

**Thailand Team Selection Test for IMO 2016**  
**IPST, Bangkok**  
**25 December 2015**

**Day 1**  
**Time: 3 hours**

1. Santa has  $k$  piles of gifts, containing  $h_1, h_2, \dots, h_k$  gifts each. If
- (i)  $1 \leq h_1 < h_2 < \dots < h_k$ , and
  - (ii) no matter how Santa split a pile into two piles, there will always be two piles in the resulting  $k + 1$  piles that contain equal number of gifts.

Prove that for all  $1 \leq s \leq k$ ,  $h_s \leq 2s$ .

2. Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute-angled triangle whose altitudes  $AA_1$  and  $BB_1$  intersect at  $H$ . Let  $\omega_1$  be the circle centered at  $H$  passing through  $B_1$  and let  $\omega_2$  be the circle centered at  $B$  passing through  $B_1$ . Let  $CN$  and  $CK$  be the tangent lines from  $C$  to circles  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  respectively ( $N$  and  $K$  are distinct from  $B_1$ ). Prove that  $A_1, N$  and  $K$  are collinear.
3. Let  $a$  and  $b$  be positive integers such that  $a! + b!$  divides  $a!b!$ . Prove that  $3a \geq 2b + 2$ .
4. Determine all functions  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  with the property that

$$f(x - f(y)) = f(f(x)) - f(y) - 1$$

holds for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

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Day 2

Time: 4.5 hours

1. Let  $n$  be a fixed positive integer. Find the maximum possible value of

$$\sum_{1 \leq r < s \leq 2n} (s - r - n)x_r x_s,$$

where  $-1 \leq x_i \leq 1$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, 2n$ .

2. Each square of  $n \times n$  is colored by one of  $n$  different colors so that there are  $n$  unit squares of each color. Prove that there is a row or column containing at least  $\sqrt{n}$  distinct colors.
3. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $\angle C = 90^\circ$ , and let  $H$  be the foot of the altitude from  $C$ . A point  $D$  is chosen inside the triangle  $CBH$  so that  $CH$  bisects  $AD$ . Let  $P$  be the intersection point of the lines  $BD$  and  $CH$ . Let  $\omega$  be the semicircle with diameter  $BD$  that meets the segment  $CB$  at an interior point. A line through  $P$  is tangent to  $\omega$  at  $Q$ . Prove that the lines  $CQ$  and  $AD$  meet on  $\omega$ .

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Day 3

Time: 4.5 hours

1. Let  $\omega$  be the circumcircle of triangle  $ABC$ , and let  $M$  be a midpoint of  $\widehat{BC}$ , not containing  $A$ . The incircle of  $\triangle ABC$  is centered at  $I$  and touches  $BC$  at  $D$ . The  $A$ -excircle of  $\triangle ABC$  is centered at  $I_A$  and touches  $BC$  at  $E$ . Lines  $MD$  and  $ME$  are drawn intersecting  $\omega$  again at points  $T \neq D$  and  $R \neq E$ , respectively. Let  $RI_A$  intersect  $\omega$  at  $S \neq R$ . Show that  $T$ ,  $I$ , and  $S$  are collinear.
2. Let  $a, b, c$  be positive real numbers such that  $a + b + c = 3$ . Prove that

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}a^2b}{2a+b} + \frac{\sqrt{2}b^2c}{2b+c} + \frac{\sqrt{2}c^2a}{2c+a} \leq \frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{2ab+1} + \frac{\sqrt{b^2+c^2}}{2bc+1} + \frac{\sqrt{c^2+a^2}}{2ca+1}$$

3. For a finite set  $A$  of positive integers, a partition of  $A$  into two disjoint nonempty subsets  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  is *good* if the least common multiple of the elements in  $A_1$  is equal to the greatest common divisor of the elements in  $A_2$ . Determine the minimum value of  $n$  such that there exists a set of  $n$  positive integers with exactly 2015 good partitions.

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Day 4

Time: 4.5 hours

1. Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral, and let  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$ , and  $S$  be points on the sides  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ , and  $DA$ , respectively. Let the line segment  $PR$  and  $QS$  meet at  $O$ . Suppose that each of the quadrilaterals  $APOS$ ,  $BQOP$ ,  $CROQ$ , and  $DSOR$  has an incircle. Prove that the lines  $AC$ ,  $PQ$ , and  $RS$  are either concurrent or parallel to each other.
2. Let  $n$  be a fixed integer with  $n \geq 2$ . We say that two polynomials  $P$  and  $Q$  with real coefficients are *twins* if for each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  the sequences

$$P(2015i), P(2015i - 1), \dots, P(2015i - 2014) \quad \text{and} \\ Q(2015i), Q(2015i - 1), \dots, Q(2015i - 2014)$$

are permutations of each other.

