## JUNIOR PRIZE EXAM Spring 2025

1) Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  be such that  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \pi$ . Prove that

$$\frac{\sin\alpha + \sin\beta - \sin\gamma}{\sin\alpha + \sin\beta + \sin\gamma} = \tan\frac{\alpha}{2}\tan\frac{\beta}{2}.$$

2) What is the remainder if  $18^{82}$  is divided by 11?

3) Determine a and b in the equation

$$x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 6 = 0$$

such that one of its roots be 2, and another be 3.

4) Determine the value of p in the equation  $x^2 - px + 36 = 0$  such that we have

$$\frac{1}{x_1} + \frac{1}{x_2} = \frac{5}{12}$$

holds for the roots  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  of the equation.

5) Let a, b. amd c be real numbers such that  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$ . Show that

$$-\frac{1}{2} \le ab + bc + ca \le 1.$$

6) Show that every positive integer that is not divisible by 10 has a multiple that begins and ends with the same digit when written in the decimal system (without starting zeros).

7) How many ways can you arrange the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, in a sequence such that the sum of any four consecutive ones among them is divisible by 3.

SOON AFTER THE EXAM, SOLUTIONS WILL APPEAR ON THE WEB SITE http://www.sci.brooklyn.cuny.edu/~mate/prize/2025/

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