there are no roads  $BC$  and  $AD$  between four cities  $A, B, C$ , and  $D$ . Define restructuring to be the changing a pair of roads  $AB$  and  $CD$  to the pair of roads  $BC$  and  $AD$ . Initially there were some cities in a country, some of which were connected by roads and for every city there were exactly 100 roads starting in it. The minister drew a new scheme of roads, where for every city there were also exactly 100 roads starting in it. It's known

also that in both schemes there were no cities connected by more than one road. Prove that it's possible to obtain the new scheme from the initial after making a finite number of restructurings.

**Problem 1.134** (499788610931519). Andryusha has 100 stones of different weight and he can distinguish the stones by appearance, but does not know their weight. Every evening, Andryusha can put exactly 10 stones on the table and at night the brownie will order them in increasing weight. But, if the drum also lives in the house then surely he will in the morning change the places of some 2 stones. Andryusha knows all about this but does not know if there is a drum in his house. Can he find out?

**Problem 1.135** (210358073900610). Let triangle  $ABC$  have altitudes  $BE$  and  $CF$  which meet at  $H$ . The reflection of  $A$  over  $BC$  is  $A'$ . Let  $(ABC)$  meet  $(AA'E)$  at  $P$  and  $(AA'F)$  at  $Q$ . Let  $BC$  meet  $PQ$  at  $R$ . Prove that  $EF \parallel HR$ .

**Problem 1.136** (296367141382799). Given a triangle  $\triangle ABC$  with orthocenter  $H$ . On its circumcenter, choose an arbitrary point  $P$  (other than  $A, B, C$ ) and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $HP$ . Now, we find three points  $D, E, F$  on the line  $BC, CA, AB$ , respectively, such that  $AP \parallel HD, BP \parallel HE, CP \parallel HF$ . Show that  $D, E, F, M$  are colinear.

**Problem 1.137** (493493847475466779). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and let  $H$  be the orthogonal projection of  $A$  on the line  $BC$ . Let  $K$  be a point on the segment  $AH$  such that  $AH = 3KH$ . Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of triangle  $ABC$  and let  $M$  and  $N$  be the midpoints of sides  $AC$  and  $AB$  respectively. The lines  $KO$  and  $MN$  meet at a point  $Z$  and the perpendicular at  $Z$  to  $OK$  meets lines  $AB, AC$  at  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively. Show that  $\angle XKY = \angle CKB$ .

**Problem 1.138** (528504335909385). Given a triangle  $\triangle ABC$  whose incenter is  $I$  and  $A$ -excenter is  $J$ .  $A'$  is point so that  $AA'$  is a diameter of  $\odot(\triangle ABC)$ . Define  $H_1, H_2$  to be the orthocenters of  $\triangle BIA'$  and  $\triangle CJA'$ . Show that  $H_1H_2 \parallel BC$ .

**Problem 1.139** (876239022447910). Let  $ABCC_1B_1A_1$  be a convex hexagon such that  $AB = BC$ , and suppose that the line segments  $AA_1, BB_1$ , and  $CC_1$  have the same perpendicular bisector. Let the diagonals  $AC_1$  and  $A_1C$  meet at  $D$ , and denote by  $\omega$  the circle  $ABC$ . Let  $\omega$  intersect the circle  $A_1BC_1$  again at  $E \neq B$ . Prove that the lines  $BB_1$  and  $DE$  intersect on  $\omega$ .

**Problem 1.140** (70043882336455). Let  $A$  be a point in the plane, and  $\ell$  a line not passing through  $A$ . Evan does not have a straightedge, but instead has a special compass which has the ability to draw a circle through three distinct noncollinear points. (The center of the circle is not marked in this process.) Additionally, Evan can mark the intersections between two objects drawn, and can mark an arbitrary point on a given object or on the plane.

(i) Can Evan construct\* the reflection of  $A$  over  $\ell$ ?

(ii) Can Evan construct the foot of the altitude from  $A$  to  $\ell$ ?

\*To construct a point, Evan must have an algorithm which marks the point in finitely many steps.

**Problem 1.141** (8417327567048605288). Let  $ABCDE$  be a convex pentagon such that  $BC = DE$ . Assume that there is a point  $T$  inside  $ABCDE$  with  $TB = TD, TC = TE$  and  $\angle ABT = \angle TEA$ . Let line  $AB$  intersect lines  $CD$  and  $CT$  at points  $P$  and  $Q$ , respectively. Assume that the points  $P, B, A, Q$  occur on their line in that order. Let line  $AE$  intersect  $CD$  and  $DT$  at points  $R$  and  $S$ , respectively. Assume that the points

$R, E, A, S$  occur on their line in that order. Prove that the points  $P, S, Q, R$  lie on a circle.

**Problem 1.142** (5873161915777778529). In the acute-angled triangle  $ABC$ , the point  $F$  is the foot of the altitude from  $A$ , and  $P$  is a point on the segment  $AF$ . The lines through  $P$  parallel to  $AC$  and  $AB$  meet  $BC$  at  $D$  and  $E$ , respectively. Points  $X \neq A$  and  $Y \neq A$  lie on the circles  $ABD$  and  $ACE$ , respectively, such that  $DA = DX$  and  $EA = EY$ . Prove that  $B, C, X$ , and  $Y$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.143** (5835156231907738776). Given triangle  $ABC$  with  $A$ -excenter  $I_A$ , the foot of the perpendicular from  $I_A$  to  $BC$  is  $D$ . Let the midpoint of segment  $I_AD$  be  $M$ ,  $T$  lies on arc  $BC$  (not containing  $A$ ) satisfying  $\angle BAT = \angle DAC$ ,  $I_AT$  intersects the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $S \neq T$ . If  $SM$  and  $BC$  intersect at  $X$ , the perpendicular bisector of  $AD$  intersects  $AC, AB$  at  $Y, Z$  respectively, prove that  $AX, BY, CZ$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.144** (5066939379306191291). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and circumcircle  $\Omega$ . Choose points  $D, E$  from sides  $AB, AC$ , respectively, and let  $\ell$  be the line passing through  $A$  and perpendicular to  $DE$ . Let  $\ell$  intersect the circumcircle of triangle  $ADE$  and  $\Omega$  again at points  $P, Q$ , respectively. Let  $N$  be the intersection of  $OQ$  and  $BC$ ,  $S$  be the intersection of  $OP$  and  $DE$ , and  $W$  be the orthocenter of triangle  $SAO$ .

Prove that the points  $S, N, O, W$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.145** (1965233157265405983). Given a triangle  $\triangle ABC$ . Denote its incircle and circumcircle by  $\omega, \Omega$ , respectively. Assume that  $\omega$  tangents the sides  $AB, AC$  at  $F, E$ , respectively. Then, let the intersections of line  $EF$  and  $\Omega$  to be  $P, Q$ . Let  $M$  to be the mid-point of  $BC$ . Take a point  $R$  on the circumcircle of  $\triangle MPQ$ , say  $\Gamma$ , such that  $MR \perp EF$ . Prove that the line  $AR, \omega$  and  $\Gamma$  intersect at one point.

**Problem 1.146** (6193947856984766386). Let  $ABCD$  be a cyclic quadrilateral. Assume that the points  $Q, A, B, P$  are collinear in this order, in such a way that the line  $AC$  is tangent to the circle  $ADQ$ , and the line  $BD$  is tangent to the circle  $BCP$ . Let  $M$  and  $N$  be the midpoints of segments  $BC$  and  $AD$ , respectively. Prove that the following three lines are concurrent: line  $CD$ , the tangent of circle  $ANQ$  at point  $A$ , and the tangent to circle  $BMP$  at point  $B$ .

