



PHILIPPINE MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD 2016

NATIONAL STAGE

23 January 2016

University of Santo Tomas, Manila

SCHEDULE

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM Registration

9:00 AM - 12:00 NN Phase I: Written Phase

12:00 NN - 1:00 PM Lunch Break

National Anthem

Welcoming Remarks

Oral Competition

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM Dinner and Awarding Ceremonies

ABOUT THE PMO

First held in 1984, the PMO was created as a venue for high school students with interest and talent in mathematics to come together in the spirit of friendly competition and sportsmanship. Its aims are: (1) to awaken greater interest in and promote the appreciation of mathematics among students and teachers; (2) to identify mathematically-gifted students and motivate them towards the development of their mathematical skills; (3) to provide a vehicle for the professional growth of teachers; and (4) to encourage the involvement of both public and private sectors in the promotion and development of mathematics education in the Philippines.

The PMO is the first part of the selection process leading to participation in the *International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO)*. It is followed by the *Mathematical Olympiad Summer Camp (MOSC)*, a five-phase program for the twenty national finalists of PMO. The four selection tests given during the second phase of MOSC determine the tentative Philippine Team to the IMO. The final team is determined after the third phase of MOSC.

The PMO this year is the seventeenth since 1984. Four thousand six hundred twenty two (4622) high school students from all over the country took the qualifying examination, out of these, two hundred twenty four (224) students made it to the Area Stage. Now, in the National Stage, the number is down to twenty and these twenty students will compete for the top three positions and hopefully move on to represent the country in the *57th IMO*, which will be held in *Hong Kong*, from *6 to 16 July 2015*.

We welcome the participants to the 18th Philippine Mathematical Olympiad, hosted by the Mathematical Society of the Philippines (MSP). The Department of Education (DepEd) lauds the MSP for its continued commitment in encouraging young people to recognize the many applications of mathematics in our daily lives. Indeed, we cannot discount the importance of mathematics as we apply its principles and concepts in almost everything that we do.

It is also an area of study that promotes a better understanding of the physical world we live in even as it helps hone our critical thinking.

We are therefore grateful to the men and women behind this event for putting together an annual activity that will further develop greater appreciation for mathematics being one of the critical building blocks in creating an economically and technically advanced society.

Patuloy tayong magsama-sama para sa Edukasyon!

BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO, FSC

Secretary

Department of Education



Greetings of peace!

We are glad to welcome 2016 with the highly anticipated Final Round of the country's most prestigious mathematics competition, the Philippine Mathematical Olympiad (PMO).

The nation's oldest competition, now in its 18th year, has continuously proven its value not only in discovering and advancing exemplary talents in mathematics, but also in training our would-be medalists in the grandest stage, the International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO). For almost a decade now, the PMO has enabled the country to carry on its medal haul in the IMO, the most prestigious mathematics competition in the world. Each year, we perform better and we are getting closer to winning our first gold medal. But more than that, it is the improved quality and competitiveness in mathematics shown by our students that stands out as the best impact of the PMO. Indeed, the high degree of competition in the PMO brings out the paramount potential of our students in mathematics.

As medals from international math and science competitions keep on pouring for the Philippines, expectations soar even higher. We believe that the Filipino students have the adequate knowledge and analytic skills that are at par with their international counterparts. And with the full realization of the K-12 program, the Philippine contingent will soon rise above its contenders and finally dominate in the international scene.

The Science Education Institute upholds its commitment in supporting the Mathematics Society of the Philippines in nurturing the Filipino youth who are gifted in mathematics. We are positive that this year's PMO will harvest a new crop of outstanding changemakers in the S&T landscape.

We look forward to an exciting PMO and we wish all the contestants the best.

JOSETTE T. BIYO, PH. D.

Director

Science Education Institute, DOST



Greetings to all our brilliant students, dedicated coaches and supportive school administrators to the 18th National Finals of the Philippine Mathematical Olympiad. The Mathematical Society of the Philippines is proud to once again conduct this endearing and prestigious annual tradition that brings together some of the country's most talented students in a friendly competition. I hope that this year's PMO has been fun and memorable for everyone.

Having bested hundreds of talented students in the regional and area stages, you have earned a rightful place in this most coveted final round. Congratulations to all of you. Thank you too to your loving parents and teachers who have provided the environment for you to maximize your God-given talents.

