

**ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD
FINAL ROUND - 1988**

Xth FORM

1. Prove that if a, b are two complex numbers so that $ta + (1 - t)b \neq 0, \forall t \in [0, 1]$ and $\Re \frac{a}{b} \geq 0$ then $\Re \frac{ab}{[ta + (1-t)b]^2} > 0, \forall t \in (0, 1)$.
2. Prove that a nonconstant sequence of positive integers $(x_n)_{n \geq 0}$ is an arithmetical progression iff there exists $a > 0$ so that $x_{n+1} = x_n + \left[\frac{x_n}{n+a} \right], \forall n \in \mathbf{N}$.
3. For $n \in \mathbf{N}^*$ consider the numbers $\binom{2^n}{k}, k = 1, 2, \dots, 2^n - 1$. Prove that:
 - (a) all these numbers are even;
 - (b) a single number isn't divisible by 4.
4. Consider a regular pyramid of base $ABCD$ and vertex V . Consider the points $A' \in (VA), B' \in (VB), C' \in (VC), D' \in (VD)$ and denote the midpoints of $[A'C'], [B'D']$ by M, N . Prove that the points V, A', B', C', D' are on a sphere iff $MN \parallel (ABC)$.