**Problem 1.147** (1620616963605432410). Given an isosceles triangle  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB = AC$ . A line passes through  $M$ , the midpoint of  $BC$ , and intersects segment  $AB$  and ray  $CA$  at  $D$  and  $E$ , respectively. Let  $F$  be a point of  $ME$  such that  $EF = DM$ , and  $K$  be a point on  $MD$ . Let  $\Gamma_1$  be the circle passes through  $B, D, K$  and  $\Gamma_2$  be the circle passes through  $C, E, K$ .  $\Gamma_1$  and  $\Gamma_2$  intersect again at  $L \neq K$ . Let  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  be the circumcircle of  $\triangle LDE$  and  $\triangle LKM$ . Prove that, if  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are symmetric wrt  $L$ , then  $BF$  is perpendicular to  $BC$ .

**Problem 1.148** (6302540840099076878). Let  $ABC$  be an isosceles triangle with  $BC = CA$ , and let  $D$  be a point inside side  $AB$  such that  $AD < DB$ . Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be two points inside sides  $BC$  and  $CA$ , respectively, such that  $\angle DPB = \angle DQA = 90^\circ$ . Let the perpendicular bisector of  $PQ$  meet line segment  $CQ$  at  $E$ , and let the circumcircles of triangles  $ABC$  and  $CPQ$  meet again at point  $F$ , different from  $C$ . Suppose that  $P, E, F$  are collinear. Prove that  $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$ .

**Problem 1.149** (1872712387771032593). Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of triangle  $ABC$ , and  $AD, BE, CF$  be the three altitudes of triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $G$  be the orthogonal

projection of  $D$  onto  $EF$ , and  $DD'$  be the diameter of the circumcircle of triangle  $DEF$ . Line  $AG$  and the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$  intersect again at point  $X$ . Let  $Y$  be the intersection of  $GD'$  and  $BC$ , while  $Z$  be the intersection of  $AD'$  and  $GH$ . Prove that  $X$ ,  $Y$ , and  $Z$  are collinear.

**Problem 1.150** (308215997593136). Misha came to country with  $n$  cities, and every 2 cities are connected by the road. Misha want visit some cities, but he doesn't visit one city two time. Every time, when Misha goes from city  $A$  to city  $B$ , president of country destroy  $k$  roads from city  $B$  (president can't destroy road, where Misha goes). What maximal number of cities Misha can visit, no matter how president does?

**Problem 1.151** (80567267310692). Let  $n$  be a positive integer. Given is a subset  $A$  of  $\{0, 1, \dots, 5^n\}$  with  $4n + 2$  elements. Prove that there exist three elements  $a < b < c$  from  $A$  such that  $c + 2a > 3b$ .

**Problem 1.152** (1837105952530316058). Let  $k \geq 2$  be an integer. Find the smallest integer  $n \geq k + 1$  with the property that there exists a set of  $n$  distinct real numbers such that each of its elements can be written as a sum of  $k$  other distinct elements of the set.

**Problem 1.153** (5867489266334805897). Let  $ABCDE$  be a pentagon inscribed in a circle  $\Omega$ . A line parallel to the segment  $BC$  intersects  $AB$  and  $AC$  at points  $S$  and  $T$ , respectively. Let  $X$  be the intersection of the line  $BE$  and  $DS$ , and  $Y$  be the intersection of the line  $CE$  and  $DT$ .

Prove that, if the line  $AD$  is tangent to the circle  $\odot(DXY)$ , then the line  $AE$  is tangent to the circle  $\odot(EXY)$ .

**Problem 1.154** (3859961452154270883). A deck of  $n > 1$  cards is given. A positive integer is written on each card. The deck has the property that the arithmetic mean of the numbers on each pair of cards is also the geometric mean of the numbers on some collection of one or more cards. For which  $n$  does it follow that the numbers on the cards are all equal?

**Problem 1.155** (3192129869376364982). Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{2019}$  be real numbers satisfying

$$u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_{2019} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \dots + u_{2019}^2 = 1.$$

Let  $a = \min(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{2019})$  and  $b = \max(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{2019})$ . Prove that

$$ab \leq -\frac{1}{2019}.$$

**Problem 1.156** (8963205841174892420). Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral with pairwise distinct side lengths such that  $AC \perp BD$ . Let  $O_1, O_2$  be the circumcenters of  $\triangle ABD, \triangle CBD$ , respectively. Show that  $AO_2, CO_1$ , the Euler line of  $\triangle ABC$  and the Euler line of  $\triangle ADC$  are concurrent.

(Remark: The Euler line of a triangle is the line on which its circumcenter, centroid, and orthocenter lie.)

**Problem 1.157** (623590906176957). The Bank of Bath issues coins with an  $H$  on one side and a  $T$  on the other. Harry has  $n$  of these coins arranged in a line from left to right. He repeatedly performs the following operation: if there are exactly  $k > 0$  coins showing  $H$ , then he turns over the  $k$ th coin from the left; otherwise, all coins show  $T$  and he stops. For example, if  $n = 3$  the process starting with the configuration  $THT$  would be  $THT \rightarrow HHT \rightarrow HTT \rightarrow TTT$ , which stops after three operations.

(a) Show that, for each initial configuration, Harry stops after a finite number of operations.

(b) For each initial configuration  $C$ , let  $L(C)$  be the number of operations before Harry stops. For example,  $L(THT) = 3$  and  $L(TTT) = 0$ . Determine the average value of  $L(C)$  over all  $2^n$  possible initial configurations  $C$ .

**Problem 1.158** (7494618588207758150). An anti-Pascal triangle is an equilateral triangular array of numbers such that, except for the numbers in the bottom row, each number is the absolute value of the difference of the two numbers immediately below it. For example, the following is an anti-Pascal triangle with four rows which contains every integer from 1 to 10.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & & & 4 \\ & & 2 & 6 \\ & 5 & 7 & 1 \\ 8 & 3 & 10 & 9 \end{array}$$

Does there exist an anti-Pascal triangle with 2018 rows which contains every integer from 1 to  $1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + 2018$ ?

**Problem 1.159** (797215984506934). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle. Circle  $\Gamma$  passes through  $A$ , meets segments  $AB$  and  $AC$  again at points  $D$  and  $E$  respectively, and intersects segment  $BC$  at  $F$  and  $G$  such that  $F$  lies between  $B$  and  $G$ . The tangent to circle  $BDF$  at  $F$  and the tangent to circle  $CEG$  at  $G$  meet at point  $T$ . Suppose that points  $A$  and  $T$  are distinct. Prove that line  $AT$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

**Problem 1.160** (4892352754475215646). We say that a set  $S$  of integers is rootiful if, for any positive integer  $n$  and any  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in S$ , all integer roots of the polynomial  $a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_nx^n$  are also in  $S$ . Find all rootiful sets of integers that contain all numbers of the form  $2^a - 2^b$  for positive integers  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Problem 1.161** (639126468624733). Let  $ABCDEF$  be a hexagon inscribed in a circle  $\Omega$  such that triangles  $ACE$  and  $BDF$  have the same orthocenter. Suppose that segments  $BD$  and  $DF$  intersect  $CE$  at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Show that there is a point common to  $\Omega$ , the circumcircle of  $DXY$ , and the line through  $A$  perpendicular to  $CE$ .

**Problem 1.162** (5299971832672937326). Let  $ABCD$  be a cyclic quadrilateral. Points  $K, L, M, N$  are chosen on  $AB, BC, CD, DA$  such that  $KLMN$  is a rhombus with  $KL \parallel AC$  and  $LM \parallel BD$ . Let  $\omega_A, \omega_B, \omega_C, \omega_D$  be the incircles of  $\triangle ANK, \triangle BKL, \triangle CLM, \triangle DMN$ .