- a) Prove that there exist distinct twin polynomials of degree  $n + 1$ .
- b) Prove that there do not exist distinct twin polynomials of degree  $n$ .

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Day 5

Time: 4.5 hours

1. A set of  $n \geq 5$  points on the plane, no three of which are collinear, is given. Hillary and Donald play a game as follows: the players will alternately choose a pair of points not yet joined by a segment, and draw a segment connecting them. If after a player's turn, each of the  $n$  points is an endpoint of at least one drawn segment, then that player wins. If Hillary goes first, then for which values of  $n$  will Donald win regardless of Hillary's strategy?
2. Let  $ABC$  be an acute triangle and let  $M$  be the midpoint of  $AC$ . A circle  $\omega$  passing through  $B$  and  $M$  meets the sides  $AB$  and  $BC$  at points  $P$  and  $Q$  respectively. Let  $T$  be the point such that  $BPTQ$  is a parallelogram. Suppose that  $T$  lies on the circumcircle of  $ABC$ . Determine all possible values of  $BT/BM$ .
3. Suppose that  $a_0, a_1, \dots$  and  $b_0, b_1, \dots$  are two sequences of positive integers such that  $a_0, b_0 \geq 2$  and

$$a_{n+1} = \gcd(a_n, b_n) + 1, \quad b_{n+1} = \text{lcm}(a_n, b_n) - 1.$$

Show that the sequence  $a_n$  is eventually periodic; in other words, there exist integers  $N \geq 0$  and  $t > 0$  such that  $a_{n+t} = a_n$  for all  $n \geq N$ .

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Day 6

Time: 4.5 hours

1. Find a monic polynomial  $P(x)$  with rational coefficients such that  $P(\sqrt[3]{3}) = \sqrt[3]{2}$  having the minimum possible degree, or prove that no such polynomial exists.
2. Dumbledore has  $n$  bags of candies, containing a total of  $n^2$  candies. Dumbledore can choose two bags containing a total of an even number of candies, and transfer candies between them so that there are equally many candies in each. Find all integers  $n > 2$  such that Dumbledore can always make all bags contain an equal amount of candies no matter how the candies are distributed in the beginning.
3. Two circles  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  intersect at points  $A$  and  $B$ . A line  $\ell_1$  through  $A$  intersects  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  again at  $C$  and  $E$ , respectively, and a point  $G$  is chosen on this line between  $A$  and  $E$ . A line  $\ell_2$  through  $B$  intersects  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  again at  $D$  and  $F$ , respectively, and a point  $H$  is chosen on this line between  $B$  and  $F$ . Line  $CH$  intersects  $FG$  at  $I$  and intersects  $\omega_1$  again at  $J$ . Line  $DG$  intersects  $EH$  at  $K$  and intersects  $\omega_1$  again at  $L$ . Lines  $EH$  and  $FG$  intersect  $\omega_2$  again at  $M$  and  $N$ , respectively. Assume that points  $A, B, \dots, N$  are all distinct. Prove that  $I, J, K, L, M, N$  lie on a circle.

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**Day 7**

**Time: 4.5 hours**

1. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\omega$ . Let  $D$  be a point on  $AB$ . Let  $\Gamma$  be the circle which is tangent to line  $DB$  at  $M$ , line  $DC$  at  $N$ , and also to  $\omega$  externally. Suppose that the external angle bisector of  $\angle ABC$  intersects  $MN$  at  $X$ . Show that  $AX$  bisects  $\angle BAC$ .
2. Let  $a_1 = 11^{11}, a_2 = 12^{12}, a_3 = 13^{13}$ , and

$$a_n = |a_{n-1} - a_{n-2}| + |a_{n-2} - a_{n-3}|$$

for all  $n \geq 4$ . Determine  $a_{14^{14}}$ .

3. Let  $2\mathbb{Z} + 1$  denote the set of odd integers. Find all functions  $f : \mathbb{Z} \mapsto 2\mathbb{Z} + 1$  satisfying

$$f(x + f(x) + y) + f(x - f(x) - y) = f(x + y) + f(x - y)$$

for every  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

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Day 8 Morning  
Time: 2 hours

1. Find all complex numbers  $z = a + bi$  with  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying the equation

$$3|z|^2 + |z + 4 + 2i|^2 + 6(z + i - z)^2 = 14.$$

2. Find all continuous periodic functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying the equation

$$(1 + f(x)f(y))f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$$

for all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ .

3. Let  $n$  be an integer such that  $n \geq 2$ . Color each square of an  $n \times n$  table either red or blue. A domino is called *chic* if it covers squares of different colors, and *cool* if it covers two squares of the same color.

Find the largest integer  $k$  such that no matter how the table is colored, we can always put  $k$  non-overlapping dominoes on the table such that they are either all chic or all cool.



