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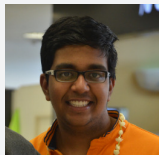
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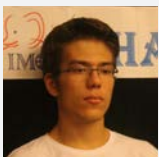


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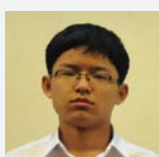
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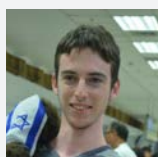


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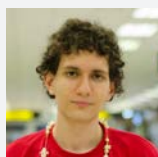
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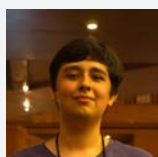
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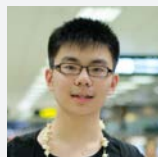
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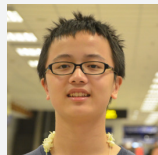


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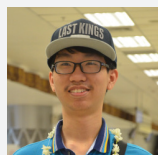
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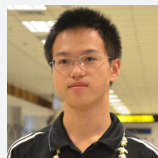
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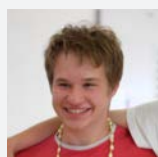


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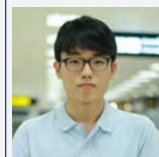
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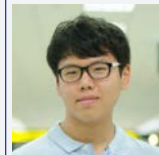


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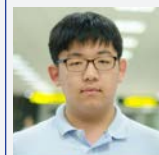
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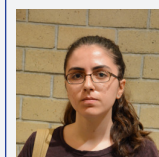


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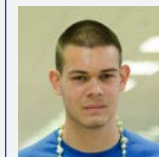
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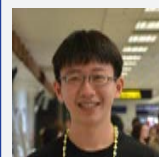
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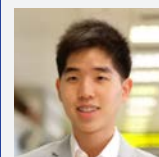
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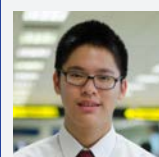


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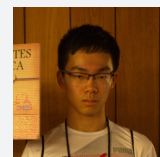


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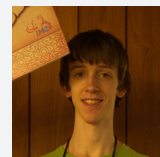


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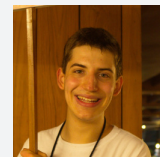
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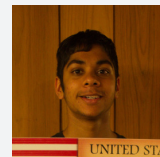
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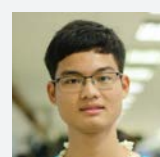


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David Popović

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Yaseen Mowzer

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Ismael Sierra

Sweden

Malte Larsson

Tianfang Zhang

Switzerland

Daniel Peter Rutschmann

Henning Zhang

Horace Chaix

Syria

Muhammad Hanino

Taiwan

Calvin Shao-Huai Hsu

Tajikistan

Kalomidin Klychev

Thailand

Thatchanok Khampitak

*It's great experience that I'll never forget.
Thailand is very far from my home.*
"Ideal Minion Ox"

- Christian Omar Altamirano Modesto -
Peru

I get to see excursion, Thailand and temples.
"Intriguing Mesmerizing Organization"

- Princewill Chukwuemeka Okoroafor -
Nigeria

I've got some friends here.
"Ice-cream Money Orange"

- S M Nayeemul Islam -
Bangladesh

*I like the way it was organized.
I like food a lot.*
"It's Magic Origin"

- Oisín Flynn-Connolly -
Ireland

I like mathematics especially geometry.
"I think Most delicious fruits is Orange"

- Jaewon Choi -
Republic of Korea

*Impression: This is a very
interesting country. The
competition brings math lover
and friendship among different
country to us. I really like Thai
culture and beautiful attractions
such as, tigers, temples and
elephants. One day I will come
here again.*
"Incredible Mentos Operando"

- Costa Rica -

I like food and elephant.
"Intil Maqsad Uchun Omad Sari"

- Khurshid Juraev / Abbas Muhammedov -
Uzbekistan

Well-organized competition.
"Insufficient Manageable Opportunity"

- Emil Skovgaard -
Denmark

My first time but quite fun. Enjoy math a lot.
"Internal Mechanical Obstruction"

- Atli Fannar Franklin -
Iceland

Food, Temple, People, Guides.
"Ice-cream Mango Orchid"

- Arstan Ashyrbekov -
Kyrgyzstan

Nothing to complain.
"Ice Memory Obstacle"

- Iliia Kucherov -
Australia

WHAT IS IMO?



