April Camp 2018: Test 2 IMO Stream Time: $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours

1. Let a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n, k and M be positive integers such that

$$\frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{1}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{a_n} = k$$
 and $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n = M$.

If M > 1, prove that the polynomial

$$p(x) = M(x+1)^k - (x+a_1)(x+a_2)\cdots(x+a_n)$$

has no positive roots.

- 2. 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.
- 3. Let n > 1 be an integer. An $n \times n \times n$ cube is composed of n^3 unit cubes. Each unit cube is painted with one colour. For each $n \times n \times 1$ box consisting of n^2 unit cubes (of any of the three possible orientations), we consider the set of colours present in that box (each colour is listed only once). This way, we get 3n sets of colours, split into three groups according to the orientation. It happens that for every set in any group, the same set appears in both of the other groups. Determine, in terms of n, the maximal possible number of colours that are present.