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Day 1 April 24th

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- 1** Let n be a positive integer. Define a sequence by setting $a_1 = n$ and, for each $k > 1$, letting a_k be the unique integer in the range $0 \leq a_k \leq k - 1$ for which $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$ is divisible by k . For instance, when $n = 9$ the obtained sequence is 9, 1, 2, 0, 3, 3, 3, Prove that for any n the sequence a_1, a_2, \dots eventually becomes constant.
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- 2** A square grid on the Euclidean plane consists of all points (m, n) , where m and n are integers. Is it possible to cover all grid points by an infinite family of discs with non-overlapping interiors if each disc in the family has radius at least 5?
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- 3** Let S be a set containing $n^2 + n - 1$ elements, for some positive integer n . Suppose that the n -element subsets of S are partitioned into two classes. Prove that there are at least n pairwise disjoint sets in the same class.
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Day 2 April 25th

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- 4** An *animal* with n cells is a connected figure consisting of n equal-sized cells[1].
A *dinosaur* is an animal with at least 2007 cells. It is said to be *primitive* if its cells cannot be partitioned into two or more dinosaurs. Find with proof the maximum number of cells in a primitive dinosaur.
(1) Animals are also called *polyominoes*. They can be defined inductively. Two cells are *adjacent* if they share a complete edge. A single cell is an animal, and given an animal with n cells, one with $n+1$ cells is obtained by adjoining a new cell by making it adjacent to one or more existing cells.
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- 5** Prove that for every nonnegative integer n , the number $7^{7^n} + 1$ is the product of at least $2n + 3$ (not necessarily distinct) primes.
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- 6** Let ABC be an acute triangle with ω , S , and R being its incircle, circumcircle, and circumradius, respectively. Circle ω_A is tangent internally to S at A and tangent externally to ω . Circle S_A is tangent internally to S at A and tangent internally to ω . Let P_A and Q_A denote the centers of ω_A and S_A , respectively. Define points P_B, Q_B, P_C, Q_C analogously. Prove that

$$8P_AQ_A \cdot P_BQ_B \cdot P_CQ_C \leq R^3,$$

with equality if and only if triangle ABC is equilateral.



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