



PUTNAM EXAM SEMINAR  
FALL 2013

ASSIGNMENT 10  
DUE NOVEMBER 25

**Exercise 1.** Determine whether or not the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 117 & 218 & 344 & 511 & 1007 \\ 101 & 800 & 911 & 578 & 113 \\ 1212 & 14 & 4216 & 178 & 2013 \\ 516 & 19 & 2114 & 104 & 3416 \\ 789 & 534 & 114 & 472 & 300 \end{pmatrix}$$

has an inverse.

**Exercise 2.** Prove that  $\frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{7x}{15}$  is an integer for every integral value of  $x$ .

**Exercise 3.** Prove that, for any positive integer  $n$ ,

$$1^n + 2^n + 3^n + 4^n$$

is divisible by 5 if and only if  $n$  is *not* divisible by 4. [Hungary 1901]

**Exercise 4.** Consider the set  $\{2, 5, 13\}$ . Show that if  $D \notin \{2, 5, 13\}$ , then there exist  $A, B \in \{2, 5, 13, D\}$  so that  $AB - 1$  is not a perfect square.

**Exercise 5.** Prove that every positive integer has a multiple whose decimal representation includes all ten digits. [Putnam 1956, 2]

**Exercise 6.** Let  $A$  denote the sum of the decimal digits of  $4444^{4444}$  and let  $B$  be the sum of the decimal digits of  $A$ . Find the sum of the decimal digits of  $B$ . [Int. Olympiad 1975]

**Exercise 7.** Find all positive integers that are within 250 of exactly 15 perfect squares. (Note: A *perfect square* is the square of an integer. We say that  $a$  is within  $n$  of  $b$  if  $b - n \leq a \leq b + n$ .) [Putnam 1994, B1]