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AMO TRAINING SESSIONS

**Australian Mathematics Olympiad, 2008 Problems**

1. In  $K$  be a circle with  $PQ$  as diameter. Let  $C$  be a circle with centre on  $K$  and with  $PQ$  tangent to  $C$ .

Prove that the other tangents from  $P$  and  $Q$  are parallel.

2. Let  $f(x) = 5^x$ . Determine all real solutions of the equation

$$f(x + f(2008)) = 2008 - x.$$

3. A positive integer is called *square-free* if it has no factor greater than 1 which is a perfect square.

For each positive integer  $n$ , let  $f(n)$  be the sum of all square-free factors of  $n$ .

Determine all values of  $n$ , for which  $f(n)/n$  is an integer.

4. Find all positive integers  $n$  and all prime numbers  $p$  such that the polynomial

$$x^5 + x + p^n$$

can be written as the product of two polynomials with integer coefficients and positive degrees.

5. For each positive integer  $m$ , let  $F(m)$  be the largest integer such that  $10^{F(m)}$  divides  $m!$ .

Prove that there exists a positive integer  $n$  such that for each  $m$

$$\text{either } F(m) \leq n \text{ or } F(m) \geq n + 2008.$$

6. Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral. Suppose there is a point  $P$  on the segment  $AB$  with  $\angle APD = \angle BPC = 45^\circ$ .

If  $Q$  is the intersection of the line  $AB$  with the perpendicular bisector of  $CD$ , prove  $\angle CQD = 90^\circ$ .

7. Let  $A_1A_2A_3$  and  $B_1B_2B_3$  be triangles. If

$$p = A_1A_2 + A_2A_3 + A_3A_1 + B_1B_2 + B_2B_3 + B_3B_1, \text{ and}$$

$$q = A_1B_1 + A_1B_2 + A_1B_3 + A_2B_1 + A_2B_2 + A_2B_3 + A_3B_1 + A_3B_2 + A_3B_3,$$

prove that  $3p \leq 4q$ .

8. A rectangular chessboard has 5 rows and 2008 columns. Each square is painted either red or blue.

Determine the largest integer  $N$  which guarantees that, no matter how the chessboard is coloured, there are two rows which have matching colours in at least  $N$  columns.