

# Indian IMO Team Selection Tests 1998

## First Practice Test

Mumbai, May 9

1. Points  $D, E, F$  are taken on the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  of a triangle  $ABC$  so that  $BD = CE = AF$ . Show that if the circumcenters of triangles  $ABC$  and  $DEF$  coincide then  $\triangle ABC$  is equilateral.
2. A triangle  $PQR$  in the coordinate plane has the vertices at lattice points and sides of integer lengths. If  $PQ = PR$ , prove that the midpoint  $M$  of  $QR$  is a lattice point and that the length of the altitude  $PM$  is an integer.
3. Prove that there is no function  $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  such that for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$f(m) = n \text{ implies } f(n) = m \text{ and } f(n+3) = 3m.$$

4. For each permutation  $\sigma = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  of numbers  $1, 2, \dots, n$  define

$$S(\sigma) = \frac{a_1}{1} + \frac{a_2}{2} + \dots + \frac{a_n}{n}.$$

Find positive integers  $n$  and  $N$  for which all the integers  $m$  with  $N \leq m \leq N + 100$  occur among the values taken by  $S(\sigma)$  as  $\sigma$  varies over all permutations of  $1, \dots, n$ .

## Second Practice Test

Mumbai, May 14

1. Circle  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$  touch each other externally at  $P$  and both touch a circle  $\mathcal{S}$  internally at  $B$  and  $C$  respectively. The common tangent to  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$  at  $P$  meets  $\mathcal{S}$  at two points, one of which is denoted by  $A$ . Lines  $AB$  and  $AC$  meet  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$  again at  $Q$  and  $R$  respectively. Show that  $QR$  is a common tangent to  $\mathcal{S}_1$  and  $\mathcal{S}_2$ .
2. (a) Prove that the product of two numbers of the form  $a^2 + 3b^2$  ( $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) is again of the same form.  
(b) If  $7n$  is of the above form and  $n$  is an integer, show that  $n$  itself is of that form.
3. Given three nonnegative numbers  $a, b, c$ , define

$$X = a + b + c + 2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - bc - ca - ab}.$$

- (a) Prove that  $X \geq \max\{3a, 3b, 3c\}$ .
- (b) One of the numbers  $\sqrt{X-3a}, \sqrt{X-3b}, \sqrt{X-3c}$  equals the sum of the other two.

4. Let  $X$  be an  $(n+2)$ -element subset of  $X = \{-n, -n+1, \dots, n\}$ , where  $n$  is a given positive integer. Show that there exist distinct numbers  $a, b, c \in X$  such that  $a + b = c$ .

First Test  
Mumbai, May 17

1. The altitudes  $AK, BL, CM$  in the triangle  $ABC$  meet at  $H$ . Let  $P$  be the midpoint of  $AH$ . If  $BH$  and  $MK$  intersect at  $S$  and  $LP$  and  $AM$  intersect at  $T$ , show that  $TS \perp BC$ .
2. Find the number of integers  $x$  with  $|x| \leq 1997$  for which 1997 divides  $x^2 + (x+1)^2$ .
3. If  $x, y, z$  are nonnegative real numbers such that  $xy + yz + zx + xyz = 4$ , prove that
$$x + y + z \geq xy + yz + zx.$$
4. Let  $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_n$  be integer powers of 2. If  $a_1 \leq 2000$  and  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \geq 2048$ , show that  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m = 2048$  holds for some  $m$ .

Second Test  
Mumbai, May 20

1. A circle lying inside a parallelogram  $ABCD$  touches the sides  $AB$  and  $AD$  and intersects  $BD$  at  $E$  and  $F$ . Show that there exists a circle passing through  $E$  and  $F$  and touching the sides  $CB$  and  $CD$ , possibly extended.
2. Find all triples  $(x, y, n)$  of positive integers with  $(x, n+1) = 1$  such that  $x^n + 1 = y^{n+1}$ .
3. Real numbers  $x, y, z$  satisfy  $x^2 = y + 2, y^2 = z + 2, z^2 = x + 2$ . If  $xyz$  is negative, find all possible values of  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ .
4. In town  $X$ , there are  $n$  girls and  $n$  boys, and each girl knows each boy. In town  $Y$ , there are  $n$  girls  $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n$  and  $2n-1$  boys  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{2n-1}$ . The girl  $g_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , knows the boys  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{2i-1}$ , and no others. For all  $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , denote by  $X(r), Y(r)$  the number of different ways in which  $r$  girls from town  $X$ , respectively town  $Y$ , can dance with  $r$  boys from their own town, forming  $r$  pairs, each girl with a boy she knows. Prove that  $X(r) = Y(r)$  for each  $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Third Test  
Mumbai, May 23

