SPECIAL K Saturday November 10, 2018 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

- 1: Let C be the circle of radius 1 centred at (0, 1). Let D be the circle of radius 2 centred at (a, 2) where a > 0 and D is externally tangent to C. Let E be the circle of radius r centred at (x, 0) where 0 < x < a and E is externally tangent to both C and D. Find the values of x and r.
- **2:** Let a_n be the n^{th} positive integer k such that $|\sqrt{k}|$ divides k. Find n such that $a_n = 600$.
- **3:** A Mersenne prime is a prime of the form $p = 2^k 1$ for some positive integer k. For a positive integer n, let $\sigma(n)$ be the sum of the positive divisors of n. Show that $\sigma(n)$ is a power of 2 if and only if n is a product of distinct Mersenne primes.
- 4: Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of positive real numbers such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n < \infty$. Show that there exists a sequence $\{c_n\}$ of positive real numbers with $\lim_{n \to \infty} c_n = \infty$ such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n a_n < \frac{1}{2}$.
- 5: Find the minimum possible value of f'(2) given that f(x) is a polynomial with nonnegative real coefficients such that f(1) = 1 and f(2) = 3.
- **6:** Let $a_0 = a_1 = 1$ and let $a_{2n} = a_{n-1} + a_n$ and $a_{2n+1} = a_n$ for $n \ge 1$. Define $f : \mathbf{Z}^+ \to \mathbf{Q}^+$ by $f(n) = \frac{a_n}{a_{n-1}}$. Show that f is bijective.

BIG E Saturday November 10, 2018 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

- 1: Let C be the sphere of radius 1 centred at (0, 1, 1). Let D be the sphere of radius 2 centred at (a, 2, 2) where a > 0 and D is externally tangent to C. Let E be the sphere of radius r centred at (x, r, r) where 0 < x < a and E is externally tangent to both C and D. Find the values of x and r.
- **2:** Let a_n be the n^{th} positive integer k such that $\left|\sqrt[3]{k}\right|$ divides k. Find n such that $a_n = 600$.

3: Define
$$f:(1,\infty) \to \mathbf{R}$$
 by $f(x) = \int_x^{x^2} \frac{dt}{\ln t}$. Find the range of f .

- 4: Let p be a prime number, let \mathbf{Z}_p be the field of integers modulo p, and let $M_3(\mathbf{Z}_p)$ be the ring of 3×3 matrices with entries in \mathbf{Z}_p . Find the number of functions $F : \mathbf{Z} \to M_3(\mathbf{Z}_p)$ such that F(k+l) = F(k) + F(l) and F(kl) = F(k)F(l) for all $k, l \in \mathbf{Z}$.
- **5:** Let $a_0 = a_1 = 1$ and let $a_{2n} = a_{n-1} + a_n$ and $a_{2n+1} = a_n$ for $n \ge 1$. Define $f : \mathbb{Z}^+ \to \mathbb{Q}^+$ by $f(n) = \frac{a_n}{a_{n-1}}$. Show that f is bijective.
- **6:** Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and let $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$. Let S be a set of subsets of N with the property that for all $A, B \subseteq N$, if $A \in S$ and $A \subseteq B$ then $B \in S$. Define $f : [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = \sum_{A \in S} x^{|A|} (1-x)^{|N \setminus A|}$. Show that f is nondecreasing.