

**Second Round Olympiad 2009**

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- 1 Let  $\omega$  be the circumcircle of acute triangle  $ABC$  where  $\angle A < \angle B$  and  $M, N$  be the midpoints of minor arcs  $BC, AC$  of  $\omega$  respectively. The line  $PC$  is parallel to  $MN$ , intersecting  $\omega$  at  $P$  (different from  $C$ ). Let  $I$  be the incentre of  $ABC$  and let  $PI$  intersect  $\omega$  again at the point  $T$ .
- 1) Prove that  $MP \cdot MT = NP \cdot NT$ ;
  - 2) Let  $Q$  be an arbitrary point on minor arc  $AB$  and  $I, J$  be the incentres of triangles  $AQC, BCQ$ . Prove that  $Q, I, J, T$  are concyclic.

- 2 Let  $n$  be a positive integer. Prove that

$$-1 < \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{k^2 + 1} - \ln n \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

- 3 Let  $k, l$  be two given integers. Prove that there exist infinite many integers  $m \geq k$  such that  $\gcd\left(\binom{m}{k}, l\right) = 1$ .

- 4 Let  $P = [a_{ij}]_{3 \times 9}$  be a  $3 \times 9$  matrix where  $a_{ij} \geq 0$  for all  $i, j$ . The following conditions are given:
- Every row consists of distinct numbers;
  - $-\sum_{i=1}^3 x_{ij} = 1$  for  $1 \leq j \leq 6$ ;
  - $-x_{17} = x_{28} = x_{39} = 0$ ;
  - $-x_{ij} > 1$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq 3$  and  $7 \leq j \leq 9$  such that  $j - i \neq 6$ .
  - The first three columns of  $P$  satisfy the following property ( $R$ ): for an arbitrary column  $[x_{1k}, x_{2k}, x_{3k}]^T$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq 9$ , there exists an  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  such that  $x_{ik} \leq u_i = \min(x_{i1}, x_{i2}, x_{i3})$ .
- Prove that:
- a) the elements  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  come from three different columns;
  - b) if a column  $[x_{1l}, x_{2l}, x_{3l}]^T$  of  $P$ , where  $l \geq 4$ , satisfies the condition that after replacing the third column of  $P$  by it, the first three columns of the newly obtained matrix  $P'$  still have property ( $R$ ), then this column uniquely exists.