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**Problem 1.** The positive integers  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{3028}$  satisfy

$$2a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} + 4a_n \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 3028.$$

Prove that at least one of the numbers  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{3028}$  is divisible by  $2^{2020}$ .

**Problem 2.** Find all lists  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2020})$  of non-negative real numbers such that the following three conditions are all satisfied:

- (i)  $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_{2020}$ ;
- (ii)  $x_{2020} \leq x_1 + 1$ ;
- (iii) there is a permutation  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{2020})$  of  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2020})$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2020} ((x_i + 1)(y_i + 1))^2 = 8 \sum_{i=1}^{2020} x_i^3.$$

*A permutation of a list is a list of the same length, with the same entries, but the entries are allowed to be in any order. For example,  $(2, 1, 2)$  is a permutation of  $(1, 2, 2)$ , and they are both permutations of  $(2, 2, 1)$ . Note that any list is a permutation of itself.*

**Problem 3.** Let  $ABCDEF$  be a convex hexagon such that  $\angle A = \angle C = \angle E$  and  $\angle B = \angle D = \angle F$  and the (interior) angle bisectors of  $\angle A$ ,  $\angle C$ , and  $\angle E$  are concurrent.

Prove that the (interior) angle bisectors of  $\angle B$ ,  $\angle D$ , and  $\angle F$  must also be concurrent.

*Note that  $\angle A = \angle FAB$ . The other interior angles of the hexagon are similarly described.*

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Time: 4 hours and 30 minutes  
Each problem is worth 7 points

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**Problem 4.** A permutation of the integers  $1, 2, \dots, m$  is called *fresh* if there exists no positive integer  $k < m$  such that the first  $k$  numbers in the permutation are  $1, 2, \dots, k$  in some order. Let  $f_m$  be the number of fresh permutations of the integers  $1, 2, \dots, m$ .

Prove that  $f_n \geq n \cdot f_{n-1}$  for all  $n \geq 3$ .

For example, if  $m = 4$ , then the permutation  $(3, 1, 4, 2)$  is fresh, whereas the permutation  $(2, 3, 1, 4)$  is not.

**Problem 5.** Consider the triangle  $ABC$  with  $\angle BCA > 90^\circ$ . The circumcircle  $\Gamma$  of  $ABC$  has radius  $R$ . There is a point  $P$  in the interior of the line segment  $AB$  such that  $PB = PC$  and the length of  $PA$  is  $R$ . The perpendicular bisector of  $PB$  intersects  $\Gamma$  at the points  $D$  and  $E$ .

Prove that  $P$  is the incentre of triangle  $CDE$ .

**Problem 6.** Let  $m > 1$  be an integer. A sequence  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  is defined by  $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ ,  $a_3 = 4$ , and for all  $n \geq 4$ ,

$$a_n = m(a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}) - a_{n-3}.$$

Determine all integers  $m$  such that every term of the sequence is a square.

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