

First Selection Test: Exam 2

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Problem 1 Let a, b be positive integers such that for every positive integer n we have $a^n + n \mid b^n + n$. Prove that $a = b$.

Problem 2 Let \mathbb{R}^+ denote the set of positive real numbers. Find all functions $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

$$x^2 (f(x) + f(y)) = (x + y)f(f(x)y)$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

Problem 3 Let A be a point exterior to a circle Γ . Two lines through A meet Γ at B, C and D, E respectively, with D between A and E . Draw the line through D which is parallel to AC , and let it meet Γ again at F . Suppose that AF meets Γ again at G , and that EG meets AC at M . Prove that

$$\frac{1}{AM} = \frac{1}{AB} + \frac{1}{AC}.$$

Time allowed: 4 hours 30 minutes