

Junior problems

J151. Let $a \geq b \geq c > 0$. Prove that

$$(a - b + c) \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \geq 1.$$

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J152. Let $a, b, c > 0$. Prove that the following inequality holds

$$\frac{a+b}{a+b+2c} + \frac{b+c}{b+c+2a} + \frac{c+a}{c+a+2b} + \frac{2(ab+bc+ca)}{3(a^2+b^2+c^2)} \leq \frac{13}{6}.$$

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J153. Find all integers n such that $n^2 + 2010n$ is a perfect square.

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J154. Let ABC be an acute triangle and let $MNPQ$ be a rectangle inscribed in the triangle such that $M, N \in BC, P \in AC, Q \in AB$. Prove that

$$\text{area}MNPQ \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{area}ABC.$$

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J155. Find all n for which there are n consecutive integers whose sum of squares is a prime.

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J156. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function such that $f(x) + f(x+y)$ is a rational number for all real numbers x and all $y > 0$. Prove that $f(x)$ is a rational number for all real numbers x .

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Senior problems

S151. Find all triples (x, y, z) of real numbers such that

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 1 = xy + yz + zx + |x - 2y + z|.$$

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S152. Let $k \geq 2$ be an integer and let $m, n \geq 2$ be relatively prime integers. Prove that the equation

$$x_1^m + x_2^m + \dots + x_k^m = x_{k+1}^n$$

has infinitely many solutions in distinct positive integers.

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S153. Let X be a point interior to a convex quadrilateral $ABCD$. Denote by P, Q, R, S the orthogonal projections of X onto AB, BC, CD, DA , respectively. Prove that

$$PA \cdot AB + RC \cdot CD = \frac{1}{2}(AD^2 + BC^2)$$

if and only if

$$QB \cdot BC + SD \cdot DA = \frac{1}{2}(AB^2 + CD^2).$$

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S154. Let $k \geq 2$ be an integer and let n_1, \dots, n_k be positive integers. Prove that there are no rational numbers $x_1, \dots, x_k, y_1, \dots, y_k$ such that

$$(x_1 + y_1\sqrt{2})^{2n_1} + \dots + (x_k + y_k\sqrt{2})^{2n_k} = 5 + 4\sqrt{2}.$$

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S155. Let a, b, c, d be the complex numbers corresponding to the vertices A, B, C, D of a convex quadrilateral $ABCD$. Given that $a\bar{c} = \bar{a}c$, $b\bar{d} = \bar{b}d$ and $a + b + c + d = 0$, prove that $ABCD$ is a parallelogram.

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S156. Let $f : \mathbf{N} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be a function satisfying the following conditions:

(a) $f(100) = 10$;

(b) $\frac{1}{f(0)+f(1)} + \frac{1}{f(1)+f(2)} + \dots + \frac{1}{f(n)+f(n+1)} = f(n+1)$, for all nonnegative integers n .

Find $f(n)$ in closed form.

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Undergraduate problems

U151. Let n be a positive integer and let

$$f(x) = x^{n+8} - 10x^{n+6} + 2x^{n+4} - 10x^{n+2} + x^n + x^3 - 10x + 1.$$

Evaluate $f(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$.

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U152. Prove that for $n \geq 3$,

$$\varphi(2) + \varphi(3) + \cdots + \varphi(n) \geq \frac{n(n-1)}{4} + 1,$$

where φ is the Euler's totient function.

Proposed by Yufei Zhao, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

U153. Let a, b, c, d be non-zero complex numbers such that $ad - bc \neq 0$ and let n be a positive integer. Consider the equation

$$(ax + b)^n + (cx + d)^n = 0.$$

- (a) Prove that for $|a| = |c|$ the roots of the equation are situated on a line.
- (b) Prove that for $|a| \neq |c|$ the roots of the equation are situated on a circle.
- (c) Find the radius of the circle when $|a| \neq |c|$.

Proposed by Dorin Andrica, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

U154. Find sufficient and necessary conditions on $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ so that the set

$$S_{a,b} = \{(\{na\}, \{nb\}) | n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

is dense in the unit square $[0, 1]^2$.

Proposed by Holden Lee, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

U155. Evaluate

$$\int_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\arctan 2x - \operatorname{arccot} 3x}{x} dx.$$

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

U156. Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a continuous function such that $\int_0^1 xf(x)dx = 0$. Prove that

$$\left| \int_0^1 x^2 f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{6} \max_{x \in [0,1]} |f(x)|.$$

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Olympiad problems

- O151. Consider a triangle ABC and a point P in its interior. Lines PA, PB, PC intersect BC, CA, AB at A', B', C' , respectively. Prove that

$$\frac{BA'}{BC} + \frac{CB'}{CA} + \frac{AC'}{AB} = \frac{3}{2}$$

if and only if at least two of the triangles PAB, PBC, PCA have the same area.

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

- O152. Let $(a_n)_{n \geq 0}$ and $(b_n)_{n \geq 0}$ be sequences defined by $a_{n+3} = a_{n+2} + 2a_{n+1} + a_n$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$, $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 2$, $a_2 = 3$ and $b_{n+3} = b_{n+2} + 2b_{n+1} + b_n$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$, $b_0 = 3$, $b_1 = 2$, $b_2 = 1$. How many integers do the sequences have in common?

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- O153. Find all triples (x, y, z) of integers such that $x^2y + y^2z + z^2x = 2010^2$ and $xy^2 + yz^2 + zx^2 = -2010$.

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

- O154. A non-isosceles acute triangle ABC is given. Let O, I, H be the circumcenter, the incenter, and the orthocenter of the triangle ABC , respectively. Prove that $\angle OIH > 135^\circ$.

Proposed by Nairi Sedrakyan, Yerevan, Armenia

- O155. Prove that the equation

$$x^2 + y^3 = 4z^6$$

is not solvable in integers.

Proposed by Ivan Borsenco, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

- O156. In a cyclic quadrilateral $ABCD$ with $AB = AD$ points M, N lie on the sides BC and CD , respectively so that $MN = BM + DN$. Lines AM and AN meet the circumcircle of $ABCD$ again at points P and Q , respectively. Prove that the orthocenter of the triangle APQ lies on the segment MN .

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