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- **1** Daniel chooses some distinct subsets of $\{1, \ldots, 2019\}$ such that any two distinct subsets chosen are disjoint. Compute the maximum possible number of subsets he can choose.

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

2 Let A = (0,0), B = (1,0), C = (-1,0), and D = (-1,1). Let C be the closed curve given by the segment AB, the minor arc of the circle $x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 2$ connecting B to C, the segment CD, and the minor arc of the circle $x^2 + (y-1)^2 = 1$ connecting D to A. Let D be a piece of paper whose boundary is C. Compute the sum of all integers $2 \le n \le 2019$ such that it is possible to cut D into n congruent pieces of paper.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

3 Compute the smallest positive integer that can be expressed as the product of four distinct integers.

Proposed by Yannick Yao

4 Compute $\left[\sum_{k=2018}^{\infty} \frac{2019! - 2018!}{k!}\right]$. (The notation $\lceil x \rceil$ denotes the least integer n such that $n \ge x$.)

Proposed by Tristan Shin

5 Consider the set *S* of lattice points (x, y) with $0 \le x, y \le 8$. Call a function $f : S \to \{1, 2, ..., 9\}$ a *Sudoku function* if:

- { $f(x,0), f(x,1), \ldots, f(x,8)$ } = { $1,2, \ldots, 9$ } for each $0 \le x \le 8$ and { $f(0,y), f(1,y), \ldots, f(8,y)$ } = { $1,2, \ldots, 9$ } for each $0 \le y \le 8$. - For any integers $0 \le m, n \le 2$ and any $0 \le i_1, j_1, i_2, j_2 \le 2$, $f(3m + i_1, 3n + j_1) \ne f(3m + i_2, 3n + j_2)$ unless $i_1 = i_2$ and $j_1 = j_2$.

Over all Sudoku functions f, compute the maximum possible value of $\sum_{0 \le i \le 8} f(i, i) + \sum_{0 \le i \le 7} f(i, i+1)$.

Proposed by Brandon Wang

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6 Let A, B, C, ..., Z be 26 nonzero real numbers. Suppose that T = TNYWR. Compute the smallest possible value of

 $\left[A^2 + B^2 + \dots + Z^2\right].$

(The notation $\lceil x \rceil$ denotes the least integer *n* such that $n \ge x$.)

Proposed by Luke Robitaille

7 Let ABCD be a square with side length 4. Consider points P and Q on segments AB and BC, respectively, with BP = 3 and BQ = 1. Let R be the intersection of AQ and DP. If BR^2 can be expressed in the form $\frac{m}{n}$ for coprime positive integers m, n, compute m + n.

Proposed by Brandon Wang

8 In triangle *ABC*, side *AB* has length 10, and the *A*- and *B*-medians have length 9 and 12, respectively. Compute the area of the triangle.

Proposed by Yannick Yao

9 Susan is presented with six boxes B_1, \ldots, B_6 , each of which is initially empty, and two identical coins of denomination 2^k for each $k = 0, \ldots, 5$. Compute the number of ways for Susan to place the coins in the boxes such that each box B_k contains coins of total value 2^k .

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

10 When two distinct digits are randomly chosen in N = 123456789 and their places are swapped, one gets a new number N' (for example, if 2 and 4 are swapped, then N' = 143256789). The expected value of N' is equal to $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Compute the remainder when m + n is divided by 10^6 .

Proposed by Yannick Yao

11 Jay is given 99 stacks of blocks, such that the *i*th stack has i^2 blocks. Jay must choose a positive integer N such that from each stack, he may take either 0 blocks or exactly N blocks. Compute the value Jay should choose for N in order to maximize the number of blocks he may take from the 99 stacks.

Proposed by James Lin

12 A set *D* of positive integers is called *indifferent* if there are at least two integers in the set, and for any two distinct elements $x, y \in D$, their positive difference |x - y| is also in *D*. Let M(x) be the smallest size of an indifferent set whose largest element is *x*. Compute the sum $M(2) + M(3) + \cdots + M(100)$.

Proposed by Yannick Yao

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13 Let $S = \{10^n + 1000 : n = 0, 1, ...\}$. Compute the largest positive integer not expressible as the sum of (not necessarily distinct) elements of *S*.

