

# 32<sup>nd</sup> INDIAN NATIONAL MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD (INMO)-2017

## SOLUTIONS

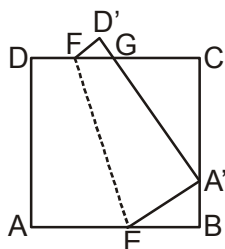
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### Instructions :

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

1. In the given figure, ABCD is a square sheet of paper. It is folded along EF such that A goes to a point A' different from B and C, on the side BC and D goes to D'. The line A'D' cuts CD in G. Show that the inradius of the triangle GCA' is the sum of the inradii of the triangles GD'F and A'BE.



**Sol.:** Let  $A'E = AE = x$ ,  $FG = y$ ,  $A'G = z$

and  $\angle A'EB = \theta$ ,

Clearly  $\angle A'EB = \angle CA'G = \angle D'FG = \theta$

$$\therefore \triangle A'BE \sim \triangle GCA' \sim \triangle D'FG$$

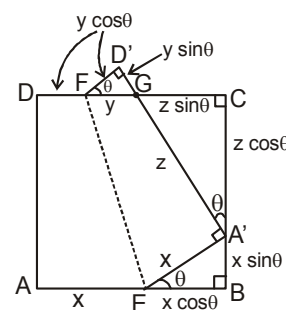
$\therefore$  inradii of similar triangles are proportional to their corresponding sides.

$\therefore$  in order to prove that the sum of inradii of triangles GD'F and A'BE equals that of  $\triangle GCA'$ , it is enough to prove that  $x + y = z$

Now,

$$AB = BC = CD = A'D'$$

$$\Rightarrow AE + EB = BA' + A'C = DF + FG + GC = A'G + GD'$$



$$\Rightarrow x + x \cos \theta = x \sin \theta + z \cos \theta = y \cos \theta + y + z \sin \theta = z + y \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow x(1 + \cos \theta - \sin \theta) = z \cos \theta \text{ and } y(1 + \cos \theta - \sin \theta) = z(1 - \sin \theta)$$

adding the two relations,

$$(x + y)(1 + \cos \theta - \sin \theta) = z(1 + \cos \theta - \sin \theta)$$

$$\text{but } 0 < \theta < 90^\circ \Rightarrow \cos \theta + (1 - \sin \theta) > 0$$

$$\therefore x + y = z. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

**2. Suppose  $n \geq 0$  is an integer and all the roots of  $x^3 + ax + 4 - (2 \times 2016^n) = 0$  are integers. Find all possible values of  $\alpha$ .**

**Sol.:** Let  $p \leq q \leq r$  ( $p, q, r \in \mathbb{I}$ ) be the roots of the equation  $x^3 + ax + 4 - 2 \times 2016^n = 0$ , then  $p + q + r = 0$ ,

$$pq + qr + rp = \alpha \text{ and } pqr = 2 \times 2016^n - 4$$

$$\text{If } n = 0, \text{ then } pqr = -2 \text{ and } p + q + r = 0$$

$$\text{which gives } (p, q, r) = (-2, 1, 1) \text{ and so } \alpha = -3.$$

Now, we assume  $n \geq 1$ , then

$$pqr = 2 \times 2016^n - 4 > 0$$

$$\text{but } p \leq q \leq r \text{ and } p + q + r = 0$$

$$\therefore p < 0, q < 0 \text{ and } r > 0$$

$$\text{Let } p = -a, q = -b \text{ and } r = a + b, \text{ where } a, b \in \mathbb{I}^+,$$

$$\text{then } 2 \times 2016^n - 4 = ab(a + b)$$

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$$\therefore 2 \times 2016^n - 4 \equiv -4 \pmod{7} \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab(a + b) \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

$$\text{Let } a = 7k_1 + r_1 \text{ and } b = 7k_2 + r_2, \text{ where } k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{W} \text{ and } r_1, r_2 \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 6\}.$$

$$\text{Now } ab(a + b) \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 r_2 (r_1 + r_2) \equiv 3 \pmod{7} \quad \dots(1)$$

Clearly  $r_1 \neq 0, r_2 \neq 0$  and  $r_1 + r_2 \neq 0$  or  $7$ .

$$\text{If } r_1 = r_2, \text{ then } 2r_1^3 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

$$\text{but } r_1^3 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{7} \quad \forall r_1 \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$$

$$\therefore 2r_1^3 \equiv \pm 2 \pmod{7} \quad \forall r_1 \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$$

Hence  $r_1 \neq r_2$

From symmetry of (1), it is enough to consider  $r_1 < r_2$ .

$r_1$	$r_2$	$r_1 r_2 (r_1 + r_2)$	mod (7)
1	2	6	6
1	3	12	5
1	4	20	6
1	5	30	2
2	3	30	2
2	4	48	6
2	6	96	5
3	5	120	1
3	6	162	1
4	5	180	5
4	6	240	2
5	6	330	1

Thus equation (1) can not hold for any possible combination of  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  and hence the only possible value of  $\alpha$  is  $-3$ .

