

1 A Mediterranean polynomial has only real roots and it is of the form

$$P(x) = x^{10} - 20x^9 + 135x^8 + a_7x^7 + a_6x^6 + a_5x^5 + a_4x^4 + a_3x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0$$

with real coefficients a_0, \dots, a_7 . Determine the largest real number that occurs as a root of some Mediterranean polynomial.

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2 Let A be a finite set of positive reals, let $B = \{x/y \mid x, y \in A\}$ and let $C = \{xy \mid x, y \in A\}$.

Show that $|A| \cdot |B| \leq |C|^2$.

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3 A regular tetrahedron of height h has a tetrahedron of height xh cut off by a plane parallel to the base. When the remaining frustrum is placed on one of its slant faces on a horizontal plane, it is just on the point of falling over. (In other words, when the remaining frustrum is placed on one of its slant faces on a horizontal plane, the projection of the center of gravity G of the frustrum is a point of the minor base of this slant face.)

Show that x is a root of the equation $x^3 + x^2 + x = 2$.

4 Let D be the foot of the internal bisector of the angle $\angle A$ of the triangle ABC . The straight line which joins the incenters of the triangles ABD and ACD cut AB and AC at M and N , respectively.

Show that BN and CM meet on the bisector AD .
