

## Devil Round

1. Find all  $x$  such that  $(\ln(x^4))^2 = (\ln(x))^6$ .
2. On a piece of paper, Alan has written a number  $N$  between 0 and 2010, inclusive. Yiwen attempts to guess it in the following manner: she can send Alan a positive number  $M$ , which Alan will attempt to subtract from his own number, which we will call  $N$ . If  $M$  is less than or equal  $N$ , then he will erase  $N$  and replace it with  $N - M$ . Otherwise, Alan will tell Yiwen that  $M > N$ . What is the minimum number of attempts that Yiwen must make in order to determine uniquely what number Alan started with?
3. How many positive integers between 1 and 50 have at least 4 distinct positive integer divisors? (Remember that both 1 and  $n$  are divisors of  $n$ .)
4. Let  $F_n$  denote the  $n^{\text{th}}$  Fibonacci number, with  $F_0 = 0$  and  $F_1 = 1$ . Find the last digit of

$$\sum_{i=0}^{97!+4} F_i.$$

5. Find all prime numbers  $p$  such that  $2p + 1$  is a perfect cube.
6. What is the maximum number of knights that can be placed on a  $9 \times 9$  chessboard such that no two knights attack each other?
7.  $S$  is a set of 9 consecutive positive integers such that the sum of the squares of the 5 smallest integers in the set is the sum of the squares of the remaining 4. What is the sum of all 9 integers?
8. In the following infinite array, each row is an arithmetic sequence, and each column is a geometric sequence. Find the sum of the infinite sequence of entries along the main diagonal.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & ? & \frac{1}{2} & ? & \dots & & \\ \frac{1}{2} & ? & ? & ? & \dots & & \\ ? & ? & ? & ? & \dots & & \\ ? & ? & ? & ? & \dots & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & & \end{array}$$

9. Let  $x > y > 0$  be real numbers. Find the minimum value of  $\frac{x}{y} + \frac{4x}{x-y}$ .
10. A regular pentagon  $P = A_1A_2A_3A_4A_5$  and a square  $S = B_1B_2B_3B_4$  are both inscribed in the unit circle. For a given pentagon  $P$  and square  $S$ , let  $f(P, S)$  be the minimum length of the minor arcs  $A_iB_j$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq 5$  and  $1 \leq j \leq 4$ . Find the maximum of  $f(P, S)$  over all pairs of shapes.
11. Find the sum of the largest and smallest prime factors of  $9^4 + 3^4 + 1$ .

12. A transmitter is sending a message consisting of 4 binary digits (either ones or zeros) to a receiver. Unfortunately, the transmitter makes errors: for each digit in the message, the probability that the transmitter sends the correct digit to the receiver is only 80%. (Errors are independent across all digits.) To avoid errors, the receiver only accepts a message if the sum of the first three digits equals the last digit modulo 2. If the receiver accepts a message, what is the probability that the message was correct?
13. Find the integer  $N$  such that

$$\prod_{i=0}^8 \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{9}2^i\right) = N.$$