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Round 2 Problems

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Each problem is worth 5 points.

1/2/33. A 5×5 **Latin Square** is a 5×5 grid of squares in which each square contains one of the numbers 1 through 5 such that every number appears exactly once in each row and column. A partially completed grid (with numbers in some of the squares) is **puzzle-ready** if there is a unique way to fill in the remaining squares to complete a Latin Square.

Below is a partially completed grid with seven squares filled in and an additional three squares shaded. Determine what numbers must be filled into the shaded squares to make the grid (now with ten squares filled in) puzzle-ready, and then complete the Latin Square.

There is a unique solution, but you do not need to prove that your answer is the only one possible. You merely need to find an answer that satisfies the constraints above. (Note: In any other USAMTS problem, you need to provide a full proof. Only in this problem is an answer without justification acceptable.)

1				
	1	3		
2	3			5
			5	

2/2/33. Let n be a fixed positive integer. Which is greater?

1. The number of n -tuples of integers whose largest value is 7 and whose smallest value is 0; or
2. The number of ordered triples (A, B, C) that satisfy the following property: A, B, C are subsets of $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$, and neither $C \subseteq A \cup B$, nor $B \subseteq A \cup C$.

Your answer can be: (1), (2), the two counts are equal, or it depends on n .

3/2/33. Let x and y be distinct real numbers such that

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + \sqrt{y^2 + 1} = 2021x + 2021y.$$

Find, with proof, the value of

$$(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})(y + \sqrt{y^2 + 1}).$$



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4/2/33. Let ABC be a scalene triangle, and let X, Y, Z be points on sides BC, CA, AB , respectively. Let I and O denote the incenter and circumcenter, respectively, of triangle ABC . Suppose that

$$\frac{BX - CX}{BA - CA} = \frac{CY - AY}{CB - AB} = \frac{AZ - BZ}{AC - BC}.$$

Prove that there exists a point P on line IO such that $\overline{PX} \perp \overline{BC}$, $\overline{PY} \perp \overline{CA}$, and $\overline{PZ} \perp \overline{AB}$.

5/2/33. For a finite nonempty set A of positive integers, $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, we say the **calamitous complement** of A is the set of all positive integers k for which there do **not** exist nonnegative integers w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n with

$$k = a_1w_1 + a_2w_2 + \dots + a_nw_n.$$

The calamitous complement of A is denoted $cc(A)$. For example,

$$cc(\{5, 6, 9\}) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 13\}.$$

Find all pairs of positive integers a, b with $1 < a < b$ for which there exists a set G satisfying all of the following properties:

1. G is a set of at most three positive integers,
2. $cc(\{a, b\})$ and $cc(G)$ are both finite sets, and
3. $cc(G) = cc(\{a, b\}) \cup \{m\}$ for some m not in $cc(\{a, b\})$.

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