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– Day 1

Problem 1 We consider the real sequence (x_n) defined by $x_0 = 0, x_1 = 1$ and $x_{n+2} = 3x_{n+1} - 2x_n$ for $n = 0, 1, \dots$

We define the sequence (y_n) by $y_n = x_n^2 + 2^{n+2}$ for every non negative integer n .

Prove that for every $n > 0, y_n$ is the square of an odd integer

Problem 2 Let $x, y,$ and z be positive real numbers such that $xy + yz + zx = 3xyz$. Prove that

$$x^2y + y^2z + z^2x \geq 2(x + y + z) - 3.$$

In which cases do we have equality?

Problem 3 Let n be a positive integer.

- Find, in terms of $n,$ the number of pairs (x, y) of positive integers that are solutions of the equation :

$$x^2 - y^2 = 10^2 \cdot 30^{2n}$$

- Prove further that this number is never a square

– Day 2

Problem 4 Find all the real numbers x such that $\frac{1}{[x]} + \frac{1}{[2x]} = \{x\} + \frac{1}{3}$ where $[x]$ denotes the integer part of x and $\{x\} = x - [x]$.

For example, $[2.5] = 2, \{2.5\} = 0.5$ and $[-1.7] = -2, \{-1.7\} = 0.3$

Problem 5 The numbers from 1 to 2017 are written on a board. Deka and Farid play the following game :

each of them, on his turn, erases one of the numbers. Anyone who erases a multiple of 2, 3 or 5 loses and the game is over. Is there a winning strategy for Deka ?

Problem 6 Let ABC be a triangle with H its orthocenter. The circle with diameter $[AC]$ cuts the circumcircle of triangle ABH at K . Prove that the point of intersection of the lines CK and BH is the midpoint of the segment $[BH]$