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1. A circle is divided into 7 parts by 3 lines. Is it possible to write the numbers from 1 to 7 into these parts (one number in each part) so that the sum of numbers on one side of each line is equal to the sum of numbers on the other side?

Solution. Yes:



Criteria. The correct example -7 points. An example that does not satisfy any condition of the problem (e.g. using only numbers from 1 to 7, but with repetitions) -0 points.

2. To participate in the Olympiad, Marina needs to buy a notebook, a pen, a ruler, a pencil and an eraser. If she buys a notebook, a pencil and an eraser, she will spend 47 tugriks. If she buys a notebook, a ruler and a pen, she will spend 58 tugriks. How much money will she need for the whole set if the notebook costs 15 tugriks?

Solution. If Marina buys both sets given, she spends 47 + 58 = 105 tugriks, but she gets an extra notebook, so the full set costs 105 - 15 = 90 tugriks.

Criteria. Only the answer is given without any explanation -1 point. If student guesses prices of the pen and/or the pencil (although it is not said that prices are integers) -0 points.

3. A research spacecraft has a reactor failure and some poisonous substances leak from the reactor. All corridors between rooms are equipped with airtight doors, but there is no time to close individual doors. However, the captain can give the command «Close N doors», after which the ship's artificial intelligence will close random N doors. What is the smallest N to guarantee that the whole team can survive in the cafeteria?

Solution. There are 23 corridors in total in the spacecraft. If no more than 21 doors are closed, it is possible that the corridors between the reactor and the right engine and between the right engine and the cafeteria remain open, which puts the team in danger. Therefore, it is necessary to close at least 22 doors.



- Criteria. Only the answer is given without any explanation -0 points. Any mistake in counting the number of corridors -4 points.
- 4. A school was opened on the island of knights and liars (a knight always tells the truth, a liar always lies). All 2N students are of different heights. They stood in a circle and everyone said: "I am taller than the student standing in front of me!" How many knights are there in the school?

Solution. In each pair of students one of the two is actually higher, so he tells the truth and is a knight. Therefore N knights in total.

Criteria. The fact of precisely one knight in each pair is not proved in any way -1 point. One or few examples are given as a proof -0 points.

5. Kate wrote a number divisible by 5 on a board and encrypted it according to the rules of alphametic puzzles (different letters correspond to different digits, the same letters — to the same digits). She got the word "GUATEMALA". How many different numbers could Kate write on the board?

Solution. The number must be divisible by 5, so the letter «A» is 0 or 5. If it is 0, then for the remaining letters («G», «U», «T», «E», «M», «L») there are 9!/(9-6)! variants; if «A» is 5, then for the remaining letters there are $8 \cdot 8!/(8-5)!$ variants, since «G» cannot be 0. In total, $9!/6 + 8 \cdot 8!/6 = 114240$ options.

Criteria. It is explicitly stated that for the letter A there are 2 options: 5 or 0 - 2 points. If both options are further solved, then another 5 points. If the answer is given as a correct expression and not calculated — do not subtract any points.

6. Cut the triangle on the picture along the marked lines into three equal parts (the parts are called equal if they match both in shape and size).





Solution.

7. Three cars A, B and C start simultaneously from the same point of a circular track. A and B travel clockwise, while C — counter-clockwise. All cars move at constant (but pairwise different) speeds. After exactly 7 minutes of the race, A meets C for the first time. 46 minutes later, A and B meet for the first time. How long does it take from the start to the first meeting of all three cars?

Solution. A and C meet once every 7 minutes, and A and B — once every 53 minutes. So, all together they will meet at such time that is a multiple of both 7 and 53, hence once in $7 \cdot 53 = 371$ minutes.

Criteria. 46 minutes are used in calculations instead of 53 - 3 points. If student guesses track's length and/or cars' speeds -1 point. Only the answer is given without any explanation -0 points.

8. There is a rectangular piece of paper with one side white and the other side grey. It was bent as shown in the picture. The perimeter of the first rectangle is 20 more than the perimeter of the second one. The perimeter of the second rectangle is 16 more than the perimeter of the third one. Find the perimeter of the whole piece of paper.



