

# Bernoulli Trials Problems for 2013

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**2:** There exist  $a, b \in \mathbf{Q}$  such that  $a^b \in \mathbf{Q}$  but  $b^a \notin \mathbf{Q}$ .

**3:** It is possible to partition  $\mathbf{Q}^+$  into two non-empty disjoint sets which are each closed under addition.

**4:** For all positive integers  $a, b$  and  $n$ , if  $a|n$  and  $b|n$  and  $ab < n$  then  $\gcd\left(\frac{n}{a}, \frac{n}{b}\right) > 1$ .

**5:** For all continuous functions  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , if for every  $0 \neq c \in \mathbf{R}$  the graph of  $y = cf(x)$  is congruent to the graph of  $y = f(x)$ , then  $f(x) = ax + b$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ . (Two sets are *congruent* when they are related by an isometry, that is a composite of translations, rotations and reflections).

**6:** For  $n \in \mathbf{Z}^+$ , let  $a_n$  be the number of congruence classes of triangles with integer sides and perimeter  $n$ . Then for every odd integer  $n \in \mathbf{Z}^+$  we have  $a_n = a_{n+3}$ .

**7:** There exists a continuous map  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \pi]$  such that  $f$  restricts to a bijection  $f : \mathbf{Q} \cap [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{Q} \cap [0, \pi]$ .

**8:** There exists a twice-differentiable function  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  with  $f''(0) \neq 0$  with the property that  $f'(x) = f(x+1) - f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ .

**9:** For all  $n \in \mathbf{Z}^+$  and for all  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , we have  $e^{A+B} = e^A e^B$ . (For an  $n \times n$  matrix  $X$ ,  $e^X = I + X + \frac{1}{2!} X^2 + \frac{1}{3!} X^3 + \dots$ ).

**10:** There exists a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  over  $\mathbf{Z}_2$  with  $A \neq I$  and  $A^7 = I$ .

**11:** The series  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+1/\sqrt{\ln n}}}$  converges.

**12:** The series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2 + l^2}$  converges.

**13:** The sequence  $\frac{1}{(\ln n)^2} \sum_{k=1}^n (\sqrt[k]{k} - 1)$  converges as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**14:** The series  $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{k}{n}\right)^{kn}$  converges.

**15:** Euclidean space can be partitioned into a disjoint union of pairwise skew lines.