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– paper 1

1 Define the *quasi-primes* as follows. • The first quasi-prime is $q_1 = 2$ • For $n \geq 2$, the n^{th} quasi-prime q_n is the smallest integer greater than q_{n-1} and not of the form $q_i q_j$ for some $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n - 1$.
Determine, with proof, whether or not 1000 is a quasi-prime.

2 Jenny is going to attend a sports camp for 7 days. Each day, she will play exactly one of three sports: hockey, tennis or camogie. The only restriction is that in any period of 4 consecutive days, she must play all three sports. Find, with proof, the number of possible sports schedules for Jennys week.

3 A quadrilateral $ABCD$ is such that the sides AB and DC are parallel, and $|BC| = |AB| + |CD|$. Prove that the angle bisectors of the angles $\angle ABC$ and $\angle BCD$ intersect at right angles on the side AD .

4 Find the set of all quadruplets (x, y, z, w) of non-zero real numbers which satisfy

$$1 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2(x+1)}{xy} + \frac{3(x+1)(y+2)}{xyz} + \frac{4(x+1)(y+2)(z+3)}{xyzw} = 0$$

5 Let M be a point on the side BC of triangle ABC and let P and Q denote the circumcentres of triangles ABM and ACM respectively. Let L denote the point of intersection of the extended lines BP and CQ and let K denote the reflection of L through the line PQ . Prove that M, P, Q and K all lie on the same circle.

– paper 2

6 The number 2019 has the following nice properties:
(a) It is the sum of the fourth powers of five distinct positive integers.
(b) It is the sum of six consecutive positive integers.
In fact, $2019 = 1^4 + 2^4 + 3^4 + 5^4 + 6^4$ (1) $2019 = 334 + 335 + 336 + 337 + 338 + 339$ (2)
Prove that 2019 is the smallest number that satisfies **both** (a) and (b).
(You may assume that (1) and (2) are correct!)

7 Three non-zero real numbers a, b, c satisfy $a + b + c = 0$ and $a^4 + b^4 + c^4 = 128$. Determine all possible values of $ab + bc + ca$.

8 Consider a point G in the interior of a parallelogram $ABCD$. A circle Γ through A and G intersects the sides AB and AD for the second time at the points E and F respectively. The line FG extended intersects the side BC at H and the line EG extended intersects the side CD at I . The circumcircle of triangle HGI intersects the circle Γ for the second time at $M \neq G$. Prove that M lies on the diagonal AC .

9 Suppose x, y, z are real numbers such that $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xyz = 1$. Prove that $8xyz \leq 1$, with equality if and only if (x, y, z) is one of the following:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right), \left(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right), \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

10 Island Hopping Holidays offer short holidays to 64 islands, labeled Island i , $1 \leq i \leq 64$. A guest chooses any Island a for the first night of the holiday, moves to Island b for the second night, and finally moves to Island c for the third night. Due to the limited number of boats, we must have $b \in T_a$ and $c \in T_b$, where the sets T_i are chosen so that

(a) each T_i is non-empty, and $i \notin T_i$,

(b) $\sum_{i=1}^{64} |T_i| = 128$, where $|T_i|$ is the number of elements of T_i .

Exhibit a choice of sets T_i giving at least $63 \cdot 64 + 6 = 4038$ possible holidays.

Note that $c = a$ is allowed, and holiday choices (a, b, c) and (a', b', c') are considered distinct if $a \neq a'$ or $b \neq b'$ or $c \neq c'$.