The mathematician Siméon Poisson proclaimed that "Life is good for only two things, discovering mathematics and teaching mathematics." A rather extreme view, but for a good number of us in the MSP, Poisson's words give relief and a reason to smile in the midst of a stressful day. I hope you will always experience the thrills of discovering mathematics, and one day, follow in the footsteps of your teachers.

To the DOST-Science Education Institute, DepEd, FUSE, Sharp Calculators, C & E Publishing, and other sponsors and partners, our sincere gratitude for your continuing support and generosity.

Mabuhay tayong lahat!

JOSE MARIA P. BALMACEDA, PH. D.

President

Mathematical Society of the Philippines



Congratulations to the Philippine Mathematical Olympiad for holding yet another one of its prosperous and motivational competitions through these 17 years of passing on mathematical excellence to the future leaders of their generation!

I give my regards to the organizers and trainers who have devoted their 100% effort, determination, and time in all its planning and preparation in order to make this competition a success. Moreover, I commend the parents who continuously support their children and provide their needs in this challenging opportunity.

Most importantly, I would like to salute all these young and gifted mathematicians who persevered from the beginning of the competition until its final phase. May you strive to become the best you can be and soon represent the Philippines with your heads high!

"And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." -Colossians 3:17

LUCERO ONG Assistant Vice President Sharp Calculators Collins International Trading



I salute the Mathematical Society of the Philippines! Because of its purposiveness and constancy in inspiring students to solve and learn mathematics as to excel even in international competitions, the Philippine Team's six (6) students ranked 36th among 104 participating countries, the Philippines' best since 1989. I share your serious intent to rise to the top.

The Mathematical Society of the Philippines has demonstrated that excelling in competitions is attainable. I specially wish it well in its continuing and fervent campaign to develop effective teachers of mathematics who will produce, among others, the winners of tomorrow.

Again, Congratulations!

DR. LUCIO C. TAN

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~ PRIZES ~

The prizes for the TOP THREE for each Area/Region (Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao, NCR) are:

FIRST PLACE - Medal and SHARP EL-W531XH Calculator

SECOND PLACE - Medal and SHARP EL-510RN Calculator

THIRD PLACE - Medal and SHARP EL-501X Calculator

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SECOND PLACE - P 15,000, Medal, and SHARP EL-W506X Calculator with SHARP Goodies

THIRD PLACE - P 10,000, Medal, and SHARP EL-W506X Calculator with SHARP Goodies

The coaches of the first, second and third placers will receive P 5,000, P 3,000, and P 2,000, respectively

THE PMO FINALISTS



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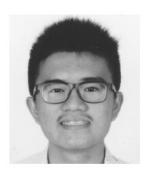
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17TH PMO HIGHLIGHTS





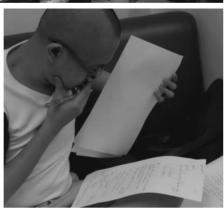












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Qualifying Stage

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PART I. Choose the best answer. Each correct answer is worth two points.

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(a) $\frac{13}{2}$ only (b) 0 and -13 (c) 0 and -5 (d) -5 and $\frac{3}{2}$

2. What is the sum of all the even positive divisors of 64?

(a) 61

(b) 62

(c) 126

(d) 128

3. The measures of the angles of a quadrilateral are x, x + 10, x + 30, and x + 40 degrees. What is the largest angle, in degrees?

(a) 70

(b) 90

(c) 110

(d) 120

4. A ferris wheel with radius 12 meters rotates clockwise at the rate of 10° per second. Initially, Richard is sitting on the seat at the very top of the wheel, which has a height of 27 meters above the ground. How high above the ground will Richard be after the wheel has rotated for exactly one minute?

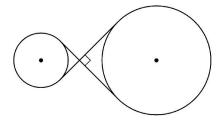
(a) 6 meters

(c) $(3+4\sqrt{3})$ meters

(b) 9 meters

(d) $(15 - 6\sqrt{3})$ meters

5. The two internal tangents of two non-overlapping circles of radii 2 cm and 4 cm intersect at right angles, as shown in the figure below.



What is the distance between the centers of the circles?

