

**3093.** Proposed by Mihály Bencze, Brasov, Romania.

Let  $p_k$  be the  $k^{\text{th}}$  prime. Show that the following series diverges:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(p_{n+1} - p_n)}.$$

**3094.** Proposed by Vasile Cîrtoaje, University of Ploiesti, Romania.

Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be non-negative real numbers, where  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $S = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$  and  $P = \prod_{k=1}^n (1 + x_k^2)$ . Prove that

$$(a) \quad P \leq \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{S^2}{k^2} \right)^k \right\};$$

$$(b) \quad P \leq \left( 1 + \frac{S^2}{n^2} \right)^n \quad \text{if } S > 2\sqrt{2}(n-1);$$

$$(c) \quad P \leq 1 + S^2 \quad \text{if } S \leq 2\sqrt{2}.$$

**3095.** Proposed by Arkady Alt, San Jose, CA, USA.

Let  $a, b, c, p$ , and  $q$  be natural numbers. Using  $[x]$  to denote the integer part of  $x$ , prove that

$$\min \left\{ a, \left[ \frac{c + pb}{q} \right] \right\} \leq \left[ \frac{c + p(a+b)}{p+q} \right].$$

**3096.** Proposed by Arkady Alt, San Jose, CA, USA.

Let  $ABC$  be a triangle with sides  $a, b, c$  opposite the angles  $A, B, C$ , respectively. Prove that

$$\sum_{\text{cyclic}} \frac{bc}{b+c} \sin^2 \left( \frac{A}{2} \right) \leq \frac{a+b+c}{8}.$$

**3097.** Proposed by Mihály Bencze, Brasov, Romania.

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two positive real numbers such that  $a < b$ . Define  $A(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $L(a, b) = \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a}$ . Prove that

$$L(a, b) < L\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \sqrt{ab}\right) < \left(A(\sqrt{a}, \sqrt{b})\right)^2 < A(a, b).$$