

BGSU Mathematics Competition  
March 24 2018 **B** (below Calculus III)

**No cell phones are allowed. Show all your work. Justify your answers.**

- 1) Which natural numbers should be placed in the blank space so that

$$(x - 7)(x^2 - 28x + \square) = (x - 11)(x^2 - 24x + \square)$$

is true for all  $x$ ?

- 2) Let  $x$  and  $y$  be two numbers such that  $x + y = xy = 17$ . Evaluate  $(x^2 - 17x)(y + \frac{17}{y})$ .

- 3) Find the units digit of  $3^{3018} - 2^{2018}$ .

- 4) Find the sum:

$$S = 2 + 5 + 8 + 11 + 14 + 17 + \dots + 2009 + 2012 + 2015 + 2018$$

5) The local weatherman was recently asked if he could recall the seven day forecast from memory. He replied that he could not remember the exact forecast, but that he remembered that each day had a different temperature and that the product of the temperatures was 180. What are the seven temperatures in the forecast? (Assume that the individual daily temperatures are rounded to the ones place: for example 23.56 degrees would be rounded to 24 degrees).

6) Prove that any positive integer can be represented as  $\pm 1^2 \pm 2^2 \pm 3^2 \pm \dots \pm n^2$  for some positive integer  $n$  and some choice of the signs.

- 7)  $\log_{20}(18) = a$  and  $\log_{20}(12) = b$ . what is the value of  $\log_{20}(27)$  in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ ?

- 8) Prove that there is an integer of the form 111...111 divisible by 2017.

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