APMO 2015

1 Let ABC be a triangle, and let D be a point on side BC. A line through D intersects side AB at X and ray AC at Y. The circumcircle of triangle BXD intersects the circumcircle ω of triangle ABC again at point Z distinct from point B. The lines ZD and ZY intersect ω again at V and W respectively. Prove that $AB = VW$

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2 Let $S = \{2, 3, 4, \ldots\}$ denote the set of integers that are greater than or equal to 2. Does there exist a function $f : S \to S$ such that

$$f(a)f(b) = f(a^2b^2) \text{ for all } a, b \in S \text{ with } a \neq b?$$

3 A sequence of real numbers $a_0, a_1, \ldots$ is said to be good if the following three conditions hold.
(i) The value of a_0 is a positive integer.
(ii) For each non-negative integer i we have $a_{i+1} = 2a_i + 1$ or $a_{i+1} = \frac{a_i}{a_i+2}$
(iii) There exists a positive integer k such that $a_k = 2014$.

Find the smallest positive integer n such that there exists a good sequence $a_0, a_1, \ldots$ of real numbers with the property that $a_n = 2014$.

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4 Let n be a positive integer. Consider $2n$ distinct lines on the plane, no two of which are parallel. Of the $2n$ lines, n are colored blue, the other n are colored red. Let $\mathcal{B}$ be the set of all points on the plane that lie on at least one blue line, and $\mathcal{R}$ the set of all points on the plane that lie on at least one red line. Prove that there exists a circle that intersects $\mathcal{B}$ in exactly $2n - 1$ points, and also intersects $\mathcal{R}$ in exactly $2n - 1$ points.

5 Determine all sequences $a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots$ of positive integers with $a_0 \geq 2015$ such that for all integers $n \geq 1$:
(i) a_{n+2} is divisible by a_n ;
(ii) $|s_{n+1} - (n+1)a_n| = 1$, where $s_{n+1} = a_{n+1} - a_n + a_{n-1} - \cdots + (-1)^{n+1}a_0$.