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- 1 Let  $a$  be a prime number and  $n > 2$  an integer.  
Find all integer solutions of the equation  $x^n + ay^n = a^2z^n$ .

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- 2 Find all polynomials  $P(x)$  satisfying  $P(x+1) - 2P(x) + P(x-1) = x$  for all  $x$ .

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- 3 The angles of an acute triangle  $ABC$  at  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . Let  $AD$  be a height,  $CF$  a median, and  $BE$  the bisector of  $\angle B$ . Show that  $AD, CF$  and  $BE$  are concurrent if and only if  $\cos \gamma \tan \beta = \sin \alpha$ .

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- 4 Eight guests arrive to a hotel with four rooms. Each guest dislikes at most three other guests and doesn't want to share a room with any of them (this feeling is mutual). Show that the guests can reside in the four rooms, with two persons in each room.

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- 5 Suppose that the circumradius  $R$  and the inradius  $r$  of a triangle  $ABC$  satisfy  $R = 2r$ . Prove that the triangle is equilateral.

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- 6 Let  $x, y, z$  be real numbers with  $|x|, |y|, |z| > 2$ . What is the smallest possible value of  $|xyz + 2(x + y + z)|$ ?

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- 7 Find all positive integers  $a, b, c$  such that  $a^2 = 4(b + c)$  and  $a^3 - 2b^3 - 4c^3 = \frac{1}{2}abc$ .

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- 8 Consider the function  $f : N \rightarrow N$  given by
  - (i)  $f(1) = 1$ ,
  - (ii)  $f(2n) = f(n)$  for any  $n \in N$ ,
  - (iii)  $f(2n + 1) = f(2n) + 1$  for any  $n \in N$ .
  - (a) Find the maximum value of  $f(n)$  for  $1 \leq n \leq 1995$ ;
  - (b) Find all values of  $f$  on this interval.