

34-th Austrian Mathematical Olympiad 2003
Final Round

Part 1 – May 28

1. Find all triples of prime numbers (p, q, r) such that $p^q + p^r$ is a perfect square.
2. Find the greatest and smallest value of $f(x, y) = y - 2x$, if x, y are distinct non-negative real numbers with $\frac{x^2 + y^2}{x + y} \leq 4$.

3. Given a positive real number t , find the number of real solutions a, b, c, d of the system

$$a(1 - b^2) = b(1 - c^2) = c(1 - d^2) = d(1 - a^2) = t.$$

4. In a parallelogram $ABCD$, points E and F are the midpoints of AB and BC , respectively, and P is the intersection of EC and FD . Prove that the segments AP, BP, CP and DP divide the parallelogram into four triangles whose areas are in the ratio $1 : 2 : 3 : 4$.

Part 2 – June 28–29

First Day

1. Consider the polynomial $P(n) = n^3 - n^2 - 5n + 2$. Determine all integers n for which $P(n)^2$ is a square of a prime.
2. Let a, b, c be nonzero real numbers for which there exist $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \{-1, 1\}$ with $\alpha a + \beta b + \gamma c = 0$. What is the smallest possible value of

$$\left(\frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{abc} \right)^2 ?$$

3. For every lattice point (x, y) with x, y nonnegative integers, a square of side $\frac{0.9}{2^x 5^y}$ with center at the point (x, y) is constructed. Compute the area of the union of all these squares.

Second Day

4. Prove that, for any integer $g > 2$, there is a unique three-digit number \overline{abc}_g in base g whose representation in some base $h = g \pm 1$ is \overline{cba}_h .
5. We are given sufficiently many stones of the forms of a rectangle 2×1 and square 1×1 . Let $n > 3$ be a natural number. In how many ways can one tile a rectangle $3 \times n$ using these stones, so that no two 2×1 rectangles have a common point, and each of them has the longer side parallel to the shorter side of the big rectangle?

6. Let ABC be an acute-angled triangle. The circle k with diameter AB intersects AC and BC again at P and Q , respectively. The tangents to k at A and R meet at R , and the tangents at B and P meet at S . Show that C lies on the line RS .