## Email training, N2 September 18-23

**Problem 2.1.** Let  $a \neq 0$  and let  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are the roots of the equation

$$x^2 + ax - \frac{1}{2a^2} = 0.$$

Prove that

$$x_1^4 + x_2^4 \ge 2 + \sqrt{2}$$
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**Problem 2.2.** Prove that at least one coefficient of the polynomial

$$P(x) = (x^4 + x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 2)^n$$

is negative.

**Problem 2.3.** Prove that lcm(1, 2, 3, ..., 2n) = lcm(n + 1, n + 2, ..., 2n), where lcm is the least common multiplier.

**Problem 2.4.** Four positive integers are given. It is known that the sum of squares of any two of them is divisible by product of other two numbers  $(cd|a^2 + b^2)$ . Prove that at least three numbers are equal.

**Problem 2.5.** The endpoints of N arcs split the circle into 2N equal arcs of length 1. It is known that each arc splits the circle into 2 parts of even length. Prove that N is even.

**Problem 2.6.** The robber's car speed is 90% of policeman's car speed. Robber and policeman are along the line and policeman doesn't know in which direction goes the robber. Prove that the policeman may catch the robber.

**Problem 2.7.** Angle A of the acute-angled triangle ABC equals  $60^{\circ}$ . Prove that the bisector of one of the angles formed by the altitudes drawn from B and C, passes through the circumcircle's centre.

**Problem 2.8.** The bisectors of the angles  $\angle A$ ,  $\angle B$   $\angle C$  of a triangle  $\triangle ABC$  intersect with the circumcircle c1(O,R) of  $\triangle ABC$  at  $A_2$ ,  $B_2$ ,  $C_2$  respectively. The tangents of c1 at  $A_2$ ,  $B_2$ ,  $C_2$  intersect each other at  $A_3$ ,  $B_3$ ,  $C_3$  (the points  $A_3$ , A lie on the same side of BC, the points  $B_3$ , B on the same side of CA, and  $C_3$ , C on the same side of AB). The incircle c2(I,r) of  $\triangle ABC$  is tangent to BC, CA, AB at  $A_1$ ,  $B_1$ ,  $C_1$  respectively. Prove that  $A_1A_2$ ,  $B_1B_2$ ,  $C_1C_2$ ,  $AA_3$ ,  $BB_3$ ,  $CC_3$  are concurrent.

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