

# Indian IMO Team Selection Tests 2002

## First Practice Test

1. Points  $A, B, C$  are given on a line in that order. The semicircles  $\Gamma_1, \Gamma_2, \Gamma_3$  with diameters  $AC, AB, BC$  respectively are constructed on the same side of the line. Let  $l$  be the line through  $B$  perpendicular to  $AC$  and let  $\Gamma$  be the circle tangent to  $l$ , to  $\Gamma_1$  internally, and to  $\Gamma_3$  externally at  $D$ . The diameter of  $\Gamma$  through  $D$  meets  $l$  in  $G$ . Prove that  $DG = AB$ .
2. Show that there exists a block of 2002 consecutive positive integers containing exactly 150 primes. (Note that there are 168 primes less than 1000.)
3. Consider the set  $X = \{2^m 3^n \mid 0 \leq m, n \leq 9\}$ . Find the number of quadratic equations  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$  with equal roots, where  $a, b, c$  are distinct elements of  $X$ .

## Second Practice Test

1. In an acute triangle  $ABC$ ,  $H$  is the orthocenter and  $O$  the circumcenter. Show that there are points  $D, E, F$  on  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively such that  $AD, BE$  and  $CF$  concur and  $DO + DH = EO + EH = FO + FH$ .
2. If  $a, b, c$  are positive numbers with  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 3abc$ , prove that

$$\frac{a}{b^2 c^2} + \frac{b}{c^2 a^2} + \frac{c}{a^2 b^2} \geq \frac{9}{a + b + c}.$$

3. Find the number of  $n$ -tuples of integers  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  such that

$$|x_i| \leq 10 \quad \text{and} \quad |x_i - x_j| \leq 10 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i, j \leq 10.$$

## First Test

1. Given two distinct circles touching each other internally, show how to construct a triangle with the inner circle as its incircle and the outer circle as its nine-point circle.
2. For a natural number  $n$  denote by  $\sigma(n)$  the sum of the positive divisors of  $n$ .
  - (a) Show that  $\sigma(mn) = \sigma(m)\sigma(n)$  whenever  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ .
  - (b) Find the natural numbers  $n$  for which  $\sigma(n)$  is a power of 2.

3. During their tour of West Indies, Sourav and Srinath have either an apple or an orange along with breakfast in the following sequence:

Sourav has oranges for the first  $m$  days, apples for the next  $m$  days followed by oranges for  $m$  days and so on, while Srinath has oranges for the first  $n$  days, apples for the next  $n$  days and so on.

If  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$  and the tour lasted for  $mn$  days, how many days did they have the same kind of fruit?

## Second Test

1. Let  $T$  denote the set of all ordered triples  $(p, q, r)$  of nonnegative integers. Find all functions  $f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$f(p, q, r) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } pqr = 0, \\ 1 + \frac{1}{6} (f(p+1, q-1, r) + f(p-1, q+1, r) \\ \quad + f(p-1, q, r+1) + f(p+1, q, r-1) \\ \quad + f(p, q+1, r-1) + f(p, q-1, r+1)) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

2. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and  $P$  an exterior point in the plane of the triangle. Suppose  $AP, BP, CP$  meet the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  (or extensions thereof) in  $D, E, F$ , respectively. Suppose further that the areas of triangles  $PBD, PCE, PAF$  are all equal. Prove that each of these areas is equal to the area of triangle  $ABC$  itself.
3. Let  $a < b$  be two positive integers. A set of three nonnegative integers  $\{x, y, z\}$  with  $x < y < z$  is called *olympic* if  $\{z-y, y-x\} = \{a, b\}$ . Show that the set of all nonnegative integers can be written as the union of disjoint olympic sets.

## Third Test

1. Two triangles  $ABC$  and  $PQR$  have the following properties:

- (i)  $P$  is the midpoint of  $BC$  and  $A$  is the midpoint of  $QR$ ;
- (ii)  $QR$  bisects  $\angle BAC$  and  $BC$  bisects  $\angle QPR$ .

Prove that  $AB + AC = PQ + PR$ .

2. Let  $p$  be an odd prime and  $a$  be an integer not divisible by  $p$ . Show that the number of triples  $(x, y, z)$  with  $0 \leq x, y, z < p$  satisfying  $(x + y + z)^2 \equiv axyz \pmod{p}$  equals  $p^2 + 1$ .
3. Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be arbitrary real numbers. Prove the inequality

$$\frac{x_1}{1+x_1^2} + \frac{x_2}{1+x_1^2+x_2^2} + \dots + \frac{x_n}{1+x_1^2+\dots+x_n^2} < \sqrt{n}.$$

### Fourth Test

1. Is it possible to find 100 positive integers  $a_1, \dots, a_{100}$  not exceeding 25,000 such that all pairwise sums of them are different?
2. For an integer  $n \geq 2$ , let  $(1 + iT)^2 = f(T) + ig(T)$ , where  $i^2 = -1$  and  $f, g$  are polynomials with real coefficients. Show that for any real number  $k$  the equation  $f(T) + kg(T)$  has only real roots.
3. Consider the square grid with the opposite vertices  $A(0,0)$  and  $C(n,n)$ . A path is composed of one unit up and one unit right steps. Let  $C_n$  be the number of paths from  $A$  to  $C$  which stay on or below diagonal  $AC$ . ( $C_n$  are the *Catalan numbers*.) Show that the number of paths from  $A$  to  $C$  which go above the diagonal  $AC$  at most twice is equal to  $C_{n+2} - 2C_{n+1} + C_n$ .

### Fifth Test

1. Given an acute triangle  $PQR$ , construct triangles  $SRP$ ,  $TPQ$ ,  $UQR$  exterior to  $\triangle PQR$  with  $SP = SR$ ,  $TP = TQ$ ,  $UQ = UR$ , and  $\angle PSR = 2\angle QPR$ ,  $\angle QTP = 2\angle RQP$ ,  $\angle RUQ = 2\angle PRQ$ . Lines  $SQ$  and  $TU$  meet in  $S'$ ,  $TR$  and  $US$  in  $T'$ , and  $UP$  and  $ST$  in  $U'$ . Evaluate  $\frac{SQ}{SS'} + \frac{TR}{TT'} + \frac{UP}{UU'}$ .
2. If  $a, b, c$  are arbitrary positive numbers, prove the inequality

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

3. Given a prime  $p$ , show that there is a positive integer  $n$  such that the decimal representation of  $p^n$  has a block of 2002 zeros.