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Day 1 December 6th

1 Let $(A_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $(a_n)_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be sequences of positive integers. Assume that for each positive integer x , there is a unique positive integer N and a unique N -tuple (x_1, \dots, x_N) such that $0 \leq x_k \leq a_k$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$, $x_N \neq 0$, and $x = \sum_{k=1}^N A_k x_k$.

- (a) Prove that $A_k = 1$ for some k ;
 (b) Prove that $A_k = A_j \Leftrightarrow k = j$;
 (c) Prove that if $A_k \leq A_j$, then $A_k \mid A_j$.

2 Let $ABCD$ be a square of side length 2, and let M and N be points on the sides AB and CD respectively. The lines CM and BN meet at P , while the lines AN and DM meet at Q . Prove that $|PQ| \geq 1$.

3 Let n integers on the real axis be colored. Determine for which positive integers k there exists a family K of closed intervals with the following properties:
 i) The union of the intervals in K contains all of the colored points;
 ii) Any two distinct intervals in K are disjoint;
 iii) For each interval I at K we have $a_I = k \cdot b_I$, where a_I denotes the number of integers in I , and b_I the number of colored integers in I .

Day 2 December 7th

1 A circle is tangent to sides AD , DC , CB of a convex quadrilateral $ABCD$ at K , L , M respectively. A line l , passing through L and parallel to AD , meets KM at N and KC at P . Prove that $PL = PN$.

2 Prove that $\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (2^n - 2^k)$ is divisible by $n!$ for all positive integers n .

3 Show that there is no function $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $f(x+y) > f(x)(1+yf(x))$ for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$.