

Nineteenth International Mathematical Olympiad, 1977

1977/1.

Equilateral triangles ABK, BCL, CDM, DAN are constructed inside the square $ABCD$. Prove that the midpoints of the four segments KL, LM, MN, NK and the midpoints of the eight segments $AKBK, BL, CL, CM, DM, DN, AN$ are the twelve vertices of a regular dodecagon.

1977/2.

In a finite sequence of real numbers the sum of any seven successive terms is negative, and the sum of any eleven successive terms is positive. Determine the maximum number of terms in the sequence.

1977/3.

Let n be a given integer > 2 , and let V_n be the set of integers $1 + kn$, where $k = 1, 2, \dots$. A number $m \in V_n$ is called *indecomposable* in V_n if there do not exist numbers $p, q \in V_n$ such that $pq = m$. Prove that there exists a number $r \in V_n$ that can be expressed as the product of elements indecomposable in V_n in more than one way. (Products which differ only in the order of their factors will be considered the same.)

1977/4.

Four real constants a, b, A, B are given, and

$$f(\theta) = 1 - a \cos \theta - b \sin \theta - A \cos 2\theta - B \sin 2\theta.$$

Prove that if $f(\theta) \geq 0$ for all real θ , then

$$a^2 + b^2 \leq 2 \text{ and } A^2 + B^2 \leq 1.$$

1977/5.

Let a and b be positive integers. When $a^2 + b^2$ is divided by $a + b$, the quotient is q and the remainder is r . Find all pairs (a, b) such that $q^2 + r = 1977$.

1977/6.

Let $f(n)$ be a function defined on the set of all positive integers and having all its values in the same set. Prove that if

$$f(n+1) > f(f(n))$$

for each positive integer n , then

$$f(n) = n \text{ for each } n.$$