Second Round

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First Day

1. Let $A_n = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$. Prove or disprove: For all integers $n \ge 2$ there exist functions $f, g: A_n \to A_n$ which satisfy

$$\begin{split} f(f(k)) &= g(g(k)) = k \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n, \\ g(f(k)) &= k+1 \qquad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n-1. \end{split}$$
 and

2. Let *ABC* be a triangle with an obtuse angle $\angle C$ and $\angle A = 2 \angle B$. The line through *B* perpendicular to *BC* intersects line *AC* at *D*. If *M* is the midpoint of *AB*, prove that $\angle AMC = \angle BMD$.

3. (a) If a, b, c, d, e, f are positive numbers with sum 1 and $ace + bdf \ge \frac{1}{108}$, show that

$$abc+bcd+cde+def+efa+fab \le \frac{1}{36}$$

(b) Are there different positive numbers *a*, *b*, *c*, *d*, *e*, *f* with sum 1 for which the two above inequalities become equalities?

Second Day

- 4. Find all pairs of integers (x, y) satisfying $x^2 + 3y^2 = 1998x$.
- 5. Suppose that $a_1, \ldots, a_7, b_1, \ldots, b_7$ are nonnegative real numbers such that $a_i + b_i \le 2$ for all *i*. Prove that there are two different indices k, m such that

$$|a_k - a_m| + |b_k - b_m| \le 1.$$

6. Prove that the edges *AB* and *CD* of a tetrahedron *ABCD* are perpendicular if and only if there exists a parallelogram *CDPQ* such that PA = PB = PD and QA = QB = QC.



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