Solution. As you can see from the picture, the perimeter of the rectangle decreases by two lengths of the short side with each folding. So the short side of rectangle-1 equals 20/2 = 10, and the short side of rectangle-2 equals 16/2 = 8. Hence the long side of rectangle-1 is 18, and the long side of the original sheet is 28. Then the perimeter is $(28 + 18) \cdot 2 = 92$.

Criteria. If student guesses rectangles' sides in any way (or simply states the lengths of the sides without an explanation) -0 points.





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Solution. If Marina buys all the three sets given, she spends 47 + 58 + 15 = 120 tugriks for 2 full sets. Therefore one full set costs 120/2 = 60 tugriks.

Criteria. Only the answer is given without any explanation -1 point. If student guesses prices of the pen and/or the pencil (although it is not said that prices are integers) -0 points.

3. A research spacecraft enters an asteroid belt that may damage the ship's hull, causing depressurization. All corridors between rooms are equipped with airtight doors. The captain has an assistant droid that can close (but not open back) the doors in the corridors he passes through. Will the droid be able to close all the doors on the spacecraft?

Solution. There are 23 corridors and 14 compartments in the spacecraft. Every time the droid goes through one of the compartments, it closes two corridors: the one it entered the room through and the one it left through. Therefore, in all the rooms, except for, maybe, two of them, there should be an even number of entrances (those two rooms can become starting and ending points of the droid's route, so there can be an odd number of entrances). However, there are 6 such rooms in the spacecraft (cafeteria, storage, medbay, both engines and reactor), so the droid will not be able to close all the doors.



Criteria. If the solution mentions that the droid follows the Eulerian (unicursal) path or that there can be no more than 2 rooms in it's path with an odd number of doors -3 points. One or few examples are given as a proof -0 points.

4. There is a rectangular piece of paper with one side white and the other side grey. It was bent as shown in the picture. The perimeter of the first rectangle is 20 more than the perimeter of the second one. The perimeter of the second rectangle is 16 more than the perimeter of the third one. Find the perimeter of the whole piece of paper.



Solution. As you can see from the picture, the perimeter of the rectangle decreases by two lengths of the short side with each folding. So the short side of rectangle-1 equals 20/2 = 10, and the short side of rectangle-2 equals 16/2 = 8. Hence the long side of rectangle-1 is 18, and the long side of the original sheet is 28. Then the perimeter is $(28 + 18) \cdot 2 = 92$.

Criteria. If student guesses rectangles' sides in any way (or simply states the lengths of the sides without an explanation) -0 points.

5. Kate wrote a number divisible by 25 on the board and encrypted it according to the rules of alphametic puzzles (different letters correspond to different digits, the same letters — the same digits). She got the word "GUATEMALA". How many different numbers could Kate write on the board?

Solution. The number must be divisible by 25, so LA is equal to 25, 50 or 75 (00 is not possible since the letters are different). If \overline{LA} is equal to 50, then for the remaining letters (G, U, T, E, M) there are 8!/(8-5)! variants; otherwise for the remaining letters there are $7 \cdot 7!/(7-4)!$ options. In total, $8!/6 + 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 7!/6 = 18480$.

Criteria. It is shown that option 00 is not suitable for the letters LA and all 3 cases are demonstrated — 3 points. If both options are further solved correctly — 4 more points. If the answer is given as a correct expression and not calculated — do not subtract any points.

6. Cut the triangle on the picture along the marked lines into three equal parts (the parts are called equal if they match both in shape and size).





Solution.

- 7. A school was opened on the island of knights and liars (a knight always tells the truth, a liar always lies). All 2N students lined up in pairs one after another (in other words, in two equal columns). The two people standing first said: "I am taller than 2 people: my neighbor in a pair and the person behind me". The last two said: "I am also taller than 2 people: my neighbor in a pair a pair and the person in front of me". Finally, everyone else said: "I am taller than 3 people: my neighbor in a pair, the person in front of me and the person behind me".
 - a) Find the maximal possible amount of knights among the students.
 - b) Is it possible for all the students to be liars?

