

National Math Olympiad (3rd Round) 2005

Day 1

1 Suppose $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Prove that :

$$\left(\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{c} + \frac{c}{a}\right)^2 \geq (a + b + c) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right)$$

2 Suppose $\{x_n\}$ is a decreasing sequence that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$. Prove that $\sum (-1)^n x_n$ is convergent

3 Find all $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ that for each (x_1, \dots, x_n) and $(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{+n}$ that:

$$\left(\sum x_i^\alpha\right)\left(\sum y_i^\beta\right) \geq \sum x_i y_i$$

4 Suppose $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ that $\deg P = \deg Q$ and $PQ' - QP'$ has no real root. Prove that for each $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ number of real roots of P and $\lambda P + (1 - \lambda)Q$ are equal.

5 Suppose $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and

$$\frac{1}{a^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{b^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{c^2 + 1} = 2$$

Prove that $ab + ac + bc \leq \frac{3}{2}$

6 Suppose $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is closed and non-empty. Let $f : A \rightarrow A$ is a lipchitz function with constant less than 1. (ie there exist $c < 1$ that $|f(x) - f(y)| < c|x - y|$, $\forall x, y \in A$). Prove that there exists a unique point $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = x$.

Day 2

- 1 From each vertex of triangle ABC we draw 3 arbitrary parallel lines, and from each vertex we draw a perpendicular to these lines. There are 3 rectangles that one of their diagonals is triangle's side. We draw their other diagonals and call them ℓ_1 , ℓ_2 and ℓ_3 .

- a) Prove that ℓ_1 , ℓ_2 and ℓ_3 are concurrent at a point P .
- b) Find the locus of P as we move the 3 arbitrary lines.

- 2 Suppose O is circumcenter of triangle ABC . Suppose $\frac{S(OAB)+S(OAC)}{2} = S(OBC)$. Prove that the distance of O (circumcenter) from the radical axis of the circumcircle and the 9-point circle is

$$\frac{a^2}{\sqrt{9R^2 - (a^2 + b^2 + c^2)}}$$

- 3 Prove that in acute-angled triangle ABC if r is inradius and R is radius of circumcircle then:

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 4(R + r)^2$$

- 4 Suppose in triangle ABC incircle touches the side BC at P and $\angle APB = \alpha$. Prove that :

$$\frac{1}{p-b} + \frac{1}{p-c} = \frac{2}{r \tan \alpha}$$

- 5 Suppose H and O are orthocenter and circumcenter of triangle ABC . ω is circumcircle of ABC . AO intersects with ω at A_1 . A_1H intersects with ω at A' and A'' is the intersection point of ω and AH . We define points B' , B'' , C' and C'' similarly. Prove that $A'A''$, $B'B''$ and $C'C''$ are concurrent in a point on the Euler line of triangle ABC .

Day 3

- 1 Find all $n, p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ that:

$$2^n + n^2 = 3^p 7^q$$

- 2 Let $a \in \mathbb{N}$ and $m = a^2 + a + 1$. Find the number of $0 \leq x \leq m$ that:

$$x^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$$

- 3 $p(x)$ is an irreducible polynomial in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ that $\deg p$ is odd. $q(x), r(x)$ are polynomials with rational coefficients that $p(x) \mid q(x)^2 + q(x) \cdot r(x) + r(x)^2$. Prove that

$$p(x)^2 \mid q(x)^2 + q(x) \cdot r(x) + r(x)^2$$

- 4 k is an integer. We define the sequence $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ like this:

$$a_0 = 0, \quad a_1 = 1, \quad a_n = 2ka_{n-1} - (k^2 + 1)a_{n-2} \quad (n \geq 2)$$

p is a prime number that $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

- a) Prove that $a_{n+p^2-1} \equiv a_n \pmod{p}$
b) Prove that $a_{n+p^3-p} \equiv a_n \pmod{p^2}$

- 5 Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $a, b \neq c$. Prove that there are infinitely many prime numbers p for which there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}$ that $p \mid a^n + b^n - c^n$.

Day 4

- 1 We call the set $A \in \mathbb{R}^n$ CN if and only if for every continuous $f : A \rightarrow A$ there exists some $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = x$.

- a) Example: We know that $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| \leq 1\}$ is CN.
b) The circle is not CN.

Which one of these sets are CN?

