

Email training, N8  
Level 3, November 1-7

**Problem 8.1.** Find all pairs of integers  $(m, n)$  such that

$$\binom{n}{m} = 1984.$$

**Problem 8.2.** Prove that for any natural number  $n > 1$ , the number  $2^n - 1$  does not divide  $3^n - 1$ .

**Problem 8.3.** Let  $u_n$  be the least common multiple of the first  $n$  terms of a strictly increasing sequence of positive integers  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{1000}$ . Prove that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{1000} \frac{1}{u_k} \leq 2.$$

**Problem 8.4.** Let  $\sigma(n)$  denote the sum of the divisors of  $n$ . Prove that there exist infinitely many integers  $n$  such that  $\sigma(n) > 3n$ . Prove also that  $\sigma(n) < n(1 + \log_2 n)$ .

**Problem 8.5.** Let  $\sigma(n)$  denote the sum of divisors of  $n$ . Show that  $\sigma(n) = 2^k$  if and only if  $n$  is a product of Mersenne primes, i.e., primes of the form  $2^k - 1$ .

**Problem 8.6.** Let  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $a_{n+1} = a_n + \lfloor \sqrt{a_n} \rfloor$ . Find all  $n$  for which  $a_n$  is a perfect square.

**Problem 8.7.** In an acute angled triangle  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $D$  is on  $BC$  such that  $AD \perp BC$ . Let  $O$  and  $H$  be the circumcenter and orthocenter of  $\triangle ABC$  respectively. The perpendicular bisector of  $AO$  intersects  $BC$  extended at  $E$ . Show that the midpoint of  $OH$  is on the circumcircle of  $\triangle ADE$ .

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