

Topic 1.**ADDITIVE FUNCTIONAL EQUATIONS****Problem 1. (L)** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(2022x^3 + y + f(y)) = 2y + 2022x^2 f(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Problem 2. (L) Prove that for each positive integer n , there exist at most 3 functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$2022[(x+y)f(x+y) - f(x^2+y^2)] = xf_n(y) + yf_n(x)$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, in which $f_n(x) = f(f(\dots f(x)\dots))$.**Problem 3. (O)** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(xf(x) + 2f(y)) = x^2 + y + f(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Problem 4. (O) Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$f(3(f(xy))^2 + (xy)^2) = (xf(y) + yf(x))^2 \text{ for all } x, y > 0.$$

Problem 5. (L) Find all continuous functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfy these conditions:

$$\text{i) } f(x) + f(y) + f(z) + 3xyz = 0 \text{ for all } x + y + z = 0.$$

$$\text{ii) } \max\{f(x) - f(y)\} = 2 \text{ for all } x \geq y \geq 0.$$

Problem 6*. (V) Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$2f(x)f(x+y) - f(x^2) = \frac{x}{2}(f(2x) + 4f(f(y))) \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Additional problems.**Problem 7. (V)** Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(x + y^2 + z^3) = f(x) + f(y)^2 + f(z)^3, \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Problem 8. (V) Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(|x| + y + f(y)) = 2y + |f(x)| \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Problem 9. (O) Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for all $x, y > 0$ then

$$\text{i) } f(x) + f(y) \leq \frac{f(x+y)}{2}.$$

$$\text{ii) } (x+y)[yf(x) + xf(y)] \geq xyf(x+y).$$

Problem 10*. (V) Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that for all $0 < x < y$ then

$$\text{i) } xf(y^2) - yf(x^2) > 0.$$

$$\text{ii) } f(xf(y^2) - yf(x^2)) = (y-x)f(xy).$$

Topic 2.**ROOTS OF POLYNOMIAL**

Problem 11. (L) Find all positive integer n such that there exists some polynomial $P(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ such that $P(x) > -3, \forall x$ and $P(0) = P(2) = P(-2) = 0$.

Problem 12. (V) Find all odd integer n such that there exist $g(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ such that

$$4x^{2n+1} - 3x - 1 = (x-1)g(x)^2.$$

Problem 13. (O) Let $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{20} \in \{0, 1\}$ and consider the following polynomial

$$P(x) = c_1 x^{38} + c_2 x^{36} + \dots + c_{19} x^2 + c_{20}.$$

a) Suppose that $P(1) = -10$, prove that there exist at most 6 coefficients equal to 5 in the expansion of $P(x)^2$.

b) For $n \geq 20$, denote c_{n+1} as the smallest real root of the polynomial

$$P_n(x) = x^{2n} + c_1 x^{2n-2} + c_2 x^{2n-4} + \dots + c_{n-1} x^2 + c_n.$$

Prove that c_{n+1} always exist and for all $n \geq 20$, $c_{n+1} < c_n$.

Problem 14. (O) Consider polynomial $P(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 1$, ($a, b \in \mathbb{R}$) with graph (C) and (C) cuts x -axis at B, C, D with x -coordinate are u, v, w in that order such that $|u| < |v| < |w|$, cuts y -axis at A . The circle (ABD) cut y -axis again at E . Suppose that $\max\{u, v, w\} > 2$.

a) Find the smallest length of the segment CE . Denote Ω as the family of polynomial $P(x)$ attaining that minimum value.

b) Consider $P_0(x) \in \Omega$, find the maximum value of the sum of the coefficients of $P_0(P_0(x))$.

Problem 15. (L) Given monic $P(x)$ polynomial in $\mathbb{R}[x]$ of degree 15 and has 15 distinct non-integer roots. Suppose that each of $P(2x^2 - 4x) = 0$ and $P(4x - 2x^2) = 0$ have exactly 20 distinct real roots. Prove that one can find two polynomials $G(x), H(x)$ such that

$$P(x) = G(x)H(x) \text{ and } |G(c)| > |H(c)|, \forall c \in (-1; 1).$$

Problem 16*. (O) Let c be positive real number, consider the polynomial $P(x) = cx(x-2)$. Suppose that the equation $P_n(x) = 0$ has 2^n distinct real roots for all positive integer n . Prove that $c \geq 1$.

Note that: $P_n(x) = P(P(\dots P(x) \dots))$ with n times of union of P .

Additional problems.

Problem 17. (L) Given the function $f(x) = x^2 - 2x$. Find the condition of real number m such that $\underbrace{f(f(\dots f(x) \dots))}_{2022 \text{ times}} = m$ has 2^{2022} distinct real roots.

