

The University of Western Australia  
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS  
AMO TRAINING SESSIONS

**2000 Senior Mathematics Contest Problems**

1. Let  $a, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove

$$\frac{(a+1)^{2n+1} + a^{n+2}}{a(a+1) + 1} \in \mathbb{N}.$$

2. Determine all functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$f(x) + xf(1-x) = x^2 - 1,$$

holds for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

3. Prove that there do not exist  $x, m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

- (i)  $m > 1$ ,
- (ii)  $n > 1$ , and
- (iii)  $x^n + 1 = 2^m$ .

4. Prove that

$$\frac{n}{2^1(n-1)} + \frac{n}{2^2(n-2)} + \cdots + \frac{n}{2^{n-2} \cdot 2} + \frac{n}{2^{n-1} \cdot 1} < 4,$$

for all integers  $n > 1$ .

5. Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral. Suppose the incircles of  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle ACD$  touch each other.

Prove that the incircles of  $\triangle BDA$  and  $\triangle BCD$  also touch each other.