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- 1 Let  $ABC$  be an acute scalene triangle with incenter  $I$ . Show that the circumcircle of  $BIC$  intersects the Euler line of  $ABC$  in two distinct points.

(Recall that the *Euler line* of a scalene triangle is the line that passes through its circumcenter, centroid, orthocenter, and the nine-point center.)

*Andrew Gu*

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- 2 Annie has a permutation  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2019})$  of  $S = \{1, 2, \dots, 2019\}$ , and Yannick wants to guess her permutation. With each guess Yannick gives Annie an  $n$ -tuple  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{2019})$  of integers in  $S$ , and then Annie gives the number of indices  $i \in S$  such that  $a_i = y_i$ .

- (a) Show that Yannick can always guess Annie's permutation with at most 1200000 guesses.  
(b) Show that Yannick can always guess Annie's permutation with at most 24000 guesses.

*Yannick Yao*

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- 3 Do there exist four points  $P_i = (x_i, y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  ( $1 \leq i \leq 4$ ) on the plane such that:

- for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , the inequality  $x_i^4 + y_i^4 \leq x_i^3 + y_i^3$  holds, and
- for all  $i \neq j$ , the distance between  $P_i$  and  $P_j$  is greater than 1?

*Pakawut Jiradilok*

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- 4 A *cactus* is a finite simple connected graph where no two cycles share an edge. Show that in a nonempty cactus, there must exist a vertex which is part of at most one cycle.

*Kevin Yang*

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- 5 Let  $p = 2017$  be a prime and  $\mathbb{F}_p$  be the integers modulo  $p$ . A function  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p$  is called *good* if there is  $\alpha \in \mathbb{F}_p$  with  $\alpha \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  such that

$$f(x)f(y) = f(x+y) + \alpha^y f(x-y) \pmod{p}$$

for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . How many good functions are there that are periodic with minimal period 2016?

*Ashwin Sah*

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