Problem 18. (V) Consider the sequence of polynomial $P_1(x) = x$, $P_{n+1}(x) = (P_n(x) - a)^2$ for $n \geq 1$. Suppose that $P_n(x) = 2$ has 2^{n-1} distinct real roots for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. Prove that $a \geq 2$.

Problem 19. (L) Consider polynomial $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ with $a \neq 0$.

- a) Suppose that $f(f(x)) = 0$ has unique real root a . Prove that $f'(a) = 1$.
- b) On the Cartesian coordination, the graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $x = f(y)$ meet at four points A, B, C, D form an quadrilateral $ABCD$. Prove that $AC \perp BD$ and $ABCD$ is not a trapezoid.

Problem 20*. (O) Consider the monic, integer polynomial $P(x)$ of degree n with n distinct real roots. Suppose that $P(x)$ is irreducible on $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ and there exist some integer polynomial $Q(x)$ of degree smaller than n and such that $P(x) \mid P(Q(x))$.

- a) Prove that the number of such $Q(x)$ is at most n .
- b) Suppose that $\deg P = 3$, the sum of its roots is 0 and $Q(x)$ is monic. Find the maximum value of $Q(2)$.

Topic 3.

MULTI-VARIABLE INEQUALITY

Problem 21. (O) Find the maximum value of c such that for any positive integer n and any sequence (x_n) such that $0 = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = 1$ then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 (x_i - x_{i-1}) > c.$$

Problem 22. (O) For integer $n \geq 3$, given numbers $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_n$ having the sum equals to 0. Prove that

$$a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2 + na_1 a_n \leq 0.$$

Problem 23. (O) Consider positive integer n such that there exist real numbers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in which $i \leq x_i \leq 2i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and

$$\frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}{(x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + \dots + nx_n)^2} = \frac{27}{4n(n+1)(2n+1)}.$$

- a) Prove that $n \equiv 0, 4, 8 \pmod{9}$.
- b) Find all n satisfy the given conditions.

Problem 24. (L) Consider real numbers $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2022}$ having the sum equals 0 and

$$|x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_{2022}| = 2022.$$

Find the maximum and minimum value of $T = x_1 x_2 \dots x_{2022}$.

Problem 25. (O) Find all tuples $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2n})$ of positive real numbers such that:

i) $a_{2k-1} = \frac{1}{a_{2k}} + \frac{1}{a_{2k-2}}$ for $k=1, 2, \dots, n$ and suppose that $a_0 = a_{2n}$.

ii) $a_{2k} = a_{2k-1} + a_{2k+1}$ for $k=1, 2, \dots, n$ and suppose that $a_{2n+1} = a_1$.

Problem 26*. (V) For positive integer n , consider n red balls and n green balls are arranged on the line. For the ball X at positive i , denote x_i as the number of pairs of ball lying on two sides of X and having the color differ from X . Find the maximum value of

$$T = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{2n}.$$

Additional problems.

Problem 27. (L) For integer $n \in [2; 21]$, consider non-negative real numbers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n having the sum $\frac{7}{4}$. Find the maximum value of $S = 5(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2) - 2(x_1^3 + x_2^3 + \dots + x_n^3)$.

Problem 28. (O) For integer $n \geq 3$, consider $4n$ non-negative real numbers x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2n} and y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{2n} such that

i) $S = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{2n} = y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{2n} > 0$.

ii) $x_i x_{i+2} \geq y_i + y_{i+1}$ for all $i=1, 2, \dots, 2n-1$ (with $x_{2n+1} = x_1, x_{2n+2} = x_2, y_{2n+1} = y_1$).

a) Prove that for $n=3$, $S \geq 12$.

b) Suppose that $n \geq 4$, find the minimum value of S .

Problem 29. (O) For integer $n \geq 3$ and numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n that not all equal to 0. Prove that

$$\frac{12}{n^3 - n} (a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2) \geq \min_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i - a_j)^2.$$

Problem 30*. (O) Prove that there exist 100 positive real numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{100} such that

i) $a_i a_{i+1} = 2i + 1$ for all $i=1, 2, \dots, 99$.

ii) $a_i a_j \leq i + j$ for all $i \neq j$.

Topic 4.

SOME TECHNIQUES ON FUNCTION EQUATION

Problem 31. (L) For k is the real number, consider $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$2f(kxy + f(x+y)) = xf(y) + yf(x) \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Suppose that $f(0) \neq 0$ then find k .

b) Suppose that $k = -\frac{1}{2}$, prove that $f(-f(2)) = f(2)$.