Prove that the common internal tangents to  $\omega_A$ , and  $\omega_C$  and the common internal tangents to  $\omega_B$  and  $\omega_D$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.163** (2918584823978789760). A point  $T$  is chosen inside a triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $A_1, B_1$ , and  $C_1$  be the reflections of  $T$  in  $BC, CA$ , and  $AB$ , respectively. Let  $\Omega$  be the circumcircle of the triangle  $A_1B_1C_1$ . The lines  $A_1T, B_1T$ , and  $C_1T$  meet  $\Omega$  again at  $A_2, B_2$ , and  $C_2$ , respectively. Prove that the lines  $AA_2, BB_2$ , and  $CC_2$  are concurrent on  $\Omega$ .

**Problem 1.164** (4948608980214807448). Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle with circumcenter  $O$  and orthocenter  $H$ . Let  $AYZ$  be another triangle sharing the vertex  $A$  such that its circumcenter is  $H$  and its orthocenter is  $O$ . Show that if  $Z$  is on  $BC$ , then  $A, H, O, Y$  are concyclic.



**Problem 1.165** (2989958142304279488). Given is a set of  $2n$  cards numbered  $1, 2, \dots, n$ , each number appears twice. The cards are put on a table with the face down. A set of cards is called good if no card appears twice. Baron Munchausen claims that he can specify 80 sets of  $n$  cards, of which at least one is sure to be good. What is the maximal  $n$  for which the Baron's words could be true?

**Problem 1.166** (1613309914397651478). Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral with  $\angle B < \angle A < 90^\circ$ . Let  $I$  be the midpoint of  $AB$  and  $S$  the intersection of  $AD$  and  $BC$ . Let  $R$  be a variable point inside the triangle  $SAB$  such that  $\angle ASR = \angle BSR$ . On the straight lines  $AR, BR$ , take the points  $E, F$ , respectively so that  $BE, AF$  are parallel to  $RS$ . Suppose that  $EF$  intersects the circumcircle of triangle  $SAB$  at points  $H, K$ . On the segment  $AB$ , take points  $M, N$  such that  $\angle AHM = \angle BHI$ ,  $\angle BKN = \angle AKI$ .

a) Prove that the center  $J$  of the circumcircle of triangle  $SMN$  lies on a fixed line.

b) On  $BE, AF$ , take the points  $P, Q$  respectively so that  $CP$  is parallel to  $SE$  and  $DQ$  is parallel to  $SF$ . The lines  $SE, SF$  intersect the circle  $(SAB)$ , respectively, at  $U, V$ . Let  $G$  be the intersection of  $AU$  and  $BV$ . Prove that the median of vertex  $G$  of the triangle  $GPQ$  always passes through a fixed point.

**Problem 1.167** (165465510156789). Let  $\Omega$  be the circumcircle of an isosceles trapezoid  $ABCD$ , in which  $AD$  is parallel to  $BC$ . Let  $X$  be the reflection point of  $D$  with respect to  $BC$ . Point  $Q$  is on the arc  $BC$  of  $\Omega$  that does not contain  $A$ . Let  $P$  be the intersection of  $DQ$  and  $BC$ . A point  $E$  satisfies that  $EQ$  is parallel to  $PX$ , and  $EQ$  bisects  $\angle BEC$ . Prove that  $EQ$  also bisects  $\angle AEP$ .

**Problem 1.168** (239934686230450). Let triangle  $ABC$  ( $AB < AC$ ) with incenter  $I$  circumscribed in  $\odot O$ . Let  $M, N$  be midpoint of arc  $\widehat{BAC}$  and  $\widehat{BC}$ , respectively.  $D$  lies on  $\odot O$  so that  $AD \parallel BC$ , and  $E$  is tangency point of  $A$ -excircle of  $\triangle ABC$ . Point  $F$  is in  $\triangle ABC$  so that  $FI \parallel BC$  and  $\angle BAF = \angle EAC$ . Extend  $NF$  to meet  $\odot O$  at  $G$ , and extend  $AG$  to meet line  $IF$  at  $L$ . Let line  $AF$  and  $DI$  meet at  $K$ . Proof that  $ML \perp NK$ .

**Problem 1.169** (7997372712267182584). Let  $ABCDE$  be a convex pentagon such that  $AB = BC = CD$ ,  $\angle EAB = \angle BCD$ , and  $\angle EDC = \angle CBA$ . Prove that the perpendicular line from  $E$  to  $BC$  and the line segments  $AC$  and  $BD$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.170** (728988632553727). Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral with  $\angle ABC > 90^\circ$ ,  $\angle CDA > 90^\circ$  and  $\angle DAB = \angle BCD$ . Denote by  $E$  and  $F$  the reflections of  $A$  in lines  $BC$  and  $CD$ , respectively. Suppose that the segments  $AE$  and  $AF$  meet the line  $BD$  at  $K$  and  $L$ , respectively. Prove that the circumcircles of triangles  $BEK$  and  $DFL$  are tangent to each other.

**Problem 1.171** (493735785757154). Given is a graph  $G$  of  $n + 1$  vertices, which is constructed as follows: initially there is only one vertex  $v$ , and one a move we can add a vertex and connect it to exactly one among the previous vertices. The vertices have non-negative real weights such that  $v$  has weight 0 and each other vertex has a weight not exceeding the average weight of its neighbors, increased by 1. Prove that no weight can exceed  $n^2$ .

**Problem 1.172** (2003233604438068678). Given a triangle  $ABC$  and a point  $O$  on a plane. Let  $\Gamma$  be the circumcircle of  $ABC$ . Suppose that  $CO$  intersects with  $AB$  at  $D$ , and  $BO$  and  $CA$  intersect at  $E$ . Moreover, suppose that  $AO$  intersects with  $\Gamma$  at  $A, F$ . Let  $I$  be the other intersection of  $\Gamma$  and the circumcircle of  $ADE$ , and  $Y$  be the other intersection of  $BE$  and the circumcircle of  $CEI$ , and  $Z$  be the other intersection of  $CD$  and the circumcircle of  $BDI$ . Let  $T$  be the intersection of the two tangents of  $\Gamma$  at  $B, C$ ,

respectively. Lastly, suppose that  $TF$  intersects with  $\Gamma$  again at  $U$ , and the reflection of  $U$  w.r.t.  $BC$  is  $G$ .

Show that  $F, I, G, O, Y, Z$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.173** (9153191064326230951). Let scalene triangle  $ABC$  have altitudes  $AD, BE, CF$  and circumcenter  $O$ . The circumcircles of  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle ADO$  meet at  $P \neq A$ . The circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$  meets lines  $PE$  at  $X \neq P$  and  $PF$  at  $Y \neq P$ . Prove that  $XY \parallel BC$ .

**Problem 1.174** (5441518070935718077). Let  $ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle. The line through  $C$  perpendicular to  $AC$  meets the external angle bisector of  $\angle ABC$  at  $D$ . Let  $H$  be the foot of the perpendicular from  $D$  onto  $BC$ . The point  $K$  is chosen on  $AB$  so that  $KH \parallel AC$ . Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $AK$ . Prove that  $MC = MB + BH$ .

**Problem 1.175** (8866273454792491736). Let  $r > 1$  be a rational number. Alice plays a solitaire game on a number line. Initially there is a red bead at 0 and a blue bead at 1. In a move, Alice chooses one of the beads and an integer  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If the chosen bead is at  $x$ , and the other bead is at  $y$ , then the bead at  $x$  is moved to the point  $x'$  satisfying  $x' - y = r^k(x - y)$ .

