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**Day 1** April 30th

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- 1** In triangle  $ABC$ , points  $P, Q, R$  lie on sides  $BC, CA, AB$  respectively. Let  $\omega_A, \omega_B, \omega_C$  denote the circumcircles of triangles  $AQR, BRP, CPQ$ , respectively. Given the fact that segment  $AP$  intersects  $\omega_A, \omega_B, \omega_C$  again at  $X, Y, Z$ , respectively, prove that  $YX/XZ = BP/PC$ .
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- 2** For a positive integer  $n \geq 3$  plot  $n$  equally spaced points around a circle. Label one of them  $A$ , and place a marker at  $A$ . One may move the marker forward in a clockwise direction to either the next point or the point after that. Hence there are a total of  $2n$  distinct moves available; two from each point. Let  $a_n$  count the number of ways to advance around the circle exactly twice, beginning and ending at  $A$ , without repeating a move. Prove that  $a_{n-1} + a_n = 2^n$  for all  $n \geq 4$ .
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- 3** Let  $n$  be a positive integer. There are  $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$  marks, each with a black side and a white side, arranged into an equilateral triangle, with the biggest row containing  $n$  marks. Initially, each mark has the black side up. An *operation* is to choose a line parallel to the sides of the triangle, and flipping all the marks on that line. A configuration is called *admissible* if it can be obtained from the initial configuration by performing a finite number of operations. For each admissible configuration  $C$ , let  $f(C)$  denote the smallest number of operations required to obtain  $C$  from the initial configuration. Find the maximum value of  $f(C)$ , where  $C$  varies over all admissible configurations.
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**Day 2** May 1st

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- 4** Find all real numbers  $x, y, z \geq 1$  satisfying

$$\min(\sqrt{x + xyz}, \sqrt{y + xyz}, \sqrt{z + xyz}) = \sqrt{x-1} + \sqrt{y-1} + \sqrt{z-1}.$$

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- 5** Given positive integers  $m$  and  $n$ , prove that there is a positive integer  $c$  such that the numbers  $cm$  and  $cn$  have the same number of occurrences of each non-zero digit when written in base ten.
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- 6** Let  $ABC$  be a triangle. Find all points  $P$  on segment  $BC$  satisfying the following property: If  $X$  and  $Y$  are the intersections of line  $PA$  with the common external tangent lines of the circumcircles of triangles  $PAB$  and  $PAC$ , then

$$\left(\frac{PA}{XY}\right)^2 + \frac{PB \cdot PC}{AB \cdot AC} = 1.$$

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