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Round 1 Arithmetic and Number Theory

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

1. If $a \spadesuit b = ab - 1$ and $a \clubsuit b = a + b^2$, find $5 \spadesuit (4 \clubsuit 3)$

2. If $\frac{2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^5 \cdot 7^7}{(20 \cdot 30 \cdot 50 \cdot 70)^3} = 2^a \cdot 3^b \cdot 5^c \cdot 7^d$ for integers a, b, c , and d , find the value of the sum $a + b + c + d$.

3. If n is a positive integer less than 10,000, for how many values of n is $\sqrt[3]{4n}$ an integer?

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Round 2 Algebra 1

1. _____

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1. Factor completely: $c(a + b) - 4(a + 2b) + 2b(c - 2)$

2. Measuring a certain distance by a meter stick that was 10% too short gave a length that was 40 cm too long. What was the actual distance in meters?

3. For $x > y > 0$ determine the greater value of $\frac{x}{y}$ if $\frac{x^3 - y^3}{x^3 - 3x^2y + 3xy^2 - y^3} = 4$.

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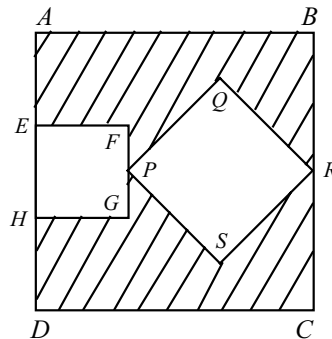
Round 3 – Geometry

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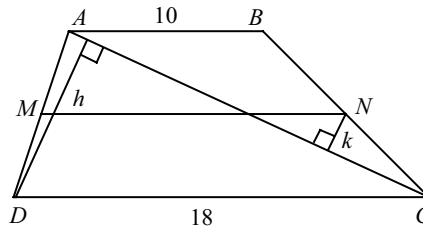
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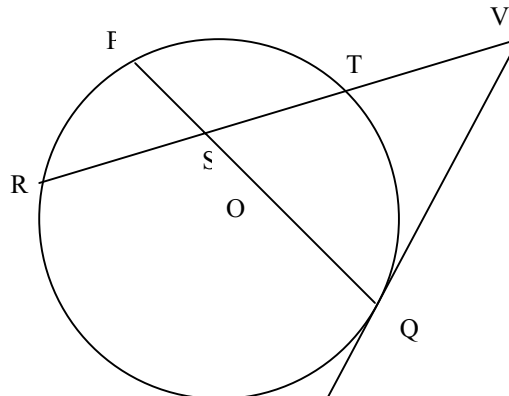
1. $ABCD$ is a square with $AB = 9$, $EFGH$ is a square in which E and H are trisection points of \overline{AD} , and $PQRS$ is a square in which R is the midpoint of \overline{BC} and P is the midpoint of \overline{FG} , as shown. If X is the area of $ABCD$ and Y is the area of the shaded region, determine Y/X .



2. Trapezoid $ABCD$ with \overline{AB} parallel to \overline{DC} and median \overline{MN} . If $AB = 10$, $DC = 18$, and h and k are the lengths of perpendiculars to \overline{AC} drawn from D and N , determine $\frac{h}{k}$.



3. In circle O , if $PS = n$, $SQ = n + 6$, $RS = n + 3$, $ST = n + 2$, and $TV = n + 1$, determine the value of VQ . \overline{VQ} is tangent to circle O at Q .



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Round 4 – Algebra 2

1. _____

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1. If $\log_5 2 = a$, $\log_5 3 = b$, and $\log_5 7 = c$, determine $\log_5 \frac{75}{16}$

2. Let f be a function such that $f(x) = xf(x - 1)$ for all x and $f(3)$ is the arithmetic mean between $f(2)$ and $f(4)$. Determine the exact value of $\ln(5e^{f(3)})$.

