The 13th Annual Vojtěch Jarník International Mathematical Competition Ostrava, 2nd April 2003 Category I

**Problem 1.** Let d(k) denote the number of all natural divisors of a natural number k. Prove that for any natural number  $n_0$  the sequence  $\left\{d(n^2+1)\right\}_{n=n_0}^{\infty}$  is not strictly monotone. [10 points]

**Problem 2.** Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be an  $m \times n$  real matrix with at least one non-zero element. For each  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$ , let  $R_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}$  be the sum of the *i*-th row of the matrix A, and for each  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ , let  $C_j = \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}$  be the sum of the *j*-th column of the matrix A. Prove that there exist indices  $k \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  and  $l \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$  such that

or

$$a_{kl} > 0, \qquad R_k \ge 0, \qquad C_l \ge 0,$$
  
 $a_{kl} < 0, \qquad R_k \le 0, \qquad C_l \le 0.$ 

[10 points]

Problem 3. Find the limit

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sqrt{1 + 2\sqrt{1 + 3\sqrt{\dots + (n-1)\sqrt{1+n}}}} .$$

[10 points]

**Problem 4.** Let *A* and *B* be complex Hermitian  $2 \times 2$  matrices having the pairs of eigenvalues  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  and  $(\beta_1, \beta_2)$ , respectively. Determine all possible pairs of eigenvalues  $(\gamma_1, \gamma_2)$  of the matrix C = A + B. (We recall that a matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$  is Hermitian if and only if  $a_{ij} = \overline{a_{ji}}$  for all *i* and *j*.) [10 points]