Find all  $r$  for which Alice can move the red bead to 1 in at most 2021 moves.

**Problem 1.176** (308110166188097). Let  $A, B$  be two fixed points on the unit circle  $\omega$ , satisfying  $\sqrt{2} < AB < 2$ . Let  $P$  be a point that can move on the unit circle, and it can move to anywhere on the unit circle satisfying  $\triangle ABP$  is acute and  $AP > AB > BP$ . Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of  $\triangle ABP$  and  $S$  be a point on the minor arc  $AP$  satisfying  $SH = AH$ . Let  $T$  be a point on the minor arc  $AB$  satisfying  $TB \parallel AP$ . Let  $ST \cap BP = Q$ . Show that (recall  $P$  varies) the circle with diameter  $HQ$  passes through a fixed point.

**Problem 1.177** (651490142085731). Let  $I$  be the incenter of triangle  $ABC$ , and let  $\omega$  be its incircle. Let  $E$  and  $F$  be the points of tangency of  $\omega$  with  $CA$  and  $AB$ , respectively. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the intersections of the circumcircle of  $BIC$  and  $\omega$ . Take a point  $T$  on  $BC$  such that  $\angle AIT$  is a right angle. Let  $G$  be the intersection of  $EF$  and  $BC$ , and let  $Z$  be the intersection of  $XY$  and  $AT$ . Prove that  $AZ, ZG$ , and  $AI$  form an isosceles triangle.

**Problem 1.178** (587866144613888). The Bank of Oslo issues two types of coin: aluminum (denoted A) and bronze (denoted B). Marianne has  $n$  aluminum coins and  $n$  bronze coins arranged in a row in some arbitrary initial order. A chain is any subsequence of consecutive coins of the same type. Given a fixed positive integer  $k \leq 2n$ , Gilberty repeatedly performs the following operation: he identifies the longest chain containing the  $k^{\text{th}}$  coin from the left and moves all coins in that chain to the left end of the row. For example, if  $n = 4$  and  $k = 4$ , the process starting from the ordering  $AABBBABA$  would be  $AABBBABA \rightarrow BBBA AABA \rightarrow AAABBBBA \rightarrow BBBBAAAA \rightarrow \dots$

Find all pairs  $(n, k)$  with  $1 \leq k \leq 2n$  such that for every initial ordering, at some moment during the process, the leftmost  $n$  coins will all be of the same type.

**Problem 1.179** (6306108494297192985). Carl is given three distinct non-parallel lines  $\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3$  and a circle  $\omega$  in the plane. In addition to a normal straightedge, Carl has a special straightedge which, given a line  $\ell$  and a point  $P$ , constructs a new line passing through  $P$  parallel to  $\ell$ . (Carl does not have a compass.) Show that Carl can construct a triangle with circumcircle  $\omega$  whose sides are parallel to  $\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_3$  in some order.

**Problem 1.180** (275429739915708). Consider a  $100 \times 100$  square unit lattice  $\mathbf{L}$  (hence

$\mathbf{L}$  has 10000 points). Suppose  $\mathcal{F}$  is a set of polygons such that all vertices of polygons in  $\mathcal{F}$  lie in  $\mathbf{L}$  and every point in  $\mathbf{L}$  is the vertex of exactly one polygon in  $\mathcal{F}$ . Find the maximum possible sum of the areas of the polygons in  $\mathcal{F}$ .

**Problem 1.181** (6734490609685717062). Let  $I, G, O$  be the incenter, centroid and the circumcenter of triangle  $ABC$ , respectively. Let  $X, Y, Z$  be on the rays  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively so that  $BX = CY = AZ$ . Let  $F$  be the centroid of  $XYZ$ .

Show that  $FG$  is perpendicular to  $IO$ .

**Problem 1.182** (7553717274310387624). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with incentre  $I$  and circumcircle  $\omega$ . The incircle of the triangle  $ABC$  touches the sides  $BC, CA$  and  $AB$  at  $D, E$  and  $F$ , respectively. The circumcircle of triangle  $ADI$  crosses  $\omega$  again at  $P$ , and the lines  $PE$  and  $PF$  cross  $\omega$  again at  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. Prove that the lines  $AI, BX$  and  $CY$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.183** (571352513856417722). A cyclic quadrilateral  $ABCD$  has circumcircle  $\Gamma$ , and  $AB + BC = AD + DC$ . Let  $E$  be the midpoint of arc  $BCD$ , and  $F (\neq C)$  be the antipode of  $A$  wrt  $\Gamma$ . Let  $I, J, K$  be the incenter of  $\triangle ABC$ , the  $A$ -excenter of  $\triangle ABC$ , the incenter of  $\triangle BCD$ , respectively. Suppose that a point  $P$  satisfies  $\triangle BIC \stackrel{+}{\sim} \triangle KPJ$ . Prove that  $EK$  and  $PF$  intersect on  $\Gamma$ .

**Problem 1.184** (8402748184217471405). In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD \perp BC$  at  $D$ .  $E, F$  lie on line  $AB$ , such that  $BD = BE = BF$ . Let  $I, J$  be the incenter and  $A$ -excenter. Prove that there exist two points  $P, Q$  on the circumcircle of  $\triangle ABC$ , such that  $PB = QC$ , and  $\triangle PEI \sim \triangle QFJ$ .

**Problem 1.185** (967014444176640). Let  $m, n \geq 2$  be integers, let  $X$  be a set with  $n$  elements, and let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m$  be pairwise distinct non-empty, not necessary disjoint subset of  $X$ . A function  $f: X \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$  is called nice if there exists an index  $k$  such that

$$\sum_{x \in X_k} f(x) > \sum_{x \in X_i} f(x) \quad \text{for all } i \neq k.$$

Prove that the number of nice functions is at least  $n^n$ .

**Problem 1.186** (258585206260584). Let  $n \geq 100$  be an integer. Ivan writes the numbers  $n, n+1, \dots, 2n$  each on different cards. He then shuffles these  $n+1$  cards, and divides them into two piles. Prove that at least one of the piles contains two cards such that the sum of their numbers is a perfect square.

**Problem 1.187** (443006607452241). Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be different real numbers. Prove that

$$\sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \prod_{j \neq i} \frac{1 - x_i x_j}{x_i - x_j} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n \text{ is even;} \\ 1, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

**Problem 1.188** (1293772592063302344). In non-isosceles acute  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AP, BQ, CR$  is the height of the triangle.  $A_1$  is the midpoint of  $BC$ ,  $AA_1$  intersects  $QR$  at  $K$ ,  $QR$  intersects a straight line that crosses  $A$  and is parallel to  $BC$  at point  $D$ , the line connecting the midpoint of  $AH$  and  $K$  intersects  $DA_1$  at  $A_2$ . Similarly define  $B_2, C_2$ .  $\triangle A_2 B_2 C_2$  is known to be non-degenerate, and its circumscribed circle is  $\omega$ . Prove that: there are circles  $\odot A', \odot B', \odot C'$  tangent to and INSIDE  $\omega$  satisfying: (1)  $\odot A'$  is tangent to  $AB$  and  $AC$ ,  $\odot B'$  is tangent to  $BC$  and  $BA$ , and  $\odot C'$  is tangent to  $CA$  and  $CB$ . (2)  $A', B', C'$  are different and collinear.

