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Day 1

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- 1** Find all real-valued functions f defined on pairs of real numbers, having the following property: for all real numbers a, b, c , the median of $f(a, b), f(b, c), f(c, a)$ equals the median of a, b, c .

(The *median* of three real numbers, not necessarily distinct, is the number that is in the middle when the three numbers are arranged in nondecreasing order.)

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- 2** Two circles ω_1 and ω_2 intersect at points A and B . Line ℓ is tangent to ω_1 at P and to ω_2 at Q so that A is closer to ℓ than B . Let X and Y be points on major arcs PA (on ω_1) and AQ (on ω_2), respectively, such that $AX/PX = AY/QY = c$. Extend segments PA and QA through A to R and S , respectively, such that $AR = AS = c \cdot PQ$. Given that the circumcenter of triangle ARS lies on line XY , prove that $\angle XPA = \angle AQY$.

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- 3** Prove that there exists a real constant c such that for any pair (x, y) of real numbers, there exist relatively prime integers m and n satisfying the relation

$$\sqrt{(x-m)^2 + (y-n)^2} < c \log(x^2 + y^2 + 2).$$

Day 2

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- 4** Acute triangle ABC is inscribed in circle ω . Let H and O denote its orthocenter and circumcenter, respectively. Let M and N be the midpoints of sides AB and AC , respectively. Rays MH and NH meet ω at P and Q , respectively. Lines MN and PQ meet at R . Prove that $OA \perp RA$.

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- 5** At a certain orphanage, every pair of orphans are either friends or enemies. For every three of an orphan's friends, an even number of pairs of them are enemies. Prove that it's possible to assign each orphan two parents such that every pair of friends shares exactly one parent, but no pair of enemies does, and no three parents are in a love triangle (where each pair of them has a child).

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- 6** Let a, b, c be positive real numbers in the interval $[0, 1]$ with $a + b, b + c, c + a \geq 1$. Prove that

$$1 \leq (1-a)^2 + (1-b)^2 + (1-c)^2 + \frac{2\sqrt{2}abc}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}.$$

Day 3

7 Let ABC be a triangle. Its excircles touch sides BC, CA, AB at D, E, F , respectively. Prove that the perimeter of triangle ABC is at most twice that of triangle DEF .

8 Let $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n_0-1}$ be integers, and let d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k be positive integers with $n_0 = d_1 > d_2 > \dots > d_k$ and $\gcd(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_k) = 1$. For every integer $n \geq n_0$, define

$$x_n = \left\lfloor \frac{x_{n-d_1} + x_{n-d_2} + \dots + x_{n-d_k}}{k} \right\rfloor.$$

Show that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is eventually constant.

9 Let n be a positive integer. Suppose we are given $2^n + 1$ distinct sets, each containing finitely many objects. Place each set into one of two categories, the red sets and the blue sets, so that there is at least one set in each category. We define the *symmetric difference* of two sets as the set of objects belonging to exactly one of the two sets. Prove that there are at least 2^n different sets which can be obtained as the symmetric difference of a red set and a blue set.

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