

**Spain Mathematical Olympiad 1966**

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– Day 1

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- 1** To a manufacturer of three products whose unit prices are 50, 70, and 65 pta, a retailer asks him for 100 units, remitting him 6850 pta as payment, on the condition that you send as many of the higher-priced product as possible and the rest of the other two. How many of each product should he send to serve the request?
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- 2** A three-digit number is written  $xyz$  in the base 7 system and  $zyx$  in the base 9 system . What is the number?
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- 3** Given a regular pentagon, consider the convex pentagon limited by its diagonals. You are asked to calculate:
- The similarity relation between the two convex pentagons.
  - The relationship of their areas.
  - The ratio of the homothety that transforms the first into the second.
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- 4** You want to hang a weight  $P$  so that it is 7 m below a ceiling. To do this, it is suspended by means of a vertical cable attached to the midpoint  $M$  of a chain hung by its ends from two points on the ceiling  $A$  and  $B$  distant from each other 4 m. The price of the cable  $PM$  is  $p$  pta/m and that of the chain  $AMB$  is  $q$  pta/m. It is requested:
- Determine the lengths of the cable and the chain to obtain the lowest price cost of installation.
  - Discuss the solution for the different values of the relation  $p/q$  of both prices.
- (It is assumed that the weight is large enough to be considered rectile lines the chain segments  $AM$  and  $MB$ ).
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– Day 2

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- 5** The length of the hypotenuse  $BC$  of a right triangle  $ABC$  is  $a$ , and on it the points  $M$  and  $N$  are taken such that  $BM = NC = k$ , with  $k < a/2$ . Assuming that (only) the data  $a$  and  $k$  are known, calculate:
- The value of the sum of the squares of the lengths  $AM$  and  $AN$ .
  - The ratio of the areas of triangles  $ABC$  and  $AMN$ .
  - The area enclosed by the circle that passes through the points  $A, M', N'$  , where  $M'$  is the orthogonal projection of  $M$  onto  $AC$  and  $N'$  that of  $N$  onto  $AB$ .
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- 6** They tell us that a married couple has 5 children. Calculate the probability that among them there are at least two men and at least one woman. Probability of being born male is considered  $1/2$ .
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**7** Determine a geometric progression of seven terms, knowing the sum, 7, of the first three, and the sum, 112, of the last three.

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**8** Determine the values of  $a, b, c$ , so that the graphical representation of the function

$$y = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx$$

has an inflection point at the point of abscissa  $x = 3$ , with tangent at the point of equation  $x - 4y + 1 = 0$ . Then draw the corresponding graph.

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