International Mathematical Talent Search – Round 24

Problem 1/24. The lattice points of the first quadrant are numbered as shown in the diagram on the right. Thus, for example, the 19th lattice point is (2,3), while the 97th lattice point is (8,5). Determine, with proof, the 1997th lattice point in this scheme.

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	35	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	23	34	0	0	0	0	0
11	20	24	33	0	0	0	0
10	12	19	25	32	0	0	0
4	9	13	18	26	31	0	0
3	5	8	14	17	27	30	0
1	2	6	7	15	16	28	29

Problem 2/24. Let $N_k = 131313...131$ be the (2k + 1)-digit number (in base 10), formed from k + 1 copies of 1 and k copies of 3. Prove that N_k is not divisible by 31 for any value of k = 1, 2, 3, ...

Problem 3/24. In $\triangle ABC$, let AB = 52, BC = 64, CA = 70, and assume that P and Q are points chosen on sides AB and AC, respectively, so that $\triangle APQ$ and quadrilateral PBCQ have the same area and the same perimeter. Determine the square of the length of the segment PQ.

Problem 4/24. Determine the positive integers x < y < z for which

$$\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{xy} - \frac{1}{xyz} = \frac{19}{97}.$$

Problem 5/24. Let P be a convex planar polygon with n vertices, and from each vertex of P construct perpendiculars to the n-2 sides (or extensions thereof) of P not meeting at that vertex. Prove that either one of these perpendiculars is completely in the interior of P or it is a side of P.