**Problem 1.189** (931951248564234). Let  $n > 3$  be a positive integer. Suppose that  $n$  children are arranged in a circle, and  $n$  coins are distributed between them (some children may have no coins). At every step, a child with at least 2 coins may give 1 coin to each of their immediate neighbors on the right and left. Determine all initial distributions of the coins from which it is possible that, after a finite number of steps, each child has exactly one coin.

**Problem 1.190** (86986480818494). Given a scalene triangle  $ABC$  inscribed in the circle  $(O)$ . Let  $(I)$  be its incircle and  $BI, CI$  cut  $AC, AB$  at  $E, F$  respectively. A circle passes through  $E$  and touches  $OB$  at  $B$  cuts  $(O)$  again at  $M$ . Similarly, a circle passes through  $F$  and touches  $OC$  at  $C$  cuts  $(O)$  again at  $N$ .  $ME, NF$  cut  $(O)$  again at  $P, Q$ . Let  $K$  be the intersection of  $EF$  and  $BC$  and let  $PQ$  cut  $BC$  and  $EF$  at  $G, H$ , respectively. Show that the median correspond to  $G$  of the triangle  $GHK$  is perpendicular to  $IO$ .

**Problem 1.191** (8757490679465390171). Color every vertex of 2008-gon with two colors, such that adjacent vertices have different color. If sum of angles of vertices of first color is same as sum of angles of vertices of second color, then we call 2008-gon as interesting. Convex 2009-gon one vertex is marked. It is known, that if remove any unmarked vertex, then we get interesting 2008-gon. Prove, that if we remove marked vertex, then we get interesting 2008-gon too.

**Problem 1.192** (175452544956824). In the city built are 2019 metro stations. Some pairs of stations are connected. tunnels, and from any station through the tunnels you can reach any other. The mayor ordered to organize several metro lines: each line should include several different stations connected in series by tunnels (several lines can pass through the same tunnel), and in each station must lie at least on one line. To save money no more than  $k$  lines should be made. It turned out that the order of the mayor is not feasible. What is the largest  $k$  it could to happen?

**Problem 1.193** (456772085666528). Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute triangle with incenter  $I$  and circumcenter  $O$ . The incircle touches sides  $BC, CA$ , and  $AB$  at  $D, E$ , and  $F$  respectively, and  $A'$  is the reflection of  $A$  over  $O$ . The circumcircles of  $ABC$  and  $A'EF$  meet at  $G$ , and the circumcircles of  $AMG$  and  $A'EF$  meet at a point  $H \neq G$ , where  $M$  is the midpoint of  $EF$ . Prove that if  $GH$  and  $EF$  meet at  $T$ , then  $DT \perp EF$ .

**Problem 1.194** (7243491713649826569). In the triangle  $ABC$  let  $B'$  and  $C'$  be the midpoints of the sides  $AC$  and  $AB$  respectively and  $H$  the foot of the altitude passing through the vertex  $A$ . Prove that the circumcircles of the triangles  $AB'C', BC'H$ , and  $B'CH$  have a common point  $I$  and that the line  $HI$  passes through the midpoint of the segment  $B'C'$ .

**Problem 1.195** (1168447466971762345). Let  $I, O, \omega, \Omega$  be the incenter, circumcenter, the incircle, and the circumcircle, respectively, of a scalene triangle  $ABC$ . The incircle  $\omega$  is tangent to side  $BC$  at point  $D$ . Let  $S$  be the point on the circumcircle  $\Omega$  such that  $AS, OI, BC$  are concurrent. Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of triangle  $BIC$ . Point  $T$  lies on  $\Omega$  such that  $\angle ATI$  is a right angle. Prove that the points  $D, T, H, S$  are concyclic.

**Problem 1.196** (8690567757444826166). A social network has 2019 users, some pairs of whom are friends. Whenever user  $A$  is friends with user  $B$ , user  $B$  is also friends with user  $A$ . Events of the following kind may happen repeatedly, one at a time: Three users  $A, B$ , and  $C$  such that  $A$  is friends with both  $B$  and  $C$ , but  $B$  and  $C$  are not friends, change their friendship statuses such that  $B$  and  $C$  are now friends, but  $A$  is no longer friends with  $B$ , and no longer friends with  $C$ . All other friendship statuses are unchanged.

Initially, 1010 users have 1009 friends each, and 1009 users have 1010 friends each. Prove that there exists a sequence of such events after which each user is friends with at most one other user.

**Problem 1.197** (8317584744128058138). One side of a square sheet of paper is colored red, the other - in blue. On both sides, the sheet is divided into  $n^2$  identical square cells. In each of these  $2n^2$  cells is written a number from 1 to  $k$ . Find the smallest  $k$ , for which the following properties hold simultaneously: (i) on the red side, any two numbers in different rows are distinct; (ii) on the blue side, any two numbers in different columns are different; (iii) for each of the  $n^2$  squares of the partition, the number on the blue side is not equal to the number on the red side.

**Problem 1.198** (2139114147569608698). Let  $O$  be the circumcenter of an acute triangle  $ABC$ . Line  $OA$  intersects the altitudes of  $ABC$  through  $B$  and  $C$  at  $P$  and  $Q$ , respectively. The altitudes meet at  $H$ . Prove that the circumcenter of triangle  $PQH$  lies on a median of triangle  $ABC$ .

**Problem 1.199** (616860610609120). A few (at least 5) integers are put on a circle, such that each of them is divisible by the sum of its neighbors. If the sum of all numbers is positive, what is its minimal value?

**Problem 1.200** (4308913658510445082). Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral, the incenters of  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle ADC$  are  $I, J$ , respectively. It is known that  $AC, BD, IJ$  concurrent at a point  $P$ . The line perpendicular to  $BD$  through  $P$  intersects with the outer angle bisector of  $\angle BAD$  and the outer angle bisector  $\angle BCD$  at  $E, F$ , respectively. Show that  $PE = PF$ .

**Problem 1.201** (8059760967121829853). Let  $n \geq 3$  be an integer. Prove that there exists a set  $S$  of  $2n$  positive integers satisfying the following property: For every  $m = 2, 3, \dots, n$  the set  $S$  can be partitioned into two subsets with equal sums of elements, with one of subsets of cardinality  $m$ .

**Problem 1.202** (8916142707013964275). Let  $k$  be a positive integer. The organising committee of a tennis tournament is to schedule the matches for  $2k$  players so that every two players play once, each day exactly one match is played, and each player arrives to the tournament site the day of his first match, and departs the day of his last match. For every day a player is present on the tournament, the committee has to pay 1 coin to the hotel. The organisers want to design the schedule so as to minimise the total cost of all players' stays. Determine this minimum cost.

**Problem 1.203** (1891712635906763103). Let  $BM$  be a median in an acute-angled triangle  $ABC$ . A point  $K$  is chosen on the line through  $C$  tangent to the circumcircle of  $\triangle BMC$  so that  $\angle KBC = 90^\circ$ . The segments  $AK$  and  $BM$  meet at  $J$ . Prove that the circumcenter of  $\triangle BJK$  lies on the line  $AC$ .

**Problem 1.204** (3470579368412517052). A hunter and an invisible rabbit play a game on an infinite square grid. First the hunter fixes a colouring of the cells with finitely many colours. The rabbit then secretly chooses a cell to start in. Every minute, the rabbit reports the colour of its current cell to the hunter, and then secretly moves to an adjacent cell that it has not visited before (two cells are adjacent if they share an edge). The hunter wins if after some finite time either: the rabbit cannot move; or the hunter can determine the cell in which the rabbit started. Decide whether there exists a winning strategy for the hunter.



