

50-th Czech and Slovak Mathematical Olympiad 2001

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Category A

1. Determine all polynomials P such that for every real number x ,

$$P(x)^2 + P(-x) = P(x^2) + P(x). \quad (P. Calábek)$$

2. Given a triangle PQX in the plane, with $PQ = 3$, $PX = 2.6$ and $QX = 3.8$. Construct a right-angled triangle ABC such that the incircle of $\triangle ABC$ touches AB at P and BC at Q , and point X lies on the line AC . (J. Šimša)

3. Find all triples of real numbers (a, b, c) for which the set of solutions x of

$$\sqrt{2x^2 + ax + b} > x - c$$

is the set $(-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$. (P. Černek)

4. In a certain language there are n letters. A sequence of letters is a *word*, if there are no two equal letters between two other equal letters. Find the number of words of the maximum length. (K. Černeková)

5. A sheet of paper has the shape of an isosceles trapezoid $C_1AB_2C_2$ with the shorter base B_2C_2 . The foot of the perpendicular from the midpoint D of C_1C_2 to AC_1 is denoted by B_1 . Suppose that upon folding the paper along DB_1 , AD and AC_1 points C_1, C_2 become a single point C and points B_1, B_2 become a point B . The area of the tetrahedron $ABCD$ is 64cm^2 . Find the sides of the initial trapezoid. (P. Černek)

6. Let be given natural numbers a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n and a function $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(x) = 1$ for all integers $x < 0$ and

$$f(x) = 1 - f(x - a_1)f(x - a_2) \cdots f(x - a_n)$$

for all integers $x \geq 0$. Prove that there exist natural numbers s and t such that for all integers $x > s$ it holds that $f(x + t) = f(x)$. (P. Kaňovský)