

Solutions for 1-st round IZhO 2018

1. Let α, β, γ be the angles of a triangle opposite to the sides a, b, c respectively. Prove the inequality

$$2(\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma) \geq \frac{a^2}{b^2 + c^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2 + c^2} + \frac{c^2}{a^2 + b^2}.$$

Solution. By the Law of Sines, RHS equals $\frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma} + \frac{\sin^2 \beta}{\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \gamma} + \frac{\sin^2 \gamma}{\sin^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \beta}$. Applying Cauchy-Bunyakovski inequality we have

$$\sin^2 \alpha = \sin^2(\beta + \gamma) = (\sin \beta \cos \gamma + \sin \gamma \cos \beta)^2 \leq (\sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma)(\cos^2 \gamma + \cos^2 \beta),$$

therefore $\cos^2 \beta + \cos^2 \gamma \geq \frac{\sin^2 \alpha}{\sin^2 \beta + \sin^2 \gamma}$.

Adding similar inequalities for $\cos^2 \gamma + \cos^2 \alpha$ and $\cos^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \beta$ we get the desired result.

2. Points N, K, L lie on the sides AB, BC, CA of a triangle ABC respectively so that $AL = BK$ and CN is the bisector of the angle C . The segments AK and BL meet at the point P . Let I and J be the incentres of the triangles APL and BPK respectively. The lines CN and IJ meet at point Q . Prove that $IP = JQ$.

Solution. The case $CA = CB$ is trivial. If $CA \neq CB$, we may suppose, without loss of generality, that CN meets the segment PK .

Let the circumcircles ω_1 and ω_2 of the triangles APL and BPK respectively meet again at point T . Then

$$\angle LAT = \angle TPB = \angle TKB. \tag{1}$$

and $\angle ALT = \angle APT = \angle TBK$, that is, $\triangle ALT = \triangle KBT$, hence

$$AT = TK. \tag{2}$$

It follows from (1) that the quadrilateral $ACKT$ is cyclic; together with (2) this means that $\angle ACT = \angle TCK$, i.e. T lies on the bisector of CN .

Let IJ meet ω_1 and ω_2 at I_1 and J_1 respectively. Since ω_1 and ω_2 have equal radii and $AL = BK$, the triangles ALI_1 and BKJ_1 are equal. We use Mansion's lemma: the midpoint of arc XY of the circumcircle of XYZ lies at equal distances from the ends of this arc and the incentre. It follows from this lemma that $I_1I = I_1L = J_1K = J_1J$. Moreover, $\angle PI_1T = \angle PAT = \angle PKT = \angle PJ_1T$, therefore, $I_1T = J_1T$. Thus T lies on the median bisector of I_1J_1 and on the median bisector of IJ .

It remains to prove that T lies on the median bisector of PQ . Let $R = AK \cap CT$. Then $\angle ART = \angle RAC + \angle ACR = \angle RAC + \angle AKT = \angle RAC + \angle KAT = \angle LAT = \angle BPT$. Since PQ bisects the angle RPB , $\angle PQT = \angle PRT + \angle RPQ = \angle PBT + \angle BPJ = \angle TPQ$, therefore T belongs to the median bisector of PQ and $IP = JQ$.

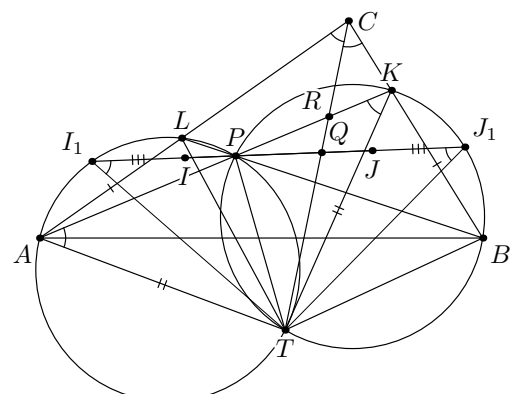


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3. Prove that there exist infinitely many pairs (m, n) of positive integers such that $m + n$ divides $(m!)^n + (n!)^m + 1$.

Solution. We shall find a pair such that $m + n = p$ is prime and n is even. Applying Wilson's theorem we have

$$m! = (p - n)! = \frac{(p - 1)!}{(p - n + 1) \dots (p - 2)(p - 1)} \equiv \frac{-1}{-(n - 1) \dots (-2)(-1)} \equiv \frac{1}{(n - 1)!} \equiv \frac{n}{n!} \pmod{p}.$$

It follows from Fermat's Little Theorem that $(n!)^p \equiv n! \pmod{p}$, therefore

$$(m!)^n + (n!)^m + 1 \equiv \left(\frac{n}{n!}\right)^n + (n!)^{p-n} + 1 \equiv \frac{n^n + n! + (n!)^n}{(n!)^n} \pmod{p};$$

thus it suffices to prove that the number $n^n + n! + (n!)^n$ has a prime divisor $p > n$ for infinitely many even n .

We prove that this condition is satisfied, for instance, by all the numbers of the form $n = 2q$, where $q > 2$ is prime. Let $A = (2q)^{2q} + (2q)! + ((2q)!)^{2q}$. For a prime p and integer k we denote by $v_p(k)$ the largest integer ℓ such that p^ℓ divides k .

If $r < 2q$ is prime and $r \notin \{2, q\}$ then $A \equiv (2q)^{2q} \not\equiv 0 \pmod{r}$. The largest degree of q dividing $(2q)!$ is q^2 , while for $(2q)^{2q}$ and $((2q)!)^{2q}$ it is $2q$ and $4q$ respectively, therefore $v_q(A) = 2$.

Finally, $v_2((2q)!) = \left[\frac{2q}{2}\right] + \left[\frac{2q}{4}\right] + \left[\frac{2q}{8}\right] + \dots < \frac{2q}{2} + \frac{2q}{4} + \frac{2q}{8} + \dots = 2q$, so $v_2((2q)!) < v_2((2q)^{2q})$ and obviously $v_2((2q)!) < v_2((2q)!)^{2q}$, thus $v_2(A) \leq 2q - 1$. On the other hand, $A > (2q)^{2q} > 2^{2q-1}q^2$, therefore A has a prime divisor $p > 2q$, q.e.d.