**Problem 1.205** (8700998965901287095). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with circumcircle  $\omega$ . Let  $P$  be a variable point on the arc  $BC$  of  $\omega$  not containing  $A$ . Squares  $BPDE$  and  $PCFG$  are constructed such that  $A, D, E$  lie on the same side of line  $BP$  and  $A, F, G$  lie on the same side of line  $CP$ . Let  $H$  be the intersection of lines  $DE$  and  $FG$ . Show that as  $P$  varies,  $H$  lies on a fixed circle.

**Problem 1.206** (402654566950359). Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots$  be an infinite sequence of positive integers. Suppose that there is an integer  $N > 1$  such that, for each  $n \geq N$ , the number

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} + \frac{a_2}{a_3} + \dots + \frac{a_{n-1}}{a_n} + \frac{a_n}{a_1}$$

is an integer. Prove that there is a positive integer  $M$  such that  $a_m = a_{m+1}$  for all  $m \geq M$ .

**Problem 1.207** (409530198849693). In a cyclic convex hexagon  $ABCDEF$ ,  $AB$  and  $DC$  intersect at  $G$ ,  $AF$  and  $DE$  intersect at  $H$ . Let  $M, N$  be the circumcenters of  $BCG$  and  $EFH$ , respectively. Prove that the  $BE, CF$  and  $MN$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.208** (457324036151847). Let  $O$  and  $H$  be the circumcenter and the orthocenter, respectively, of an acute triangle  $ABC$ . Points  $D$  and  $E$  are chosen from sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ , respectively, such that  $A, D, O, E$  are concyclic. Let  $P$  be a point on the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$ . The line passing  $P$  and parallel to  $OD$  intersects  $AB$  at point  $X$ , while the line passing  $P$  and parallel to  $OE$  intersects  $AC$  at  $Y$ . Suppose that the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{HP}$  does not coincide with  $XY$ , but intersect  $XY$  at  $Q$ , and that points  $A, Q$  lies on the different sides of  $DE$ . Prove that  $\angle EQD = \angle BAC$ .

**Problem 1.209** (8528437132500966626). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$  and circumcircle  $\Gamma$ . Let  $BH$  intersect  $AC$  at  $E$ , and let  $CH$  intersect  $AB$  at  $F$ . Let  $AH$  intersect  $\Gamma$  again at  $P \neq A$ . Let  $PE$  intersect  $\Gamma$  again at  $Q \neq P$ . Prove that  $BQ$  bisects segment  $\overline{EF}$ .

**Problem 1.210** (3353450172272500341). Let  $ABCD$  be a cyclic quadrilateral. Let  $DA$  and  $BC$  intersect at  $E$  and let  $AB$  and  $CD$  intersect at  $F$ . Assume that  $A, E, F$  all lie on the same side of  $BD$ . Let  $P$  be on segment  $DA$  such that  $\angle CPD = \angle CBP$ , and let  $Q$  be on segment  $CD$  such that  $\angle DQA = \angle QBA$ . Let  $AC$  and  $PQ$  meet at  $X$ . Prove that, if  $EX = EP$ , then  $EF$  is perpendicular to  $AC$ .

**Problem 1.211** (264456837378391). Let  $ABC$  be a triangle such that the angular bisector of  $\angle BAC$ , the  $B$ -median and the perpendicular bisector of  $AB$  intersect at a single point  $X$ . Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of  $ABC$ . Show that  $\angle BXH = 90^\circ$ .

**Problem 1.212** (4375421764909014892). Find all positive integers  $n \geq 1$  such that there exists a pair  $(a, b)$  of positive integers, such that  $a^2 + b + 3$  is not divisible by the cube of any prime, and

$$n = \frac{ab + 3b + 8}{a^2 + b + 3}.$$

**Problem 1.213** (119129720704350). Let  $H$  be the orthocenter of a given triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $BH$  and  $AC$  meet at a point  $E$ , and  $CH$  and  $AB$  meet at  $F$ . Suppose that  $X$  is a point on the line  $BC$ . Also suppose that the circumcircle of triangle  $BEX$  and the line  $AB$  intersect again at  $Y$ , and the circumcircle of triangle  $CFX$  and the line  $AC$  intersect again at  $Z$ . Show that the circumcircle of triangle  $AYZ$  is tangent to the line  $AH$ .



**Problem 1.214** (6919176010062551987). Find all positive integers  $n > 2$  such that

$$n! \mid \prod_{p < q \leq n, p, q \text{ primes}} (p + q)$$

**Problem 1.215** (9055967412808709037). Baron Munchhausen has a collection of stones, such that they are of 1000 distinct whole weights,  $2^{1000}$  stones of every weight. Baron states that if one takes exactly one stone of every weight, then the weight of all these 1000 stones chosen will be less than  $2^{1010}$ , and there is no other way to obtain this weight by picking another set of stones of the collection. Can this statement happen to be true?

**Problem 1.216** (208441124738479). Let  $f : \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \rightarrow \{2, 3, \dots\}$  be a function such that  $f(m+n) \mid f(m) + f(n)$  for all pairs  $m, n$  of positive integers. Prove that there exists a positive integer  $c > 1$  which divides all values of  $f$ .

**Problem 1.217** (240654526717277). Let  $\Gamma$  be a circle with centre  $I$ , and  $ABCD$  a convex quadrilateral such that each of the segments  $AB, BC, CD$  and  $DA$  is tangent to  $\Gamma$ . Let  $\Omega$  be the circumcircle of the triangle  $AIC$ . The extension of  $BA$  beyond  $A$  meets  $\Omega$  at  $X$ , and the extension of  $BC$  beyond  $C$  meets  $\Omega$  at  $Z$ . The extensions of  $AD$  and  $CD$  beyond  $D$  meet  $\Omega$  at  $Y$  and  $T$ , respectively. Prove that

$$AD + DT + TX + XA = CD + DY + YZ + ZC.$$

**Problem 1.218** (231259391294064). Every two of the  $n$  cities of Ruritania are connected by a direct flight of one from two airlines. Promonopoly Committee wants at least  $k$  flights performed by one company. To do this, he can at least every day to choose any three cities and change the ownership of the three flights connecting these cities each other (that is, to take each of these flights from a company that performs it, and pass the other). What is the largest  $k$  committee knowingly will be able to achieve its goal in no time, no matter how the flights are distributed hour?

**Problem 1.219** (8005762280394288133). A school has 450 students. Each student has at least 100 friends among the others and among any 200 students, there are always two that are friends. Prove that 302 students can be sent on a kayak trip such that each of the 151 two seater kayaks contain people who are friends.

**Problem 1.220** (7220404010846068686). Let  $ABC$  be a acute, non-isosceles triangle.  $D, E, F$  are the midpoints of sides  $AB, BC, AC$ , resp. Denote by  $(O), (O')$  the circumcircle and Euler circle of  $ABC$ . An arbitrary point  $P$  lies inside triangle  $DEF$  and  $DP, EP, FP$  intersect  $(O')$  at  $D', E', F'$ , resp. Point  $A'$  is the point such that  $D'$  is the midpoint of  $AA'$ . Points  $B', C'$  are defined similarly. a. Prove that if  $PO = PO'$  then  $O \in (A'B'C')$ ; b. Point  $A'$  is mirrored by  $OD$ , its image is  $X$ .  $Y, Z$  are created in the same manner.  $H$  is the orthocenter of  $ABC$  and  $XH, YH, ZH$  intersect  $BC, AC, AB$  at  $M, N, L$  resp. Prove that  $M, N, L$  are collinear.

