THE 4th ROMANIAN MASTER OF MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

DAY 1: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2011, BUCHAREST

Language: English

Problem 1. Prove that there exist two functions $f, g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$, such that $f \circ g$ is strictly decreasing and $g \circ f$ is strictly increasing.

Problem 2. Determine all positive integers n for which there exists a polynomial f(x) with real coefficients, with the following properties:

- (1) for each integer *k*, the number *f*(*k*) is an integer if and only if *k* is not divisible by *n*;
- (2) the degree of f is less than n.

Problem 3. A triangle *ABC* is inscribed in a circle ω . A variable line ℓ chosen parallel to *BC* meets segments *AB*, *AC* at points *D*, *E* respectively, and meets ω at points *K*, *L* (where *D* lies between *K* and *E*). Circle γ_1 is tangent to the segments *KD* and *BD* and also tangent to ω , while circle γ_2 is tangent to the segments *LE* and *CE* and also tangent to ω . Determine the locus, as ℓ varies, of the meeting point of the common inner tangents to γ_1 and γ_2 .

Each of the three problems is worth 7 points. Time allowed $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours.