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## PROBLEM OF THE MONTH

**Term:** July - August 2012

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k$  are distinct subsets of the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2012\}$  such that

 $|A_i| = 3$  for each  $1 \le i \le k$  and  $|A_i \cap A_j| \ne 1$  for each  $1 \le i < j \le k$ .

Find the maximal possible value of k.

(|A| denotes the number of elements of A).