## PROBLEMS FOR COMPETITIONS AND OLYMPIADS

## Junior Level

**C.O:5115.** Let *a*, *b*, *c*, *x*, *y*, *z* be real numbers such that:  $a + b + c = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1.$ 

Prove that:

$$a(x+b) + b(y+c) + c(z+a) \le 1.$$

**C.O:5116.** Is there a positive integer n such that 7 divides  $2^n + 1$ ?

**C.O:5117.** Let k be an integer,  $k \ge 2$ . Show that there exist three distinct integers in the interval  $(k^3, (k+1)^3)$  whose product is a perfect cube.

**C.O:5118.** Let *ABCD* a regular tetrahedron of unit edge and let *P* be a point inside it. Show that the sum of the distances from *P* to all the edges of the tetrahedron is greater than or equal to  $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$ .

## Senior Level

**C.O:5119.** Let  $F : \mathbb{N}^* \to \mathbb{N}^*$  be a function satisfying the properties: F(mn) = F(m)F(n) for all  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}^*$  and  $F(p) \ge 2$  for any prime p. Prove that there exists a function  $f : \mathbb{N}^* \to \mathbb{N}^*$  such that  $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ .

Find f when  $F = 1_{\mathbb{N}^*}$ .

Magdalena Bănescu and Marcel Ţena, Bucharest **C.O:5120.** Consider  $f = aX^2 + bX + c \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$  such that f(n) is a square for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ . Prove that there exist  $g \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$  with  $f = g^2$ .

**C.O:5121.** Let ABC be a triangle and let  $T_a$  be the area of the triangle with vertices in the tangency points of the excircle corresponding to A with the lines AB, BC, CA. Define similarly  $T_b$  and  $T_c$ . Let S be the area of the triangle with vertices in the tangency points of the incircle with the sides of the triangle. Show that

$$\frac{1}{T_a} + \frac{1}{T_b} + \frac{1}{T_c} = \frac{1}{S}.$$

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**C.O:5122.** Let A be a ring such that for all  $x \in A$  there exist  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , (m, n) = 1 with  $x^m, x^n \in Z(A)$ . Show that the ring is commutative. (Denote  $Z(A) = \{x \in A \mid xy = yx, \forall y \in A\}$ .)

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