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- 1 For a positive integer n , $S(n)$ denotes the sum of its digits and $U(n)$ its unit digit. Determine all positive integers n with the property that

$$n = S(n) + U(n)^2.$$

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- 2 Consider a triangle ABC with $BC = 3$. Choose a point D on BC such that $BD = 2$. Find the value of

$$AB^2 + 2AC^2 - 3AD^2.$$

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- 3 Determine all positive integers n such that $5^n - 1$ can be written as a product of an even number of consecutive integers.

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- 4 Given n positive real numbers satisfying $x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots \geq x_n \geq 0$ and $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 1$, prove that

$$\frac{x_1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{x_2}{\sqrt{2}} + \dots + \frac{x_n}{\sqrt{n}} \geq 1.$$

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- 5 (a) A set of lines is drawn in the plane in such a way that they create more than 2010 intersections at a particular angle α . Determine the smallest number of lines for which this is possible.
(b) Determine the smallest number of lines for which it is possible to obtain exactly 2010 such intersections.

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- 6 Write either 1 or -1 in each of the cells of a $(2n) \times (2n)$ -table, in such a way that there are exactly $2n^2$ entries of each kind. Let the minimum of the absolute values of all row sums and all column sums be M . Determine the largest possible value of M .
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