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1. Let $f(n, k)$ be the number of ways of distributing k candies to n children so that each child receives at most two candies. For example, $f(3, 7) = 0$, $f(3, 6) = 1$ and $f(3, 4) = 6$. Evaluate

$$f(2006, 1) + f(2006, 4) + f(2006, 7) + \cdots + f(2006, 1003).$$

2. Let ABC be an acute-angled triangle. Inscribe a rectangle $DEFG$ in this triangle so that D is on AB , E on AC , and F and G on BC . Describe the locus of the intersections of the diagonals of all possible rectangles $DEFG$.
3. In a rectangular array of nonnegative real numbers with m rows and n columns, each row and each column contains at least one positive element. Moreover, if a row and a column intersect in a positive element, then the sums of their elements are the same. Prove that $m = n$.
4. Consider a round-robin tournament with $2n + 1$ teams, where every two teams play exactly one match and there are no ties. We say that teams X, Y, Z form a *cycle triplet* if X beats Y , Y beats Z , and Z beats X .
 - (a) Find the minimum number of cycle triplets possible.
 - (b) Find the maximum number of cycle triplets possible.
5. The vertices of a right triangle ABC inscribed in a circle divide the circumference into three arcs. The right angle is at A . To each of the three arcs, we draw a tangent such that its point of tangency is the midpoint of the portion of the tangent intercepted by the lines AB and AC . If the tangency points are D, E and F , show that triangle DEF is equilateral.