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

14 The sum

$$\sum_{i=0}^{1000} \frac{\binom{1000}{i}}{\binom{2019}{i}}$$

can be expressed in the form $\frac{p}{q}$, where p and q are relatively prime positive integers. Compute p + q.

Proposed by James Lin

15 Evan has 66000 omons, particles that can cluster into groups of a perfect square number of omons. An omon in a cluster of n^2 omons has a potential energy of $\frac{1}{n}$. Evan accurately computes the sum of the potential energies of all the omons. Compute the smallest possible value of his result.

Proposed by Michael Ren and Luke Robitaille

16 In triangle ABC, BC = 3, CA = 4, and AB = 5. For any point P in the same plane as ABC, define f(P) as the sum of the distances from P to lines AB, BC, and CA. The area of the locus of P where $f(P) \le 12$ is $\frac{m}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers m and n. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Yannick Yao

17 Let ABCD be an isosceles trapezoid with $\overline{AD} \parallel \overline{BC}$. The incircle of $\triangle ABC$ has center I and is tangent to \overline{BC} at P. The incircle of $\triangle ABD$ has center J and is tangent to \overline{AD} at Q. If PI = 8, IJ = 25, and JQ = 15, compute the greatest integer less than or equal to the area of ABCD.

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

18 Define a function f as follows. For any positive integer i, let f(i) be the smallest positive integer j such that there exist pairwise distinct positive integers a, b, c, and d such that gcd(a, b), gcd(a, c), gcd(a, d), gcd(b, c), gcd(b, d), and gcd(c, d) are pairwise distinct and equal to i, i + 1, i + 2, i + 3, i + 4, and j in some order, if any such j exists; let f(i) = 0 if no such j exists. Compute $f(1) + f(2) + \cdots + f(2019)$.

Proposed by Edward Wan

19 Arianna and Brianna play a game in which they alternate turns writing numbers on a paper. Before the game begins, a referee randomly selects an integer N with $1 \le N \le 2019$, such that *i* has probability $\frac{i}{1+2+\dots+2019}$ of being chosen. First, Arianna writes 1 on the paper. On any

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move thereafter, the player whose turn it is writes a + 1 or 2a, where a is any number on the paper, under the conditions that no number is ever written twice and any number written does not exceed N. No number is ever erased. The winner is the person who first writes the number N. Assuming both Arianna and Brianna play optimally, the probability that Brianna wins can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$ where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Compute m + n.

Proposed by Edward Wan

- **20** Let *ABC* be a triangle with AB = 4, BC = 5, and CA = 6. Suppose X and Y are points such that
 - BC and XY are parallel
 - BX and CY intersect at a point P on the circumcircle of $\triangle ABC$
 - the circumcircles of $\triangle BCX$ and $\triangle BCY$ are tangent to AB and AC, respectively.

Then AP^2 can be written in the form $\frac{p}{q}$ for relatively prime positive integers p and q. Compute 100p + q.

Proposed by Tristan Shin

21 Define a sequence by $a_0 = 2019$ and $a_n = a_{n-1}^{2019}$ for all positive integers *n*. Compute the remainder when

$$a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{51}$$

is divided by 856.

Proposed by Tristan Shin

22 For any set *S* of integers, let f(S) denote the number of integers *k* with $0 \le k < 2019$ such that there exist $s_1, s_2 \in S$ satisfying $s_1 - s_2 = k$. For any positive integer *m*, let x_m be the minimum possible value of $f(S_1) + \cdots + f(S_m)$ where S_1, \ldots, S_m are nonempty sets partitioning the positive integers. Let *M* be the minimum of x_1, x_2, \ldots , and let *N* be the number of positive integers *m* such that $x_m = M$. Compute 100M + N.

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

23 Let a_1 , a_2 , a_3 , a_4 , and a_5 be real numbers satisfying

 $a_1a_2 + a_2a_3 + a_3a_4 + a_4a_5 + a_5a_1 = 20,$ $a_1a_3 + a_2a_4 + a_3a_5 + a_4a_1 + a_5a_2 = 22.$

Then the smallest possible value of $a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + a_4^2 + a_5^2$ can be expressed as $m + \sqrt{n}$, where m and n are positive integers. Compute 100m + n.

