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1 We have 2n + 1 elements in the commutative ring R:

 $\alpha, \alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n, \varrho_1, ..., \varrho_n.$

Let us define the elements

$$\sigma_k = k\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \varrho_i^k.$$

Prove that the ideal $(\sigma_0, \sigma_1, ..., \sigma_k, ...)$ can be finitely generated.

L. Redei

2 Let *G* and *H* be countable Abelian *p*-groups (*p* an arbitrary prime). Suppose that for every positive integer *n*,

 $p^n G \neq p^{n+1} G.$

Prove that H is a homomorphic image of G.

M. Makkai

3 The traffic rules in a regular triangle allow one to move only along segments parallel to one of the altitudes of the triangle. We define the distance between two points of the triangle to be the length of the shortest such path between them. Put $\binom{n+1}{2}$ points into the triangle in such a way that the minimum distance between pairs of points is maximal.

L. Fejes-Toth

4 If *c* is a positive integer and *p* is an odd prime, what is the smallest residue (in absolute value) of

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\frac{p-2}{2}} \binom{2n}{n} c^n \pmod{p}$$
?

J. Suranyi

5 Prove that two points in a compact metric space can be joined with a rectifiable arc if and only if there exists a positive number K such that, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, these points can be connected with an ε -chain not longer that K.

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11 Let $\xi_1, \xi_2, ...$ be independent random variables such that $E\xi_n = m > 0$ and $Var(\xi_n) = \sigma^2 < \infty$ (n = 1, 2, ...). Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of positive numbers such that $a_n \to 0$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$. Prove that

$$P\left(\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k \xi_k = \infty\right) = 1.$$

P. Revesz

12 Let $\vartheta_1, ..., \vartheta_n$ be independent, uniformly distributed, random variables in the unit interval [0, 1]. Define

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{n} \# \{k : \vartheta_k < x\}.$$

Prove that the probability that there is an $x_0 \in (0,1)$ such that $h(x_0) = x_0$, is equal to $1 - \frac{1}{n}$.

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