

Bulgarian Mathematical Olympiad 2006
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Grade 9

1. Find all real numbers a such that the roots x_1 and x_2 of the equation

$$x^2 + 6x + 6a - a^2 = 0$$

satisfy the relation $x_2 = x_1^3 - 8x_1$. (Ivan Landjev)

2. Two circles k_1 and k_2 meet at points A and B . A line through B meets the circles k_1 and k_2 at points X and Y , respectively. The tangent lines to k_1 at X and to k_2 at Y meet at C . Prove that:

- (a) $\angle XAC = \angle BAY$.
(b) $\angle XBA = \angle XBC$, if B is the midpoint of XY .

(Stoyan Atanasov)

3. The positive integers ℓ, m, n are such that $m - n$ is a prime number and

$$8(\ell^2 - mn) = 2(m^2 + n^2) + 5(m + n)\ell$$

Prove that $11\ell + 3$ is a perfect square. (Ivan Landjev)

4. Find all integers a such that the equation

$$x^4 + 2x^3 + (a^2 + 9)x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$$

has at least one real root. (Stoyan Atanasov)

5. Given a right triangle ABC ($\angle ACB = 90^\circ$), let CH , $H \in AB$, be the altitude to AB and P and Q be the tangent points of the incircle of $\triangle ABC$ to AC and BC , respectively. If $AQ \perp HP$ find the ratio $\frac{AH}{BH}$.

(Stoyan Atanasov)

6. An air company operates 36 airlines in a country with 16 airports. Prove that one can make a round trip that includes 4 airports. (Ivan Landjev)

Grade 10

1. A circle k is tangent to the arms of an acute angle AOB at points A and B . Let AD be the diameter of k through A and $BP \perp AD$, $P \in AD$. The line OD meets BP at point M . Find the ratio $\frac{AM}{BM}$.
(Peter Boyvaienkov)
2. Find the maximum of the function

$$f(x) = \frac{\log x \log x^2 + \log x^3 + 3}{\log^2 x + \log x^2 + 2}$$

and the values of x , when it is attained. (Ivailo Korteov)

3. Let \mathbb{Q}^+ be the set of positive rational numbers. Find all funcs $f : \mathbb{Q}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $f(1) = 1$, $f(1/x) = f(x)$ for any $x \in \mathbb{Q}^+$ and $xf(x) = (x+1)f(x-1)$ for any $x \in \mathbb{Q}^+$, $x > 1$. (Ivailo Korteov)
4. The price of a merchandize dropped from March to April by $x\%$, and went up from April to May by $y\%$. It turned out that in the period orn March to May the prize dropped by $(y - x)\%$. Find x and y if they are positive integers (the prize is positive for the whole period). (Ivailo Korteov)
5. Let $ABCD$ be a parallelogram such that $\angle BAD < 90^\circ$ and DE , $E \in AB$, and DF , $F \in BC$, be the altitudes of the parallelogram. Prove that

$$4(AB \cdot BC \cdot EF + BD \cdot AE \cdot FC) \leq 5 \cdot AB \cdot BC \cdot BD.$$

Find $\angle BAD$ if the equality occurs. (Ivailo Korteov)

6. See problem 6 (grade 9).

Grade 11

1. Let k be a circle with diameter AB and let $C \in k$ be an arbitrary point. The excircles of $\triangle ABC$ tangent to the sides AC and BC are tangent to the line AB at points M and N , respectively. Denote by O_1 and O_2 the circumcenters of $\triangle AMC$ and $\triangle BNC$. Prove that the area of $\triangle O_1CO_2$ does not depend on C . (Alexander Ivanov)

2. Prove that

$$t^2(xy + yz + zx) + 2t(x + y + z) + 3 \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } x, y, z, t \in [1, 1]$$

(Nikolai Nikolov)

3. Consider a set S of 2006 points in the plane. A pair $(A, B) \in S \times S$ is called *isolated* if the disk with diameter AB does not contain other points from S . Find the maximum number of *isolated* pairs. (Alexander Ivanov)

4. Find the least positive integer a such that the system

$$\begin{cases} x + y + z = a \\ x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = a \end{cases}$$

has no an integer solution.

(Oleg Mushkarov)

5. The tangent lines to the circumcircle k of an isosceles $\triangle BAC$, $AC = BC$, at the points B and C meet at point X . If AX meets k at point Y , find the ratio AY/BY . (Emil Kola)

6. Let a_1, a_2, \dots be a sequence of real numbers less than 1 and such that $a_{n+1}(a_n + 2) = 3$, $n \geq 1$. Prove that:

- (a) $-\frac{7}{2} < a_n < -2$;
(b) $a_n = -3$ for any n .

(Nikolai Nikolov)

Grade 12

1. Find the area of the triangle determined by the straight line with equation $x - y + 1 = 0$ and the tangent lines to the graph of the parabola $y = x^2 - 4x + 5$ at its common points with the line. (Emil Kolev)
2. See problem n.5 (grade 11).

3. Find all real numbers a , such that the inequality

$$x^4 + 2ax^3 + a^2x^2 - 4x + 3 > 0$$

(Nikolai Nikolov)

4. Find all positive integers n for which the equality

$$\frac{\sin(n\alpha)}{\sin \alpha} - \frac{\cos(n\alpha)}{\cos \alpha} = n - 1$$

holds true for all $a \neq \frac{k\pi}{2}, k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(Emil Kolev)

5. A plane intersects a tetrahedron $ABCD$ and divides the medians of the triangles DAB , DBC and DCA through D in ratios $1 : 2$, $1 : 3$ and $1 : 4$ from D , respectively. Find the ratio of the volumes of the two parts of the tetrahedron cut by the plane. (Oleg Mushkarov)

6. See problem 6 (grade 11).