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24 We define the binary operation \times on elements of \mathbb{Z}^2 as

$$(a,b) \times (c,d) = (ac + bd, ad + bc)$$

for all integers a, b, c, and d. Compute the number of ordered six-tuples $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6)$ of integers such that

 $[[[(1, a_1) \times (2, a_2)] \times (3, a_3)] \times (4, a_4)] \times (5, a_5)] \times (6, a_6) = (350, 280).$

Proposed by Michael Ren and James Lin

25 Let S be the set of positive integers not divisible by p^4 for all primes p. Anastasia and Bananastasia play a game.

At the beginning, Anastasia writes down the positive integer N on the board. Then the players take moves in turn; Bananastasia moves first. On any move of his, Bananastasia replaces the number n on the blackboard with a number of the form n - a, where $a \in S$ is a positive integer. On any move of hers, Anastasia replaces the number n on the blackboard with a number of the form n^k , where k is a positive integer. Bananastasia wins if the number on the board becomes zero.

Compute the second-smallest possible value of ${\it N}$ for which Anastasia can prevent Bananastasia from winning.

Proposed by Brandon Wang and Vincent Huang

26 There exists a unique prime p > 5 for which the decimal expansion of $\frac{1}{p}$ repeats with a period of exactly 294. Given that $p > 10^{50}$, compute the remainder when p is divided by 10^{9} .

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

27 Let *G* be a graph on *n* vertices V_1, V_2, \ldots, V_n and let P_1, P_2, \ldots, P_n be points in the plane. Suppose that, whenever V_i and V_j are connected by an edge, P_iP_j has length 1; in this situation, we say that the P_i form an *embedding* of *G* in the plane. Consider a set $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ and a configuration of points Q_i for each $i \in S$. If the number of embeddings of *G* such that $P_i = Q_i$ for each $i \in S$ is finite and nonzero, we say that *S* is a *tasty* set. Out of all tasty sets *S*, we define a function f(G) to be the smallest size of a tasty set. Let *T* be the set of all connected graphs on *n* vertices with n - 1 edges. Choosing *G* uniformly and at random from *T*, let a_n be the expected value of $\frac{f(G)^2}{n^2}$. Compute $|2019 \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n|$.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

28 Let *ABC* be a triangle. There exists a positive real number x such that $AB = 6x^2 + 1$ and $AC = 2x^2 + 2x$, and there exist points W and X on segment AB along with points Y and Z

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on segment AC such that AW = x, WX = x + 4, AY = x + 1, and YZ = x. For any line ℓ not intersecting segment BC, let $f(\ell)$ be the unique point P on line ℓ and on the same side of BC as A such that ℓ is tangent to the circumcircle of triangle PBC. Suppose lines f(WY)f(XY) and f(WZ)f(XZ) meet at B, and that lines f(WZ)f(WY) and f(XY)f(XZ) meet at C. Then the product of all possible values for the length of BC can be expressed in the form $a + \frac{b\sqrt{c}}{d}$ for positive integers a, b, c, d with c squarefree and gcd(b, d) = 1. Compute 100a + b + c + d.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

29 Let *n* be a positive integer and let P(x) be a monic polynomial of degree *n* with real coefficients. Also let $Q(x) = (x + 1)^2 (x + 2)^2 \dots (x + n + 1)^2$. Consider the minimum possible value m_n of $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \frac{i^2 P(i^2)^2}{Q(i)}$. Then there exist positive constants a, b, c such that, as *n* approaches infinity, the ratio between m_n and $a^{2n}n^{2n+b}c$ approaches 1. Compute $\lfloor 2019abc^2 \rfloor$.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

30 Let *ABC* be a triangle with symmedian point *K*, and let $\theta = \angle AKB - 90^{\circ}$. Suppose that θ is both positive and less than $\angle C$. Consider a point *K'* inside $\triangle ABC$ such that *A*, *K'*, *K*, and *B* are concyclic and $\angle K'CB = \theta$. Consider another point *P* inside $\triangle ABC$ such that $K'P \perp BC$ and $\angle PCA = \theta$. If $\sin \angle APB = \sin^2(C - \theta)$ and the product of the lengths of the *A*- and *B*-medians of $\triangle ABC$ is $\sqrt{\sqrt{5} + 1}$, then the maximum possible value of $5AB^2 - CA^2 - CB^2$ can be expressed in the form $m\sqrt{n}$ for positive integers m, n with n squarefree. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

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- **1** Compute the sum of all positive integers *n* such that the median of the *n* smallest prime numbers is *n*.

