

Junior problems

J109. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$\frac{(a+b)^2}{c} + \frac{c^2}{a} \geq 4b.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

J110. Let $\tau(n)$ and $\phi(n)$ denote the number of divisors of n and the number of positive integers less than or equal to n that are relatively prime to n , respectively. Find all n such that $\tau(n) = 6$ and $3\phi(n) = 7!$.

Proposed by Ivan Borsenco, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

J111. Prove that there is no n for which $\prod_{k=1}^n (k^4 + k^2 + 1)$ is a perfect square.

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J112. Let a, b, c be integers such that $\gcd(a, b, c) = 1$, $ab + bc + ca = 0$ and. Prove that $|a + b + c|$ can be expressed in the form $x^2 + xy + y^2$, where x and y are integers.

Proposed by Samin Riasat, Notre Dame College, Dhaka, Bangladesh

J113. Call *penta*-sequence a sequence of consecutive positive integers such that each of them can be written as a sum of five nonzero perfect squares. Prove that there are infinitely many *penta*-sequences of length 7.

Proposed by Ivan Borsenco, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

J114. Let p be a prime. Find all solutions to the equation $a + b - c - d = p$, where a, b, c, d are positive integers such that $ab = cd$.

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Senior problems

S109. Solve the system of equations

$$\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{y} = \sqrt{y} - \frac{1}{z} = \sqrt{z} - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{7}{4}.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

S110. Let X be a point on the side BC of a triangle ABC . The parallel through X to AB meets CA at V and the parallel through X to AC meets AB at W . Let $D = BV \cap XW$ and $E = CW \cap XV$. Prove that DE is parallel to BC and

$$\frac{1}{DE} = \frac{1}{BX} + \frac{1}{CX}.$$

Proposed by Francisco Javier García Capitán, Spain

S111. Prove that there are infinitely many positive integers n that can be expressed as $a^4 + b^4 + c^4 + d^4 - 4abcd$, where a, b, c, d are positive integers, such that n is divisible by the sum of its digits.

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

S112. Let a, b, c be the side lengths and let s be the semiperimeter of a triangle ABC . Prove that

$$(s-c)^a (s-a)^b (s-b)^c \leq \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^a \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^b \left(\frac{c}{2}\right)^c.$$

Proposed by Johan Gunardi, Jakarta, Indonesia

S113. Prove that for different choices of signs $+$ and $-$ the expression

$$\pm 1 \pm 2 \pm 3 \pm \cdots \pm (4n+1),$$

yields all odd positive integers less than or equal to $(2n+1)(4n+1)$.

Proposed by Dorin Andrica, Babes-Bolyai University, Romania

S114. Consider triangle ABC with angle bisectors AA_1, BB_1, CC_1 . Denote by U the intersection of AA_1 and B_1C_1 . Let V be the projection from U onto BC . Let W be the intersection of the angle bisectors of $\angle BC_1V$ and $\angle CB_1V$. Prove that A, V, W are collinear.

Proposed by Ivan Borsenco, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

Undergraduate problems

U109. Find all pairs (m, n) of integers such that $m^2 + 2mn - n^2 = 1$.

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA and Dorin Andrica, Babes-Bolyai University, Romania

U110. Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n be real numbers with $a_n, a_0 \neq 0$ such that the polynomial $P(X) = (-1)^n a_n X^n + (-1)^{n-1} a_{n-1} X^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 X^2 - a_1 X + a_0$ has all of its zeros in the interval $(0, \infty)$, and let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an n -time differentiable function. Prove that if

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(a_n f^{(n)}(x) + a_{n-1} f^{(n-1)}(x) + \dots + a_2 f''(x) + a_1 f'(x) + a_0 f(x) \right) = L \in \overline{\mathbb{R}},$$

then $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)$ exists and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \frac{L}{a_0}$.

Proposed by Radu Țițiu, Targu-Mures, Romania

U111. Let n be a given positive integer and let $a_k = 2 \cos \frac{\pi}{2^{n-k}}, k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$. Prove that

$$\prod_{k=0}^{n-1} (1 - a_k) = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{1 + a_0}.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

U112. Let x, y, z be real numbers greater than 1. Prove that

$$x^{x^3+2xyz} \cdot y^{y^3+2xyz} \cdot z^{z^3+2xyz} \geq (x^x y^y z^z)^{xy+yz+zx}.$$

Proposed by Cezar Lupu, University of Bucharest, Romania and Valentin Vornicu, San Diego, USA

U113. Find all continuous functions $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that f is a periodic function that does not have a least period.

Proposed by Radu Țițiu, Targu-Mures, Romania

U114. Let a, b, c be nonnegative real numbers. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{i^2 + j^2 + ai + bj + c}}.$$

Proposed by Ovidiu Furdui, Campia Turzii, Cluj, Romania

Olympiad problems

O109. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $abc = 1$. Prove that

$$\frac{a+b+1}{a+b^2+c^3} + \frac{b+c+1}{b+c^2+a^3} + \frac{c+a+1}{c+a^2+b^3} \leq \frac{(a+1)(b+1)(c+1)+1}{a+b+c}.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

O110. Hexagon $A_1A_2A_3A_4A_5A_6$ is inscribed in a circle $C(O, R)$ and at the same time circumscribed about a circle $\omega(I, r)$. Prove that if

$$\frac{1}{A_1A_2} + \frac{1}{A_3A_4} + \frac{1}{A_5A_6} = \frac{1}{A_2A_3} + \frac{1}{A_4A_5} + \frac{1}{A_6A_1},$$

then one of its diagonals coincides with OI .

Proposed by Ivan Borsenco, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

O111. Prove that for each positive integer n the number

$$\left(\binom{n}{0} + 2\binom{n}{2} + 2^2\binom{n}{4} + \cdots \right)^2 \left(\binom{n}{1} + 2\binom{n}{3} + 2^2\binom{n}{5} + \cdots \right)^2$$

is triangular.

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, University of Texas at Dallas, USA

O112. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers. Prove that

$$\frac{a^3+abc}{(b+c)^2} + \frac{b^3+abc}{(c+a)^2} + \frac{c^3+abc}{(a+b)^2} \geq \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{a^3+b^3+c^3}{a^2+b^2+c^2}.$$

Proposed by Cezar Lupu, University of Bucharest, Romania and Pham Huu Duc, Ballajura, Australia

O113. Let P be a point on the circumcircle Γ of a triangle ABC . The tangents from P to the incircle of ABC meet again the circumcircle at X and Y , respectively. Prove that line XY is parallel to a side of triangle ABC if and only if P is the tangency point of Γ with some mixtilinear incircle of triangle ABC .

Proposed by Cosmin Pohoata, Bucharest, Romania

O114. Prove that for all real numbers x, y, z the following inequality holds

$$(x^2+xy+y^2)(y^2+yz+z^2)(z^2+zx+x^2) \geq 3(x^2y+y^2z+z^2x)(xy^2+yz^2+zx^2)$$

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