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– Day 1

1 Prove for each non-negative integer n and real number x the inequality

$$\sin x \cdot (n \sin x - \sin nx) \geq 0$$

2 The price for sending a packet (a rectangular cuboid) is directly proportional to the sum of its length, width, and height. Is it possible to reduce the cost of sending a packet by putting it into a cheaper packet?

3 Let ABC be an acute triangle and D the foot of the altitude from A onto BC . A semicircle with diameter BC intersects segments AB , AC and AD in the points F , E resp. X . The circumcircles of the triangles DEX and DXF intersect BC in L resp. N other than D . Prove $BN = LC$.

– Day 2

4 There are two points A and B in the plane.

a) Determine the set M of all points C in the plane for which $|AC|^2 + |BC|^2 = 2 \cdot |AB|^2$.

b) Decide whether there is a point $C \in M$ such that $\angle ACB$ is maximal and if so, determine this angle.

5 Prove or disprove:

$\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $324 + 455^n$ is prime.

6 Let $p > 2$ be a prime. Define a sequence $(Q_n(x))$ of polynomials such that $Q_0(x) = 1$, $Q_1(x) = x$ and $Q_{n+1}(x) = xQ_n(x) + nQ_{n-1}(x)$ for $n \geq 1$. Prove that $Q_p(x) - x^p$ is divisible by p for all integers x .