**Problem 1.221** (3159161448000677570). Let  $a > 1$  be a positive integer and  $d > 1$  be a positive integer coprime to  $a$ . Let  $x_1 = 1$ , and for  $k \geq 1$ , define

$$x_{k+1} = \begin{cases} x_k + d & \text{if } a \text{ does not divide } x_k \\ x_k/a & \text{if } a \text{ divides } x_k \end{cases}$$

Find, in terms of  $a$  and  $d$ , the greatest positive integer  $n$  for which there exists an index  $k$  such that  $x_k$  is divisible by  $a^n$ .

**Problem 1.222** (645068477920006). There are several gentlemen in the meeting of the Diogenes Club, some of which are friends with each other (friendship is mutual). Let's name a participant unsociable if he has exactly one friend among those present at the meeting. By the club rules, the only friend of any unsociable member can leave the meeting (gentlemen leave the meeting one at a time). The purpose of the meeting is to achieve a situation in which there are no friends left among the participants. Prove that if the goal is achievable, then the number of participants remaining at the meeting does not depend on who left and in what order.

**Problem 1.223** (702587891849077). Given an integer  $n \geq 2$ . Suppose there is a point  $P$  inside a convex cyclic  $2n$ -gon  $A_1 \dots A_{2n}$  satisfying

$$\angle PA_1A_2 = \angle PA_2A_3 = \dots = \angle PA_{2n}A_1,$$

prove that

$$\prod_{i=1}^n |A_{2i-1}A_{2i}| = \prod_{i=1}^n |A_{2i}A_{2i+1}|,$$

where  $A_{2n+1} = A_1$ .

**Problem 1.224** (8255863576892581507). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$ , and let  $P$  be a point on the nine-point circle of  $ABC$ . Lines  $BH, CH$  meet the opposite sides  $AC, AB$  at  $E, F$ , respectively. Suppose that the circumcircles  $(EHP), (FHP)$  intersect lines  $CH, BH$  a second time at  $Q, R$ , respectively. Show that as  $P$  varies along the nine-point circle of  $ABC$ , the line  $QR$  passes through a fixed point.

**Problem 1.225** (6116877365036470315). Determine all functions  $f$  defined on the set of all positive integers and taking non-negative integer values, satisfying the three conditions: (i)  $f(n) \neq 0$  for at least one  $n$ ; (ii)  $f(xy) = f(x) + f(y)$  for every positive integers  $x$  and  $y$ ; (iii) there are infinitely many positive integers  $n$  such that  $f(k) = f(n - k)$  for all  $k < n$ .

**Problem 1.226** (47893544380608). Let  $p$  be an odd prime, and put  $N = \frac{1}{4}(p^3 - p) - 1$ . The numbers  $1, 2, \dots, N$  are painted arbitrarily in two colors, red and blue. For any positive integer  $n \leq N$ , denote  $r(n)$  the fraction of integers  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  that are red. Prove that there exists a positive integer  $a \in \{1, 2, \dots, p - 1\}$  such that  $r(n) \neq a/p$  for all  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ .

**Problem 1.227** (120381541018683). Given any set  $S$  of positive integers, show that at least one of the following two assertions holds:

- (1) There exist distinct finite subsets  $F$  and  $G$  of  $S$  such that  $\sum_{x \in F} 1/x = \sum_{x \in G} 1/x$ ;
- (2) There exists a positive rational number  $r < 1$  such that  $\sum_{x \in F} 1/x \neq r$  for all finite subsets  $F$  of  $S$ .

**Problem 1.228** (822921222405372). Let  $n \geq 3$  be a fixed integer. There are  $m \geq n + 1$  beads on a circular necklace. You wish to paint the beads using  $n$  colors, such that among any  $n + 1$  consecutive beads every color appears at least once. Find the largest value of  $m$  for which this task is *not* possible.

**Problem 1.229** (915478364939250). Consider the convex quadrilateral  $ABCD$ . The point  $P$  is in the interior of  $ABCD$ . The following ratio equalities hold:

$$\angle PAD : \angle PBA : \angle DPA = 1 : 2 : 3 = \angle CBP : \angle BAP : \angle BPC$$

Prove that the following three lines meet in a point: the internal bisectors of angles  $\angle ADP$  and  $\angle PCB$  and the perpendicular bisector of segment  $AB$ .

**Problem 1.230** (651308339506337942). Given a convex pentagon  $ABCDE$ . Let  $A_1$  be the intersection of  $BD$  with  $CE$  and define  $B_1, C_1, D_1, E_1$  similarly,  $A_2$  be the second intersection of  $\odot(ABD_1), \odot(AEC_1)$  and define  $B_2, C_2, D_2, E_2$  similarly. Prove that  $AA_2, BB_2, CC_2, DD_2, EE_2$  are concurrent.

**Problem 1.231** (132497611943266). Suppose that  $a, b, c, d$  are positive real numbers satisfying  $(a + c)(b + d) = ac + bd$ . Find the smallest possible value of

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{d} + \frac{d}{a}.$$

**Problem 1.232** (6978535805224432571). The Fibonacci numbers  $F_0, F_1, F_2, \dots$  are defined inductively by  $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1$ , and  $F_{n+1} = F_n + F_{n-1}$  for  $n \geq 1$ . Given an integer  $n \geq 2$ , determine the smallest size of a set  $S$  of integers such that for every  $k = 2, 3, \dots, n$  there exist some  $x, y \in S$  such that  $x - y = F_k$ .

**Problem 1.233** (8799177804774743019). In each square of a garden shaped like a  $2022 \times 2022$  board, there is initially a tree of height 0. A gardener and a lumberjack alternate turns playing the following game, with the gardener taking the first turn: The gardener chooses a square in the garden. Each tree on that square and all the surrounding squares (of which there are at most eight) then becomes one unit taller. The lumberjack then chooses four different squares on the board. Each tree of positive height on those squares then becomes one unit shorter. We say that a tree is majestic if its height is at least  $10^6$ . Determine the largest  $K$  such that the gardener can ensure there are eventually  $K$  majestic trees on the board, no matter how the lumberjack plays.

**Problem 1.234** (5347245479409093202). Let  $G$  be a graph with 400 vertices. For any edge  $AB$  we call a cuttlefish the set of all edges from  $A$  and  $B$  (including  $AB$ ). Each edge of the graph is assigned a value of 1 or  $-1$ . It is known that the sum of edges at any cuttlefish is greater than or equal to 1. Prove that the sum of the numbers at all edges is at least  $-10^4$ .

**Problem 1.235** (8782897210450267045). Let  $\mathbb{Q}_{>0}$  denote the set of all positive rational numbers. Determine all functions  $f : \mathbb{Q}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{>0}$  satisfying

$$f(x^2 f(y)^2) = f(x)^2 f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}_{>0}$

**Problem 1.236** (669395675904242). Two squirrels, Bushy and Jumpy, have collected 2021 walnuts for the winter. Jumpy numbers the walnuts from 1 through 2021, and digs 2021 little holes in a circular pattern in the ground around their favourite tree. The next morning Jumpy notices that Bushy had placed one walnut into each hole, but had paid no attention to the numbering. Unhappy, Jumpy decides to reorder the walnuts by performing a sequence of 2021 moves. In the  $k$ -th move, Jumpy swaps the positions of the two walnuts adjacent to walnut  $k$ .

Prove that there exists a value of  $k$  such that, on the  $k$ -th move, Jumpy swaps some walnuts  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $a < k < b$ .

**Problem 1.237** (2265193939454652363). A circle  $\omega$  with radius 1 is given. A collection  $T$  of triangles is called good, if the following conditions hold: each triangle from  $T$  is inscribed in  $\omega$ ; no two triangles from  $T$  have a common interior point. Determine all positive real numbers  $t$  such that, for each positive integer  $n$ , there exists a good collection of  $n$  triangles, each of perimeter greater than  $t$ .

