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416. Let  $P$  be a point in the plane.
- (a) Prove that there are three points  $A, B, C$  for which  $AB = BC$ ,  $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$ ,  $|PA| = 1$ ,  $|PB| = 2$  and  $|PC| = 3$ .
  - (b) Determine  $|AB|$  for the configuration in (a).
  - (c) A rotation of  $90^\circ$  about  $B$  takes  $C$  to  $A$  and  $P$  to  $Q$ . Determine  $\angle APQ$ .
417. Show that for each positive integer  $n$ , at least one of the five numbers  $17^n, 17^{n+1}, 17^{n+2}, 17^{n+3}, 17^{n+4}$  begins with 1 (at the left) when written to base 10.
418. (a) Show that, for each pair  $m, n$  of positive integers, the minimum of  $m^{1/n}$  and  $n^{1/m}$  does not exceed  $3^{1/2}$ .
- (b) Show that, for each positive integer  $n$ ,
- $$\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 \geq n^{1/n} \geq 1.$$
- (c) Determine an integer  $N$  for which
- $$n^{1/n} \leq 1.00002005$$
- whenever  $n \geq N$ . Justify your answer.
419. Solve the system of equations
- $$x + \frac{1}{y} = y + \frac{1}{z} = z + \frac{1}{x} = t$$
- for  $x, y, z$  not all equal. Determine  $xyz$ .
420. Two circle intersect at  $A$  and  $B$ . Let  $P$  be a point on one of the circles. Suppose that  $PA$  meets the second circle again at  $C$  and  $PB$  meets the second circle again at  $D$ . For what position of  $P$  is the length of the segment  $CD$  maximum?
421. Let  $ABCD$  be a tetrahedron. Prove that
- $$|AB| \cdot |CD| + |AC| \cdot |BD| \geq |AD| \cdot |BC|.$$
422. Determine the smallest two positive integers  $n$  for which the numbers in the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, 3n - 1, 3n\}$  can be partitioned into  $n$  disjoint triples  $\{x, y, z\}$  for which  $x + y = 3z$ .