

1. For $1 \leq k \leq 22$ we show that there exists a succession of consecutive days during which the grandmaster plays exactly k games. For $1 \leq i \leq 77$ let b_i denote the number of games played on day i . Consider the numbers $\{b_1 + b_2 + \cdots + b_i + k\}_{i=0}^{76} \cup \{b_1 + b_2 + \cdots + b_j\}_{j=1}^{77}$. There are 154 numbers in the list, all among $1, 2, \dots, 153$. Therefore the numbers $\{b_1 + b_2 + \cdots + b_i + k\}_{i=0}^{76} \cup \{b_1 + b_2 + \cdots + b_j\}_{j=1}^{77}$ are not distinct. Therefore there exist integers i, j ($0 \leq i < j \leq 77$) such that $b_{i+1} + \cdots + b_j = k$. During the days $i + 1, \dots, j$ the grandmaster plays exactly k games.

2. Let S denote a set of 100 integers chosen from $1, 2, \dots, 200$ such that i does not divide j for all distinct $i, j \in S$. We show that $i \notin S$ for $1 \leq i \leq 15$. Certainly $1 \notin S$ since 1 divides every integer. By construction the odd parts of the elements in S are mutually distinct and at most 199. There are 100 numbers in the list $1, 3, 5, \dots, 199$. Therefore each of $1, 3, 5, \dots, 199$ is the odd part of an element of S . We have $3 \times 5 \times 13 = 195 \in S$. Therefore none of $3, 5, 13, 15$ are in S . We have $3^3 \times 7 = 189 \in S$. Therefore neither of $7, 9$ is in S . We have $11 \times 17 = 187 \in S$. Therefore $11 \notin S$. We have shown that none of $1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15$ is in S . We show neither of $6, 14$ is in S . Recall $3^3 \times 7 = 189 \in S$. Therefore $3^2 \times 7 = 63 \notin S$. Therefore $2 \times 3^2 \times 7 = 126 \in S$. Therefore $2 \times 3 = 6 \notin S$ and $2 \times 7 = 14 \notin S$. We show $10 \notin S$. Recall $3 \times 5 \times 13 = 195 \in S$. Therefore $5 \times 13 = 65 \notin S$. Therefore $2 \times 5 \times 13 = 130 \in S$. Therefore $2 \times 5 = 10 \notin S$. We now show that none of $2, 4, 8, 12$ are in S . Below we list the integers of the form $2^r 3^s$ that are at most 200:

1,	2,	4,	8,	16,	32,	64,	128,
3,	6,	12,	24,	48,	96,	192,	
9,	18,	36,	72,	144,			
27,	54,	108,					
81,	162,						

In the above array each element divides everything that lies to the southeast. Also, each row contains exactly one element of S . For $1 \leq i \leq 5$ let r_i denote the element of row i that is contained in S , and let c_i denote the number of the column that contains r_i . We must have $c_i < c_{i-1}$ for $2 \leq i \leq 5$. Therefore $c_i \geq 6 - i$ for $1 \leq i \leq 5$. In particular $c_1 \geq 5$ so $r_1 \geq 16$, and $c_2 \geq 4$ so $r_2 \geq 24$. We have shown that none of $2, 4, 8, 12$ is in S . By the above comments $i \notin S$ for $1 \leq i \leq 15$.

3. See the course notes.

4, 5, 6. Given integers $n \geq 1$ and $k \geq 2$ suppose that $n + 1$ distinct elements are chosen from $\{1, 2, \dots, kn\}$. We show that there exist two that differ by less than k . Partition $\{1, 2, \dots, nk\} = \cup_{i=1}^n S_i$ where $S_i = \{ki, ki - 1, ki - 2, \dots, ki - k + 1\}$. Among our $n + 1$ chosen elements, there exist two in the same S_i . These two differ by less than k .

7. Partition the set $\{0, 1, \dots, 99\} = \cup_{i=0}^{50} S_i$ where $S_0 = \{0\}$, $S_i = \{i, 100 - i\}$ for $1 \leq i \leq 49$, $S_{50} = \{50\}$. For each of the given 52 integers, divide by 100 and consider the remainder. The remainder is contained in S_i for a unique i . By the pigeonhole principle, there exist two of the 52 integers for which these remainders lie in the same S_i . For these two integers the sum or difference is divisible by 100.

