## PAMO Problem Proposals

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- 1. Find the 2019<sup>th</sup> natural number n such that  $\binom{2n}{n}$  is not divisible by 5.
- 2. Find all functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$f(x^2) - yf(y) = f(x+y)(f(x) - y)$$

for all real numbers x and y.

- 3. ABC is an acute-angled triangle. The bisectors of angles A and B meet BC and AC at D and E respectively. P is a point on DE such that the distances from P to AC and BC are x and y respectively. Show that the distance from P to AB is x+y. (Alternatively, give specific values for x and y and ask to calculate the distance from P to AB.)
- 4. A pawn is a chess piece which attacks the two squares diagonally in front of it. What is the maximum number of pawns which can be placed on an  $n \times n$  chessboard such that no two pawns attack each other? (Alternatively, ask for the maximum number of pawns which can be placed on an  $a \times b$  chessboard.)
- 5. A subset S of the set  $T_m = \{1, 2, ..., m-1\}$  is called *cosy* if for every  $x \in S$ , either 2x or 2x m is also in S. Find the smallest odd number m such that  $T_m$  has a cosy subset with exactly 2009 members.
- 6. Let ABCD be a parallelogram. The angle bisectors of  $\angle BAD$  and  $\angle BCD$  intersect BD at E and G respectively. Then angle bisectors of  $\angle ABC$  and  $\angle ADC$  intersect AC at F and H respectively. Prove that

$$AE^2 + BH^2 = AG^2 + BF^2$$
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