

**Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics  
Solutions to Thirty-Fourth Annual Contest  
February 24, 2007**

- 1) 2005       $2007 - 2 - 0 - 0 \cdot 7 = 2007 - 2 = 2005$
- 2) A) F       $2007$  is not a perfect square since  $\sqrt{2007}$  is not an integer  
     B) F       $2007 = 3^2 \cdot 223$ , and thus is not prime.  
     C) T       $2007 = \frac{2007}{1}$ , and thus is a rational number.
- 3) side
- 4) 2 yd 1 ft 9 in      Note 4 yds, 1ft, 4 in. = 3yds, 4 ft, 4 in. = 3 yds, 3 ft, 16 in. Thus,  
     (4yds, 1ft, 4 in.) minus (1 yd, 2 ft, 7 in) =  
     (3yds, 3ft, 16 in.) minus (1 yd, 2 ft, 7 in) = (2 yd, 1 ft, 9 in).
- 5) AAA      Triangles with 3 congruent angles are similar triangles, and not necessarily congruent.
- 6) 55%      Net income =  $\$500 - 0.25 \cdot \$500 - \$100 = \$500 - \$125 - \$100 = \$275$ .  
     Thus, his net income is  $\frac{275}{500} \cdot 100\% = 55\%$  of his gross income.
- 7) 876593      The largest six digit number with distinct digits is 987654. However, we must move the 9 to the ten's place, so the new largest number would be 876594. But we must have an odd number, so we get 876593.
- 8) C       $\frac{32^{4004}}{64^{4004}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4004}$ , so not A.  $\frac{64^{2002}}{64^{4004}} = \frac{1}{64^{2002}}$ , so not B.  
 $64^{4004} = 2^{6 \cdot 4004} = 2^{24024}$ , so  $\frac{2^{24023}}{64^{4004}} = \frac{2^{24023}}{2^{24024}} = \frac{1}{2}$  so YES for C.  
 $\frac{64^{4003}}{64^{4004}} = \frac{1}{64}$ , so not D.  $\frac{4^{12011}}{64^{4004}} = \frac{4^{12011}}{4^{3 \cdot 4004}} = \frac{4^{12011}}{4^{12012}} = \frac{1}{4}$ , so not E.
- 9) -130       $200x + 7 = 2007 \Rightarrow 200x = 2000 \Rightarrow x = 10$ . Thus,  
 $7x - 200 = 70 - 200 = -130$ .
- 10) 1       $\frac{200}{7} = 28.\overline{571428}$ , so the decimal has 6 digits that repeat.  $6 \overline{)334R3} 2007$ , so we need the 3<sup>rd</sup> repeating digit after the decimal.
- 11)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{17}{20}$       As long as the sum of the lengths of the two smaller sticks is larger than the length of the 3<sup>rd</sup> stick, then the sticks can form a triangle. The number of ways to select three sticks is  $\binom{6}{3} = 20$ . The only selections that will not form a triangle are (3,4,7), (3,4,8), and (3,5,8). Thus, 17 of the 20 selections will form a triangle and the probability is  $\frac{17}{20}$ .
- 12)  $b = -1, c = -12, d = 0$       Since  $a = 1$ , we know that  
 $f(x) = (x + 3) \cdot x \cdot (x - 4) = x^3 - x^2 - 12x + 0$ .

13)  $-\frac{4\sqrt{7}}{7}$  or  $-\frac{4}{\sqrt{7}}$   $\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1 \Rightarrow \sin^2(\theta) = 1 - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{7}{16} \Rightarrow \sin(\theta) = \pm \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$ . Since  $\theta$  is

in the 4<sup>th</sup> quadrant,  $\sin(\theta)$  is negative. Thus,  $\csc(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sin(\theta)} = -\frac{4}{\sqrt{7}} = -\frac{4\sqrt{7}}{7}$ .

14) A

A regular  $n$ -gon has  $n$  lines of symmetry. If  $n$  is odd, each line of symmetry passes through a vertex and the midpoint of the opposite side. If  $n$  is even, each line of symmetry either connects opposite vertices or midpoints of opposite sides.

15) XVII

MDCLXVI / XCVIII = 1666/98 = 17 = XVII

16)  $3 + 2\sqrt{3}$

The third angle is  $180^\circ - 60^\circ - 45^\circ = 75^\circ$ . Recall  $\tan(60^\circ) = \sqrt{3}$  and

$\tan(45^\circ) = 1$ . Thus,  $3 + 2\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3} + 1 + \tan(75^\circ) \Rightarrow \tan(75^\circ) = \sqrt{3} + 2$ .

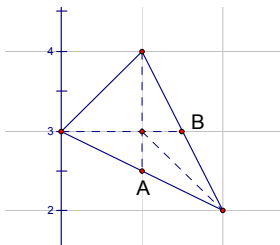
Thus, the product of the tangents is  $\sqrt{3} \cdot 1 \cdot (\sqrt{3} + 2) = 3 + 2\sqrt{3}$ .

17) 10200<sub>three</sub>

Note  $8_{ten} = 22_{three}$ . Thus,  $10101_{three} + 22_{three} = 10200_{three}$ .

18)  $1.5$  or  $\frac{3}{2}$  sq. units.

Divide the triangle with the dashed lines displayed in the picture.

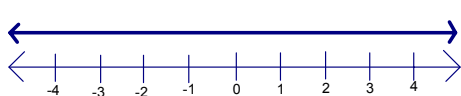


Note that the displayed grid consists of squares with area 1, and points A and B are the midpoints of the sides of one of these squares. Thus, the four “smaller” triangles each have a height of 1 and base of  $\frac{1}{2}$  and thus each have area  $\frac{1}{4}$ . Clearly the larger triangle has area  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Thus, the total area is  $4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$ .