8. For positive integers m, n we consider the rational number m/n . For $0 \leq i \leq n$ divide the integer $10^i m$ by n , and call the remainder r_i . By construction $0 \leq r_i \leq n - 1$. By the pigeonhole principle there exist integers i, j ($0 \leq i < j \leq n$) such that $r_i = r_j$. The integer n divides $10^j m - 10^i m$. For notational convenience define $\ell = j - i$. Then there exists a positive integer q such that $nq = 10^i(10^\ell - 1)m$. Divide q by $10^\ell - 1$ and call the remainder r . So $0 \leq r \leq 10^\ell - 2$. By construction there exists an integer $b \geq 0$ such that $q = (10^\ell - 1)b + r$. Writing $\theta = m/n$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} 10^i \theta &= b + \frac{r}{10^\ell - 1} \\ &= b + \frac{r}{10^\ell} + \frac{r}{10^{2\ell}} + \frac{r}{10^{3\ell}} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Since the integer r is in the range $0 \leq r \leq 10^\ell - 2$ this yields a repeating decimal expansion for θ .

9. Consider the set of 10 people. The number of subsets is $2^{10} = 1024$. For each subset consider the sum of the ages of its members. This sum is among $0, 1, \dots, 600$. By the pigeonhole principle the 1024 sums are not distinct. The result follows. The following argument shows that the result still holds for 9 people. Without loss we may assume that all the ages are distinct; otherwise we are done. Now in the above argument, the sum of the ages is at most 504. Then the number of subsets is $2^9 = 512$. By the pigeonhole principle the 512 sums are not distinct.

10. For $1 \leq i \leq 49$ let b_i denote the number of hours the child watches TV on day i . Consider the numbers $\{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_i + 20\}_{i=0}^{48} \cup \{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_j\}_{j=1}^{49}$. There are 98 numbers in the list, all among $1, 2, \dots, 96$. By the pigeonhole principle the numbers $\{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_i + 20\}_{i=0}^{48} \cup \{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_j\}_{j=1}^{49}$ are not distinct. Therefore there exist integers i, j ($0 \leq i < j \leq 49$) such that $b_{i+1} + \dots + b_j = 20$. During the days $i + 1, \dots, j$ the child watches TV for exactly 20 hours.

11. For $1 \leq i \leq 37$ let b_i denote the number of hours the student studies on day i . Consider the numbers $\{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_i + 13\}_{i=0}^{36} \cup \{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_j\}_{j=1}^{37}$. There are 74 numbers in the list, all among $1, 2, \dots, 72$. By the pigeonhole principle the numbers $\{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_i + 13\}_{i=0}^{36} \cup \{b_1 + b_2 + \dots + b_j\}_{j=1}^{37}$ are not distinct. Therefore there exist integers i, j ($0 \leq i < j \leq 37$) such that $b_{i+1} + \dots + b_j = 13$. During the days $i + 1, \dots, j$ the student will have studied exactly 13 hours.

12. Take $m = 4$ and $n = 6$. Pick a among $0, 1, 2, 3$ and b among $0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ such that $a + b$ is odd. Suppose that there exists a positive integer x that yields a remainder of a (resp. b) when divided by 4 (resp. by 6). Then there exist integers r, s such that $x = 4r + a$ and

$x = 6s + b$. Combining these equations we obtain $2x - 4r - 6s = a + b$. In this equation the left-hand side is even and the right-hand side is odd, for a contradiction. Therefore x does not exist.

