

NEW ENGLAND ASSOCIATION OF MATHEMATICS LEAGUES

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Round 1: Arithmetic and Number Theory

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1. How many 2-digit prime numbers have the property that the sum of its digits is divisible by 5?

2. Determine the largest possible prime number that can be expressed by  $x^2 + 30x - 175$ , where  $x$  is an integer.

3. Let  $x$  be the two-digit number  $AB$ ,  $A \neq 0$ . Let  $y$  be the six-digit number  $ABABAB$ .

For those values of  $x$  for which  $\frac{y}{x^2}$  is an integer, determine all prime numbers that could be

factors of  $\frac{y}{x^2}$ .

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Round 2: Algebra 1

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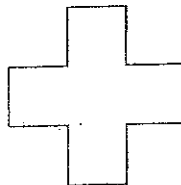
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1. Determine the smaller value of  $\frac{x}{y}$  given  $2x^2 + 2xy = 3xy + 3y^2$ .

2. Solve for all values of  $x$  such that:  $x^4 - x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x = x^3 - x^2$ .

3. In the figure, all sides are congruent and the angle between each pair of consecutive sides is  $90^\circ$ . If the numerical value of the perimeter subtracted from the numerical value of the area equals  $K$ , determine the least possible value of  $K$ .



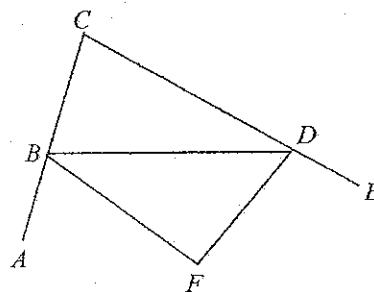
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Round 3: Geometry

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1. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\overline{BF}$  and  $\overline{DF}$  are the trisectors of  $\angle ABD$  and  $\angle EDB$  respectively such that  $m\angle DBF = \frac{1}{3}m\angle DBA$  and  $m\angle BDF = \frac{1}{3}m\angle BDE$ . If  $m\angle C = 78^\circ$ , determine  $m\angle F$ .



2.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle of side 6. Circle  $P$  is tangent to  $\overline{BC}$  at  $D$  and passes through the trisection points of  $\overline{AC}$ . Find the length of  $\overline{CD}$ .
3. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $m\angle C = 90^\circ$  and  $BC = 7$ . Point  $D$  lies on  $\overline{AB}$  such that  $BD = 10$  and  $AD = DC$ . Find the length of  $\overline{AC}$ .

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Round 4: Algebra 2

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1. If  $\log_3 y = 2 \log_5 x$ , then  $y = x^k$ . If  $k$  can be written as  $\log_a b$ , find the ordered pair  $(a, b)$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers and  $a + b$  has the smallest possible sum.

2. If  $4^{1/x} - 8^{1/y} = 0$  and  $\log_2 x - \log_4 y = 0$ , find all ordered pairs  $(x, y)$ .

3. Let  $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ . If  $f(1) = 1$ ,  $f(2) = 2$ , and  $f(3) = 3$ , determine the value of  $\frac{b}{d}$ .

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Round 5: Analytic Geometry

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1. The domain of a relation is  $-3 \leq x \leq 4$  and its range is  $-1 \leq y \leq 8$ . If the graph of the relation is rotated through  $90^\circ$  counterclockwise relative to the origin, determine the domain of the rotated graph.

2. Determine the length of the shortest path from the origin to  $A(8,6)$  that does not go inside the region determined by the quadrilateral  $MNPQ$  given  $M(2,4), N(5,4), P(5,1), Q(2,1)$ .

3. Points  $A(-4, 2), B(4, 2), C(4, -2),$  and  $D(-4, -2)$  lie on the graph of  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  with  $a > b$ .

If  $\overline{AD}$  and  $\overline{BC}$  pass through the focal points of the ellipse, determine the value of  $a^2 + b^2$ .

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Round 6: Trig and Complex Numbers

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1. Find all real values of  $a$  for which  $\cos x = -\frac{1}{a}$  and  $\cos \frac{x}{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$ .

2. For  $k > m > 0$ , the tangent of the acute angle bounded by  $y = kx$  and  $y = mx$  is twice the tangent of the first quadrant angle bounded by  $y = mx$  and the  $x$ -axis. If  $k$  and  $m$  are reciprocals, find  $k$ .

3. For  $k > 0$  and  $i = \sqrt{-1}$ , let  $a_1 = 1$ ,  $a_n = \frac{i}{k}a_{n-1}$ ,  $b_1 = -1$ , and  $b_n = -\frac{i}{k}b_{n-1}$ . If

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i - \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} b_i = \frac{16}{9}, \text{ determine the value of } k.$$

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Team Round

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_  
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1. For  $a, b > 0$ , if  $\sin\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{a}{b}\right) = \frac{b}{a}$ , determine the value of  $\frac{a^2}{b^2}$ .
2. Let  $f$  be a function defined for all real numbers and let  $f$  have the property that  $f(3 - x) = f(x + 5)$  for all  $x$ . If  $f$  has seven distinct roots, determine the average of the roots.
3. Let  $P(x)$  be a cubic polynomial whose coefficients are all positive integers.  $P(1) = 11$  and  $P(P(1)) = 5701$ . If  $P(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , determine the ordered quadruple  $(a, b, c, d)$ .
4. Given weights of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 pounds, two are selected at random and placed on one side of a scale. From the remaining four, two are selected at random and placed on the other side of the scale. What is the probability that the scale balances?
5. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $m\angle C = 84^\circ$ ,  $m\angle B = 54^\circ$ ,  $BC = a$  and  $AC = b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are lengths appropriate for a triangle with those angles.  
Determine the length of  $\overline{AB}$  solely in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .
6. Points  $A$  and  $B$  lie on circle  $O$  of radius 12 such that  $m\angle AOB = 120^\circ$ . Point  $P$  lies on minor arc  $(AB)$  such that  $m\angle POB = 40^\circ$ . Perpendiculars from  $P$  intersect  $\overline{OA}$  and  $\overline{OB}$  at  $C$  and  $D$  respectively. Determine the length of  $\overline{CD}$ .

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*Answer Sheet*

Round 1

1. 5
2. 41
3. 3, 7, 13, 37

Round 2

1. -1
2. {0, 1, 3, -2}
3.  $-\frac{36}{5}$

Round 3

1. 94
2.  $2\sqrt{2}$
3.  $3\sqrt{39}$

Round 4

1. (5, 9)
2.  $\left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{9}{4}\right)$
3. 1

Round 5

1.  $-8 \leq x \leq 1$
2.  $2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{10}$
3.  $20 + 4\sqrt{17}$

Round 6

1. 3
2.  $\sqrt{5}$
3.  $2\sqrt{2}$

Team

1.  $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$
2. 4
3. {4, 3, 1, 3}
4.  $\frac{7}{45}$
5.  $\sqrt{a(a+b)}$
6.  $6\sqrt{3}$