**Problem 1.238** (8330669807899443473). Let  $ABC$  be an acute scalene triangle, and let  $A_1, B_1, C_1$  be the feet of the altitudes from  $A, B, C$ . Let  $A_2$  be the intersection of the tangents to the circle  $ABC$  at  $B, C$  and define  $B_2, C_2$  similarly. Let  $A_2A_1$  intersect the circle  $A_2B_2C_2$  again at  $A_3$  and define  $B_3, C_3$  similarly. Show that the circles  $AA_1A_3, BB_1B_3$ , and  $CC_1C_3$  all have two common points,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  which both lie on the Euler line of the triangle  $ABC$ .

**Problem 1.239** (569685816807741). Determine all pairs  $(n, k)$  of distinct positive integers such that there exists a positive integer  $s$  for which the number of divisors of  $sn$  and of  $sk$  are equal.

**Problem 1.240** (813804034055493). In a circle there are 2019 plates, on each lies one cake. Petya and Vasya are playing a game. In one move, Petya points at a cake and calls number from 1 to 16, and Vasya moves the specified cake to the specified number of check clockwise or counterclockwise (Vasya chooses the direction each time). Petya wants at least some  $k$  pastries to accumulate on one of the plates and Vasya wants to stop him. What is the largest  $k$  Petya can succeed?

**Problem 1.241** (436681276656848). For the quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , let  $AC$  and  $BD$  intersect at  $E$ ,  $AB$  and  $CD$  intersect at  $F$ , and  $AD$  and  $BC$  intersect at  $G$ . Additionally, let  $W, X, Y$ , and  $Z$  be the points of symmetry to  $E$  with respect to  $AB, BC, CD$ , and  $DA$  respectively. Prove that one of the intersection points of  $\odot(FWY)$  and  $\odot(GXZ)$  lies on the line  $FG$ .

**Problem 1.242** (937132258882447).  $n$  coins lies in the circle. If two neighbour coins lies both head up or both tail up, then we can flip both. How many variants of coins are available that can not be obtained from each other by applying such operations?

**Problem 1.243** (156060759856343521). Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle with  $\angle ACB > 2\angle ABC$ . Let  $I$  be the incenter of  $ABC$ ,  $K$  is the reflection of  $I$  in line  $BC$ . Let line  $BA$  and  $KC$  intersect at  $D$ . The line through  $B$  parallel to  $CI$  intersects the minor arc  $BC$  on the circumcircle of  $ABC$  at  $E (E \neq B)$ . The line through  $A$  parallel to  $BC$  intersects the line  $BE$  at  $F$ . Prove that if  $BF = CE$ , then  $FK = AD$ .

**Problem 1.244** (3838489129977355762). Two triangles  $ABC$  and  $A'B'C'$  are on the plane. It is known that each side length of triangle  $ABC$  is not less than  $a$ , and each side length of triangle  $A'B'C'$  is not less than  $a'$ . Prove that we can always choose two points in the two triangles respectively such that the distance between them is not less than  $\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + a'^2}{3}}$ .

**Problem 1.245** (9103148252094553273). The kingdom of Anisotropy consists of  $n$  cities. For every two cities there exists exactly one direct one-way road between them. We say that a path from  $X$  to  $Y$  is a sequence of roads such that one can move from  $X$  to  $Y$  along this sequence without returning to an already visited city. A collection of paths is called diverse if no road belongs to two or more paths in the collection.

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two distinct cities in Anisotropy. Let  $N_{AB}$  denote the maximal number of paths in a diverse collection of paths from  $A$  to  $B$ . Similarly, let  $N_{BA}$  denote the maximal number of paths in a diverse collection of paths from  $B$  to  $A$ . Prove that the equality  $N_{AB} = N_{BA}$  holds if and only if the number of roads going out from  $A$  is the same as the number of roads going out from  $B$ .

**Problem 1.246** (162618813015033). In  $\triangle ABC$ , tangents of the circumcircle  $\odot O$  at

$B, C$  and at  $A, B$  intersects at  $X, Y$  respectively.  $AX$  cuts  $BC$  at  $D$  and  $CY$  cuts  $AB$  at  $F$ . Ray  $DF$  cuts arc  $AB$  of the circumcircle at  $P$ .  $Q, R$  are on segments  $AB, AC$  such that  $P, Q, R$  are collinear and  $QR \parallel BO$ . If  $PQ^2 = PR \cdot QR$ , find  $\angle ACB$ .

**Problem 1.247** (4678973565823282552). Four positive integers  $x, y, z$  and  $t$  satisfy the relations

$$xy - zt = x + y = z + t.$$

Is it possible that both  $xy$  and  $zt$  are perfect squares?

**Problem 1.248** (908587245178389). Let  $I$  be the incenter of triangle  $ABC$ , and  $\ell$  be the perpendicular bisector of  $AI$ . Suppose that  $P$  is on the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$ , and line  $AP$  and  $\ell$  intersect at point  $Q$ . Point  $R$  is on  $\ell$  such that  $\angle IPR = 90^\circ$ . Suppose that line  $IQ$  and the midsegment of  $ABC$  that is parallel to  $BC$  intersect at  $M$ . Show that  $\angle AMR = 90^\circ$

(Note: In a triangle, a line connecting two midpoints is called a midsegment.)

**Problem 1.249** (591652153716935). Let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $BC$  of triangle  $ABC$ . The circle with diameter  $BC$ ,  $\omega$ , meets  $AB, AC$  at  $D, E$  respectively.  $P$  lies inside  $\triangle ABC$  such that  $\angle PBA = \angle PAC$ ,  $\angle PCA = \angle PAB$ , and  $2PM \cdot DE = BC^2$ . Point  $X$  lies outside  $\omega$  such that  $XM \parallel AP$ , and  $\frac{XB}{XC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ . Prove that  $\angle BXC + \angle BAC = 90^\circ$ .

**Problem 1.250** (2749225075653830789). In a regular 100-gon, 41 vertices are colored black and the remaining 59 vertices are colored white. Prove that there exist 24 convex quadrilaterals  $Q_1, \dots, Q_{24}$  whose corners are vertices of the 100-gon, so that the quadrilaterals  $Q_1, \dots, Q_{24}$  are pairwise disjoint, and every quadrilateral  $Q_i$  has three corners of one color and one corner of the other color.

**Problem 1.251** (458902414604417). A class has 25 students. The teacher wants to stock  $N$  candies, hold the Olympics and give away all  $N$  candies for success in it (those who solve equally tasks should get equally, those who solve less get less, including, possibly, zero candies). At what smallest  $N$  this will be possible, regardless of the number of tasks on Olympiad and the student successes?

**Problem 1.252** (57940096937913). Let  $ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle and let  $D, E$ , and  $F$  be the feet of altitudes from  $A, B$ , and  $C$  to sides  $BC, CA$ , and  $AB$ , respectively. Denote by  $\omega_B$  and  $\omega_C$  the incircles of triangles  $BDF$  and  $CDE$ , and let these circles be tangent to segments  $DF$  and  $DE$  at  $M$  and  $N$ , respectively. Let line  $MN$  meet circles  $\omega_B$  and  $\omega_C$  again at  $P \neq M$  and  $Q \neq N$ , respectively. Prove that  $MP = NQ$ .

**Problem 1.253** (819328919046836). Which positive integers  $n$  make the equation

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left\lfloor \frac{ij}{n+1} \right\rfloor = \frac{n^2(n-1)}{4}$$

true?