(a) $6\sqrt{2}$ cm

(b) $6\sqrt{3}$ cm

(c) 12 cm

(d) $12\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$

	(a) 455	(b) 461	(c) 506	(d) 512				
7.	Which of the following	; is the fifth largest divi	sor of the number $2,01$	5,000,000?				
	(a) 125, 937, 500	(b) 155,000,000	(c) 201, 500, 000	(d) 251, 875, 000				
8.	What is the remainder	when 25^{2015} is divided	by 18?					
	(a) 11	(b) 13	(c) 15	(d) 17				
9.	Triangles PQR and QRS , where $P \neq S$, are two right triangles sharing the hypotenuse QR . If C_1 is the circle passing through P , Q , and R , and C_2 is the circle passing through Q , R , and S , what can be said about $C_1 \cap C_2$?							
	 (a) C₁ ∩ C₂ consists of exactly one point. (b) C₁ ∩ C₂ consists of exactly two distinct points. (c) C₁ ∩ C₂ is empty. (d) C₁ ∩ C₂ consists of infinitely many points. 							
10.	. In triangle ABC , BD is the angle bisector of $\angle ABC$. Moreover, $AB = BD$ and $AE = AD$. If $m\angle ACB = 36^{\circ}$, determine $m\angle BDE$.							
	E C							
	(a) 24°	(b) 18°	(c) 15°	(d) 12°				
11.	In how many ways car vowels are all in alpha	n the letters of the wor- betical order?	d QUALIFYING be ar	ranged such that the				

(c) 181,400

(d) 3,628,800

(b) 151, 200

6. How many positive integers less than or equal to 2015 are divisible by 3, but are neither

divisible by 5 nor by 7?

(a) 24

	(a) $\frac{27}{80}$	(b) $\frac{9}{20}$	(c) $\frac{1}{16}$	(d) $\frac{1}{6}$						
14.	4. Mary wants to give 15 cookies to Amy, Bob and Charlie. How many ways can she distribute the cookies to them such that Amy must receive at least 5 cookies while Bob and Charlie must each receive at least 1?									
	(a) 40	(b) 45	(c) 50	(d) 55						
15.	The exterior of a cube cubes. If one of these that a red face comes u	cubes is randomly selec								
	(a) $\frac{1}{4}$	(b) $\frac{1}{3}$	(c) $\frac{1}{2}$	(d) $\frac{2}{3}$						
PAR	PART II. Choose the best answer. Each correct answer is worth three points.									
1. A married couple has PhP 50,000 in their joint account. In anticipation of their upcoming anniversary, they agreed to split-up evenly and buy each one a gift. However, they agreed that they must have enough money left such that when combined, a minimum bank balance of PhP 5,000 is maintained. If the couple individually bought gifts without regard to how much the other's gift will cost and each gift is randomly priced between PhP 0 to PhP 25,000, what is the probability that they will be able to maintain the minimum required balance after buying the gifts?										
	(a) 2%	(b) 20%	(c) 80%	(d) 98%						
2.	2. What is the difference between the largest and smallest real zeros of the function									
	$f(x) = 2x^4 - 7x^3 + 2x^2 + 7x + 2?$									
	(a) $\frac{5}{2}$	(b) $2\sqrt{2}$	(c) $1 + \sqrt{2}$	$(d) \ \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{2}$						

12. When n+5 is divided by 4, the remainder is 3. When n+4 is divided by 5, the remainder

13. It is known that $\frac{2}{5}$ of chips scattered on the table are red. We remove a quarter of the chips from the table, and it is found $\frac{1}{4}$ of those removed are red. What fraction of the chips that remained on the table are red?

