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## TRY OUT THIS LIST!

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- (1) The list is divided into sections
- (2) the problems in each section have the following structure:
  - a) An optional title
  - b) Optional introductory statement
  - c) Optional attribution (the person who posed the problem)
  - d) Optional "status" of the problem, which can be anything, but typically indicates any known progress on the problem.
- (3) Following the problem are any number of remarks.

Following that structure makes it easier to maintain the list.

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### 1. FOOD FROM ITALY

Italy is the European country that is shaped like a boot.

Many popular dishes have their origin in Italy test

#### ***This is the heading of the problem***

These are introductory words meant to be read before the problem statement.

**Problem .1.** *How many pieces of pizza are in a typical pizza pie?*

*Remark.* [David Faermer] Eight is the most common, in my experience.

*Remark.* [Kent] See ?? for its definition.

*Remark.* [Jason Davies] test

*Remark.* [Terry] Costco Pizza has 18 slices on average.

The following is actually a real mathematics problem.

[.2] Given a plate of spaghetti with  $N$  noodles, suppose you randomly connect each end of a noodle to another end, with all connections equally likely. What is the expected number of loops?

*Remark.* When  $N = 1$  there is exactly one loop.

When  $N = 2$  there can be either 1 or 2 loops, with 2 loops occurring  $1/3$  of the time. So the expected number of loops is  $\frac{1}{3}2 + \frac{2}{3}1 = \frac{4}{3}$ .

### *Sample heading about dessert*

**Problem .3.** *Cannelloni is a type of desert.*

*Remark.* [Jason] Interesting problem.

**Problem .4.** *This is a placeholder for the statement of a problem.*

## 2. FOOD FROM GREECE

Some sample words of introduction, just filler.

**Problem .1.** *The statement*

*Remark.* [some random person at JMM] frfefdfgfsddsvdv

*Remark.* [JMM person] sdfasdfasfsadfasdf

*Remark.* Just a test remark

## 3. ANOTHER SECTION

testing  $x^x$  foo bar

Let  $c(h/k) := V(\bar{h}, k)$ .

**Problem .05.** *Prove that  $c$  satisfies a reciprocity formula  $xc(x)+c(1/x)-1 \frac{\overline{\text{Den}(x)=\psi(x)(3.0)}}$  where  $\psi(x)$  can be analytically continued to  $\mathbf{C}'$ , the complex plane minus the negative real axis.*

*Remark.* What does "Den" mean?

This is a complicated equation

**Problem .15.**  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots$   
 $= \frac{\pi^2}{6}$ .

***The Four Color theorem***

This is a famous old problem.

**Conjecture .2.** *A planar map can be colored with four or fewer colors and there is a proof without a laborious number of cases.*

*Remark.* Test remark

*Remark.* 33

*Remark.* Something new.

*Remark.* testo

Recall that the Vasyunin sum is

$$V(h, k) = \sum_{a=1}^{k-1} \frac{a}{k} \cot \frac{\pi a h}{k}.$$

**Problem .45.** *Prove that*

$$V(-h, k) = V(h, k).$$

**Problem .5.** *asddassad*

## 4. YET ANOTHER SECTION

test

**Problem 4.1.** *Solve the quadratic equation.*

*Remark.* Remark, part 1

*Remark.* Remark, part 2

***blah***

stuff

**Problem 4.2.**

## 5. ONE MORE SECTION

REFERENCES