13. Since $r(3, 3) = 6$ there exists a K_3 subgraph of K_6 that is red or blue. We assume that this K_3 subgraph is unique, and get a contradiction. Without loss we may assume that the above K_3 subgraph is red. Let x denote one of the vertices of this K_3 subgraph, and let $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^5$ denote the remaining five vertices of K_6 . Consider the K_5 subgraph with vertices $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^5$. By assumption this subgraph has no K_3 subgraph that is red or blue. The only edge coloring of K_5 with this feature is shown in figure 3.2 of the text. Therefore we may assume that the vertices $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^5$ are labelled such that for distinct i, j ($1 \leq i, j \leq 5$) the edge connecting x_i, x_j is red (resp. blue) if $i - j = \pm 1$ modulo 5 (resp. $i - j = \pm 2$ modulo 5). By construction and without loss of generality, we may assume that each of x_1, x_2 is connected to x by a red edge. Thus the vertices x, x_1, x_2 give a red K_3 subgraph. Now the edge connecting x and x_3 is blue; otherwise the vertices x, x_2, x_3 give a second red K_3 subgraph. Similarly the edge connecting x and x_5 is blue; otherwise the vertices x, x_1, x_5 give a second red K_3 subgraph. Now the vertices x, x_3, x_5 give a blue K_3 subgraph.

14. After n minutes we have removed n pieces of fruit from the bag. Suppose that among the removed fruit there are at most 11 pieces for each of the four kinds. Then our total n must be at most $4 \times 11 = 44$. After $n = 45$ minutes we will have picked at least a dozen pieces of fruit of the same kind.

15. For $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ divide a_i by n and call the remainder r_i . By construction $0 \leq r_i \leq n-1$. By the pigeonhole principle there exist distinct integers i, j among $1, 2, \dots, n+1$ such that $r_i = r_j$. Now n divides $a_i - a_j$.

16. Label the people $1, 2, \dots, n$. For $1 \leq i \leq n$ let a_i denote the number of people acquainted with person i . By construction $0 \leq a_i \leq n-1$. Suppose the numbers $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^n$ are mutually distinct. Then for $0 \leq j \leq n-1$ there exists a unique integer i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) such that $a_i = j$. Taking $j = 0$ and $j = n-1$, we see that there exists a person acquainted with nobody else, and a person acquainted with everybody else. These people are distinct since $n \geq 2$. These two people know each other and do not know each other, for a contradiction. Therefore the numbers $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^n$ are not mutually distinct.

17. We assume that the conclusion is false and get a contradiction. Label the people $1, 2, \dots, 100$. For $1 \leq i \leq 100$ let a_i denote the number of people acquainted with person i . By construction $0 \leq a_i \leq 99$. By assumption a_i is even. Therefore a_i is among $0, 2, 4, \dots, 98$. In this list there are 50 numbers. Now by our initial assumption, for each even integer j ($0 \leq j \leq 98$) there exists a unique pair of integers (r, s) ($1 \leq r < s \leq 100$) such that $a_r = j$ and $a_s = j$. Taking $j = 0$ and $j = 98$, we see that there exist two people who know nobody else, and two people who know everybody else except one. This is a contradiction.

18. Divide the 2×2 square into four 1×1 squares. By the pigeonhole principle there exists a 1×1 square that contains at least two of the five points. For these two points the distance apart is at most $\sqrt{2}$.

19. Divide the equilateral triangle into a grid, with each piece an equilateral triangle of side length $1/n$. In this grid there are $1 + 3 + 5 + \cdots + 2n - 1 = n^2$ pieces. Suppose we place $m_n = n^2 + 1$ points within the equilateral triangle. Then by the pigeonhole principle there exists a piece that contains two or more points. For these two points the distance apart is at most $1/n$.

20. Color the edges of K_{17} red or blue or green. We show that there exists a K_3 subgraph of K_{17} that is red or blue or green. Pick a vertex x of K_{17} . In K_{17} there are 16 edges that contain x . By the pigeonhole principle, at least 6 of these are the same color (let us say red). Pick distinct vertices $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^6$ of K_{17} that are connected to x via a red edge. Consider the K_6 subgraph with vertices $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^6$. If this K_6 subgraph contains a red edge, then the two vertices involved together with x form the vertex set of a red K_3 subgraph. On the other hand, if the K_6 subgraph does not contain a red edge, then since $r(3, 3) = 6$, it contains a K_3 subgraph that is blue or green. We have shown that K_{17} has a K_3 subgraph that is red or blue or green.

