

46-th Vietnamese Mathematical Olympiad 2008

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1. Determine the number of solutions of simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + y^3 &= 29, \\ \log_3 x \cdot \log_2 y &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

2. Given a triangle with acute angle $\angle BEC$, let E be the midpoint of AB . Point M is chosen on the opposite ray of EC such that $\angle BME = \angle ECA$. Denote by θ the measure of $\angle BEC$. Express MC/AB in terms of θ .
3. Let $m = 2007^{2008}$. How many natural numbers n are there such that $n < m$ and $n(2n+1)(5n+2)$ divides m ?
4. The sequence of real number (x_n) is defined by

$$x_1 = 0, \quad x_2 = 2, \quad x_{n+2} = 2^{-x_n} + \frac{1}{2}, \quad \text{for all } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Prove that the sequence has a limit as n approaches $+\infty$. Determine the limit.

5. What is the total number of natural numbers divisible by 9 the number of digits of which does not exceed 2008 and at least two of the digits are 9's?
6. Let x, y, z be distinct non-negative real numbers. Prove that

$$\frac{1}{(x-y)^2} + \frac{1}{(y-z)^2} + \frac{1}{(z-x)^2} \geq \frac{4}{xy+yz+zx}.$$

When does equality hold?

7. Let ABC be a triangle with altitude AD , line d is perpendicular to AD , and M is a variable point on d . Let E, F be the midpoints of MB, MC . The line through E perpendicular to d intersects AB at P , the line through F perpendicular to d meets AC at Q . Prove that the line through M perpendicular to PQ has a fixed point as M varies on the line d .