- Let  $A_0B_0C_0$  be a triangle with incenter  $I$ . For  $n \geq 1$  form the triangles  $A_nB_nC_n$  successively, where  $A_n, B_n, C_n$  are the midpoints of  $B_{n-1}C_{n-1}, C_{n-1}A_{n-1}, A_{n-1}B_{n-1}$ . Let  $r(A_0B_0C_0)$  be the largest integer  $n$  for which  $I$  is in the interior of  $\triangle A_nB_nC_n$ .
  - Show that  $r(A_0B_0C_0) \geq 1$ ;
  - Find the maximum value of  $r(A_0B_0C_0)$  among all integer sided triangles  $A_0B_0C_0$  with perimeter 98.
- Given a positive integer  $m$ , consider the set  $S = \{m^2, m^2 + 1, \dots, (m+1)^2 - 1\}$ . Show that all the products  $ab$  with  $a, b \in S$  are distinct.
- Let  $N$  be a positive integer for which  $N+1$  is a prime and let  $a_0, \dots, a_N$  be numbers from the set  $\{0, 1\}$ , not all equal. A polynomial  $f(x)$  with integer coefficients is such that  $f(i) = a_i$  for  $i = 0, \dots, N$ . Prove that the degree of  $f$  is at least  $N$ .
- For a positive integer  $n$ , a permutation  $(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$  of  $0, 1, \dots, n$  is said to be a *square permutation* if  $k + a_k$  is a square for each  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . Show that for every  $n$  there exists a square permutation of  $0, 1, \dots, n$ .

Fourth Test  
Mumbai, May 27

- In an acute triangle  $ABC$  with circumcenter  $O$ , rays  $AO, BO, CO$  meet the sides  $BC, CA, AB$  at points  $D, E, F$ , respectively. Given that the lengths of  $OD, OE$  and  $OF$  are integers and the circumradius of  $\triangle ABC$  is 4, determine the sides  $a, b, c$  of  $\triangle ABC$ .
- Let  $P(x)$  be a polynomial with real coefficients such that  $P(x) > 0$  for all  $x \geq 0$ . Prove that there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that  $(1+x)^n P(x)$  is a polynomial with nonnegative coefficients.
- Let  $n$  and  $p$  be positive integers with  $3 \leq p \leq \frac{n}{2}$ . Consider an  $n$ -sided regular polygon with  $p$  vertices colored red and the other vertices blue. Show that there are two nondegenerate congruent polygons each with at least  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$  vertices such that the vertices of one of these polygons are colored red and those of the other coloured blue.

Fifth Test  
Mumbai, May 30

- Let  $P$  be an interior point of a convex quadrilateral  $ABCD$ . Show that at least one of the four angles  $\angle PAB, \angle PBC, \angle PCD, \angle PDA$  is less than or equal to  $\pi/4$ .

2. Consider the polynomial  $f(z) = (z - \alpha_1)(z - \alpha_2) \cdots (z - \alpha_n)$ , where the  $\alpha_i$  are complex numbers. Show that there exists a complex number  $z_0$  with  $|z_0| = 1$  such that

$$|f(z_0)| > \frac{1}{3^n} \prod_{j=1}^n (1 + |\alpha_j|).$$

3. Prove that for any integers  $m \geq n \geq 2$  the number of polynomials of degree  $2n - 1$  with distinct coefficients from the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2m\}$  that are divisible by  $x^{n-1} + x^{n-2} + \cdots + x + 1$  is

$$2^n n! \left[ \binom{4m+1}{n+1} - \binom{3m}{n} \right].$$