Ehlen ve sehlen Ya habibi!

IRAQ is a middle east country. It's famous all over the world for oil sources and historical castles. This the first time IRAQ has participated to International Mathematical Olympiad and Yusuf Zeybek, Yunus Kocataş are IRAQ's observers.

It's a great honour to be a part of this competition and we hope next year we will compete in Hong Kong. International olympiads is an effected activity to improve our math and science education.

We specially thank to Thailand for hosting this year's IMO2015 and for assistance and hospitality provided at all stages. Special thanks to the IMO Advisory Board for inviting IRAQ.



Big thanks to all members of the IMO 2015 liaison team for bringing enthusiasm, resourcefulness and an intrepid can-do attitude to your job of taking care of the contestants and showing them the best of Thai hospitality. Your hard work and patience helped make IMO 2015 a big success. **Good job, everyone!**

Friendship Award!!



Halil Ibrahim from Turkey

MATH IS FUN FINAL AWARDS

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 Paulius Asvydis
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 Yang Song
 Robert Sparkes
 Sardor Bazarbaev
 Sazid Akhter Turzo
 Francisco proskauer
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 Ahmet Abdullah Keles
 Nicolás Vilches
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HONG KONG

WILL HAVE THE PRIDE OF HOSTING THE BRIGHTEST HIGH SCHOOL MATHS TALENTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD AT THE 57TH INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD (IMO) IN JULY 2016!

A cosmopolitan city strategically located at the heart of Asia, Hong Kong is home to a diverse community that embraces excellence and quality living. Creativity and entrepreneurship converge in this free and dynamic place is superbly connected to the rest of the world.

IMO 2016 will be organised by the IMO Hong Kong Committee. The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology will be the Host University and the Education Bureau of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region will be a Supporting Organisation.

Hong Kong has been taking part in the IMO every year since 1988 and had the privilege of hosting 69 delegations at the 35th IMO in 1994. Having continued to thrive in the "One Country, Two Systems" structure after our transfer of sovereignty to the People's Republic of China in 1997, we look forward to welcoming the IMO community again in 2016!

Don't hesitate to find out more about Hong Kong and IMO 2016 from the IMO 2016 materials you received during IMO 2015!



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HOW AN ANCIENT CALENDAR IS ADJUSTED

The system of dividing time into convenient periods of days, months, and years is called the calendar. The earliest calendars were based on the lunar cycles, but most lunar calendars have now been adjusted to coincide with the solar year.

LUNAR YEAR AND SOLAR YEAR

A lunar month is the time between two full moons and its length is 29.530588 days. A lunar year consists of 12 lunar months and its length is 354.367056 days.

To understand what the solar year is, one first needs to know about the equinoxes. An equinox is the time when the sun crosses the equator making the lengths of day and night equal in all parts of the earth. An equinox takes place twice a year, once in the spring (Spring or Vernal Equinox) and once in the fall (Fall or Autumnal Equinox). The solar year is the length of time between two Spring equinoxes, which is 365.242199 days.

In addition to the lunar and solar years, there is also the star year. Also called the sidereal year, this refers to the length of time the Earth takes to make a complete orbit around the sun in reference to a fixed star. A star year is 365.25636 days long.

The difference between the solar and the lunar year is 10.875143 days while the difference between the star year and the solar year is only 0.014161 days.

HINDU-CHINESE LUNAR YEAR

On Hindu-Chinese lunar calendars, the new moon is the first day of the month. The waxing moon covers the first half of the month, the waning moon the second half. The full moon occurs on the last day of the first half, the dark moon on the last day of the second half. The months in which the dark moon occurs before midnight on the 29th day have 29 days while the rest have 30 days each. In Hindu-Chinese leap years, the dark moon occurs twice while the sun is in the same zodiac sign. Such years contain 13 months while all other years contain 12 months. These events form the “19-Year Cycle” with leap years falling on the 3rd, 6th, 9th, 11th, 14th, 17th and 19th years.

SUVARNABHUMI CALENDAR

The Suvarnabhumi calendar is used for farming and religious purposes in the parts of South-East Asia formerly known as Suvarnabhumi (including Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Xishuangbanna in China's Yunnan province).

The calendar is based on the lunar cycles and needs to be adjusted periodically to coincide with the solar year. In the 19-year cycle, there are 7 leap years of 13 months each. The 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th months of the year have 29 days each, whereas the other 6 months all have 30 days. The average length of a month in this calendar is 29.5 days, or 0.030588 days shorter than the true lunar month. This is why most of the dark and full moons on the Suvarnabhumi calendar occur before the real dark and full moons in the sky (and also before the dark and full moons on the Hindu and Chinese calendars).

