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– Paper 1

**1** Determine, with proof, the smallest positive multiple of 99 all of whose digits are either 1 or 2.

**2** Solve the equations :

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c = 0 \\ a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1 \\ a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 4abc \end{cases}$$

for  $a, b$ , and  $c$ .

**3** Four circles are drawn with the sides of quadrilateral  $ABCD$  as diameters. The two circles passing through  $A$  meet again at  $A'$ , two circles through  $B$  at  $B'$ , two circles at  $C$  at  $C'$  and the two circles at  $D$  at  $D'$ . Suppose the points  $A', B', C'$  and  $D'$  are distinct. Prove quadrilateral  $A'B'C'D'$  is similar to  $ABCD$ .

**4** An equilateral triangle of integer side length  $n \geq 1$  is subdivided into small triangles of unit side length, as illustrated in the figure below for  $n = 5$ . In this diagram a subtriangle is a triangle of any size which is formed by connecting vertices of the small triangles along the grid lines. <https://cdn.artofproblemsolving.com/attachments/e/9/17e83ad4872fcf9e97f0479104b9569bf75ac.jpg>  
It is desired to color each vertex of the small triangles either red or blue in such a way that there is no subtriangle with all of its vertices having the same color. Let  $f(n)$  denote the number of distinct colorings satisfying this condition. Determine, with proof,  $f(n)$  for every  $n \geq 1$

**5** The sequence  $a = (a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots)$  is defined by  $a_0 = 0, a_1 = 2$  and

$$a_{n+2} = 2a_{n+1} + 41a_n$$

Prove that  $a_{2016}$  is divisible by 2017.

– Paper 2

**1** Does there exist an even positive integer  $n$  for which  $n + 1$  is divisible by 5 and the two numbers  $2^n + n$  and  $2^n - 1$  are co-prime?

- 3 A line segment  $B_0B_n$  is divided into  $n$  equal parts at points  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_{n-1}$  and  $A$  is a point such that  $\angle B_0AB_n$  is a right angle. Prove that :

$$\sum_{k=0}^n |AB_k|^2 = \sum_{k=0}^n |B_0B_k|^2$$

- 2 5 teams play in a soccer competition where each team plays one match against each of the other four teams. A winning team gains 5 points and a losing team 0 points. For a 0 – 0 draw both teams gain 1 point, and for other draws (1 – 1, 2 – 2, 3 – 3, etc.) both teams gain 2 points. At the end of the competition, we write down the total points for each team, and we find that they form 5 consecutive integers. What is the minimum number of goals scored?

- 4 Show that for all non-negative numbers  $a, b$ ,

$$1 + a^{2017} + b^{2017} \geq a^{10}b^7 + a^7b^{2000} + a^{2000}b^{10}$$

When is equality attained?

- 5 Given a positive integer  $m$ , a sequence of real numbers  $a = (a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots)$  is called  $m$ -powerful if it satisfies

$$\left(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k\right)^m = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^m$$

for all positive integers  $n$ .

- (a) Show that a sequence is 30-powerful if and only if at most one of its terms is non-zero.  
 (b) Find a sequence none of whose terms are zero but which is 2017-powerful.