Problem 32. (V) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(xf(y) - f(x)) = 2f(x) + xy \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Problem 33. (L) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(x + f(y)) = f(x) + \frac{x}{2}f(2y) + f(f(y)) \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Problem 34. (O)

a) Suppose that $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that there exist some positive real numbers a, b, c in which $f(x) \geq cx$, $\forall x > 0$ and $f(x+a) = f(x+b)$, $\forall x > 0$. Prove that $a = b$.

b) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$f(x+y+f(x)) = f(x+y) + f(y) \text{ for all } x, y > 0.$$

Problem 35. (V)

a) Consider functions $f, g, h: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$f(g(x) + y) = h(x) + g(y) \text{ for all } x, y > 0.$$

Prove that $\frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$ is a constant for all x .

b) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $f\left(\frac{f(x)}{x} + y\right) = 1 + f(y)$ for all $x, y > 0$.

Problem 36*. (V) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

a) $f(x+y+f(x)) = f(2x) + f(y)$ for all $x, y > 0$.

b) $f(2021x+y+f(x)) = f(2022x) + f(y)$ for all $x, y > 0$.

Additional problems.

Problem 37. (V) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(x)f(y) = f(xy-1) + xf(y) + yf(x) \text{ for all } x, y.$$

Problem 38. (V) Consider functions $f, g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $g(2022) > 0$ and

$$\begin{cases} f(x-g(y)) = f(-x+2g(y)) + xg(y) - 6 \\ g(y) = g(2f(x)-y) \end{cases} \text{ for all } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Prove that g is constant.

Problem 39. (L) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$f(x+2y+f(x+y)) = f(2x) + f(3y) \text{ for all } x, y > 0.$$

Problem 40*. (O) Find all functions $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$f(f(x)f(f(x)) + y) = xf(x) + f(y) \text{ for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

Topic 4.**SEQUENCE OF THE REAL NUMBERS**

Problem 41. (O) Consider sequence $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2022}$ of real numbers with at least one positive. The term a_k is called « good » if one of the following values is positive

$$a_k, a_k + a_{k+1}, \dots, a_k + a_{k+1} + \dots + a_{2022}$$

Prove that the sum of all good numbers in this sequence is positive.

Problem 42. (O) Consider 2022 real numbers $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2022}$. Prove that there exist indices m, k (with m can be 0 or 2022) such that

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^m a_i - \sum_{i=m+1}^{2021} a_i \right| \leq |a_k|.$$

Problem 43. (V) Find the smallest real number M such that for all positive sequence (u_n) in which $\sum_{k=1}^n u_k \leq \frac{u_{n+1}}{2}$ for all n then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{u_k} \leq M \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n u_k}, \quad \forall n.$$

Problem 44*. (O) For $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$, consider the infinite sequence (x_n) such that $0 < x_i < c, \forall i$ and $|x_i - x_j| \geq \frac{1}{j}$ for all $1 \leq i < j$. Prove that $c \geq \ln 4$.

Problem 45*. (O) For $c \in \mathbb{R}^+$, consider the infinite sequence (x_n) such that $0 < x_i < c, \forall i$ and for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, the numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n divide $(0; c)$ into sub-intervals having the length less than $\frac{1}{n}$. Prove that $d \leq \ln 2$.

Problem 46. (V) For $a \in (1; 2)$, consider the sequence (x_n) of positive real numbers such that

$$u_n^a \geq u_1 + u_2 + \dots + u_{n-1}, \quad \forall n \geq 2.$$

Prove that there exist constant $c > 0$ such that $u_n \geq cn, \forall n$.

Additional problems.

Problem 47. (L) Prove that there does not exist the sequence (x_n) of real numbers such that

$$x_1 = 2 \text{ and } \frac{2x_n^2 + 2}{x_n + 3} < x_{n+1} \leq \frac{2x_n + 2}{x_n + 3} + 2022 \text{ for all } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Problem 48. (L) On the Cartesian coordination Oxy , consider sequence of points $A_n(x_n, y_n)$ in which $(x_n), (y_n)$ are sequences of positive real numbers such that

$$x_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{x_n^2 + x_{n+2}^2}{2}}, y_{n+1} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{y_n} + \sqrt{y_{n+2}}}{2} \right)^2 \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

Suppose that O, A_1, A_{2022} belong to a line (d) and $A_1 \neq A_{2022}$. Prove that all of $A_2, A_3, \dots, A_{2021}$ lying on the same side of the line (d) .

Problem 49. (O) Let (a_n) be a sequence with $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ and

$$a_n = a_{a_{n-1}} + a_{n-a_{n-1}} \text{ for all } n \geq 3.$$

Prove that $a_{2n} \leq 2a_n$ for all n .

Problem 50*. (V) Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n be some real numbers ($n \geq 3$). Denote A, B as the number of ordered pairs (i, j) such that $|x_i - x_j| \leq 1$ and $|x_i - x_j| \leq 2$ respectively. Prove that $B \leq 3A$.

Can the number 3 be replaced by another smaller number?