Like the Hindu and Chinese calendars, the Suvarnabhumi calendar has the waxing moon in the first half of the month and the waning moon in the second half. But unlike the Hindu and Chinese calendars, it needs to be adjusted to align not only with the solar year but with the lunar month as well. The latter adjustment is done to make each month fall during the same season throughout the region, with the first month ending in mid-winter, the waning moon of the

3rd month occurring at the end of winter, the waning moon of the 5th month taking place in mid-summer, the waning moon of the 6th month occurring at the start of the rainy season, the waning moon of the 8th month occurring at the start of heavy rains, and the waning moon of the 12th month taking place at the start of winter.

The above conditions can only be fulfilled if all of the following are true:

- (i) The dark moon of the 1st month is the first dark moon after the South Solstice.
- (ii) The dark moon of the 4th month is the first dark moon after the Vernal Equinox.
- (iii) The full moon of the 8th month is the first full moon after the North Solstice and its appearance takes place at least 11 days after the North Solstice.

VIHARAS AS ADJUSTING INSTRUMENTS

In parts of Suvarnabhumi, the viharas (shrine halls) at some Buddhist temples were built to serve as adjusting instruments for the Suvarnabhumi calendar. Two of the most outstanding examples are the vihara of Wat Phra Yuen in Lamphun Province, south of Chiang Mai, and the vihara of Wat Xieng Thong in Luang Prabang, Laos.

The planar projection diagram of the sun's rays shining into the Vihara of Wat Pra Yuen is given in Figure 1 and can be compared with that for the Vihara of Wat Xieng Thong.

The following are warning signs that in some years the conditions (i)-(iii) will be contradicted:

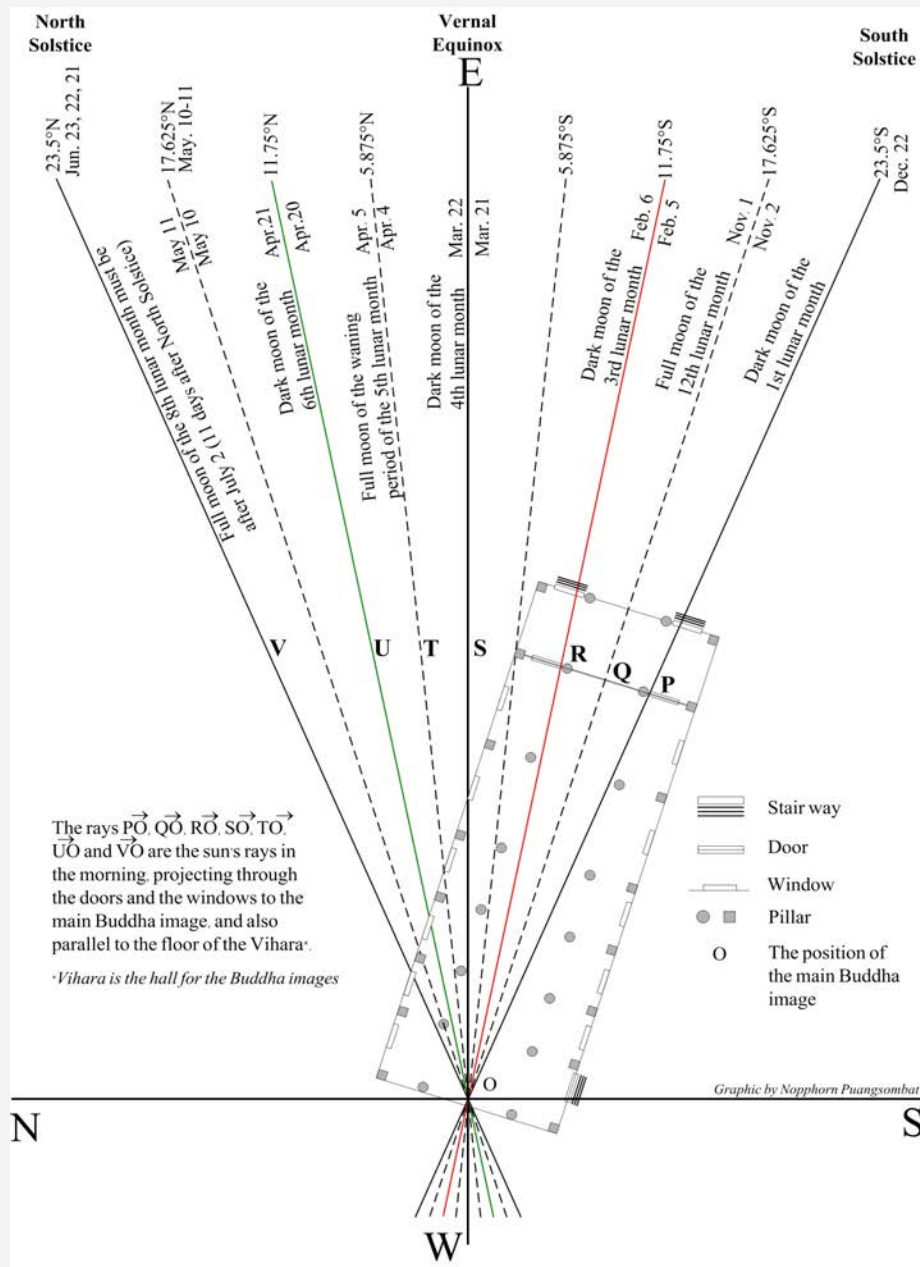
- (1) The full moon of the 12th month occurs before the sun's rays are at 17.625 °S after the Autumnal Equinox (before November 10, see Figure 1). This will make the dark moon of the following month fall on or before the South Solstice, and the full moon of the 3rd month occur before the start of the summer.
 - (2) The dark moon of the 4th month occurs on or before the Vernal Equinox. This will lead to the full moon of the 6th month occurring before the start of the rainy season.
 - (3) The full moon of the 8th month occurs on or before Day 11 after the North Solstice (before the heavy rains start).
- (1)-(3) are conditions in which (1) implies (2), (2) implies (3), and (3) requires the addition of a second 8th month to make the full moon of the coming 12th months obey the rule and also make the conditions (i)-(iii) given above come true.

