

37-th Bulgarian Mathematical Olympiad 1988

Fourth Round

First Day

1. Find all real parameters q for which there is a $p \in [0, 1]$ such that the equation

$$x^4 + 2px^3 + (2p^2 - p)x^2 + (p - 1)p^2x + q = 0$$

has four real roots.

2. Let n and k be natural numbers and p a prime number. Prove that if k is the exact exponent of p in $2^{2^n} + 1$ (i.e. p^k divides $2^{2^n} + 1$, but p^{k+1} does not), then k is also the exact exponent of p in $2^{p-1} - 1$.
3. Let M be an arbitrary interior point of a tetrahedron $ABCD$, and let S_A, S_B, S_C, S_D be the areas of the faces BCD, ACD, ABD, ABC , respectively. Prove that

$$S_A \cdot MA + S_B \cdot MB + S_C \cdot MC + S_D \cdot MD \geq 9V,$$

where V is the volume of $ABCD$. When does equality hold?

Second Day

4. Let A, B, C be non-collinear points. For each point D of the ray AC , we denote by E and F the points of tangency of the incircle of $\triangle ABD$ with AB and AD , respectively. Prove that, as point D moves along the ray AC , the line EF passes through a fixed point.
5. The points of space are painted in two colors. Prove that there is a tetrahedron such that all its vertices and its centroid are of the same color.
6. Find all non-constant polynomials $p(x)$ satisfying $p(x^3 + 1) = p(x + 1)^3$ for all x .