Proposed by Luke Robitaille

2 Let *A*, *B*, *C*, and *P* be points in the plane such that no three of them are collinear. Suppose that the areas of triangles *BPC*, *CPA*, and *APB* are 13, 14, and 15, respectively. Compute the sum of all possible values for the area of triangle *ABC*.

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

3 Let *k* be a positive real number. Suppose that the set of real numbers *x* such that $x^2 + k|x| \le 2019$ is an interval of length 6. Compute *k*.

Proposed by Luke Robitaille

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4 Maryssa, Stephen, and Cynthia played a game. Each of them independently privately chose one of Rock, Paper, and Scissors at random, with all three choices being equally likely. Given that at least one of them chose Rock and at most one of them chose Paper, the probability that exactly one of them chose Scissors can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers *m* and *n*. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Yannick Yao

5 Compute the number of ordered pairs (m, n) of positive integers that satisfy the equation lcm(m, n) + gcd(m, n) = m + n + 30.

Proposed by Ankit Bisain

6 An ant starts at the origin of the Cartesian coordinate plane. Each minute it moves randomly one unit in one of the directions up, down, left, or right, with all four directions being equally likely; its direction each minute is independent of its direction in any previous minutes. It stops when it reaches a point (x, y) such that |x| + |y| = 3. The expected number of moves it makes before stopping can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers m and n. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Yannick Yao

7 At a concert 10 singers will perform. For each singer x, either there is a singer y such that x wishes to perform right after y, or x has no preferences at all. Suppose that there are n ways to order the singers such that no singer has an unsatisfied preference, and let p be the product of all possible nonzero values of n. Compute the largest nonnegative integer k such that 2^k divides p.

Proposed by Gopal Goel

8 There are three eight-digit positive integers which are equal to the sum of the eighth powers of their digits. Given that two of the numbers are 24678051 and 88593477, compute the third number.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

9 Convex equiangular hexagon ABCDEF has AB = CD = EF = 1 and BC = DE = FA = 4. Congruent and pairwise externally tangent circles γ_1 , γ_2 , and γ_3 are drawn such that γ_1 is tangent to side \overline{AB} and side \overline{BC} , γ_2 is tangent to side \overline{CD} and side \overline{DE} , and γ_3 is tangent to side \overline{EF} and side \overline{FA} . Then the area of γ_1 can be expressed as $\frac{m\pi}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers m and n. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Sean Li

10 Let *k* be a positive integer. Marco and Vera play a game on an infinite grid of square cells. At the beginning, only one cell is black and the rest are white.

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A turn in this game consists of the following. Marco moves first, and for every move he must choose a cell which is black and which has more than two white neighbors. (Two cells are neighbors if they share an edge, so every cell has exactly four neighbors.) His move consists of making the chosen black cell white and turning all of its neighbors black if they are not already. Vera then performs the following action exactly k times: she chooses two cells that are neighbors to each other and swaps their colors (she is allowed to swap the colors of two white or of two black cells, though doing so has no effect). This, in totality, is a single turn. If Vera leaves the board so that Marco cannot choose a cell that is black and has more than two white neighbors, then Vera wins; otherwise, another turn occurs.

Let *m* be the minimal *k* value such that Vera can guarantee that she wins no matter what Marco does. For k = m, let *t* be the smallest positive integer such that Vera can guarantee, no matter what Marco does, that she wins after at most *t* turns. Compute 100m + t.

Proposed by Ashwin Sah

11 Let *ABC* be a triangle with incenter *I* such that AB = 20 and AC = 19. Point $P \neq A$ lies on line *AB* and point $Q \neq A$ lies on line *AC*. Suppose that IA = IP = IQ and that line *PQ* passes through the midpoint of side *BC*. Suppose that $BC = \frac{m}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers *m* and *n*. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Ankit Bisain

12 Let F(n) denote the smallest positive integer greater than n whose sum of digits is equal to the sum of the digits of n. For example, F(2019) = 2028. Compute $F(1) + F(2) + \cdots + F(1000)$.

Proposed by Sean Li

13 Compute the number of subsets *S* with at least two elements of $\{2^2, 3^3, \ldots, 216^{216}\}$ such that the product of the elements of *S* has exactly 216 positive divisors.

