

1. An acute-angled triangle  $ABC$  has orthocentre  $H$ . The circle passing through  $H$  with centre the midpoint of  $BC$  intersects the line  $BC$  at  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ . Similarly, the circle passing through  $H$  with centre the midpoint of  $CA$  intersects the line  $CA$  at  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ , and the circle passing through  $H$  with centre the midpoint of  $AB$  intersects the line  $AB$  at  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Show that  $A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2, C_1, C_2$  lie on a circle.
2. Prove that  $\frac{x^2}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{y^2}{(y-1)^2} + \frac{z^2}{(z-1)^2} \geq 1$  for all real numbers  $x, y, z$ , each different from 1, and satisfying  $xyz = 1$ . (b) Prove that equality holds above for infinitely many triples of rational numbers  $x, y, z$ , each different from 1, and satisfying  $xyz = 1$ .
3. Prove that there exist infinitely many positive integers  $n$  such that  $n^2 + 1$  has a prime divisor which is greater than  $2n + \sqrt{2}n$ .
4. Find all functions  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  so, ( $f$  is a function from the positive real numbers to the positive real numbers) such that  $\frac{(f(w))^2 + (f(x))^2}{f(y)^2 + f(z)^2}$  for all positive real numbers  $w, x, y, z$ , satisfying  $wx = yz$ .
5. Let  $n$  and  $k$  be positive integers with  $k \geq n$  and  $k - n$  an even number. Let  $2n$  lamps labelled  $1, 2, \dots, 2n$  be given, each of which can be either on or off. Initially all the lamps are off. We consider sequences of steps: at each step one of the lamps is switched (from on to off or from off to on). Let  $N$  be the number of such sequences consisting of  $k$  steps and resulting in the state where lamps 1 through  $n$  are all on, and lamps  $n + 1$  through  $2n$  are all off. Let  $M$  be the number of such sequences consisting of  $k$  steps, resulting in the state where lamps 1 through  $n$  are all on, and lamps  $n + 1$  through  $2n$  are all off, but where none of the lamps  $n + 1$  through  $2n$  is ever switched on. Determine the ratio  $\frac{N}{M}$ .
6. Let  $ABCD$  be a convex quadrilateral with  $|BA| \neq |BC|$ . Denote the incircles of triangles  $ABC$  and  $ADC$  by  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  respectively. Suppose that there exists a circle  $\omega$  tangent to the ray  $BA$  beyond  $A$  and to the ray  $BC$  beyond  $C$ , which is also tangent to the lines  $AD$  and  $CD$ . Prove that the common external tangents of  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  intersect on  $\omega$ .