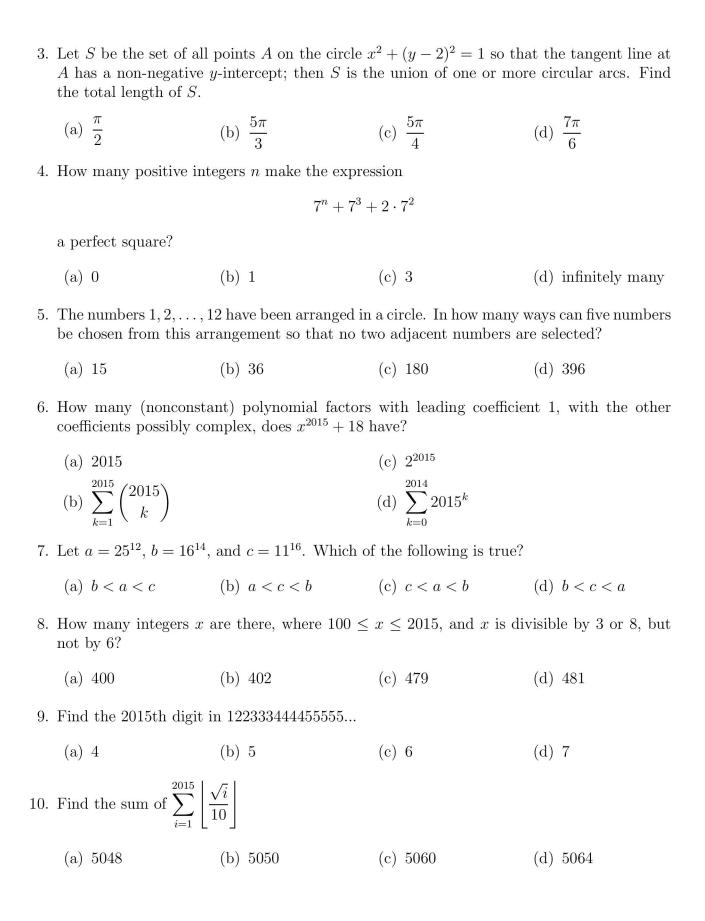
(c) 14

(d) 16

is 4. What is the remainder when n + 6 is divided by 20?

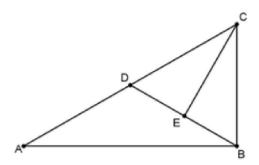
(b) 5

(a) 4



PART III. All answers should be in simplest form. Each correct answer is worth six points.

1. In the right triangle ABC where $m \angle B = 90^{\circ}$, BC : AB = 1 : 2. Construct the median BD and let point E be on BD such that $CE \perp BD$. Determine BE : ED.



- 2. Suppose a function $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ satisfies the following conditions:
 - (a) f(4xy) = 2y [f(x+y) + f(x-y)], for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
 - (b) f(5) = 3

Find the value of f(2015).

- 3. Let $P(x) = x^5 + ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e$ be a polynomial with real coefficients and satisfying the property P(n) = 10n for n = 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Find the value of a + b + c + d + e.
- 4. Let $N = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots\}$. Find the cardinality of the set

$$\{(a, b, c, d, e) \in \mathbb{N}^5 : 0 \le a + b \le 2, 0 \le a + b + c + d + e \le 4\}.$$

5. How many terms are there when the expression of $(x+y+z)^{2015}+(x-y-z)^{2015}$ is expanded and simplified?

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PART I. Choose the best answer. Each correct answer is worth two points.

- 1. D
- 2. B
- 3. A
- 4. C
- 5. D

- 6. B
- 7. D
- 8. B
- 9. C
- 10. B

- 11. A
- 12. D
- 13. C
- 14. C
- 15. D

PART II. Choose the best answer. Each correct answer is worth three points.

- 1. B
- 2. C
- 3. A
- 4. B
- 5. A

- 6. B
- 7. A
- 8. B
- 9. C
- 10. C

- 11. D
- 12. D
- 13. B
- 14. B
- 15. B

PART III. All answers should be in simplest form. Each correct answer is worth six points.

- 1. 2:3
- 2. $\frac{1}{3}$
- 3. 1209
- 4. 120
- 5. 1,016,064

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 $Area\ Stage$

14 November 2015

PART I. Give the answer in the simplest form that is reasonable. No solution is needed. Figures are not drawn to scale. Each correct answer is worth three points.

- 1. Marc and Jon together have 66 marbles although Marc has twice as many marbles as Jon. Incidentally, Jon found a bag of marbles which enabled him to have three times as many marbles as Mark. How many marbles were in the bag that Jon found?
- 2. A camera's aperture determines the size of the circular opening in the lens that allows light in. If we want to allow twice as much light in, what should be the ratio of the new radius to the current radius?
- 3. Determine all values of $k \in \mathbb{R}$ for which the equation

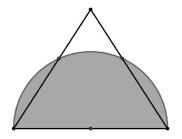
$$\frac{4(2015^x) - 2015^{-x}}{2015^x - 3(2015^{-x})} = k$$

admits a real solution.