Proposed by Sean Li

14 The sequence of nonnegative integers F_0, F_1, F_2, \ldots is defined recursively as $F_0 = 0$, $F_1 = 1$, and $F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n$ for all integers $n \ge 0$. Let *d* be the largest positive integer such that, for all integers $n \ge 0$, *d* divides $F_{n+2020} - F_n$. Compute the remainder when *d* is divided by 1001.

Proposed by Ankit Bisain

15 Let *A*,*B*,*C*, and *D* be points in the plane with AB = AC = BC = BD = CD = 36 and such that $A \neq D$. Point *K* lies on segment *AC* such that AK = 2KC. Point *M* lies on segment *AB*, and point *N* lies on line *AC*, such that *D*, *M*, and *N* are collinear. Let lines *CM* and *BN* intersect at *P*. Then the maximum possible length of segment *KP* can be expressed in the form $m + \sqrt{n}$ for positive integers *m* and *n*. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by James Lin

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16 Let *ABC* be a scalene triangle with inradius 1 and exradii r_A , r_B , and r_C such that

$$20\left(r_B^2 r_C^2 + r_C^2 r_A^2 + r_A^2 r_B^2\right) = 19\left(r_A r_B r_C\right)^2.$$

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$$\tan\frac{A}{2} + \tan\frac{B}{2} + \tan\frac{C}{2} = 2.019,$$

then the area of $\triangle ABC$ can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers m and n. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Tristan Shin

17 For an ordered pair (m, n) of distinct positive integers, suppose, for some nonempty subset S of \mathbb{R} , that a function $f: S \to S$ satisfies the property that $f^m(x) + f^n(y) = x + y$ for all $x, y \in S$. (Here $f^k(z)$ means the result when f is applied k times to z; for example, $f^1(z) = f(z)$ and $f^3(z) = f(f(f(z)))$.) Then f is called (m, n)-splendid. Furthermore, f is called (m, n)-primitive if f is (m, n)-splendid and there do not exist positive integers $a \le m$ and $b \le n$ with $(a, b) \ne (m, n)$ and $a \ne b$ such that f is also (a, b)-splendid. Compute the number of ordered pairs (m, n) of distinct positive integers less than 10000 such that there exists a nonempty subset S of \mathbb{R} such that there exists an (m, n)-primitive function $f: S \rightarrow S$.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

18 Define a *modern artwork* to be a nonempty finite set of rectangles in the Cartesian coordinate plane with positive areas, pairwise disjoint interiors, and sides parallel to the coordinate axes. For a modern artwork *S*, define its *price* to be the minimum number of colors with which Sean could paint the interiors of rectangles in *S* such that every rectangle's interior is painted in exactly one color and every two distinct touching rectangles have distinct colors, where two rectangles are *touching* if they share infinitely many points. For a positive integer *n*, let g(n) denote the maximum price of any modern artwork with exactly *n* rectangles. Compute $g(1) + g(2) + \cdots + g(2019)$.

Proposed by Yang Liu and Edward Wan

19 Let *ABC* be an acute triangle with circumcenter *O* and orthocenter *H*. Let *E* be the intersection of *BH* and *AC* and let *M* and *N* be the midpoints of *HB* and *HO*, respectively. Let *I* be the incenter of *AEM* and *J* be the intersection of *ME* and *AI*. If AO = 20, AN = 17, and $\angle ANM = 90^{\circ}$, then $\frac{AI}{AJ} = \frac{m}{n}$ for relatively prime positive integers *m* and *n*. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Tristan Shin

20 Define a *crossword puzzle* to be a 15×15 grid of squares, each of which is either black or white. In a crossword puzzle, define a *word* to be a sequence of one or more consecutive white squares in a row or column such that the squares immediately before and after the sequence both are either black or nonexistent. (The latter case would occur if an end of a word coincides

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with an end of a row or column of the grid.) A crossword puzzle is *tasty* if every word consists of an even number of white squares. Compute the sum of all nonnegative integers n such that there exists a tasty crossword puzzle with exactly n white squares.

Proposed by Luke Robitaille

21 Let p and q be prime numbers such that $(p-1)^{q-1}-1$ is a positive integer that divides $(2q)^{2p}-1$. Compute the sum of all possible values of pq.