21. Let X denote the set of sequences $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5)$ such that $a_i \in \{1, -1\}$ for $1 \leq i \leq 5$ and $a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 a_5 = 1$. Note that $|X| = 16$. Consider the complete graph K_{16} with vertex set X . We display an edge coloring of K_{16} with colors red, blue, green such that no K_3 subgraph is red or blue or green. For distinct x, y in X consider the edge connecting x and y . Color this edge red (resp. blue) (resp. green) whenever the sequences x, y differ in exactly 4 coordinates (resp. differ in exactly 2 coordinates i, j with $i - j = \pm 1$ modulo 5) (resp. differ in exactly 2 coordinates i, j with $i - j = \pm 2$ modulo 5). Each edge of K_{16} is now colored red or blue or green. For this edge coloring of K_{16} there is no K_3 subgraph that is red or blue or green.

22. For an integer $k \geq 2$ abbreviate $r_k = r(3, 3, \dots, 3)$ (k 3's). We show that $r_{k+1} \leq (k+1)(r_k - 1) + 2$. Define $n = r_k$ and $m = (k+1)(n-1) + 2$. Color the edges of K_m with $k+1$ colors C_1, C_2, \dots, C_{k+1} . We show that there exists a K_3 subgraph with all edges the same color. Pick a vertex x of K_m . In K_m there are $m-1$ edges that contain x . By the pigeonhole principle, at least n of these are the same color (which we may assume is C_1). Pick distinct vertices $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$ of K_m that are connected to x by an edge colored C_1 . Consider the K_n subgraph with vertices $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$. If this K_n subgraph contains an edge colored C_1 , then the two vertices involved together with x give a K_3 subgraph that is colored C_1 . On the other hand, if the K_n subgraph does not contain an edge colored C_1 , then since $r_k = n$, it contains a K_3 subgraph that is colored C_i for some i ($2 \leq i \leq k+1$). In all cases K_m has a K_3 subgraph that is colored C_i for some i ($1 \leq i \leq k+1$). Therefore $r_k \leq m$.

23. We proved earlier that

$$r(m, n) \leq \binom{m+n-2}{n-1}.$$

Applying this result with $m = 3$ and $n = 4$ we obtain $r(3, 4) \leq 10$.

24. We show that $r_t(t, t, q_3) = q_3$. By construction $r_t(t, t, q_3) \geq q_3$. To show the reverse inequality, consider the complete graph with q_3 vertices. Let X denote the vertex set of this

graph. Color the t -element subsets of X red or blue or green. Then either (i) there exists a t -element subset of X that is red, or (ii) there exists a t -element subset of X that is blue, or (iii) every t -element subset of X is green. Therefore $r_t(t, t, q_3) \leq q_3$ so $r_t(t, t, q_3) = q_3$.

25. Abbreviate $N = r_t(m, m, \dots, m)$ (k m 's). We show $r_t(q_1, q_2, \dots, q_k) \leq N$. Consider the complete graph K_N with vertex set X . Color each t -element subset of X with k colors C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k . By definition there exists a K_m subgraph all of whose t -element subsets are colored C_i for some i ($1 \leq i \leq k$). Since $q_i \leq m$ there exists a subgraph of that K_m with q_i vertices. For this subgraph every t -element subset is colored C_i .

26. In the $m \times n$ array assume the rows (resp. columns) are indexed in increasing order from front to back (resp. left to right). Consider two adjacent columns $j - 1$ and j . A person in column $j - 1$ and a person in column j are called *matched* if they occupy the same row of the original formation. Thus a person in column j is taller than their match in column $j - 1$. Now consider the adjusted formation. Let L and R denote adjacent people in some row i , with L in column $j - 1$ and R in column j . We show that R is taller than L. We assume that L is at least as tall as R, and get a contradiction. In column $j - 1$, the people in rows $i, i + 1, \dots, m$ are at least as tall as L. In column j , the people in rows $1, 2, \dots, i$ are at most as tall as R. Therefore everyone in rows $i, i + 1, \dots, m$ of column $j - 1$ is at least as tall as anyone in rows $1, 2, \dots, i$ of column j . Now for the people in rows $1, 2, \dots, i$ of column j their match stands among rows $1, 2, \dots, i - 1$ of column $j - 1$. This contradicts the pigeonhole principle, so L is shorter than R.

