

## 29-th Canadian Mathematical Olympiad 1997

1. How many pairs of positive integers  $(x, y)$  with  $x \leq y$  are there such that  $\gcd(x, y) = 5!$  and  $\text{lcm}(x, y) = 50!$ ?
2. Consider a finite set of closed intervals of length 1 whose union is the interval  $[0, 50]$ . Prove that it is possible to select some of these intervals which are mutually disjoint and have the total length at least 25.

3. Prove that

$$\frac{1}{1999} < \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{5}{6} \cdots \frac{1997}{1998} < \frac{1}{44}.$$

4. Suppose that  $O$  is a point inside the parallelogram  $ABCD$  such that  $\angle AOB + \angle COD = 180^\circ$ . Prove that  $\angle OBC = \angle ODC$ .

5. Write the sum

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k \binom{n}{k}}{k^3 + 9k^2 + 26k + 24}$$

in the form  $p(n)/q(n)$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are polynomials with integer coefficients.