

**Problem 1.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive real numbers, prove that

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a + b} + \frac{b^2 + c^2}{b + c} + \frac{c^2 + a^2}{c + a} \geq a + b + c.$$

**Problem 2.** Let  $ABC$  be an equilateral triangle and let  $E$  be a point on the line segment  $BC$ . Let  $\ell$  be the line through  $A$  parallel to  $BC$  and let  $K$  be the point on  $\ell$  such that  $KE$  is perpendicular to  $BC$ . The circle with centre  $K$  and radius  $KE$  intersects the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$  at  $M$  and  $N$  respectively. The perpendicular on  $AB$  at  $M$  intersects  $\ell$  at  $D$ , and the perpendicular on  $AC$  at  $N$  intersects  $\ell$  at  $F$ .

Show that the point of intersection of the angle bisectors of angles  $\angle MDA$  and  $\angle NFA$  belongs on the line  $KE$ . **(Source: JBMO Shortlist 2022-G4)**

**Problem 3.** Anna and Bob, with Anna starting first, alternately colour the integers of the set  $S = \{1, 2, \dots, 2022\}$  red or blue. At their turn, each one can colour any uncoloured number of  $S$  they wish, with any colour they wish. The game ends when all numbers of  $S$  get coloured.

Let  $N$  be the number of pairs  $(a, b) \in S^2$  where  $a, b$  have the same colour, and  $b - a = 3$ .

Anna wishes to maximize  $N$ . What is the maximum value of  $N$  that she can achieve regardless of how Bob plays? **(Source: JBMO Shortlist 2022-C1)**

**Problem 4.** Consider the sequence  $u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots$  defined by  $u_0 = 0, u_1 = 1$  and

$$u_n = 6u_{n-1} + 7u_{n-2}$$

for  $n \geq 2$ . Show that there are no non-negative integers  $a, b, c, n$  such that

$$ab(a + b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) = c^{2022} + 42 = u_n.$$

**(Source: JBMO Shortlist 2022-N4)**