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- 1 The product of two of the four roots of the quartic equation  $x^4 - 18x^3 + kx^2 + 200x - 1984 = 0$  is  $-32$ . Determine the value of  $k$ .

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- 2 The geometric mean of any set of  $m$  non-negative numbers is the  $m$ -th root of their product.
  - (i) For which positive integers  $n$  is there a finite set  $S_n$  of  $n$  distinct positive integers such that the geometric mean of any subset of  $S_n$  is an integer?
  - (ii) Is there an infinite set  $S$  of distinct positive integers such that the geometric mean of any finite subset of  $S$  is an integer?

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- 3  $P, A, B, C,$  and  $D$  are five distinct points in space such that  $\angle APB = \angle BPC = \angle CPD = \angle DPA = \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is a given acute angle. Determine the greatest and least values of  $\angle APC + \angle BPD$ .

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- 4 A difficult mathematical competition consisted of a Part I and a Part II with a combined total of 28 problems. Each contestant solved 7 problems altogether. For each pair of problems, there were exactly two contestants who solved both of them. Prove that there was a contestant who, in Part I, solved either no problems or at least four problems.

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- 5  $P(x)$  is a polynomial of degree  $3n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(0) = P(3) = \dots &= P(3n) = 2, \\
 P(1) = P(4) = \dots &= P(3n - 2) = 1, \\
 P(2) = P(5) = \dots &= P(3n - 1) = 0, \quad \text{and} \\
 &P(3n + 1) = 730.
 \end{aligned}$$

Determine  $n$ .

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