

# Proposals

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**1.** Delete 100 digits from the number

12345678910111213141516...5960

in such a way as to make the resulting number as small as possible. Repeat the procedure to obtain the resulting number as large as possible.

**2.** What is the minimum number of positive integers less than or equal to 1000 that can be chosen to assure that there are two of them which do not have any common prime divisor?

**3.** Let  $a, b, c$  be the length of the sides of a triangle  $ABC$ . Prove that

$$\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} + \sqrt{c} \geq \sqrt{a+b-c} + \sqrt{b+c-a} + \sqrt{c+a-b}$$

**4.** Let  $m_a, m_b, m_c$  be the medians of a triangle  $ABC$  and  $a, b, c$  be the lengths of its sides. Prove that

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2}$$

does not depend of the triangle  $ABC$  and determine its value.

**5.** Let  $n$  be a positive integer. Show that

$$(n^3 - n)(5^{8n+4} + 3^{4n+2})$$

is a multiple of 1902.

**6.** Let  $a, b$ , and  $c$  be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$1 + \frac{3}{ab + bc + ca} \geq \frac{6}{a + b + c}$$

**7.** Let  $n > 11$  be a positive integer. Show that  $n^2 - 19n + 89$  cannot be a perfect square.

**8.** Determine all functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that verify the condition

$$f(x^2 + y) = f(x) + f(y^2),$$

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

**9.** Color the vertices of a convex  $2n$ -gon alternatively with two colors. Determine the number of diagonals with differently colored endpoints.

**10.** Find all triplets  $(x, y, z)$  of real numbers such that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x^2(y+z)^2 &= (5x^2+x+1)y^2z^2 \\ y^2(z+x)^2 &= (7y^2+y+1)z^2x^2 \\ z^2(x+y)^2 &= (8z^2+z+1)x^2y^2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

**11.** Consider five segments in the plane such that any three of them form a triangle. Prove that at least one of these triangles is acute.

**12.** In triangle  $ABC$ , we draw a perpendicular through the midpoint  $D$  of  $BC$  to the bisector of angle  $A$ . Show that this line cuts off segments on the sides  $AB, AC$  equal respectively to  $\frac{1}{2}(AB+AC)$  and  $\frac{1}{2}(AB-AC)$ .

**13.** Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be the sequence defined by

$$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad a_{n+2} = 2a_{n+1} - a_n + 2, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Prove that for any  $m$ ,  $a_m a_{m+1}$  is also a term in the sequence.

**14.** Find all nonnegative solutions of the equation

$$\frac{10}{x+10} + \frac{10 \cdot 9}{(x+10)(x+9)} + \cdots + \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{(x+10)(x+9) \cdots (x+2)(x+1)} = 5$$

**15.** Let  $a, b, c$  be any three integers. Prove that

$$abc(a^3 - b^3)(b^3 - c^3)(c^3 - a^3)$$

is divisible by 7.

**16.** Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral and  $P, Q$  are the midpoints of  $CD$  and  $AB$ , respectively. Let  $AP, DQ$  meet at  $X$  and  $BP, CQ$  meet at  $Y$ . Prove that  $[ADX] + [BCY] = [PXQY]$ .

**17.** Consider any convex region in the plane crossed by  $\ell$  lines with  $p$  interior points of intersection. Find an expression that relates  $\ell, p$  and the number  $r$  of disjoint subregions created.

**18.** Let  $x, y, z$  and  $n > 1$  be positive integers such that  $x^n + y^n = z^n$ . Prove that  $x, y, z$  are all greater than  $n$ .