3. The reciprocal of a real number is $19/18$ more than its square. What is the number?

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Round 5 – Analytic Geometry

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1. Line ℓ passes through the origin and divides square $ABCD$ into two regions of equal area. Given $A(7, 11)$, $B(8, 11)$, $C(8, 10)$ and $D(7, 10)$, determine the slope of ℓ .
2. If the reflection of $A(-1, 2)$ across $y = mx$ for $m > 0$ lies on the x -axis, determine m .
3. A circle passes through the vertex of $y = 4 - x^2$ and is tangent to the graph of $y = |x|$ at two points. Determine the radius of the smaller circle satisfying these conditions.

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Round 6 – Trig and Complex Numbers

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1. If $y = 479 \cos(2003\pi x) + 821$ intersects $y = x$ at point P whose coordinates are integers, find the coordinates of P , expressed as an ordered pair.
2. Solve $\cos(\sin(\cos t)) = 1$ for $0 \leq t < 2\pi$
3. A sine function, $y = D + A \sin(Bx + C)$, has a maximum y -value at $\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}, 5\right)$ and its next minimum y -value is at $\left(\frac{5\pi}{8}, 1\right)$. If A , B , C , and D are all positive, find the minimum value of $A + B + C + D$.

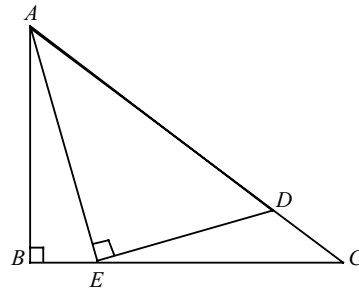
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Team Round

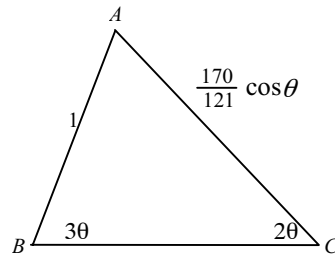
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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
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1. In right triangle $\triangle ABC$, $AB = 3$ and $BC = 4$. $\triangle DEA$ is inscribed in $\triangle ABC$ such that $\triangle DEA \sim \triangle ABC$. If the perimeter of $\triangle DEA$ is m and the perimeter of $\triangle ABC$ is n , determine m/n .

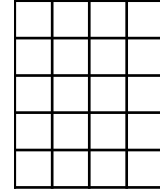


2. Let n be an odd positive integer. Consider $S = (0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + n) + (1 + 2 + \dots + n - 2 + n - 1) + (2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + n - 3 + n - 2) + \dots$ where each expression inside the parentheses has the outer terms of the previous expression deleted and the last expression has two terms. If $S = 3480$, determine n .

3. $AB = 1$, $AC = \frac{170}{121} \cos \theta$, $m\angle B = 3\theta$ and $m\angle C = 2\theta$. Determine the exact numerical value of $\cos \theta$.

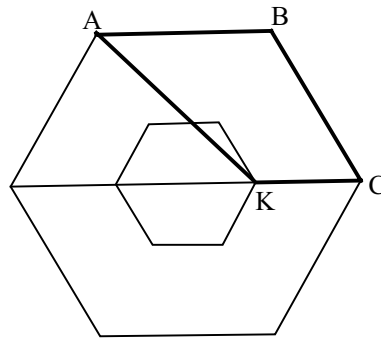


4. A square is chosen at random in both the first and second columns. Each is marked with an X and the mirror images of those squares across the vertical line separating the 2nd and 3rd columns are marked with an X in the third and fourth columns. For most combinations of marked squares there will be some 2 by 2 square regions in which no individual square is marked. Find the probability that the number of unmarked 2 by 2 regions is 7.



5. A constant m is selected with $0 < m < 1$. Find the sum of all solutions x to $\sin(x) = m$ if $0 \leq x \leq 2002$.

6. Shown are two concentric regular hexagons with parallel corresponding sides whose lengths are integers. The ratio of their areas is $4/25$. Find the least area of trapezoid $ABCK$.