Solution. A) There is no more than one knight in each pair, so there are no more than N knights (this amount can be achieved by placing N higher students in chess order).

B) Yes. If all the students are of the same height, then everyone is lying.

Criteria. Problem a) is fully solved -5 points. If only one part of the solution is given (either an estimation or an example) -2 points. One or few examples are given as a proof -0 points. Problem b) is fully solved -2 points.

8. Four cars A, B, C and D start simultaneously from the same point of a circular track. A and B travel clockwise, while C and D — counter-clockwise. All cars move at constant (but pairwise different) speeds. After exactly 7 minutes of the race A meets C for the first time, and at the same moment B meets D for the first time. 46 minutes later, A and B meet for the first time. How long does it take from the start to the first meeting of C and D?

Solution. If A meets C and B meets D every 7 minutes, then their convergence speeds are equal: $V_A + V_C = V_B + V_D$. Therefore, the removal speeds of A with B and C with D are equal: $V_A - V_B = V_D - V_C$. So, since A meets B for the first time at the 53rd minute, then C and D will meet for the first time at the same moment.

Criteria. 46 minutes are used in calculations instead of 53 - 3 points. If it is stated that any of cars' speeds are equal -1 point. Only the answer is given without any explanation -0 points.



International Mathematical Olympiad «Formula of Unity» / «The Third Millennium» Year 2022/2023. Qualifying round **Problems for grade R7**



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1. There is a rectangular piece of paper with one side white and the other side grey. It was bent as shown in the picture. The perimeter of the first rectangle is 20 more than the perimeter of the second one. The perimeter of the second rectangle is 16 more than the perimeter of the third one. Find the area of the whole piece of paper.

Solution. As you can see from the picture, the perimeter of the rectangle decreases by two lengths of the short side with each folding. So the short side of rectangle-1 equals 20/2 = 10, and the short side of rectangle-2 equals 16/2 = 8. Hence the long side of rectangle-1 is 18, and the long side of the original sheet is 28. Then the area equals $28 \cdot 18 = 504$.

Criteria. The perimeter of the rectangle is given as an answer instead of area -3 points. If student guesses rectangles' sides in any way (or simply states the lengths of the sides without an explanation) -0 points.

2. Cut the triangle on the picture along the marked lines into three equal parts (the parts are called equal if they match both in shape and size).





Solution.

3. Kate wrote a number divisible by 8 on a board and encrypted it according to the rules of alphametic puzzles (different letters correspond to different digits, the same letters — the same digits). She got the word "GUATEMALA". How many different numbers could Kate write on the board?

Solution. In order for a number to be divisible by 8, «ALA» must be divisible by 8 with «A» to be an even digit. «ALA» = $101 \cdot (A) + 10 \cdot (L) = (100 \cdot (A) + 8 \cdot (L)) + (A) + 2 \cdot (L)$. The part in brackets is obviously divisible by 8, so it is enough to require for $((A) + 2 \cdot (L))$ be divisible by 8. There are 11 options for that to happen: (0,4), (0,8), (2,3), (2,7), (4,2), (4,6), (6,1), (6,5), (6,9), (8,0), (8,4). In three of them with zero for the remaining five letters ((C), (U), (T), (E), (M) there are 8!/(8-5)! options; in the other eight $-7 \cdot 7!/(7-4)!$. In total, $3 \cdot 8!/3! + 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 7!/3! = 67200$.

Criteria. The criteria of divisibility by 8 is said and it is clearly indicated that «A» is even -1 point. It is proved that «A» +2«L» or 5«A» +10«L» is divisible by 8 -3 points. For each lost case for «A» and «L» 1 point sould be deducted. If cases with 0 are calculated in the same way as others -2 points should be subtracted. 4. Four cars A, B, C and D start simultaneously from the same point of a circular track. A and B travel clockwise, while C and D — counter-clockwise. All cars move at constant (but pairwise different) speeds. After exactly 7 minutes of the race A meets C for the first time, and at the same moment B meets D for the first time. 46 minutes later, A and B meet for the first time. How long does it take from the start to the first meeting of all four cars?

