

Contest 30

February 16, 2017 8:00 PM - 8:40 PM ET

Calculators and other computational aids are NOT allowed.

Problem 1. Suppose a, b and c are positive integers with the property that ab, bc, and ac are pairwise distinct perfect squares. What is the smallest possible value of a + b + c?

Problem 2. David draws a 2×2 grid of squares in chalk on the sidewalk outside NIMO HQ. He then draws one arrow in each square, each pointing in one of the four cardinal directions (north, south, east, west) parallel to the sides of the grid. In how many ways can David draw his arrows such that no two of the arrows are pointing at each other?

Problem 3. Compute the number of ordered quadruples of complex numbers (a, b, c, d) such that

$$(ax + by)^3 + (cx + dy)^3 = x^3 + y^3$$

holds for all complex numbers x, y.

Problem 4. A divisibility chain is a sequence of positive integers (a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n) such that a_k divides a_{k+1} for all $1 \leq k < n$. Compute the number of divisibility chains of the form $(a, b, a^2, c, a^3, 360^9)$.

Problem 5. In triangle ABC, AB = 12, BC = 17, and AC = 25. Distinct points M and N lie on the circumcircle of ABC such that BM = CM and BN = CN. If $AM + AN = \frac{a\sqrt{b}}{c}$, where a, b, c are positive integers such that gcd(a, c) = 1 and b is not divisible by the square of a prime, compute 100a + 10b + c.

Problem 6. Let n be a positive integer, and let $S_n = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$. For a permutation σ of S_n and an integer $a \in S_n$, let d(a) be the least positive integer d for which

$$\underbrace{\sigma(\sigma(\dots,\sigma(a)\dots))}_{d \text{ applications of } \sigma} = a$$

(or -1 if no such integer exists). Compute the value of n for which there exists a permutation σ of S_n satisfying the equations

$$d(1) + d(2) + \dots + d(n) = 2017,$$

$$\frac{1}{d(1)} + \frac{1}{d(2)} + \dots + \frac{1}{d(n)} = 2.$$

Problem 7. Let ABC be a triangle with AB = 4, AC = 5, BC = 6, and circumcircle Ω . Points E and F lie on AC and AB respectively such that $\angle ABE = \angle CBE$ and $\angle ACF = \angle BCF$. The second intersection point of the circumcircle of $\triangle AEF$ with Ω (other than A) is P. Suppose $AP^2 = \frac{m}{n}$ where m and n are positive relatively prime integers. Find 100m + n.

Problem 8. The Fibonacci numbers F_1, F_2, F_3, \ldots are defined by $F_1 = F_2 = 1$ and $F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n$ for each integer $n \ge 1$. Let P be the unique polynomial of least degree for which $P(n) = F_n$ for all integers $1 \le n \le 10$. Compute the integer m for which

$$P(100) - \sum_{k=11}^{98} P(k) = \frac{m}{10} \binom{98}{9} + 144.$$

Time limit: 40 minutes Maximum score is 56 points