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Answer Sheet

Round 1

1. 64
2. -19
3. 17

Round 2

1. $(a + 3b)(c - 4)$
2. 3.6
3. $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$

Round 3

1. $\frac{2}{3}$
2. $\frac{18}{5}$
3. $2\sqrt{42}$

Round 4

1. $2 + b - 4a$
2. $\ln 5$
3. $\frac{2}{3}$

Round 5

1. $\frac{7}{5}$
2. $\frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}$
3. $4(\sqrt{2} - 1)$

Round 6

1. (1300, 1300)
2. $\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$
3. $9 + \pi$

Team

1. $\frac{25}{32}$
2. 29
3. $\frac{11}{12}$
4. $\frac{4}{25}$
5. $2,003,001\pi$
6. $10\sqrt{3}$

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PLAYOFFS – 2003 – Solutions Outline

Round 1 Arithmetic and Number Theory

1. $4\spadesuit 3 = 4 + 9 = 13$; $5\spadesuit 13 = 64$

2.
$$\frac{2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^5 \cdot 7^7}{(20 \cdot 30 \cdot 50 \cdot 70)^3} = \frac{2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^5 \cdot 7^7}{(2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7)^3 (10^4)^3} = \frac{2^2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^5 \cdot 7^7}{2^{15} \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^{15} \cdot 7^3} = 2^{-13} \cdot 3^0 \cdot 5^{-10} \cdot 7^4.$$
 Thus,

$$a + b + c + d = -13 + 0 - 10 + 4 = -19.$$

3. Clearly, $n = 2m^3$ and since $2 \cdot 17^3 = 9826$ and $2 \cdot 18^3 = 11664$, then $n = 2 \cdot 1^3, 2 \cdot 2^3, 2 \cdot 3^3, \dots, 2 \cdot 17^3$ giving 17 values for n .

Round 2 Algebra 1

1. Multiplying and combining gives $ac + 3bc - 4a - 12b = (a + 3b)(c - 4)$

2. Let x be the length in meters. Then $\frac{x}{.9} = x + \frac{2}{5} \rightarrow x = \frac{18}{5} = 3.6$.

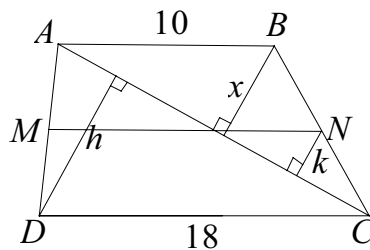
3.
$$\frac{x^3 - y^3}{x^3 - 3x^2y + 3xy^2 - y^3} = 4 \rightarrow \frac{(x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)}{(x - y)^3} = 4 \rightarrow$$
$$x^2 + xy + y^2 = 4(x^2 - 2xy + y^2) \rightarrow x^2 - 3xy + y^2 = 0 \rightarrow \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 - 3\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + 1 = 0.$$
 Thus,
$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4 \cdot 1}}{2}.$$
 Choose $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}.$

Round 3 – Geometry

1. Let $AB = x$, making $EH = x/3$ and diagonal $PR = 2x/3$. The area of $EFGH$ is $\frac{x^2}{9}$ and the area of $PQRS$ is easily obtained using the area formula for a rhombus and equals $\frac{(2x/3)(2x/3)}{2} = \frac{4x^2}{9}.$

$$\text{Thus, } Y/X = \frac{x^2 - (x^2/9 + 4x^2/18)}{x^2} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

2. Draw a perpendicular from B to \overline{AC} . Call its length x . $(5/2)x$. Since N is the midpoint of \overline{BC} , $\frac{k}{x} = \frac{1}{2}$. By alternate exterior angles, the right triangle with corresponding legs x and h are similar $\Rightarrow \frac{x}{h} = \frac{10}{18}$. Multiplying the two equations $\Rightarrow \frac{k}{h} = \frac{5}{18}$.



3. $n(n+6) = (n+3)(n+2) \rightarrow n = 6$. $RS = 9$, $ST = 8$ and $TV = 7$. $(RV)(TV) = VQ^2$.

