

IMO Aftermath

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1. (IMO 2010, Problem 1) Determine all functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that the equality

$$f(\lfloor x \rfloor y) = f(x) \lfloor f(y) \rfloor$$

holds for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. (Here $\lfloor z \rfloor$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to z .)

2. Prove that any arithmetic progression $a, a + d, a + 2d, a + 3d, \dots$ (a and d are real) contains only finitely many elements x such that $0 \leq x \leq 1$.
3. Suppose that eggs are being sold in cartons of $1, 2, \dots, s$ with respective prices a_1, a_2, \dots, a_s . Prove that there is an integer ℓ ($1 \leq \ell \leq s$) with the following property: for all large enough n , the cheapest price of buying exactly n eggs can be achieved with a combination that includes at least one ℓ -egg carton.
4. (IMO 2010, Problem 6) Let a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots be a sequence of positive real numbers. Suppose that for some positive integer s , we have

$$a_n = \max\{a_k + a_{n-k} \mid 1 \leq k \leq n-1\}$$

for all $n > s$. Prove that there exist positive integers ℓ and N , with $\ell \leq s$ and such that $a_n = a_\ell + a_{n-\ell}$ for all $n \geq N$.