

**Olympic Revenge 2010**

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**1** Prove that the number of ordered triples  $(x, y, z)$  such that  $(x + y + z)^2 \equiv xyz \pmod{p}$ , where  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$  and  $p$  is prime is  $p^2 + 1$ .

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**2** Joaquim, Jos and Joo participate of the worship of triangle  $ABC$ . It is well known that  $ABC$  is a random triangle, nothing special. According to the dogmas of the worship, when they form a triangle which is similar to  $ABC$ , they will get immortal. Nevertheless, there is a condition: each person must represent a vertice of the triangle. In this case, Joaquim will represent vertice  $A$ , Jos vertice  $B$  and Joo will represent vertice  $C$ . Thus, they must form a triangle which is similar to  $ABC$ , in this order.

Suppose all three points are in the Euclidean Plane. Once they are very excited to become immortal, they act in the following way: in each instant  $t$ , Joaquim, for example, will move with constant velocity  $v$  to the point in the same semi-plan determined by the line which connects the other two points, and which would create a triangle similar to  $ABC$  in the desired order. The other participants act in the same way.

If the velocity of all of them is same, and if they initially have a finite, but sufficiently large life, determine if they can get immortal.

*Observation: Initially, Joaquim, Jos and Joo do not represent three collinear points in the plane*

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**3** Prove that there exists a set  $S$  of lines in the three dimensional space satisfying the following conditions:

- i)* For each point  $P$  in the space, there exist a unique line of  $S$  containing  $P$ .
  - ii)* There are no two lines of  $S$  which are parallel.
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**4** Let  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  to be two sequences defined as below:

*i)*  $a_1 = 1$

*ii)*  $a_n + b_n = 6n - 1$

*iii)*  $a_{n+1}$  is the least positive integer different of  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$ .

Determine  $a_{2009}$ .

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**5** Secco and Ramon are drunk in the real line over the integer points  $a$  and  $b$ , respectively. Our real line is a little bit special, though: the interval  $(-\infty, 0)$  is covered by a sea of lava. Being aware of this fact, and also because they are drunk, they decided to play the following game: initially

they choose an integer number  $k > 1$  using a fair dice as large as desired, and therefore they start the game. In the first round, each player writes the point  $h$  for which it wants to go.

After that, they throw a coin: if the result is heads, they go to the desired points; otherwise, they go to the points  $2g - h$ , where  $g$  is the point where each of the players were in the precedent round (that is, in the first round  $g = a$  for Secco and  $g = b$  for Ramon). They repeat this procedure in the other rounds, and the game finishes when some of the player is over a point exactly  $k$  times bigger than the other (if both of the player end up in the point 0, the game finishes as well).

Determine, in values of  $k$ , the initial values  $a$  and  $b$  such that Secco and Ramon has a winning strategy to finish the game alive.

*Observation: If any of the players fall in the lave, he dies and both of them lose the game*

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- 6 Let  $ABC$  to be a triangle and  $\Gamma$  its circumcircle. Also, let  $D, F, G$  and  $E$ , in this order, on the arc  $BC$  which does not contain  $A$  satisfying  $\angle BAD = \angle CAE$  and  $\angle BAF = \angle CAG$ . Let  $D', F', G'$  and  $E'$  to be the intersections of  $AD, AF, AG$  and  $AE$  with  $BC$ , respectively. Moreover,  $X$  is the intersection of  $DF'$  with  $EG'$ ,  $Y$  is the intersection of  $D'F$  with  $E'G$ ,  $Z$  is the intersection of  $D'G$  with  $E'F$  and  $W$  is the intersection of  $EF'$  with  $DG'$ .

Prove that  $X, Y$  and  $A$  are collinear, such as  $W, Z$  and  $A$ . Moreover, prove that  $\angle BAX = \angle CAZ$ .

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