

# 25-th Swedish Mathematical Competition 1985

Final Round  
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1. If  $a > b > 0$ , prove the inequality

$$\frac{(a-b)^2}{8a} < \frac{a+b}{2} - \sqrt{ab} < \frac{(a-b)^2}{8b}.$$

2. Find the least natural number such that if the first digit (in the decimal system) is placed last, the new number is  $7/2$  times as large as the original number.
3. Points  $A, B, C$  with  $AB = BC$  are given on a circle with radius  $r$ , and  $D$  is a point inside the circle such that the triangle  $BCD$  is equilateral. The line  $AD$  meets the circle again at  $E$ . Show that  $DE = r$ .
4. Let  $p(x)$  be a polynomial of degree  $n$  with real coefficients such that  $p(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x$ . Prove that

$$p(x) + p'(x) + p''(x) + \cdots + p^{(n)}(x) \geq 0.$$

5. In a rectangular coordinate system,  $O$  is the origin and  $A(a,0)$ ,  $B(0,b)$  and  $C(c,d)$  the vertices of a triangle. Prove that

$$AB + BC + CA \geq 2CO.$$

6. X-wich has a vibrant club-life. For every pair of inhabitants there is exactly one club to which they both belong. For every pair of clubs there is exactly one person who is a member of both. No club has fewer than 3 members, and at least one club has 17 members. How many people live in X-wich?