

**SOLUTIONS TO THE  
MATHEMATICAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL CUP  
- MATHEMATICS -**

1. B)    2. C)    3. C)    4. A)    5. B)    6. D)    7. B)    8. E)

9. Let us denote

$$x = m - 3, \quad y = n - 5, \quad z = p - 7.$$

Now we have  $x + y + z = 0$  and  $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 540$ . Since

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx),$$

we have that  $xyz = 180 = 2^2 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 5$ , so the solutions are

$$(m, n, p) \in \{(-1, 0, 16), (-2, 1, 16), (12, 0, 3), (12, 1, 2), (-2, 14, 3), (-1, 14, 2)\}$$

10. From the AM-GM inequality (inequality of arithmetic and geometric means) we have  $x^2 + 2yz \leq x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ , hence

$$\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2yz} \geq \frac{x^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad (1)$$

In the same way we would get

$$\frac{y^2}{y^2 + 2xz} \geq \frac{y^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad (2)$$

and

$$\frac{z^2}{z^2 + 2xy} \geq \frac{z^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}. \quad (3)$$

Adding inequalities (1), (2), (3) gives us

$$\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2yz} + \frac{y^2}{y^2 + 2xz} + \frac{z^2}{z^2 + 2xy} \geq \frac{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 1 \quad (4)$$

Noticing that

$$\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2yz} + \frac{y^2}{y^2 + 2zx} + \frac{z^2}{z^2 + 2xy} + 2 \cdot \left( \frac{yz}{x^2 + 2yz} + \frac{zx}{y^2 + 2zx} + \frac{xy}{z^2 + 2xy} \right) = 3$$

together with (4) implies

$$2 \cdot \left( \frac{yz}{x^2 + 2yz} + \frac{zx}{y^2 + 2zx} + \frac{xy}{z^2 + 2xy} \right) \leq 2.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{yz}{x^2 + 2yz} + \frac{zx}{y^2 + 2zx} + \frac{xy}{z^2 + 2xy} \leq 1.$$

The equality holds if and only if  $x = y = z$ .

11. The base of the pyramid is a triangle, so the length of its altitude is  $h = \sqrt{3^2 - 2^2} = \sqrt{5}$ , while its area is  $B = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{2} = 2\sqrt{5}$ .

Further, the radius of the circle circumscribed about the base is

$$R = \frac{abc}{4B} = \frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 4}{4 \cdot 2 \cdot \sqrt{5}} = \frac{9}{2 \cdot \sqrt{5}}$$

The foot of the altitude of the pyramid is the center of the circle circumscribed about the base, hence

$$H = \sqrt{3^2 - R^2} = \sqrt{9 - \left(\frac{9}{2 \cdot \sqrt{5}}\right)^2} = \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\frac{11}{5}}.$$

The volume of the pyramid is  $V = \frac{1}{3}B \cdot H = \frac{1}{3}2\sqrt{5} \cdot \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\frac{11}{5}} = \sqrt{11}$ .

12. Since  $10^4 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$  and  $10^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$ , we have

$$10^{6k+4} + 3 \equiv 0 \pmod{7}.$$

Hence,  $7 \mid 10^{6k+4} + 3$ .

*Remark.* Similarly we would show that  $13 \mid 10^{6k+1} + 3$ .