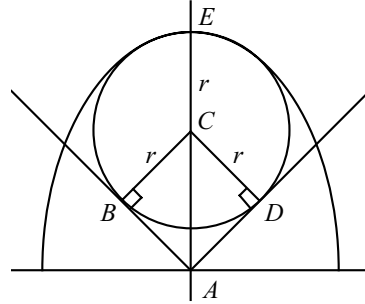
Round 4 – Algebra 2

1. $\log_5 \frac{75}{16} = 2 \log_5 5 + \log_5 3 - 4 \log_5 2 = 2 + b - 2a$.
2. Since $f(3) = 3f(2)$ and $f(4) = 4f(3)$, then $f(3) = \frac{f(2) + f(4)}{2} = \frac{(1/3)f(3) + 4f(3)}{2}$. Thus,
 $f(3) = \frac{13}{6} f(3) \rightarrow f(3) = 0$.
3. $\frac{1}{x} = x^2 + \frac{19}{18}$, $18x^3 + 19x - 18 = 0$, looking for root between 0 and 1. Use rational root theorem and synthetic division.

Round 5 – Analytic Geometry

1. A line passing through the center of a square bisects the square. The center of $ABCD$ is $M\left(\frac{15}{2}, \frac{21}{2}\right)$
 and the slope of ℓ is $\frac{21/2 - 0}{15/2 - 0} = \frac{7}{5}$.
2. The distance from the point $(-1, 2)$ to the origin must = the distance from the origin to R , the reflection point. Hence we get $R(\sqrt{5}, 0)$. The slope of the segment connecting these points is $\frac{-2}{\sqrt{5} + 1}$.

3. Since $m\angle BAD = 90^\circ$, and $AB = AD$ while $CB = CD = r$, then $ABCD$ is a square. Thus, $CE = r$ and $AC = r\sqrt{2}$, so
- $$CE + AC = r + r\sqrt{2} = 4 \rightarrow r = \frac{4}{\sqrt{2} + 1} = 4(\sqrt{2} - 1).$$

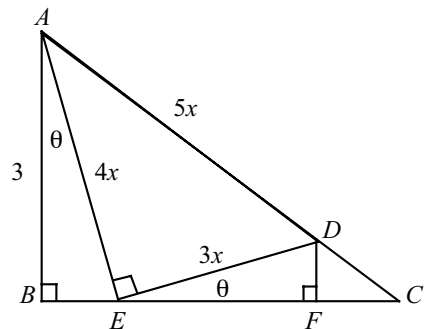


Round 6 – Trig and Complex Numbers

1. Since $479 \cos(2003\pi x) + 821 = x$ for integer x , then $\cos(2003\pi x) = 1$ and $x = 479 + 821 = 1300$. The coordinates are $(1300, 1300)$.
2. Let $x = \sin(\cos t)$. Then $\cos x = 1 \rightarrow x = 0 \pm 2\pi k \rightarrow \sin(\cos t) = 0 \pm 2\pi k$, but given that the range values of the sine function are restricted to between -1 and 1 inclusive, we have $\sin(\cos t) = 0$. Let $\cos t = y$. Then $\sin y = 0 \rightarrow y = 0 \pm \pi k$. Thus, $\cos t = 0 \pm \pi k$, but since $-1 \leq \cos t \leq 1$, $\cos t = 0 \rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}$.
3. Given $\left(\frac{3\pi}{8}, 5\right)$ and $\left(\frac{5\pi}{8}, 1\right)$, we know that the amplitude equals $\frac{5-1}{2} = 2$, so $A = 2$. The minimum value has been shifted upwards from -2 to 1 , so $D = 3$. The period equals $2\left(\frac{5\pi}{8} - \frac{3\pi}{8}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$, and since $\frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{2\pi}{B}$, $B = 4$. Thus we have $y = 3 + 2 \sin 4\left(x + \frac{C}{4}\right)$. Point $(0, 0)$ on $y = \sin x$ would be point $\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}, 3\right)$ on this graph so there is a phase shift to the left of $\frac{\pi}{4}$ making $\frac{C}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$ so $C = \pi$. Thus, $A + B + C + D = 2 + 4 + \pi + 3 = 9 + \pi$.