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**Day 8 Afternoon**  
**Time: 2 hours**

1. Given a 2015-tuple  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2015})$ , we are allowed to choose  $1 \leq m, n \leq 2015$  such that  $a_m$  is even, and replace  $a_m$  and  $a_n$  with  $\frac{a_m}{2}$  and  $a_n + \frac{a_m}{2}$  respectively.  
Prove that starting with  $(1, 2, \dots, 2015)$ , we can arrive at any permutation of  $(1, 2, \dots, 2015)$  by a finite sequence of moves.
2. Let  $\triangle ABC$  be a triangle with circumcircle  $\omega$ . The circle centered at  $B$  having radius  $BC$  intersects  $AC$  and  $\omega$  at  $D$  and  $E$ , respectively. The line through  $D$  parallel to  $CE$  intersects  $AB$  at  $F$ .
  - a) Prove that  $BD$  and  $EF$  intersect on  $\omega$
  - b) Let  $G$  be the intersection point of  $AB$  and  $CE$ . Prove that  $\square DEFG$  is a rhombus.
3. Prove that for any prime number  $p$  and positive integer  $k$ , there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that the decimal representation of  $p^n$  contains a string of  $k$  consecutive digits, all of which are equal.

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Day 9

Time: 4.5 hours

1. Let  $\mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  denote the set of positive integers. Consider a function  $f : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ . For any  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  we write  $f^n(m) = \underbrace{f(f(\dots f(m)\dots))}_n$ . Suppose that  $f$  has the following two properties:

- (i) if  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , then  $\frac{f^n(m) - m}{n} \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ ;  
(ii) The set  $\mathbb{Z}_{>0} \setminus \{f(n) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}\}$  is finite.

Prove that the sequence  $f(1) - 1, f(2) - 2, f(3) - 3, \dots$  is periodic.

2. Let  $S$  be a nonempty set of positive integers. We say that a positive integer  $n$  is *clean* if it has a unique representation as a sum of an odd number of distinct elements from  $S$ . Prove that there exist infinitely many positive integers that are not clean.

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Day 10  
 Time: 4.5 hours

1. In Lineland there are  $n \geq 1$  towns, arranged along a road running from left to right. Each town has a *left bulldozer* (put to the left of the town and facing left) and a *right bulldozer* (put to the right of the town and facing right). The sizes of the  $2n$  bulldozers are distinct. Every time when a left and right bulldozer confront each other, the larger bulldozer pushes the smaller one off the road. On the other hand, bulldozers are quite unprotected at their rears; so, if a bulldozer reaches the rear-end of another one, the first one pushes the second one off the road, regardless of their sizes.

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two towns, with  $B$  to the right of  $A$ . We say that town  $A$  can *sweep* town  $B$  away if the right bulldozer of  $A$  can move over to  $B$  pushing off all bulldozers it meets. Similarly town  $B$  can sweep town  $A$  away if the left bulldozer of  $B$  can move over to  $A$  pushing off all bulldozers of all towns on its way.

Prove that there is exactly one town that cannot be swept away by any other one.

2. Let  $a, b, c$  be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$\sqrt[3]{abc} \left( \sum_{cyc} \frac{3a\sqrt{a}}{2a+b} \right) \leq \sum_{cyc} \frac{a^2(a+2b)}{\sqrt{b^2(b+c)+abc}}$$

3. Let  $\triangle ABC$  be an acute triangle with orthocenter  $H$ . Points  $Y$  and  $Z$  are chosen on  $AC, AB$  such that  $\angle HYC = \angle HZB = 60^\circ$ . Let  $U$  be the circumcenter of  $\triangle HYZ$ , and let  $N$  be the nine-point center of  $\triangle ABC$ . Prove that  $A, U, N$  are collinear.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>This problem was also given in TST 2011.

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29 April 2016

Day 11  
Time: 4.5 hours

1. Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral such that  $AC \perp BD$ . Prove that there exist points  $P, Q, R, S$ , on the sides  $AB, BC, CD, DA$  respectively, such that  $PR \perp QS$  and the area of the quadrilateral  $PQRS$  is exactly half of that of the quadrilateral  $ABCD$ .
2.
  - a) Prove that there does not exist a function  $f : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that  $\gcd(f(m) + n, f(n) + m) = 1$  for all  $m \neq n$
  - b) Prove that there exists a function  $f : \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that  $\gcd(f(m) + n, f(n) + m) \leq 2$  for all  $m \neq n$ .
3. In a group of  $n$  students, each student has exactly  $k$  friends, where friendship is mutual. Any pair of students has exactly  $\lambda$  mutual friends. Suppose that the remainders of  $n$ ,  $k$ , and  $\lambda$  when divided by 4 are 1, 2, and 2, respectively. Show that there exist four students  $A, B, C, D$  such that  $A, B$  and  $C$  are all friends with  $D$  but between  $A, B$  and  $C$  no two are friends.