

International Math Olympiad Handbook

– Grade 11

This handbook covers topics for Grade 11 students (Age 16–17).

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Introduction

Grade 11 students focus on advanced algebra, functions, coordinate geometry, trigonometry, probability, sequences, calculus introduction, and Olympiad-level problems.

Curriculum Topics

- Algebra: quadratic, cubic, factorization, inequalities
- Functions: polynomial, exponential, logarithmic
- Coordinate Geometry: line, circle, parabola
- Trigonometry: identities, equations, laws of sine & cosine
- Probability: conditional, multiple events
- Sequences & Series: arithmetic, geometric
- Calculus (basic introduction): limits, derivatives
- Word Problems & Olympiad Challenges
- Logical Reasoning & Puzzles

Examples & Explanations

- **Quadratic/Cubic:** Solve $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0 \rightarrow x=2,3$
- **Functions:** $f(x)=x^2-3x+2$, $f(3)=2$
- **Trigonometry:** $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$
- **Probability:** Conditional probability $P(A|B)$
- **Sequences:** $a_1=2$, $d=3 \rightarrow$ 5th term?
- **Coordinate Geometry:** Equation of line through $(1,2)$ & $(3,6) \rightarrow y = 2x$

Practice Problems

1. Solve $x^2 - 7x + 10 = 0$
2. $f(x) = 3x^2 - 2x + 1$, $f(2) = ?$
3. $\sin^2 30^\circ + \cos^2 30^\circ = ?$
4. Probability: 2 dice sum = 7 $\rightarrow ?$
5. 5th term of sequence $a_1=3$, $d=4$
6. Line through $(0,1)$ & $(2,5) \rightarrow$ equation?