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International Mathematical Competition
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Category II

Problem 1. Find all complex solutions to the system

$$\begin{aligned}(a + ic)^3 + (ia + b)^3 + (-b + ic)^3 &= -6, \\(a + ic)^2 + (ia + b)^2 + (-b + ic)^2 &= 6, \\(1 + i)a + 2ic &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

[10 points]

Problem 2. A ring R (not necessarily commutative) contains at least one zero divisor and the number of zero divisors is finite. Prove that R is finite. [10 points]

Problem 3. Let E be the set of all continuous functions $u: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying

$$u^2(t) \leq 1 + 4 \int_0^t s |u(s)| \, ds, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1].$$

Let $\varphi: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$\varphi(u) = \int_0^1 (u^2(x) - u(x)) \, dx.$$

Prove that φ has a maximum value and find it. [10 points]

Problem 4. Prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^2 \left(\int_0^1 \sqrt[n]{1+x^n} \, dx - 1 \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{12}.$$

[10 points]