27. Let s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k denote the subsets in the collection. By assumption these subsets are mutually distinct. Consider their complements $\overline{s_1}, \overline{s_2}, \dots, \overline{s_k}$. These complements are mutually distinct. Also, none of these complements are in the collection. Therefore $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k, \overline{s_1}, \overline{s_2}, \dots, \overline{s_k}$ are mutually distinct. Therefore $2k \leq 2^n$ so $k \leq 2^{n-1}$. There are at most 2^{n-1} subsets in the collection.

28. The answer is 1620. Note that $1620 = 81 \times 20$. First assume that $\sum_{i=1}^{100} a_i < 1620$. We show that no matter how the dance lists are selected, there exists a group of 20 men that cannot be paired with the 20 women. Let the dance lists be given. Label the women $1, 2, \dots, 20$. For $1 \leq j \leq 20$ let b_j denote the number of men among the 100 that listed woman j . Note that $\sum_{j=1}^{20} b_j = \sum_{i=1}^{100} a_i$ so $(\sum_{j=1}^{20} b_j)/20 < 81$. By the pigeonhole principle there exists an integer j ($1 \leq j \leq 20$) such that $b_j \leq 80$. We have $100 - b_j \geq 20$. Therefore there exist at least 20 men that did not list woman j . This group of 20 men cannot be paired with the 20 women.

Consider the following selection of dance lists. For $1 \leq i \leq 20$ man i lists woman i and no one else. For $21 \leq i \leq 100$ man i lists all 20 women. Thus $a_i = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq 20$ and $a_i = 20$ for $21 \leq i \leq 100$. Note that $\sum_{i=1}^{100} a_i = 20 + 80 \times 20 = 1620$. Note also that every group of 20 men can be paired with the 20 women.

29. Without loss we may assume $|B_1| \leq |B_2| \leq \dots \leq |B_n|$ and $|B_1^*| \leq |B_2^*| \leq \dots \leq |B_{n+1}^*|$. By assumption $|B_1^*|$ is positive. Let N denote the total number of objects. Thus $N = \sum_{i=1}^n |B_i|$ and $N = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} |B_i^*|$. For $0 \leq i \leq n$ define

$$\Delta_i = |B_1^*| + |B_2^*| + \dots + |B_{i+1}^*| - |B_1| - |B_2| - \dots - |B_i|.$$

We have $\Delta_0 = |B_1^*| > 0$ and $\Delta_n = N - N = 0$. Therefore there exists an integer r ($1 \leq r \leq n$) such that $\Delta_{r-1} > 0$ and $\Delta_r \leq 0$. Now

$$0 < \Delta_{r-1} - \Delta_r = |B_r| - |B_{r+1}^*|$$

so $|B_{r+1}^*| < |B_r|$. So far we have

$$|B_1^*| \leq |B_2^*| \leq \cdots \leq |B_{r+1}^*| < |B_r| \leq |B_{r+1}| \leq \cdots \leq |B_n|.$$

Thus $|B_i^*| < |B_j|$ for $1 \leq i \leq r+1$ and $r \leq j \leq n$. Define

$$\theta = |(B_1^* \cup B_2^* \cup \cdots \cup B_{r+1}^*) \cap (B_r \cup B_{r+1} \cup \cdots \cup B_n)|.$$

We show $\theta \geq 2$. Using $\Delta_{r-1} > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |B_1^*| + |B_2^*| + \cdots + |B_r^*| &> |B_1| + |B_2| + \cdots + |B_{r-1}| \\ &= |B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \cdots \cup B_{r-1}| \\ &\geq |(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \cdots \cup B_{r-1}) \cap (B_1^* \cup B_2^* \cup \cdots \cup B_{r+1}^*)| \\ &= |B_1^* \cup B_2^* \cup \cdots \cup B_{r+1}^*| - \theta \\ &= |B_1^*| + |B_2^*| + \cdots + |B_{r+1}^*| - \theta \\ &\geq |B_1^*| + |B_2^*| + \cdots + |B_r^*| + 1 - \theta. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\theta > 1$ so $\theta \geq 2$.