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Problems for Lower Secondary School

Problem T1/322. [For 6th grade] Find all integers x satisfying

$$|x - 3| + |x - 10| + |x + 101| + |x + 990| + |x + 1000| = 2004$$

Problem T2/322. [For 7th grade] Let ABC be a triangle with its median AM and let O_1, O_2 be the incenters of triangles ABM, ACM respectively. Prove that $MO_1 = MO_2$ when and only when $AB = AC$.

Problem T3/322. Consider the six pairs of marbles and consider the sum of masses of two marbles of each pair. Let a, b, c, d, e, f be these sums. Determine the mass of each marble, known that

$$a + b + c + d + e + f = a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + d^3 + e^3 + f^3 = 6$$

Problem T4/322. Find the least value of the expressions

$$\frac{a^6}{b^3 + c^3} + \frac{b^6}{c^3 + a^3} + \frac{c^6}{a^3 + b^3}$$

where a, b, c are real numbers satisfying the condition $a + b + c = 1$

Problem T5/322. The circum circle of triangle ΔABC has center O and diameter AD . Let I be the incenter of triangle ΔABC . The lines AI, DI cut again the circum circle at H, K respectively. Draw the line IJ perpendicular to BC at J . Prove that H, K, J are colinear.

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Problem T6/322. Prove the inequality

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i} \right) \geq n - 1 + \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

where $x_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ are positive real numbers satisfying $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = n$ and n is an integer greater than 1.

Problem T7/322. The sequence of numbers $\{u_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is defined by

$$u_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(k!)^2}$$

Prove that this sequence has a limit and this limit is an irrational.

Problem T8/322. Let $SABC$ be a tetrahedron. The points M, N, P lie respectively on the sides SA, SB, SC so that $AM = BN = CP$ (M, N, P are distinct from the vertices S, A, B, C). Let G be the centroid of triangle MNP . Prove that G lies on a fixed line when M, N, P move on SA, SB, SC respectively.

Contest on the 40th Anniversary of the Journal

For lower Secondary Schools

Problem T3/LSS. Let x, y be two integers distinct from -1 such that $\frac{x^3+1}{y+1} + \frac{y^3+1}{x+1}$ is an integer. Prove that $x^{2004} - 1$ is divisible by $y + 1$.

Problem T4/LSS. Let H be the orthocenter of a nonright triangle $\triangle ABC$. Let D, E be the midpoints of BC and AH respectively. Let F be the orthogonal projection of H on the angle bisector \widehat{BAC} . Prove that D, E, F are collinear.

For upper Secondary Schools

Problem T3/USS. Find all positive integers a, m, n satisfying the condition $(a-1)^m = a^n - 1$.

Problem T4/USS. Let A, B, C, D be four points lying on a circle. Prove that the three radical axes of three pairs of circles respectively with diameters AB and CD , BC and DA , AC and BD are concurrent.