

# Pan African 2005

Alger, Algeria

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## Day 1 - 01 August 2005

- [1] For any positive real numbers  $a, b$  and  $c$ , prove:

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \geq \frac{2}{a+b} + \frac{2}{b+c} + \frac{2}{c+a} \geq \frac{9}{a+b+c}$$

- [2] Let  $S$  be a set of integers with the property that any integer root of any non-zero polynomial with coefficients in  $S$  also belongs to  $S$ . If 0 and 1000 are elements of  $S$ , prove that  $-2$  is also an element of  $S$ .
- [3] Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and let  $P$  be a point on one of the sides of  $ABC$ . Construct a line passing through  $P$  that divides triangle  $ABC$  into two parts of equal area.

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## Day 2 - 02 August 2005

- [1] Let  $[x]$  be the greatest integer less than or equal to  $x$ , and let  $\{x\} = x - [x]$ . Solve the equation:  $[x] \cdot \{x\} = 2005x$
- [2] Noah has to fit 8 species of animals into 4 cages of the Arc. He plans to put two species of animal in each cage. It turns out that, for each species of animal, there are at most 3 other species with which it cannot share a cage. Prove that there is a way to assign the animals to the cages so that each species shares a cage with a compatible species.
- [3] Let  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be a function such that: For all  $a$  and  $b$  in  $\mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$ ,  $f(ab) \geq f(a) + f(b)$ . Show that for all  $a \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$  we have  $f(a^n) = nf(a)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  if and only if  $f(a^2) = 2f(a)$