3. Find the number of triples  $(x, a, b)$ , where  $x$  is a real number and  $a, b$  belong to the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$  such that

$$x^2 - a\{x\} + b = 0$$

where  $\{x\}$  denotes the fractional part of the real number  $x$ . (For example  $\{1.1\} = 0.1 = \{-0.9\}$ .)

**Sol.:** Let  $x = n + \lambda$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{I}$  and  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$ , then  $\{x\} = \lambda$ .

$$\text{Now, } x^2 - a\{x\} + b = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (n + \lambda)^2 - a\lambda + b = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \lambda^2 - (a - 2n)\lambda + (n^2 + b) = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

Clearly  $\lambda \neq 0$

$$\text{Let } f(t) = t^2 - (a - 2n)t + n^2 + b, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Let  $f(t) = 0$  has a root  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ .

But product of zeros of  $f(x) = n^2 + b \geq 1$

$\therefore$  The other zero of  $f(x)$  must be greater than 1 and so  $f(x)$  will have exactly one zero in  $(0, 1)$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(0)f(1) < 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (n^2 + b)(1 + (a - 2n) + n^2 + b) < 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (n + 1)^2 < a - b \quad \dots(3)$$

Conversely for any triplet  $(n, a, b)$  satisfying (3), we get a unique  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  satisfying (2) and hence a unique triplet  $(x, a, b)$  satisfying (1).

Thus number of triplets  $(x, a, b)$  satisfying (1) is same as that of  $(n, a, b)$  satisfying (3) which we find as follows.

$$(n+1)^2 < a - b \leq 8 \quad (\because 1 \leq a, b \leq 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow -2\sqrt{2} \leq n+1 \leq 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 \leq n \leq 1$$

For  $n = -3$  or  $1$ ,  $a - b > 4$  i.e.  $a > b + 4$ , which has  $4 + 3 + 2 + 1$  i.e. 10 solutions.

For  $n = -2$  or  $0$ ,  $a > b + 1$ , which has  $7 + 6 + \dots + 1$  i.e. 28 solutions.

For  $n = -1$ ,  $a > b$ , which has  $8 + 6 + \dots + 1$  i.e. 36 solutions.

Thus total no. of solutions =  $2 \times 10 + 2 \times 28 + 36 = 112$ .

**4. Let ABCDE be a convex pentagon in which  $\angle A = \angle B = \angle C = \angle D = 120^\circ$  and side lengths are five consecutive integers in some order. Find all possible values of  $AB + BC + CD$ .**

**Sol.:** Let  $AB = x_1$ ,  $BC = x_2$ ,  $CD = x_3$ ,  $DE = x_4$  and  $EA = x_5$ .

Produce AB and DC to meet at F, then

$$\angle CBF = 180^\circ - \angle B = 180^\circ - 120^\circ = 60^\circ$$

$$\text{and } \angle FCB = 180^\circ - \angle C = 60^\circ$$

$\therefore \triangle BFC$  is equilateral.

Hence  $\angle F = 60^\circ$  and  $BF = FC = BC = x_2$

$$\therefore \angle D + \angle F = 180^\circ \text{ and } \angle A + \angle F = 180^\circ$$

$\therefore AF \parallel DE$  and  $AE \parallel DF$

$\therefore AFDE$  is a parallelogram.

$\therefore AF = ED$  and  $DF = AE$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 = x_4 \text{ and } x_2 + x_3 = x_5 \quad \dots(1)$$

But  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_5$  are five consecutive integers in some order.

$$\therefore x_1 + x_2 = x_4 \leq x_1 + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 \leq 4$$

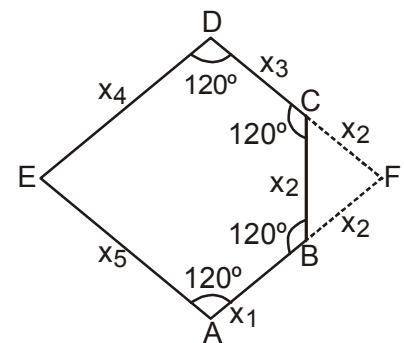
Similarly  $x_1 \leq 4$  and  $x_3 \leq 4$  and So,  $x_4, x_5 \leq 6$ .

Thus  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_5\} = \{1, 2, \dots, 5\}$  or  $\{2, 3, \dots, 6\}$

Hence, due to (1), the possible solutions are given by

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_5) = (2, 1, 4, 3, 5), (4, 1, 2, 5, 3), (1, 3, 2, 4, 5), (2, 3, 1, 5, 4), (3, 2, 4, 5, 6) \text{ or } (4, 2, 3, 6, 5)$$

$$\therefore AB + BC + CD = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6, 7 \text{ or } 9.$$



5. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with  $\angle A = 90^\circ$  and  $AB < AC$ . Let  $AD$  be the altitude from  $A$  on to  $BC$ . Let  $P, Q$  and  $I$  denote respectively the incentres of triangles  $ABD, ACD$  and  $ABC$ . Prove that  $AI$  is perpendicular to  $PQ$  and  $AI = PQ$ .

