

A1. Find all ordered pairs (a, b) of positive integers for which

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{3}{2018}.$$

A2. Let $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{2^n-1}$ be the nonempty subsets of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ in some order, and let M be the $(2^n - 1) \times (2^n - 1)$ matrix whose (i, j) entry is

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset; \\ 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Calculate the determinant of M .

A3. Determine the greatest possible value of $\sum_{i=1}^{10} \cos(3x_i)$ for real numbers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{10} satisfying $\sum_{i=1}^{10} \cos(x_i) = 0$.

A4. Let m and n be positive integers with $\gcd(m, n) = 1$, and let

$$a_k = \left\lfloor \frac{mk}{n} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{m(k-1)}{n} \right\rfloor$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Suppose that g and h are elements in a group G and that

$$gh^{a_1}gh^{a_2} \dots gh^{a_n} = e,$$

where e is the identity element. Show that $gh = hg$. (As usual, $\lfloor x \rfloor$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x .)

A5. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an infinitely differentiable function satisfying $f(0) = 0$, $f(1) = 1$, and $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that there exist a positive integer n and a real number x such that $f^{(n)}(x) < 0$.

A6. Suppose that A, B, C , and D are distinct points, no three of which lie on a line, in the Euclidean plane. Show that if the squares of the lengths of the line segments AB, AC, AD, BC, BD , and CD are rational numbers, then the quotient

$$\frac{\text{area}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{area}(\triangle ABD)}$$

is a rational number.

B1. Let \mathcal{P} be the set of vectors defined by

$$\mathcal{P} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \mid 0 \leq a \leq 2, 0 \leq b \leq 100, \text{ and } a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}.$$

Find all $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{P}$ such that the set $\mathcal{P} \setminus \{\mathbf{v}\}$ obtained by omitting vector \mathbf{v} from \mathcal{P} can be partitioned into two sets of equal size and equal sum.

B2. Let n be a positive integer, and let $f_n(z) = n + (n-1)z + (n-2)z^2 + \cdots + z^{n-1}$. Prove that f_n has no roots in the closed unit disk $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq 1\}$.

B3. Find all positive integers $n < 10^{100}$ for which simultaneously n divides 2^n , $n-1$ divides $2^n - 1$, and $n-2$ divides $2^n - 2$.

B4. Given a real number a , we define a sequence by $x_0 = 1$, $x_1 = x_2 = a$, and $x_{n+1} = 2x_n x_{n-1} - x_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$. Prove that if $x_n = 0$ for some n , then the sequence is periodic.

B5. Let $f = (f_1, f_2)$ be a function from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 with continuous partial derivatives $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$ that are positive everywhere. Suppose that

$$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} - \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \right)^2 > 0$$

everywhere. Prove that f is one-to-one.

B6. Let S be the set of sequences of length 2018 whose terms are in the set $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10\}$ and sum to 3860. Prove that the cardinality of S is at most

$$2^{3860} \cdot \left(\frac{2018}{2048} \right)^{2018}.$$