

First Day. Tuesday October 4th, 2011.

1. (Universidad de los Andes) Find all real numbers  $a$  for which there exist distinct real numbers  $b, c, d$  different from  $a$  such that the four tangents to the curve  $y = \sin(x)$  at the points  $(a, \sin(a)), (b, \sin(b)), (c, \sin(c))$  y  $(d, \sin(d))$  form a rectangle.
2. (Brazilian Mathematics Olympiad) Let  $k$  be a positive integer and let  $a$  be an integer such that  $a - 2$  is a multiple of 7 and  $a^6 - 1$  is a multiple of  $7^k$ . Show that  $(a + 1)^6 - 1$  is also a multiple of  $7^k$ .
3. (Geza Kos) Let  $f(x)$  be a rational function with complex coefficients whose denominator doesn't have multiple roots. Let  $u_0, u_1, \dots, u_n$  be the complex roots of  $f$  and  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m$  be the roots of  $f'$ . (Each root is considered as many times as its multiplicity). Suppose that  $u_0$  is a single root of  $f$ . Show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^m \frac{1}{w_k - u_0} = 2 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{u_k - u_0} .$$

Note: A rational function is the quotient of two polynomials.