Solution. A and C meet once every 7 minutes, and A and B — once every 53 minutes. So, all together they will meet at such time that is a multiple of both 7 and 53, hence once in $7 \cdot 53 = 371$ minutes. From the other hand, B meets D every 7 minutes as well, so at the 371^{st} minutes D will be at the same place as the rest 3 cars.

Criteria. 46 minutes are used in calculations instead of 53 - 3 points. If it is stated that any of cars' speeds are equal -1 point. Only the answer is given without any explanation -0 points.

5. The squares of the first 2022 natural numbers are written in a row: $1, 4, 9, \ldots, 4088484$. For each written number, except for the first and the last ones, the arithmetic mean of its left and right neighbors was calculated and written under it (for example, $\frac{1+9}{2} = 5$ was written under the number 4). For the resulting string of 2020 numbers, we did the same. So we continued until we reached a line in which there are only two numbers. Find these numbers.

Solution. Let's take a look at one of the numbers x^2 . Under it

$$rac{(x-1)^2+(x+1)^2}{2}=rac{x^2-2x+1+x^2+2x+1}{2}=rac{2x^2+2}{2}=x^2+1$$

will be written, so each time numbers increase by one. Initially, there are 2022 numbers and each time 2 of them disappears, so there will be 1011 lines of numbers, and in the very last line there will be two central numbers increased by $1010: 1011^2 + 1010 = 1023131$ and $1012^2 + 1010 = 1025154$.

Criteria. It is proved generally that each time every number increases by 1-3 points. If the problem is solved correctly without a competent proof of the increment -4 points. Any mistake in counting the remaining numbers -2 points.

6. A research spacecraft has a reactor failure and some poisonous substances leak from the reactor. All corridors between rooms are equipped with airtight doors, but there is no time to close individual doors. However, the captain can give the command «Close N doors», after which the ship's artificial intelligence will close random N doors. What is the smallest N to guarantee that at least one of the compartments of the ship will be safe?



Solution. There are 23 corridors and 14 compartments in the spacecraft. It can be interpreted as a graph, where the compartments are vertices and the corridors are edges. In order for such a graph to remain connected (so that there is a path between any two vertices) with a minimum number of edges, it must be a graph-tree, so it must have at least 14 - 1 = 13 edges. In other words, if you close no more than 23 - 13 = 10 doors, then it is possible to a way between all the compartments exist(see Fig.), what puts the team in danger. Therefore, it is necessary to close at least 10 + 1 = 11 doors and hide in those compartments that are completely «cut off» from the reactor (indeed, closing any other corridor in the figure will lead to the «cutting off» part of the compartments from the reactor).



Criteria. It is shown that less than 11 doors will not be enough (e.g. an example is given for 10 doors and it is shown that there will be a passage between all compartments) -3 points. It is proved that 11 closed doors are enough -3 points. Any mistake in counting the number of corridors and/or compartments -2 points.

7. Let us call a positive integer *useful* if its decimal notation contains neither zeroes nor equal digits, and if the product of all its digits is divisible by the sum of these digits. Are there any two consecutive 3-digit useful numbers?

Solution. Yes. For example: 578, 579 or 875, 876.

Criteria. If only the right example is given without justification -5 points.

- 8. A school was opened on the island of knights and liars (a knight always tells the truth, a liar always lies). All 2N students are of different heights. They lined up in pairs one after another (in other words, in two equal columns). The two people standing first said: "I am taller than 2 people: my neighbor in a pair and the person behind me". The last two said: "I am also taller than 2 people: my neighbor in a pair and the person in front of me". Finally, everyone else said: "I am taller than 3 people: my neighbor in a pair, the person in front of me and the person behind me".
 - a) Find the largest possible number of knights among the students.
 - b) Is it possible for all the students to be liars?

Solution. A) There is no more than one knight in each pair, so there are no more than N knights (this amount can be achieved by placing N higher students in chess order). B) No. All the students are of the different heights, so the heighest of them is always a knight.