**Sol.:**  $\therefore P, I$  lie on angle bisector of  $\angle B$

$\therefore B, P, I$  are collinear

Similarly  $C, Q, I$  are collinear.

Join  $PD, DQ, BI$  and  $CI$ . Produce  $AI$  to meet  $PQ$  at  $R$ .

$\therefore PD$  and  $DQ$  are bisectors of angles  $\angle ADB$  and  $\angle ADC$

$\therefore \angle PDQ = 90^\circ$

Again,  $\therefore \triangle ADB \sim \triangle CDA \sim \triangle CAB$

$\therefore$  the distances of the incentres of the three triangles from their corresponding vertices will be proportional to their corresponding sides.

$$\therefore \frac{PD}{AB} = \frac{QD}{AC} = \frac{AI}{BC} = \frac{\sqrt{PD^2 + QD^2}}{\sqrt{AB^2 + BC^2}} = \frac{PQ}{BC}$$

$\therefore \triangle PDQ \sim \triangle BAC$  and  $AI = PQ$ .

$\therefore \angle DPQ = \angle B$

$$\text{Now, } \angle IPD = \angle PBD + \angle PDB = \frac{1}{2}\angle B + 45^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle IPR = \angle IPD - \angle DPQ = \frac{1}{2}\angle B + 45^\circ - \angle B$$

$$\text{Also, } \angle AIB = 90^\circ + \frac{1}{2}\angle C$$

$$\therefore \angle ARP = \angle AIB - \angle IPR = 90^\circ + \frac{1}{2}\angle C - \left(45^\circ - \frac{1}{2}\angle B\right) = 90^\circ + \frac{1}{2}(\angle B + \angle C) - 45^\circ = 90^\circ. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

6. Let  $n \geq 1$  be an integer and consider the sum

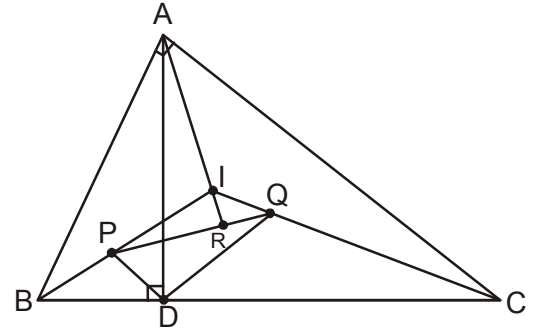
$$x = \sum_{k \geq 0} \binom{n}{2k} 2^{n-2k} 3^k = \binom{n}{0} 2^n + \binom{n}{2} 2^{n-2} \cdot 3 + \binom{n}{4} 2^{n-4} \cdot 3^2 + \dots$$

Show that  $2x - 1, 2x, 2x + 1$  form the sides of a triangle whose area and inradius are also integers.

**Sol.:** Here  $x \in \mathbb{I}$  and  $x = {}^n C_0 \cdot 2^n + {}^n C_2 \cdot 2^{n-2} \cdot \sqrt{3}^2 + {}^n C_4 \cdot 2^{n-4} \cdot \sqrt{3}^4 + \dots$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (2 + \sqrt{3})^n + (2 - \sqrt{3})^n \right] \geq 2 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$\therefore 2x - 1 + 2x > 2x + 1$



∴  $2x - 1, 2x, 2x + 1$  form sides of a triangle

whose semiperimeter  $s = \frac{2x - 1 + 2x + 2x + 1}{2} = 3x$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Area} &= \sqrt{3x(3x - (2x - 1))(3x - 2x)(3x - (2x + 1))} \\ &= \sqrt{3x^2(x^2 - 1)} \\ &= \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2} \sqrt{(2x)^2 - 4} \\ &= \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2} \sqrt{\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 - 4}, \text{ where } a = (2 + \sqrt{3})^n \\ &= \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2} \sqrt{\left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2} \left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right) = \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2} \left[(2 + \sqrt{3})^n - (2 - \sqrt{3})^n\right] \\ &= x\sqrt{3} \left[ {}^n C_1 2^{n-1} \cdot \sqrt{3} + {}^n C_3 \cdot 2^{n-3} \cdot \sqrt{3}^3 + {}^n C_5 \cdot 2^{n-5} \cdot \sqrt{3}^5 + \dots \right] \\ &= 3x \left[ {}^n C_1 2^{n-1} + {}^n C_3 2^{n-3} \cdot 3 + {}^n C_5 2^{n-5} \cdot 3^2 + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

Which is clearly an integer.

Also inradius  $= \frac{\Delta}{s} = \frac{\Delta}{3x} = {}^n C_1 \cdot 2^{n-1} + {}^n C_3 \cdot 2^{n-3} \cdot 3 + {}^n C_5 \cdot 2^{n-5} \cdot 3^2 + \dots$

which is also an integer.

Q.E.D.