Team Round

1. Using $\triangle ABE \sim \triangle EFD$, $\cos \theta = \frac{3}{4x}$ and $\frac{EF}{3x}$ respectively. This makes $EF = 9/4$. Since $DC = 5 - 5x = 5(1 - x)$ and $\triangle DFC \sim \triangle ABC$, then $DF = 3(1 - x)$. Thus, $\left(\frac{9}{4}\right)^2 + (3(1 - x))^2 = (3x)^2$ making $x = \frac{25}{32}$. The ratio of perimeters equals $3x/3 = x = 25/32$.



2. In S the first expression is an arithmetic progression with common difference $d = 1$ and $n + 1$ terms. The second has $d = 1$ and $n - 1$ terms, the third has $d = 1$ and $n - 3$ terms and so on until the last expression which has 2 terms. Thus, S equals

$$\left(\frac{0+n}{2}\right)(n+1) + \left(\frac{1+(n-1)}{2}\right)(n-1) + \left(\frac{2+(n-2)}{2}\right)(n-3) + \dots + \left(\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{n+1}{2}\right)(n-(n-2)) =$$

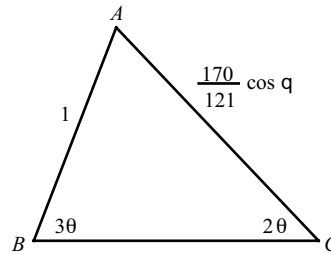
$n\left(\frac{n+1}{2} + \frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{n-3}{2} + \dots + 1\right)$. The last expression inside $()$ = sum of the integers from 1 to $(n+1)/2$, S

equals $n \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{n+1}{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{n(n+3)(n+1)}{8}$. Thus, $n(n+1)(n+3) = 8 \cdot 3480 = 29 \cdot 30 \cdot 32$, making $n = 29$.

3. Let $k = \frac{170}{121}$. By the Law of Sines,

$$\frac{k \cos \theta}{\sin 3\theta} = \frac{1}{\sin 2\theta} \rightarrow k \cos \theta = \frac{\sin 3\theta}{\sin 2\theta} =$$

$$\frac{3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta}{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} = \frac{3 - 4 \sin^2 \theta}{2 \cos \theta}. \text{ Multiply both}$$



sides by $2 \cos \theta$ and substitute $1 - \cos^2 \theta$ for $\sin^2 \theta$ giving $2k \cos^2 \theta = 3 - 4 + 4 \cos^2 \theta$. This simplifies to $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4 - 2k}$. Now $k = 170/121$ and obtain $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{121}{144} \rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{11}{12}$.

4. There are $5 \cdot 5 = 25$ different ways to select a square at random in the first two columns. Of those, the two shown in the diagram have exactly 7 clear 2 by 2 squares. For example, the left array has a 2 by 2 square bounded by the x's on the side and then the 3 by 4 section of squares at the bottom has six 2 by 2 that are free of x's. Each array can be turned upside down to give another array, making 4 arrays with 7 x-free 2 by 2's.

	x	x	
x			x

	x	x	
x			x

In the table below, the first row gives the number of 2 by 2 squares that are x-free and the second row gives the number of times that outcome occurs:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	2	0	8	4	5	4	0	2

The answer is $\frac{4}{25}$.

5. Since m is non-negative, solutions lie in the first and second quadrant. They are $x, \pi - x, 2\pi + x, 3\pi - x, \dots, 2000\pi + x, 2001\pi - x$. The x 's cancel leaving

$$\pi(1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 2001) = \frac{(1 + 2001)(2001)\pi}{2} = 2,003,001\pi.$$

6. Since the ratio of areas is $4/25$, the ratio of sides is $2/5$. If $AB = 5$, then $FC = 10$. If $HJ = 2$, then $GK = 4$, giving $KC = 3$. Since $BC = 5$ and triangle BPC is a 30-60-90

triangle, then $PC = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$. Area of trapezoid $ABCK =$

$$\frac{1}{2}(3 + 5)\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2} = 10\sqrt{3}.$$

