

19-th Canadian Mathematical Olympiad 1987

1. Find all solutions of $a^2 + b^2 = n!$ in positive integers a, b, n with $a \leq b$ and $n < 14$.
2. The number 1987 can be written as a three digit number \overline{xyz} in some base b such that $x + y + z = 1 + 9 + 8 + 7$. Find all possible values of x, y, z, b .
3. Let $ABCD$ be a parallelogram and E be a point on BC between B and C . If the triangles DEC, BED and BAD are isosceles, what are the possible values of $\angle DAB$?
4. On a large, flat field n people are positioned so that for each person the distances to all the other people are different. Each person holds a water pistol and at a given signal fires and hits the person who is closest. When n is odd, show that there is at least one person left dry. Is this always true when n is even?
5. For every positive integer n show that

$$\left[\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1} \right] = \left[\sqrt{4n+1} \right] = \left[\sqrt{4n+2} \right] = \left[\sqrt{4n+3} \right].$$