Proposed by Ankit Bisain

22 For finite sets *A* and *B*, call a function $f : A \to B$ an *antibijection* if there does not exist a set $S \subseteq A \cap B$ such that *S* has at least two elements and, for all $s \in S$, there exists exactly one element *s'* of *S* such that f(s') = s. Let *N* be the number of antibijections from $\{1, 2, 3, \dots 2018\}$ to $\{1, 2, 3, \dots 2019\}$. Suppose *N* is written as the product of a collection of (not necessarily distinct) prime numbers. Compute the sum of the members of this collection. (For example, if it were true that $N = 12 = 2 \times 2 \times 3$, then the answer would be 2 + 2 + 3 = 7.)

Proposed by Ankit Bisain

23 Let v and w be real numbers such that, for all real numbers a and b, the inequality

 $(2^{a+b}+8)(3^{a}+3^{b}) \le v(12^{a-1}+12^{b-1}-2^{a+b-1})+w$

holds. Compute the smallest possible value of $128v^2 + w^2$.

Proposed by Luke Robitaille

24 Let *ABC* be an acute scalene triangle with orthocenter *H* and circumcenter *O*. Let the line through *A* tangent to the circumcircle of triangle *AHO* intersect the circumcircle of triangle *ABC* at *A* and $P \neq A$. Let the circumcircles of triangles *AOP* and *BHP* intersect at *P* and $Q \neq P$. Let line *PQ* intersect segment *BO* at *X*. Suppose that BX = 2, OX = 1, and BC = 5. Then $AB \cdot AC = \sqrt{k} + m\sqrt{n}$ for positive integers *k*, *m*, and *n*, where neither *k* nor *n* is divisible by the square of any integer greater than 1. Compute 100k + 10m + n.

Proposed by Luke Robitaille

25 The sequence f_0, f_1, \ldots of polynomials in $\mathbb{F}_{11}[x]$ is defined by $f_0(x) = x$ and $f_{n+1}(x) = f_n(x)^{11} - f_n(x)$ for all $n \ge 0$. Compute the remainder when the number of nonconstant monic irreducible divisors of $f_{1000}(x)$ is divided by 1000.

Proposed by Ankan Bhattacharya

26 Let p = 491 be prime. Let *S* be the set of ordered *k*-tuples of nonnegative integers that are less than *p*. We say that a function $f: S \to S$ is *k*-murine if, for all $u, v \in S$, $\langle f(u), f(v) \rangle \equiv \langle u, v \rangle$ (mod *p*), where $\langle (a_1, \ldots, a_k), (b_1, \ldots, b_k) \rangle = a_1 b_1 + \cdots + a_k b_k$ for any $(a_1, \ldots, a_k), (b_1, \ldots, b_k) \in S$.

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Let m(k) be the number of k-murine functions. Compute the remainder when $m(1) + m(2) + m(3) + \cdots + m(p)$ is divided by 488.

Proposed by Brandon Wang

27 A *complex set*, along with its *complexity*, is defined recursively as the following:

-The set \mathbb{C} of complex numbers is a complex set with complexity 1.

-Given two complex sets C_1, C_2 with complexity c_1, c_2 respectively, the set of all functions $f : C_1 \to C_2$ is a complex set denoted $[C_1, C_2]$ with complexity $c_1 + c_2$.

A *complex expression*, along with its *evaluation* and its *complexity*, is defined recursively as the following:

-A single complex set *C* with complexity *c* is a complex expression with complexity *c* that evaluates to itself.

-Given two complex expressions E_1, E_2 with complexity e_1, e_2 that evaluate to C_1 and C_2 respectively, if $C_1 = [C_2, C]$ for some complex set C, then (E_1, E_2) is a complex expression with complexity $e_1 + e_2$ that evaluates to C.

For a positive integer n, let a_n be the number of complex expressions with complexity n that evaluate to \mathbb{C} . Let x be a positive real number. Suppose that

$$a_1 + a_2 x + a_3 x^2 + \dots = \frac{7}{4}.$$

Then $x = \frac{k\sqrt{m}}{n}$, where k,m, and n are positive integers such that m is not divisible by the square of any integer greater than 1, and k and n are relatively prime. Compute 100k + 10m + n.