- 1) $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid |x| = 1\}$
2) The cross $\{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid xy = 0, |x| + |y| \leq 1\}$
3) Graph of the function $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x) = \sin \frac{1}{x} \text{ if } x \neq 0, \quad f(0) = 0$$

Art of Problem Solving

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- 2 n vectors are on the plane. We can move each vector forward and backward on the line that the vector is on it. If there are 2 vectors that their endpoints coincide we can omit them and replace them with their sum (If their sum is nonzero). Suppose with these operations with 2 different method we reach to a vector. Prove that these vectors are on a common line
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- 3 $f(n)$ is the least number that there exist a $f(n)$ -mino that contains every n -mino.
 Prove that $10000 \leq f(1384) \leq 960000$.
 Find some bound for $f(n)$
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- 4 a) Year 1872 Texas
 3 gold miners found a peice of gold. They have a coin that with possibility of $\frac{1}{2}$ it will come each side, and they want to give the piece of gold to one of themselves depending on how the coin will come. Design a fair method (It means that each of the 3 miners will win the piece of gold with possibility of $\frac{1}{3}$) for the miners.
- b) Year 2005, faculty of Mathematics, Sharif university of Technolgy
 Suppose $0 < \alpha < 1$ and we want to find a way for people name A and B that the possibity of winning of A is α . Is it possible to find this way?
- c) Year 2005 Ahvaz, Takhti Stadium
 Two soccer teams have a contest. And we want to choose each player's side with the coin, But we don't know that our coin is fair or not. Find a way to find that coin is fair or not?
- d) Year 2005,summer
 In the National mathematical Oympiad in Iran. Each student has a coin and must find a way that the possibility of coin being TAIL is α or no. Find a way for the student.
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Day 5

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- 1 An airplane wants to go from a point on the equator, and at each moment it will go to the northeast with speed v . Suppose the radius of earth is R .
- a) Will the airplane reach to the north pole? If yes how long it will take to reach the north pole?
- b) Will the airplne rotate finitely many times around the north pole? If yes how many times?
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- 2 We define a relation between subsets of \mathbb{R}^n . $A \sim B \iff$ we can partition A, B in sets A_1, \dots, A_n and B_1, \dots, B_n (i.e $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$, $B = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$, $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$, $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$) and $A_i \simeq B_i$.
Say the the following sets have the relation \sim or not ?

- Natural numbers and composite numbers.
- Rational numbers and rational numbers with finite digits in base 10.
- $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} | x < \sqrt{2}\}$ and $\{x \in \mathbb{Q} | x < \sqrt{3}\}$
- $A = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x^2 + y^2 < 1\}$ and $A \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$

- 3 For each $m \in \mathbb{N}$ we define $rad(m) = \prod p_i$, where $m = \prod p_i^{\alpha_i}$.
abc Conjecture
Suppose $\epsilon > 0$ is an arbitrary number, then there exist K depending on ϵ that for each 3 numbers $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ that $gcd(a, b) = 1$ and $a + b = c$ then:

$$\max\{|a|, |b|, |c|\} \leq K(rad(abc))^{1+\epsilon}$$

Now prove each of the following statements by using the *abc* conjecture :

- Fermat's last theorem for $n > N$ where N is some natural number.
- We call $n = \prod p_i^{\alpha_i}$ strong if and only $\alpha_i \geq 2$.
- Prove that there are finitely many n such that $n, n+1, n+2$ are strong.
- Prove that there are finitely many rational numbers $\frac{p}{q}$ such that:

$$\left| \sqrt[3]{2} - \frac{p}{q} \right| < \frac{2^{1384}}{q^3}$$

- 4 Suppose we have some proteins that each protein is a sequence of 7 "AMINO-ACIDS" A, B, C, H, F, N . For example $AFHNNNHAFFC$ is a protein. There are some steps that in each step an amino-acid will change to another one. For example with the step $NA \rightarrow N$ the protein $BANANA$ will cahnge to $BANNA$ ("in Persian means workman"). We have a set of allowed steps that each protein can change with these steps. For example with the set of steps:
- $AA \rightarrow A$
 - $AB \rightarrow BA$
 - $A \rightarrow \text{null}$
- Protein $ABBAABA$ will change like this:
- ABBAABA
- ABBABA

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$BABABA$

$BBAABA$

$BBABA$

$BBBAA$

$BBBA$

BBB

You see after finite steps this protein will finish it steps.

Set of allowed steps that for them there exist a protein that may have infinitely many steps is dangerous. Which of the following allowed sets are dangerous?

a) $NO \rightarrow OONN$

b) $\begin{cases} HHCC \rightarrow HCCH \\ CC \rightarrow CH \end{cases}$

c) Design a set of allowed steps that change $\underbrace{AA \dots A}_n \rightarrow \underbrace{BB \dots B}_{2^n}$

d) Design a set of allowed steps that change $\underbrace{A \dots A}_n \underbrace{B \dots B}_m \rightarrow \underbrace{CC \dots C}_{mn}$

You see from c and d that we can calculate the functions $F(n) = 2^n$ and $G(M, N) = mn$ with these steps. Find some other calculatable functions with these steps. (It has some extra mark.)