

Team Selection Test for the Selection Team of IMO 2016 (2 days)

— Day 1

- 1** Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  be a sequence of real numbers, and let  $m$  be a fixed positive integer less than  $n$ . We say an index  $k$  with  $1 \leq k \leq n$  is good if there exists some  $\ell$  with  $1 \leq \ell \leq m$  such that  $a_k + a_{k+1} + \dots + a_{k+\ell-1} \geq 0$ , where the indices are taken modulo  $n$ . Let  $T$  be the set of all good indices. Prove that  $\sum_{k \in T} a_k \geq 0$ .

*Proposed by Mark Sellke*

- 2** Let  $ABC$  be a scalene triangle. Let  $K_a$ ,  $L_a$  and  $M_a$  be the respective intersections with  $BC$  of the internal angle bisector, external angle bisector, and the median from  $A$ . The circumcircle of  $AK_aL_a$  intersects  $AM_a$  a second time at point  $X_a$  different from  $A$ . Define  $X_b$  and  $X_c$  analogously. Prove that the circumcenter of  $X_aX_bX_c$  lies on the Euler line of  $ABC$ .  
(The Euler line of  $ABC$  is the line passing through the circumcenter, centroid, and orthocenter of  $ABC$ .)

*Proposed by Ivan Borsenco*

- 3** Let  $P$  be the set of all primes, and let  $M$  be a non-empty subset of  $P$ . Suppose that for any non-empty subset  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$  of  $M$ , all prime factors of  $p_1 p_2 \dots p_k + 1$  are also in  $M$ . Prove that  $M = P$ .

*Proposed by Alex Zhai*

— Day 2

- 4** Let  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  be real numbers (not necessarily positive) such that  $x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + xyz = 4$ .  
Show that  $x \leq 2$  and  $\sqrt{2-x} \geq \frac{y+z}{2}$ .

*Proposed by Alyazeed Basyoni*

- 5** Let  $\varphi(n)$  denote the number of positive integers less than  $n$  that are relatively prime to  $n$ . Prove that there exists a positive integer  $m$  for which the equation  $\varphi(n) = m$  has at least 2015 solutions in  $n$ .

*Proposed by Iurie Boreico*

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A *Nim-style game* is defined as follows. Two positive integers  $k$  and  $n$  are specified, along with a finite set  $S$  of  $k$ -tuples of integers (not necessarily positive). At the start of the game, the  $k$ -tuple  $(n, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$  is written on the blackboard. A legal move consists of erasing the tuple  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k)$  which is written on the blackboard and replacing it with  $(a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_k + b_k)$ , where  $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k)$  is an element of the set  $S$ . Two players take turns making legal moves, and the first to write a negative integer loses. In the event that neither player is ever forced to write a negative integer, the game is a draw.

Prove that there is a choice of  $k$  and  $S$  with the following property: the first player has a winning strategy if  $n$  is a power of 2, and otherwise the second player has a winning strategy.

*Proposed by Linus Hamilton*

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