

Regional Mathematical Olympiad-2016

Time: 3 hours

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Instructions:

- Calculators (in any form) and protractors are not allowed.
- Rulers and compasses are allowed.
- Answer all the questions.
- All questions carry equal marks. Maximum marks: 102.
- Answer to each question should start on a new page. Clearly indicate the question number.

1. Let ABC be a triangle and D be the mid-point of BC . Suppose the angle bisector of $\angle ADC$ is tangent to the circumcircle of triangle ABD at D . Prove that $\angle A = 90^\circ$.

2. Let a, b, c be three distinct positive real numbers such that $abc = 1$. Prove that

$$\frac{a^3}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{b^3}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{c^3}{(c-a)(c-b)} \geq 3.$$

3. Let a, b, c, d, e, f be positive integers such that

$$\frac{a}{b} < \frac{c}{d} < \frac{e}{f}.$$

Suppose $af - be = -1$. Show that $d \geq b + f$.

4. There are 100 countries participating in an olympiad. Suppose n is a positive integer such that each of the 100 countries is willing to communicate in exactly n languages. If each set of 20 countries can communicate in at least one common language, and no language is common to all 100 countries, what is the minimum possible value of n ?

5. Let ABC be a right-angled triangle with $\angle B = 90^\circ$. Let I be the incentre of ABC . Extend AI and CI ; let them intersect BC in D and AB in E respectively. Draw a line perpendicular to AI at I to meet AC in J ; draw a line perpendicular to CI at I to meet AC in K . Suppose $DJ = EK$. Prove that $BA = BC$.

6. (a) Given any natural number N , prove that there exists a strictly increasing sequence of N positive integers in harmonic progression.

(b) Prove that there cannot exist a strictly increasing infinite sequence of positive integers which is in harmonic progression.