

## PROBLEMS FOR SOLUTION

P40. (Conjecture). If the edges of a convex polyhedron form a "cage" surrounding a sphere of unit radius, then these edges have a total length of at least  $9\sqrt{3}$  (see Math. Rev. 20 (1959), Rev. 1950).

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P41. Let  $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4$  be any four points in the plane, no three collinear. On  $P_i P_{i+1}$  construct a square with centre  $Q_i$  so that the triangles  $Q_i P_i P_{i+1}$  all have the same "orientation" ( $i = 1, 2, 3, 4; P_5 = P_1$ ). Show that the segments  $Q_1 Q_3$  and  $Q_2 Q_4$  have the same lengths, and the lines containing them are perpendicular.

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P42. Let  $q_n = 1 + \sum_{r=1}^n \phi(r)$  where  $\phi$  denotes the Euler totient function and let  $p_n$  be the  $n$ -th prime ( $p_1 = 2$ ). Prove that  $p_n = q_n$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$  but for no other values of  $n$ .

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P43. Let  $G$  be a group generated by  $P$  and  $Q$ , and let  $H$  be the cyclic subgroup generated by  $P$ . If  $P$  and  $Q$  satisfy only the relations  $P^2 P Q = Q^2$  and  $Q^2 P Q^{-4} = P^k$  for some  $k$ , then the index of  $H$  in  $G$  is 14.

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## SOLUTIONS

P7. Define  $f(n)$  by  $n^{f(n)} \mid n!$ , i. e.,  $n^{f(n)} \mid n!$  and  $n^{f(n)+1} \nmid n!$