

23-rd Balkan Mathematical Olympiad

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1. If a, b, c are positive numbers, prove the inequality

$$\frac{1}{a(1+b)} + \frac{1}{b(1+c)} + \frac{1}{c(1+a)} \geq \frac{3}{1+abc}. \quad (\text{Greece})$$

2. A line m intersects the sides AB, AC and the extension of BC beyond C of the triangle ABC at points D, F, E , respectively. The lines through points A, B, C which are parallel to m meet the circumcircle of triangle ABC again at points A_1, B_1, C_1 , respectively. Show that the lines A_1E, B_1F, C_1D are concurrent. (Greece)

3. Determine all triples (m, n, p) of positive rational numbers such that the numbers

$$m + \frac{1}{np}, \quad n + \frac{1}{pm}, \quad p + \frac{1}{mn}$$

are integers. (Romania)

4. Let m be a positive integer. Find all positive integers a such that the sequence $(a_n)_{n=0}^{\infty}$ defined by $a_0 = a$ and

$$a_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \frac{a_n}{2} & \text{if } a_n \text{ is even,} \\ a_n + m & \text{if } a_n \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

is periodic (there exists $d > 0$ such that $a_{n+d} = a_n$ for all n). (Bulgaria)