Proposed by Luke Robitaille and Yannick Yao

28 Let *S* be the set of integers modulo 2020. Suppose that $a_1, a_2, ..., a_{2020}, b_1, b_2, ..., b_{2020}, c$ are arbitrary elements of *S*. For any $x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2020} \in S$, define $f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2020})$ to be the 2020-tuple whose *i*th coordinate is $x_{i-2} + a_i x_{2019} + b_i x_{2020} + cx_i$, where we set $x_{-1} = x_0 = 0$. Let *m* be the smallest positive integer such that, for some values of $a_1, a_2, ..., a_{2020}, b_1, b_2, ..., b_{2020}, c$, we have, for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2020} \in S$, that $f^m(x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2020}) = (0, 0, ..., 0)$. For this value of *m*, there are exactly *n* choices of the tuple $(a_1, a_2, ..., a_{2020}, b_1, b_2, ..., b_{2020}, c)$ such that, for all $x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2020} \in S$, $f^m(x_1, x_2, ..., x_{2020}) = (0, 0, ..., 0)$. Compute 100m + n.

Proposed by Vincent Huang

29 Let *ABC* be a triangle. The line through *A* tangent to the circumcircle of *ABC* intersects line *BC* at point *W*. Points $X, Y \neq A$ lie on lines *AC* and *AB*, respectively, such that WA = WX = WY. Point X_1 lies on line *AB* such that $\angle AXX_1 = 90^\circ$, and point X_2 lies on line *AC* such that $\angle AX_1X_2 = 90^\circ$. Point Y_1 lies on line *AC* such that $\angle AYY_1 = 90^\circ$, and point Y_2 lies on line *AB* such that $\angle AY_1Y_2 = 90^\circ$. Let lines *AW* and *XY* intersect at point *Z*, and let point *P* be the foot of the perpendicular from *A* to line X_2Y_2 . Let line *ZP* intersect line *BC* at *U* and the

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perpendicular bisector of segment *BC* at *V*. Suppose that *C* lies between *B* and *U*. Let *x* be a positive real number. Suppose that AB = x + 1, AC = 3, AV = x, and $\frac{BC}{CU} = x$. Then $x = \frac{\sqrt{k}-m}{n}$ for positive integers *k*,*m*, and *n* such that *k* is not divisible by the square of any integer greater than 1. Compute 100k + 10m + n.

Proposed by Ankit Bisain, Luke Robitaille, and Brandon Wang

30 For a positive integer *n*, we say an *n*-transposition is a bijection $\sigma : \{1, 2, ..., n\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ such that there exist exactly two elements *i* of $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$ such that $\sigma(i) \neq i$. Fix some four pairwise distinct *n*-transpositions $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4$. Let *q* be any prime, and let \mathbb{F}_q be the integers modulo *q*. Consider all functions $f : (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ that satisfy, for all integers *i* with $1 \leq i \leq n$ and all $x_1, \ldots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \ldots, x_n, y, z \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$,

 $f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, y, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) + f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, z, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) = f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, y+z, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n),$

and that satisfy, for all $x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$ and all $\sigma \in \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4\}$,

$$f(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = -f(x_{\sigma(1)},\ldots,x_{\sigma(n)}).$$

(Note that the equalities in the previous sentence are in \mathbb{F}_q . Note that, for any $a_1, \ldots, a_n, b_1, \ldots, b_n \in \mathbb{F}_q$, we have $(a_1, \ldots, a_n) + (b_1, \ldots, b_n) = (a_1 + b_1, \ldots, a_n + b_n)$, where $a_1 + b_1, \ldots, a_n + b_n \in \mathbb{F}_q$.) For a given tuple $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^n$, let $g(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ be the number of different values of $f(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$ over all possible functions f satisfying the above conditions. Pick $(x_1, \ldots, x_n) \in (\mathbb{F}_q^n)^n$ uniformly at random, and let $\varepsilon(q, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4)$ be the expected value

of $g(x_1, \ldots, x_n)$. Finally, let

$$\kappa(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4) = -\lim_{q \to \infty} \log_q \left(-\ln\left(\frac{\varepsilon(q, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4) - 1}{q - 1}\right) \right).$$

Pick four pairwise distinct *n*-transpositions $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4$ uniformly at random from the set of all *n*-transpositions. Let $\pi(n)$ denote the expected value of $\kappa(\sigma_1, \ldots, \sigma_4)$. Suppose that p(x) and q(x) are polynomials with real coefficients such that $q(-3) \neq 0$ and such that $\pi(n) = \frac{p(n)}{q(n)}$ for infinitely many positive integers *n*. Compute $\frac{p(-3)}{q(-3)}$.

Proposed by Gopal Goel

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