

# 8-th Iberoamerican Mathematical Olympiad

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*First Day – September 14*

1. Let  $x_1 < x_2 < x_3 < \dots$  be all the palindromic natural numbers, and for each  $i$ , define  $y_i = x_{i+1} - x_i$ . How many distinct primes belong to the set  $\{y_i \mid i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ?  
(Argentina)
2. Show that for any convex polygon of unit area, there exists a parallelogram of area 2 containing the polygon.  
(Mexico)
3. Find all functions  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that
  - (i) if  $x < y$ , then  $f(x) < f(y)$
  - (ii)  $f(yf(x)) = x^2 f(xy)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{N}$ .(Mexico)

*Second Day – September 15*

4. Let  $\Gamma$  be the incircle of an equilateral triangle  $ABC$ . If  $D$  and  $E$  are points on the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ , respectively, such that  $DE$  is tangent to  $\Gamma$ , prove that

$$\frac{AD}{DB} + \frac{AE}{EC} = 1. \quad (\text{Spain})$$

5. For any distinct points  $P$  and  $Q$  of the plane, we denote  $m(PQ)$  the perpendicular bisector of the segment  $PQ$ . Let  $S$  be a finite subset of the plane, with more than one element, which satisfies the following conditions:
  - (i) If  $P$  and  $Q$  are distinct points of  $S$ , then  $m(PQ)$  meets  $S$ .
  - (ii) If  $P_1Q_1, P_2Q_2$  and  $P_3Q_3$  are three distinct segments with endpoints in  $S$ , then no point of  $S$  belongs simultaneously to the three lines  $m(P_1Q_1), m(P_2Q_2), m(P_3Q_3)$ .(Mexico)
6. Two nonnegative integers  $a$  and  $b$  are *friends* if the decimal expression of  $a + b$  is formed only by 0's and 1's. Suppose that  $A$  and  $B$  are two infinite sets of nonnegative integers such that  $B$  is the set of all numbers which are friends of all the elements of  $A$ ,  $A$  is the set of all numbers which are friends of all the elements of  $B$ . Show that one of the sets  $A, B$  contains infinitely many pairs of numbers  $x, y$  with  $x - y = 1$ .  
(Argentina)