

**34th ANNUAL UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND  
HIGH SCHOOL MATHEMATICS COMPETITION  
PART II Solutions**

1. (a) Let  $d_1$  be the smallest number of squirrels chased by a Dalmatian,  $d_2$  the second smallest, etc. If no two squirrels chased the same number of squirrels, then

$$1 \leq d_1 < d_2 < \cdots < d_{101},$$

so  $d_i \geq i$  for each  $i$ . Therefore,

$$2012 = d_1 + d_2 + \cdots + d_{101} \geq 1 + 2 + \cdots + 101 = 5151,$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore, two Dalmatians must have chased the same number of squirrels.

(b) By the reasoning in (a), if there are  $n$  Dalmatians, then we must have

$$2012 \geq 1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + n = n(n+1)/2.$$

This requires that  $n \leq 62$ . The conditions can be satisfied with 62 Dalmatians by having the first 61 Dalmatians chase 1, 2, 3,  $\dots$ , 61 squirrels, and then having the 62nd Dalmatian chase 121 squirrels/ Therefore, the largest possible number of Dalmatians is 62. (Cruella De Vil is trying to get the number down to this amount.)

2. (a) In the first round, they draw 1007 and 1, and put 1006 back in the hat. On the second round, they draw 1008 and 2 and put 1006 back in the hat. They continue this way through drawing 2012 and 1006, and putting 1006 back in the hat. The hat now consists of 1006 numbers, all of which are 1006. They then each draw 1006 and put 0 back in the hat, and do this 503 times. At this point, the hat contains 503 numbers, all of which are 0. The remaining 502 rounds consist of drawing out two 0's and putting in one 0's. At the end, there is one 0 in the hat. Since 0 is even, Lucy wins.

(b) Let  $S$  be the sum of the numbers in the hat. After Lucy and Linus draw  $a$  and  $b$ , the sum is  $S - a - b$ . Let's suppose  $a \geq b$ . Then they put in  $a - b$ , so the sum is  $S - 2b$ . Similarly, if  $b \geq a$ , the new sum is  $S - 2a$ . Therefore, the parity of the sum does not change after each round. At the beginning, there are 1006 even numbers and 1006 odd numbers in the hat, so the sum is even. Therefore, at the end of the game, the sum is even and Lucy wins.

3. By assumption,  $x^{2012} - x^{1990}$  and  $x^{2001} - x^{1990}$  are integers, so

$$\frac{x^{2012} - x^{1990}}{x^{2001} - x^{1990}} = \frac{x^{22} - 1}{x^{11} - 1} = x^{11} + 1$$

is rational. Therefore,  $x^{11}$  is rational, and

$$x^{1990} = \frac{x^{2001} - x^{1990}}{x^{11} - 1}$$

is rational since the numerator is an integer and the denominator is rational. Therefore,  $x = (x^{11})^{181}/x^{1990}$  is rational. Let  $d$  be the denominator of  $x$ . Then  $x^{2001}$  has denominator  $d^{2001}$  and  $x^{1990}$  has denominator  $d^{1990}$ . If  $d \neq 1$ , the denominators of  $x^{2001}$  and  $x^{1990}$  are different, so their difference cannot be an integer. Therefore, the denominator must be 1, so  $x$  is an integer.

4. Choose points  $A, B, C, D, E$  that have 5 different colors. If any 4 are coplanar, we're done. Otherwise, proceed as follows: *Claim:* The line through  $E$  and one of the other 4 points intersects the plane determined by the remaining 3 points. *Proof:* Since  $A, B, C, D$  are not coplanar, they determine a tetrahedron  $T$ . The tetrahedron is the intersection of the four half-spaces consisting of the points on one side of each of the four planes  $ABC, ABD, ACD, BCD$ . If  $E$  lies inside  $T$ , then line  $DE$  intersects triangle  $ABC$ . If  $E$  lies outside  $T$ , then it lies on the opposite side of one of the four planes  $ABC, ABD, ACD, BCD$ . For definiteness, assume it is  $ABC$ . Then  $E$  and  $D$  lie on opposite sides of the plane  $ABC$ , so the line  $DE$  intersects  $ABC$ , say at  $F$ . This proves the claim.

If  $F$  has the same color as  $D$  or  $E$ , then plane  $ABC$  contains 4 colors. Otherwise,  $F$  has the same color as one of  $A, B, C$ , so line  $DE$  contains three different colors. The plane containing the line  $DE$  and one point of a fourth color has four different colors.

5. Let  $M_1$  be the center of  $C_1$  and let  $M_2$  be the center of  $C_2$ . Triangles  $AM_1P_1$  and  $AM_2P_2$  are isosceles, so let  $\alpha = \angle M_1AP_1 = \angle M_1P_1A = \angle M_2P_2A$ . Exterior angles are equal to the sums of the other two angles, so  $\angle P_1M_1B_1 = \angle P_2M_2F = 2\alpha$ . Therefore,  $M_1P_1$  and  $M_2P_2$  are parallel, which implies that  $P_2M_2$  intersects  $FP_1$  at  $I$  in a right angle. Since triangles  $P_2FM_2$  and  $P_2IF$  are right angles sharing a common acute angle, they are similar, so  $\angle P_2FI = \angle P_2M_2F = 2\alpha$ . Let  $\beta = \angle FP_1P_2$ . Then  $\beta + \alpha + 90^\circ = 180^\circ$ , so  $\beta = 90^\circ - \alpha$ . We now see that

$$\angle P_1P_2F = 180^\circ - \angle P_1FP_2 - \angle FP_1P_2 = 180^\circ - 2\alpha - \beta = 2\beta - \beta = \beta.$$

Therefore, triangle  $P_2FP_1$  is isosceles, which implies that  $P_2F = P_1F$ . Each of the right triangles  $FP_1M_1$  and  $FP_2M_2$  has an angle  $2\alpha$ , so they are similar, and they have congruent legs ( $P_1F = P_2F$ ). Therefore, they are congruent, so  $M_1F = M_2P_2 = r_2$ , the radius of  $C_2$ . This implies that  $FB_1 = r_2 - r_1$ , where  $r_1$  is the radius of  $C_1$ . Since  $B_1B_2 = 2r_2 - 2r_1 = 2FB_1$ , the midpoint of  $B_1B_2$  is  $F$ .

