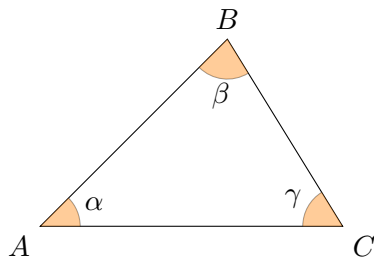


Set-up

Throughout this session, consider the values of m , d given by your birthday (in the form $m/d/Y$). For instance, if you were born today, then $m = 10$ and $d = 8$.

Consider a triangle $\triangle ABC$ that has angles with degree values $\alpha = 4 \max(m, d) - 2 \min(m, d) + 6$, and $\beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{N}$.



Exploration Stage

Problem 1 (10 pts—all or nothing). Describe the set \mathcal{B} that contains all the possible values of β (in degrees) for the triangle $\triangle ABC$ that you have just constructed. Use set-builder notation, rather than listing its elements.

Problem 2 (10 pts—all or nothing). Once an angle $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$ has been chosen, there is only one possible value for the remaining angle γ . Find a formula for γ in terms of m, d and β .

Planning and Delivery

Problem 3 (20 pts). Prove that in your triangle $\triangle ABC$ with angles (in degrees) with values $\beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{N}$, and $\alpha = 4 \max(m, d) - 2 \min(m, d) + 6$, if $\underbrace{\beta \text{ is even.}}_P$, then $\underbrace{\gamma \text{ is also even.}}_Q$.

Start by completing the following step-by-step table, before you put your proof into words.

Statement	Reason (Fact)
$P = \text{"}\beta \text{ is even."}$	hypothesis
$\exists b \in \mathbb{N}, \beta = 2b$	Definition of even (natural) number
\vdots	\vdots
$\gamma = 2c \text{ for } c = \dots$	\dots
$Q = \text{"}\gamma \text{ is even."}$	Definition of even number

Problem 4 (20 pts). For the same triangle, prove that if β is odd, then γ is also odd.

Problem 5 (40 pts). Write a proof of the following proposition.

Proposition. *In any right triangle with integer-valued angles (in degrees), the non-right angles have the same parity.*