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1. A circle is divided into 7 parts by 3 lines. Maria wants to write 7 consecutive integers into these parts (one number in each part) so that the sum of numbers on one side of each line is equal to the sum of numbers on the other side. Find 3 ways to do it which differ with sets of numbers used.

Solution. Several (not all) examples:



2. Breaking of an acute triangle ABC is the operation when a point O such that OA = OB = OC is chosen inside the triangle, and it is cut into triangles OAB, OAC, OBC. Peter took a triangle with angles 3° , 88° and 89° and *broke* it into three triangles. Then he chose one of the pieces (also acute) and *broke* it. So he continued until all the triangles were obtuse. How many triangles did he get in total?

Solution. The acute angle of an acute-angled triangle doubles each time: after the first cut it is 6° , after the second 12° , then 24° , 48° , 96° . The remaining triangles are always obtuse. So we make 5 breaks, thus there are $1 + 2 \cdot 5 = 11$ triangles in total.

Consider a breaking of an acute-angled triangle ABC. O is the center of its circumcircle, so it lies inside the triangle, and the triangles AOB, AOC, BOC are isosceles. If $\angle BAO = \alpha, \angle CAO = \beta$, then $\angle AOB = 180^{\circ} - 2\alpha, \angle AOC = 180^{\circ} - 2\beta$, whence $BOC = 2\alpha + 2\beta = 2\angle BAC$. For the initial triangle (with angles $\angle A = 3^{\circ}, \angle B = 88^{\circ}, \angle C = 89^{\circ}$), only $\triangle BOC$ is acute (moreover, it is isosceles, $\angle BOC = 6^{\circ}$).



Further, if we mark a point O_2 in it, then the triangle O_2BC is acute ($\angle O_2 = 12^\circ$), and the other two triangles are equal and obtuse. Analogously, $\angle O_3 = 24^\circ$, $\angle O_4 = 48^\circ$, $\angle O_5 = 96^\circ$. At this point, all three new triangles are obtuse and the process stops. Thus there were 5 breakings. Each breaking increases the number of triangles by 2, so there are 11 triangles in total.

3. Let us call a positive integer n > 5 new if there exists an integer which is divisible by all the numbers 1, 2, ..., n - 1 but not by n. What is the maximal number of consecutive new integers?

Answer: 3.

Solution. Example: number 7 is new (60 is divisible by all the numbers from 1 to 6 but not by 7);

number 8 is new (420 is divisible by all the numbers from 1 to 7 but not by 8); number 9 is new (840 is divisible by all the numbers from 1 to 8 but not by 9).

Estimation: each fourth number if of type n = 4k + 2 = 2(2k + 1); if a number is divisible by 2 and 2k + 1, it is also divisible by n, so it cannot be new.

4. The arithmetic mean of several positive integers equals to 20.22. Prove that at least two of the numbers are equal.

Solution. Since 20.22 is equal to an irreducible fraction with denominator 50, the number of the integers is divisible by 50. However if all 50 numbers are different, then the arithmetic mean of 50n distinct natural numbers is at least 25.5n, thus more than 25.

5. The squares of the first 2022 natural numbers are written in a row: $1, 4, 9, \ldots, 4088484$. For each written number, except for the first and the last ones, the arithmetic mean of its left and right neighbors was calculated and written under it (for example, $\frac{1+9}{2} = 5$ was written under the number 4). For the resulting string of 2020 numbers, we did the same. So we continued until we reached a line in which there are only two numbers. Find these numbers.

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8. Kate wrote a number divisible by 30 on the board and encrypted it according to the rules of alphametic puzzles (different letters correspond to different digits, the same letters — the same digits). She got the word "GUATEMALA". How many different numbers could Kate write on the board?

Solution. The letter A should be equal 0. The other 6 letters are non-null digits whose sum is divisible by 3. Note that each remainder modulo 3 occurs 3 times. Checking all possible sets of remainders we conclude that the combinations whose sum is divisible by 3 are 000111, 000222, 111222, 001122. Now count 6-element subsets of $\{1, 2, \ldots, 9\}$ for each combination: there is only 1 set for each of the first three combinations and $3^3 = 27$ sets for the last one. Each subset of digits can be rearranged in 6! ways, so the answer is $30 \cdot 6! = 21600$.