- 4. The points (3, m), (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) are on the graph of the function $f(x) = \log_a x$. If $y_1 + y_2 = 2m$, find the value of x_1x_2 .
- 5. Let a, b, and c be three consecutive even numbers such that a > b > c. What is the value of $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 ab bc ac$?
- 6. Evaluate

$$\prod_{\theta=1}^{89} (\tan \theta^{\circ} \cos 1^{\circ} + \sin 1^{\circ}).$$

- 7. Find the sum of all the prime factors of 27,000,001.
- 8. Refer to the figure on the right. A side of an equilateral triangle is the diameter of the given semi-circle. If the radius of the semi-circle is 1, find the area of the unshaded region inside the triangle.

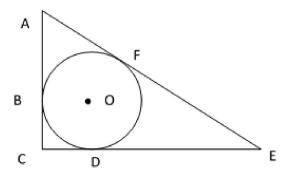


(Figure is not drawn to scale.)

- 9. How many ways can you place 10 identical balls in 3 baskets of different colors if it is possible for a basket to be empty?
- 10. Find the largest number N so that

$$\sum_{n=5}^{N} \frac{1}{n(n-2)} < \frac{1}{4}.$$

11. Refer to the figure below. If circle O is inscribed in the right triangle ACE as shown below, and if the length of AB is twice the length of BC, find the length of CE if the perimeter of the right triangle is 36 units.



12. Find all real solutions to the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} x(y-1) + y(x+1) = 6, \\ (x-1)(y+1) = 1. \end{cases}$$

13. Find all real numbers a and b so that for all real numbers x,

$$2\cos^{2}\left(x+\frac{b}{2}\right)-2\sin\left(ax-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)\cos\left(ax-\frac{\pi}{2}\right)=1.$$

- 14. Let P be the product of all prime numbers less than 90. Find the largest integer N so that for each $n \in \{2, 3, 4, ..., N\}$, the number P + n has a prime factor less than 90.
- 15. In how many ways can the letters of the word ALGEBRA be arranged if the order of the vowels must remain unchanged?
- 16. The lengths of the sides of a rectangle are all integers. Four times its perimeter is numerically equal to one less than its area. Find the largest possible perimeter of such a rectangle.
- 17. Find the area of the region bounded by the graph of $|x| + |y| = \frac{1}{4}|x + 15|$.
- 18. Given f(1-x) + (1-x)f(x) = 5 for all real number x, find the maximum value that is attained by f(x).

- 19. The amount 4.5 is split into two nonnegative real numbers uniformly at random. Then each number is rounded to its nearest integer. For instance, if 4.5 is split into $\sqrt{2}$ and $4.5 \sqrt{2}$, then the resulting integers are 1 and 3, respectively. What is the probability that the two integers sum up to 5?
- 20. Let s_n be the sum of the digits of a natural number n. Find the smallest value of $\frac{n}{s_n}$ if n is a four-digit number.

PART II. Show your solution to each problem. Each complete and correct solution is worth ten points.

- 1. The 6-digit number 739ABC is divisible by 7, 8, and 9. What values can A, B, and C take?
- 2. The numbers from 1 to 36 can be written in a counterclockwise spiral as follows:

31	30	29	28	27	26
32	13	12	11	10	25
33	14	3	2	9	24
34	15	4	1	8	23
35	16	5	6	7	22
36	17	18	19	20	21

In the figure above, all the terms on the diagonal beginning from the upper left corner have been enclosed in a box, and these entries sum up to 76.

Suppose this spiral is continued all the way until 2015, leaving an incomplete square. Find the sum of all the terms on the diagonal beginning from the upper left corner of the resulting (incomplete) square.

3. Point P on side BC of triangle ABC satisfies

$$|BP| : |PC| = 2 : 1.$$

Prove that the line AP bisects the median of triangle ABC drawn from vertex C.

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 $Area\ Stage$

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PART I. (3 points each)

1. 110 marbles

2. $\sqrt{2}$

3. $k \in (-\infty, \frac{1}{3}) \cup (4, +\infty)$

4. 9

5. 12

6. $\csc 1^{\circ}$ or $\sec 89^{\circ}$ or equivalent

7. 652

8. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{\pi}{6}$

9.66

10. 24

11. 12

12. (4/3, 2), (-2, -4/3)

13. a=1 and $b=-\frac{3\pi}{2}+2k\pi$, or a=-1 and $b=\frac{3\pi}{2}+2k\pi$ where $k\in\mathbb{Z}$

14. 96

15. 840

16. 164 units

17. 30

18. 5

19. 4/9

20. $\frac{1099}{19}$

PART II. (10 points each)

1. Since gcd(7,8,9) = 1, then 739ABC is divisible by 7, 8, and 9 iff it is divisible by $7 \cdot 8 \cdot 9 = 504$. Note that the only integers between 739000 and 739999 which are divisible by 504 are 739368 and 739872. So, $(A, B, C) \in \{(3, 6, 8), (8, 7, 2)\}$.

