## Junior Balkan MO 1999

Plovdiv, Bulgaria

| 1 | Let $a, b, c, x, y$ be five real numbers such that $a^3 + ax + y = 0$ , $b^3 + bx + y = 0$ and $c^3 + cx + y = 0$ . |
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|   | If $a, b, c$ are all distinct numbers prove that their sum is zero.   |

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2 For each nonnegative integer n we define  $A_n = 2^{3n} + 3^{6n+2} + 5^{6n+2}$ . Find the greatest common divisor of the numbers  $A_0, A_1, \ldots, A_{1999}$ .

Romania

3 Let S be a square with the side length 20 and let M be the set of points formed with the vertices of S and another 1999 points lying inside S. Prove that there exists a triangle with vertices in M and with area at most equal with  $\frac{1}{10}$ .

Yugoslavia

4 Let ABC be a triangle with AB = AC. Also, let  $D \in [BC]$  be a point such that BC > BD > DC > 0, and let  $C_1, C_2$  be the circumcircles of the triangles ABD and ADC respectively. Let BB' and CC' be diameters in the two circles, and let M be the midpoint of B'C'. Prove that the area of the triangle MBC is constant (i.e. it does not depend on the choice of the point D).

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