

## TEAM CONTEST #3

MATHCAMP 2003

All problems are worth the same number of points. No calculators are permitted.

1. In the sequence

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2}, \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3}, \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4}, \dots, \frac{1}{(n-1)n}, \dots$$

find all groups of consecutive terms that add up to  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

2. Let  $p \geq 5$  be a prime. Show that the integer  $\frac{p^2+2}{3}$  is a sum of three squares.  
3. Let  $ABCDE$  be a pentagon such that  $AB = AE = CD = 1$ ,  $\angle ABC = \angle DEA = 90^\circ$  and  $BC + DE = 1$ . Find the area of the pentagon.  
4. Let

$$r = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{1335}.$$

If  $r = a/b$  with  $a$  and  $b$  relatively prime integers, show that 2003 divides  $a$ .

5. Solve the equation

$$3^{x^4-5x^2+3} = \frac{x}{x^2+2}.$$

6. Let  $\mathbb{N}$  be the set of nonnegative integers.

Find all functions  $f : \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow M$  such that

$$1 + f(n)f(n+1) = 2n^2(f(n+1) - f(n))$$

for all  $n$  when

- (a)  $M = \mathbb{N}$   
(b)  $M = \mathbb{Q}$ .
7. A positive integer is called *monotonic* if its digits in base 10, read from left to right, are in nondecreasing order. Prove that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists an  $n$ -digit monotonic number which is a perfect square.  
8. Prove that if the three angles between pairs of opposite edges of a tetrahedron are all equal, then they are all equal to  $90^\circ$ .