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1 Consider the endomorphism ring of an Abelian torsion-free (resp. torsion) group $G$. Prove that this ring is Neumann-regular if and only if $G$ is a discrete direct sum of groups isomorphic to the additive group of the rationals (resp. , a discrete direct sum of cyclic groups of prime order). (A ring $R$ is called Neumann-regular if for every $\alpha \in R$ there exists a $\beta \in R$ such that $\alpha \beta \alpha=\alpha$.)

## E. Freid

2 Let $a_{1}, a_{2}, \ldots, a_{n}$ be nonnegative real numbers. Prove that

$$
\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}\right)\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}^{n-1}\right) \leq n \prod_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}+(n-1)\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}^{n}\right)
$$

## J. Suranyi

3 Let $K$ be a compact topological group, and let $F$ be a set of continuous functions defined on $K$ that has cardinality greater that continuum. Prove that there exist $x_{0} \in K$ and $f \neq g \in F$ such that

$$
f\left(x_{0}\right)=g\left(x_{0}\right)=\max _{x \in K} f(x)=\max _{x \in K} g(x) .
$$

## I. Juhasz

4 Let $f$ be a complex-valued, completely multiplicative,arithmetical function. Assume that there exists an infinite increasing sequence $N_{k}$ of natural numbers such that

$$
f(n)=A_{k} \neq 0 \text { provided } N_{k} \leq n \leq N_{k}+4 \sqrt{N_{k}} .
$$

Prove that $f$ is identically 1 .

## I. Katai

$5 \quad$ Let $k$ be a positive integer, $z$ a complex number, and $\varepsilon<\frac{1}{2}$ a positive number. Prove that the following inequality holds for infinitely many positive integers $n$ :

$$
\left|\sum_{0 \leq l \leq \frac{n}{k+1}}\binom{n-k l}{l} z^{l}\right| \geq\left(\frac{1}{2}-\varepsilon\right)^{n}
$$

P. Turan

6 Let $\Psi=\langle A ; \ldots\rangle$ be an arbitrary, countable algebraic structure (that is, $\Psi$ can have an arbitrary number of finitary operations and relations). Prove that $\Psi$ has as many as continuum automorphisms if and only if for any finite subset $A^{\prime}$ of $A$ there is an automorphism $\pi_{A^{\prime}}$ of $\Psi$ different from the identity automorphism and such that

$$
(x) \pi_{A^{\prime}}=x
$$

for every $x \in A^{\prime}$.

## M. Makkai

7 For every natural number $r$, the set of $r$-tuples of natural numbers is partitioned into finitely many classes. Show that if $f(r)$ is a function such that $f(r) \geq 1$ and $\lim _{r \rightarrow \infty} f(r)=+\infty$, then there exists an infinite set of natural numbers that, for all $r$, contains $r$-triples from at most $f(r)$ classes. Show that if $f(r) \nrightarrow+\infty$, then there is a family of partitions such that no such infinite set exists.

## P. Erdos, A. Hajnal

$8 \quad$ Let $n$ and $k$ be given natural numbers, and let $A$ be a set such that

$$
|A| \leq \frac{n(n+1)}{k+1}
$$

For $i=1,2, \ldots, n+1$, let $A_{i}$ be sets of size $n$ such that

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|A_{i} \cap A_{j}\right| \leq k(i \neq j), \\
A=\bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} A_{i} .
\end{gathered}
$$

Determine the cardinality of $A$.

## K. Corradi

9 Let $f(x)$ be a real function such that

$$
\lim _{x \rightarrow+\infty} \frac{f(x)}{e^{x}}=1
$$

and $\left|f^{\prime \prime}(x)\right| \leq c\left|f^{\prime}(x)\right|$ for all sufficiently large $x$. Prove that

$$
\lim _{x \rightarrow+\infty} \frac{f^{\prime}(x)}{e^{x}}=1
$$

P. Erdos

10 Let $h$ be a triangle of perimeter 1 , and let $H$ be a triangle of perimeter $\lambda$ homothetic to $h$. Let $h_{1}, h_{2}, \ldots$ be translates of $h$ such that, for all $i, h_{i}$ is different from $h_{i+2}$ and touches $H$ and $h_{i+1}$ (that is, intersects without overlapping). For which values of $\lambda$ can these triangles be chosen so that the sequence $h_{1}, h_{2}, \ldots$ is periodic? If $\lambda \geq 1$ is such a value, then determine the number of different triangles in a periodic chain $h_{1}, h_{2}, \ldots$ and also the number of times such a chain goes around the triangle $H$.
L. Fejes-Toth

11 Let $A_{1}, \ldots, A_{n}$ be arbitrary events in a probability field. Denote by $C_{k}$ the event that at least $k$ of $A_{1}, \ldots, A_{n}$ occur. Prove that

$$
\prod_{k=1}^{n} P\left(C_{k}\right) \leq \prod_{k=1}^{n} P\left(A_{k}\right)
$$

## A. Renyi