All of these conditions depend on whether or not the full and dark moon days of the Suvarnabhumi calendar coincide exactly with the full and dark moons in the sky. This is the origin of the tradition of moon worship in the 3rd, 5th, 6th, 8th and 12th months, which involves checking whether or not the full moon is truly so.

The criteria for checking the full and the dark moons in Suvarnabhumi are as follows:

- (a) The really full moon must be a complete circle.
- (b) At sunset, the moon's angle of elevation must not exceed one-eighth of the sky (22½°).
- (c) The complete full moon must occur on the last day of the waxing moon.
- (d) The day after the complete full moon, the moon is no longer a complete circle and appears in the sky after sunset.
- (e) A true dark moon is ascertained when a complete absence of moon is observed after midnight on the eve of the dark-moon day, or before midnight on the dark-moon day.

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Of these criteria, only (b) and (d) are specific to Suvarnabhumi.

Following these checks, if it is clear that the full or dark moons on the calendar are out of sync with reality, then the 7th month needs to be extended to 30 days. This, in turn, will make the full moon of the 8th month a true full moon.

As mentioned above, the viharas of Lumpun's Wat Phra Yuen (built in AD 666) and Luang Prabang's Wat Xieng Thong (built in AD 1560) were built to serve as adjusting instruments for the Suvannabhumi calendar. The alignments of the buildings themselves as well as their doors, windows and the locations of their principal Buddha images are designed in such a way that the sun rays coming through a certain opening and hitting the Buddha image at a certain time of the year can help you figure out whether the calendar needs to be adjusted.

Let's imagine that we are in the vihara of Wat Phra Yuen one morning in the 1st month on the Suvarn-abhumi calendar. We observe that the sun rays shining through P (see Figure 1) and parallel to the floor hit the Buddha image (O). If today is the dark-moon day of the 1st month, all is fine. But if today is the dark-moon day of the 12th month, then a second 8th month needs to be added to next year's calendar.

If you visit Wat Phra Yuen or Wat Xieng Thong, try this trick and find out whether this ancient adjusting instrument really works.

(This article is adapted from “*The Existing Suvannaphum at Wat Phra Yuen*”, Chiang Mai Journal of Science, 2007; 34(2): 143-149 by the late Assoc. Prof. Smai Yodindra, a long-time faculty member at Chiang Mai University's Department of Mathematics.)

(Note: Suvannaphum is an alternative spelling of Suvarnabhumi.)

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