2. Solution 1:

The closest perfect square to 2015 is $2025 = 45^2$ which means that only the rightmost side will be incomplete while the required diagonal would still have a total of 45 entries.

Looking at the values on the diagonal, we see that the numbers on the diagonal above 1 have a common second dierence. This suggests that this sequence satisfies a quadratic function of the form $f(n) = an^2 + bn + c$. Since f(1) = 1, f(2) = 3, f(3) = 13, solving a simple system of three equations gives us $f(n) = 4n^2 - 10n + 7$, $1 \le n \le 23$. On the other hand, the numbers on the diagonal below 1 also have a common second difference. This gives a sequence $g(n) = dn^2 + en + f$ with g(1) = 1, g(2) = 7, and g(3) = 21. By solving a similar system as above, we obtain $g(n) = 4n^2 - 6n + 3$, where $1 \le n \le 23$. Taking the sum of these two sequences of numbers, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{23} [f(n) + g(n)] = \sum_{n=1}^{23} (8n^2 - 16n + 10)$$

$$= 8 \sum_{n=1}^{23} n^2 - 16 \sum_{n=1}^{23} n + \sum_{n=1}^{23} 10$$

$$= 8 \left[\frac{(23)(24)(47)}{6} \right] - 168 \left[\frac{(23)(24)}{2} \right] + 10(23)$$

$$= 30,406$$

Since 1 is counted twice, the required sum must be 30,406-1=30,405.

Solution 2:

Filling the square with a few more numbers enables us to see that the boxed numbers

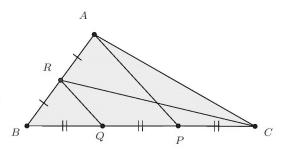
$$1, 3, 7, 13, 21, 31, \ldots, 1981$$

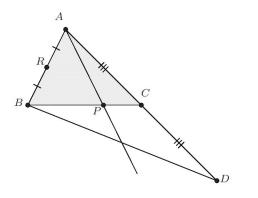
satisfy the recurrence relation $a_1 = 1$ and $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N})$ $a_{n+1} = a_n + 2n$. The associated homogeneous recurrence relation is solved by $a_n^{(h)} \equiv 1$. Testing a particular solution of the form $a_n^{(p)} = n(cn+d)$, we see that c = 1 and d = -1. Therefore, the solution to the nonhomogeneous recurrence relation is $a_n = n^2 - n + 1$. The last boxed number 1981 corresponds to n = 45. Therefore,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{45} (n^2 - n + 1) = \frac{45 \cdot 46 \cdot 91}{6} - \frac{45 \cdot 46}{2} + 45 = 30,405.$$

3. Solution 1: Let Q be the midpoint of line segment BP. The conditions of the problem imply $|BQ| = |QP| = |PC| = \frac{1}{3}|BC|$. Let R be the midpoint of line segment AB. Then RQ is a midline of ABP. Consequently, RQ || AP. Ray AP bisects side CQ of triangle CRQ while being parallel to side RQ of this triangle. Thus AP extends the midline of triangle CRQ and bisects therefore also its side CR. But line segment CR is the median of triangle ABC drawn from vertex C.

Solution 2: Let R be the midpoint of segment AB. Choose point D on ray AC beyond point C such that |AC| = |CD|. Then BC is a median of triangle ABD. As |BP| : |PC| = 2 : 1, point P is the intersection point of medians of triangle ABD. Thus AP lies entirely on the other median of triangle ABD, i.e., ray AP bisects the segment BD. As CR is the midline of triangle ABD, we have CR ||BD, implying that ray AP also bisects the segment CR. But this is the median of triangle ABC drawn from vertex C.







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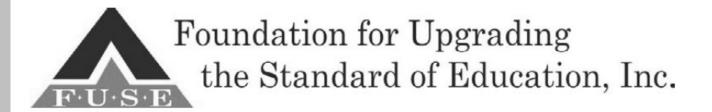
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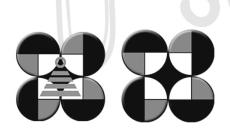
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