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Day 1 April 30th

- In triangle ABC, points P, Q, R lie on sides BC, CA, AB respectively. Let ω_A , ω_B , ω_C denote the circumcircles of triangles AQR, BRP, CPQ, respectively. Given the fact that segment AP intersects ω_A , ω_B , ω_C again at X, Y, Z, respectively, prove that YX/XZ = BP/PC.
- For a positive integer $n \geq 3$ plot n equally spaced points around a circle. Label one of them A, and place a marker at A. One may move the marker forward in a clockwise direction to either the next point or the point after that. Hence there are a total of 2n distinct moves available; two from each point. Let a_n count the number of ways to advance around the circle exactly twice, beginning and ending at A, without repeating a move. Prove that $a_{n-1} + a_n = 2^n$ for all $n \geq 4$.
- Let n be a positive integer. There are $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ marks, each with a black side and a white side, arranged into an equilateral triangle, with the biggest row containing n marks. Initially, each mark has the black side up. An *operation* is to choose a line parallel to the sides of the triangle, and flipping all the marks on that line. A configuration is called *admissible* if it can be obtained from the initial configuration by performing a finite number of operations. For each admissible configuration C, let f(C) denote the smallest number of operations required to obtain C from the initial configuration. Find the maximum value of f(C), where C varies over all admissible configurations.

Day 2 May 1st

4 Find all real numbers $x, y, z \ge 1$ satisfying

$$\min(\sqrt{x+xyz}, \sqrt{y+xyz}, \sqrt{z+xyz}) = \sqrt{x-1} + \sqrt{y-1} + \sqrt{z-1}.$$

- Given positive integers m and n, prove that there is a positive integer c such that the numbers cm and cn have the same number of occurrences of each non-zero digit when written in base ten.
- Let ABC be a triangle. Find all points P on segment BC satisfying the following property: If X and Y are the intersections of line PA with the common external tangent lines of the

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circumcircles of triangles PAB and PAC, then

$$\left(\frac{PA}{XY}\right)^2 + \frac{PB \cdot PC}{AB \cdot AC} = 1.$$



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