Criteria. 1 point if it is shown that A = 0. If combinations of the remaining letters are found by brute force — it is OK, but if some cases are lost — no more than 3 points. —1 point in case of calculation error(s) or if the answer is an expression which is not counted.





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1. Is there a year in the 21st century whose number can be represented as $\frac{a+b\cdot c\cdot d\cdot e}{f+g\cdot h\cdot i\cdot j}$ where a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j are the digits 0 to 9 in any order?

Solution. Yes, for example, $2022 = \frac{6+4 \cdot 7 \cdot 8 \cdot 9}{1+0 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}$. There are analogous examples for 2018, 2020, 2021.

2. A circle is divided into 7 parts by 3 lines. Maria wrote 7 different integers into these parts (one number in each part) so that the sum of numbers on one side of each line is equal to the sum of numbers on the other side. One of the numbers is 0. Prove that some other number is negative.

Solution. Let's analyze three cases of zero location. On the pictures, the sum of the yellow sectors is equal to the sum of the pink ones (because yellow + orange = pink + orange = half the sum of all numbers). We see that the first two cases are impossible (because some numbers are equal), and in the third case one of the numbers a and -a is negative.



Criteria. Not more than 2 points if not all the cases are considered.

3. A chess championship is held in a village club: each participant must play one game with each other. There is only one board in the club, so two games cannot be played at the same time. According to the rules of the championship, at any moment the number of games already played by different participants must differ by no more than 1. First several games of the championship were played in accordance with the rules. Is it always possible to complete the championship, following the rules?

Solution. No, not always. For example, let there be 6 players in the championship, and the first games were played in the following order: 12, 34, 56, 13, 24. Now the least number of games were played by 5 and 6, so we should have a match between them, but it has already taken place.

4. Prove that it is possible to cut a regular pentagon into 4 parts and rearrange them to make a rectangle without gaps and overlays.

Solution. By cutting off and shifting the triangle we obtain a trapezoid (this follows from the angles marked on the picture and the equality of the sides). Next, cutting off two right triangles from the trapezoid, we rotate them and get a rectangle (see figure).



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6. How many solutions in positive integers the equation (a + 1)(b + 1)(c + 1) = 2abc has?

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1. A circle is divided into 7 parts by 3 lines. Maria wrote 7 different integers into these parts (one number in each part) so that the sum of numbers on one side of each line is equal to the sum of numbers on the other side. One of the numbers is 0. Prove that some other number is negative.

Solution. Let's analyze three cases of zero location. On the pictures, the sum of the yellow sectors is equal to the sum of the pink ones (because yellow + orange = pink + orange = half the sum of all numbers). We see that the first two cases are impossible (because some numbers are equal), and in the third case one of the numbers a and -a is negative.



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2. A chess championship is held in a village club: each participant must play one game with each other. There is only one board in the club, so two games cannot be played at the same time. According to the rules of the championship, at any moment the number of games already played by different participants must differ by no more than 1. Prove that, for any number of participants, it is possible to hold the championship in compliance with the rules.

Solution. a) Consider the case with an even number of players n. Let's divide the championship into separate circles, so that in circle number i there are participants whose sum of numbers equals i modulo n. Then in each round each player plays exactly once, and at the end of the round everyone has played the same number of games.

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1. Let's play all matches with the sum of numbers 2 modulo n (player 1 rests). Let's play a 1n match. Let's play all the matches with the sum of the numbers 0 modulo n (player n rests). As a result of this "double round", everyone played two matches, and all the rules are followed.

2. Let's do the same, replacing the players 1 and n with 2 and n-1, and the sums — with $2 \cdot 2$ and 2(n-1).

We continue to do so. As a result, in the kth round (k = 1, 2, ..., (n - 1)/2), all matches with the sum of remainders 2k and 2(n + 1 - k) take place, as well as the next match with the sum of remainders 1 (which cannot be obtained in this way).

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