

Junior Problems

J655. Find all pairs (p, q) of primes such that

$$(p^2q + 1)^2 = (n + 1)! + n! + 1$$

for some positive integer n .

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

J656. Prove that for any positive real numbers a, b, c

$$\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b} + \frac{81(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}{16(a+b+c)^3} \geq 3.$$

Proposed by Nguyen Viet Hung, Hanoi University of Science, Vietnam

J657. Let $ABCD$ be a square of side a and center O and M be a point in the plane such that $\max\{MA, MC\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(MB + MD)$. Evaluate OM .

Proposed by Mihaela Berindeanu, Bucharest, România

J658. Solve in positive real numbers the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}(\log x)(\log y) &= \log(xy) \\ (\log y)(\log z) &= \log(1000yz) \\ (\log z)(\log x) &= \log(zx),\end{aligned}$$

where \log means \log_{10} .

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J659. Find all pairs (m, n) of nonnegative integers such that $2^n + 3^m + 4$ is a perfect square.

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J660. Solve in positive integers the equation

$$x^2 - xy + y^2 = \left(\frac{x+y}{2} + 6\right)^2.$$

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Senior Problems

S655. Evaluate the product

$$\sin \frac{\pi}{42} \sin \frac{5\pi}{42} \sin \frac{13\pi}{42} \sin \frac{17\pi}{42} \sin \frac{19\pi}{42} \sin \frac{31\pi}{42}$$

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

S656. Let ABC be a triangle with semi-perimeter s and area K . Prove that the circle of diameter BC is tangent to the incircle if and only if

$$\frac{1}{s-b} + \frac{1}{s-c} = \frac{s}{K}$$

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S657. Solve in prime numbers the equation

$$p^6 + q^6 + r^6 + 2 = s^3 - t^3.$$

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

S658. Let ABC be a triangle whose side lengths satisfy the condition $a + b + c = 2$. Prove that

$$\sqrt{\frac{a}{a^2 + bc}} + \sqrt{\frac{b}{b^2 + ca}} + \sqrt{\frac{c}{c^2 + ab}} \geq 2.$$

Proposed by Vasile Cîrtoaje, Petroleum-Oil University, Ploiești, România

S659. Let a, b, c be non-negative real numbers such that $a + b + c = 1$. Find the greatest constant λ such that the following inequality holds

(a) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + \lambda abc \leq 1.$

(b) $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + \lambda abc \leq 1.$

Proposed by Nguyen Viet Hung, Hanoi University of Science, Vietnam

S660. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that

$$1 - 2(a + b + c) + 3(ab + bc + ca) - 4abc = 0.$$

Prove that

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + 56(a + b + c) \geq 54.$$

Proposed by Marius Stănean, Zalău, România

Undergraduate Problems

U655. Let n be a positive integer non congruent to 1 (mod 3) and let z be a root of unity of order $2^{n+1} - 1$. Evaluate

$$(\operatorname{Re}(z) - 1/2) (\operatorname{Re}(z^2) - 1/2) (\operatorname{Re}(z^4) - 1/2) \cdots (\operatorname{Re}(z^{2^n}) - 1/2).$$

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

U656. Let $K \subset L$ be fields such that the equation $z^2 - z + 1 = 0$ has no roots in K . Assume that $x, y \in L \setminus K$ such that $x^2 + 2y, y^2 + 2x, xy \in K$. Prove that $K(x) = K(y)$.

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U657. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln^2(n+k) \cdot \frac{\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} 3^{-(i+j)}}{\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (ij)^{-1}}$$

Proposed by Mihaela Berindeanu, Bucharest, România

U658. Find all the quadruples (a, b, c, d) of positive integers that simultaneously verify the equations

$$3a! + b = 19^c \quad \text{and} \quad 3a + 4b! = 19^d.$$

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, USA and Marian Tetiva, România

U659. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \sin \left(\left((2\pi n)^p + 2^p \pi^p n^{p-1} p \right)^{1/p} \right) - n\pi(1-p).$$

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U660. Let $n \geq 2$ be an integer and $a \in (-2, 2)$ a real number.

- (1) Prove that the matrix equation $X^2 + aX + I_n = O_n$ has a solution in the ring $M_n(\mathbb{C})$.
- (2) Prove that the equation has a solution in $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ if and only if n is even.
- (3) Prove that in each of the above situations the equation has infinitely many solutions.

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Olympiad Problems

O655. Let a, b , and $d_n, n = 1, 2, \dots$ be integers such that a is nonzero and relatively prime to every $d_n, n \geq 1$, and, also, d_n and d_{n+1} are relatively prime for every $n \geq 2$. Prove that there exists a permutation c_1, c_2, \dots of the numbers $an + b, n = 1, 2, \dots$ such that d_n divides $c_1 + \dots + c_n$ for any positive integer n .

Proposed by Titu Andreescu, USA and Marian Tetiva, România

O656. Let $n \geq 2$ be an integer. Find the largest integer k such that

$$\left(\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k}{k}\right)^2 \geq \frac{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2}{n}$$

for all nonnegative real numbers a_i which satisfy $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_n$.

Proposed by Vasile Cîrtoaje, Petroleum-Oil University, Ploiești, România

O657. Let $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3, \dots$ be the increasing sequence of all primes. Prove that a sequence q_1, q_2, \dots of distinct primes can be found such that $q_1 + \dots + q_n$ is divisible by p_n for every $n \geq 1$.

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O658. Prove that there are infinitely many positive integers a such that

$$a! + (a + 2)! \mid (2a + 2)!$$

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O659. Let ABC be a triangle and let M be any point inside the triangle. Denote by x, y, z the distance from M to sides BC, CA, AB respectively. Prove that

$$\min\{MA, MB, MC\} \leq \frac{\sqrt{abc(ayz + bzx + cxy)}}{2S} \leq \max\{MA, MB, MC\}$$

where S is the area of triangle ABC .

Proposed by Nguyen Viet Hung, Hanoi University of Science, Vietnam

O660. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that

$$1 - 2(a + b + c) + 3(ab + bc + ca) - 4abc = 0.$$

Prove that

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + 32 \geq \frac{33}{a + b + c}.$$

When does equality hold?

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