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## Solution Sheet 16, September 10, 2012

## Answers

- 1. 3 boxes of apples, 1 box of oranges, 4 boxes of lemons.
- 2. Find the area of the larger square in two different ways.
- 3. Let the rectangle have sides of length a, b where

$$a + b = 10. (1)$$

By Pythagoras' theorem, the diagonal d has length

$$d^2 = a^2 + b^2 (2)$$

Sub equation ?? into equation 2, the result is

$$d^2 = 2a^2 - 20a + 100$$

Use the formula for the minimum value of a parabola to find that a = b = 5. Hence  $d = 2\sqrt{5}$ .

- 4.  $y_n = 1 \pmod{8}$  but  $x_2 = 3 \pmod{3}$  and  $x_3 = 5 \pmod{8}$ . For larger values of n:  $x_n = 3 + 2 \times 5 \pmod{8} = 5 \pmod{8}$  or  $x_n = 5 + 2 \times 3 \pmod{8} = 5 \pmod{8}$
- 5. Using  $a^2 + b^2 \ge 2ab$ ,

$$2(a^{2} + b^{2} + c^{2}) \geq 2(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$3(a^{2} + b^{2} + c^{2}) \geq (a^{2} + b^{2} + c^{2}) + 2(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$3(a^{2} + b^{2} + c^{2}) \geq (a + b + c)^{2}$$

$$\frac{a^{2} + b^{2} + c^{2}}{3} \geq \left(\frac{a + b + c}{3}\right)^{2}$$