19) 40

Matt has received a total of  $5 \cdot 88 = 440$  points. Note it is possible for Matt to receive 100's on 4 of the exams and have this point total. Thus, his lowest possible score on an exam is  $440 - 400 = 40$ .

20)



The solution set of  $\{x : x^2 \leq 4\}$  is the interval

$[-2, 2]$ . The solution set of  $\{x : x^2 > 1\}$  is

$(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$ . Thus, the union of these two

solution sets is the entire number line.

21) 29.5%

The effective raise is  $(1.10 \cdot 1.09 \cdot 1.08 - 1) \cdot 100\% = 29.492\%$ .

22)  $\frac{24}{7}$  or  $3\frac{3}{7}$  or 3.4286

The angle bisector theorem states that the angle bisector of a triangle divides the opposite sides into the same ratio as the sides adjacent to the angle. Thus,  $\frac{x}{4} = \frac{6}{7} \Rightarrow x = \frac{24}{7}$ . This problem can also be solved using the law of sines.

23)  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 0.5

The 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> terms are 4, 2, 1,  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

24) D and F

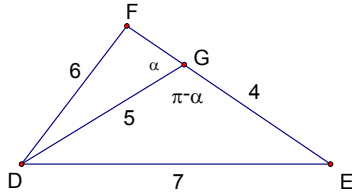
A is the distributive property. B follows from the commutative property for multiplication. C is the associative property for multiplication. D follows from the commutative property for addition. E is the associative property for addition. F follows from the commutative property for addition.

25)  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{12}{17}$

Let F be the number of females and M be the number of males in Mathburg. Then  $\frac{3}{4}F = \frac{2}{3}M \Rightarrow M = \frac{9}{8}F$ . The fraction of adults married is

$$\frac{\frac{3}{4}F + \frac{2}{3}M}{F + M} = \frac{\frac{6}{4}F}{\frac{17}{8}F} = \frac{12}{17}$$

26)  $1 + 2\sqrt{3}$  or  $1 + \sqrt{12}$  or 4.4641 Let  $\alpha$  be the angle as labeled in the picture. Then using the law of cosines,



$49 = 25 + 16 - 20 \cos(\pi - \alpha) \Rightarrow 8 = 20 \cos(\alpha)$  since  $\cos(\pi - \alpha) = -\cos(\alpha)$ . Thus,  $\cos(\alpha) = \frac{2}{5}$ . Applying the law of cosines again, we get  $36 = 25 + y^2 - 5y \cos(\alpha) = 25 + y^2 - 2y$ . Thus,  $y^2 - 2y - 11 = 0$ . Using the Quadratic Formula, we have

$$y = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 44}}{2} = \frac{2 \pm 4\sqrt{3}}{2} = 1 \pm 2\sqrt{3}, \text{ but } y \text{ must be positive, so } y = 1 + 2\sqrt{3}.$$

27)  $5040$  or  $\frac{8!}{2! \cdot 2! \cdot 2!}$  or  $7!$  There are 8 letters in cassette, and the number of permutations of 8

distinct objects is  $8!$ . However, there are 2 s's, 2 e's, and 2 t's, so we divide by the number of ways ( $2!$ ) to permute each of these letters (if they were treated as distinct).

28)  $\frac{7}{3}$  or  $2\frac{1}{3}$  or 2.3333  $\log_3 27 - \log_4 4 + \log_{27} 3 - \log_{25} 1 = 3 - 1 + \frac{1}{3} - 0 = \frac{7}{3}$ .

29) E The value of the mean cannot be determined since the box and whiskers plot uses the median, not the mean.

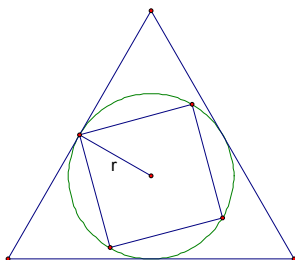
30)  $\frac{45}{2}$  or  $22\frac{1}{2}$  or 22.5  $y = k \frac{x}{z}$ . Thus,  $60 = k \frac{40}{10} \Rightarrow k = 15$ . Thus,  $y = 15 \cdot \frac{45}{30} = \frac{45}{2}$  when

$z = 30$  and  $x = 45$ .

31) 10 The 3<sup>rd</sup> row needs a 2, 6, and 3 in it. Thus, G must be 6 since its 3x3 box already has a 2 and a 3 in it. Then H must be 3 and y must be 2. The middle 3x3 box would still need a 4 and an 8, so since the top row already has a 4, D must be 4 and A must be 8. The 1<sup>st</sup> 3x3 box still needs a 5 and 8, and since A is 8, we must have C is 8 and x is 5. Thus,  $xy = 10$ .

4	x(5)	6	9	3	A (8)	2	B(7)	1
C(8)	3	1	D(4)	7	2	E	F	6
9	y(2)	7	1	5	G(6)	H(3)	4	8

32) 24 sq. units



Since the side length of the triangle is 12, the length of the altitude of the triangle is  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot 12 = 6\sqrt{3}$ . Thus the radius of the circle is

$$r = \frac{6\sqrt{3}}{3} = 2\sqrt{3}.$$

If  $x$  is the length of the side of the square, then

applying the Pythagorean Theorem to one of the small triangles created by the diagonals of the square, we get  $x^2 = 2r^2 = 2(12) = 24$ .

33) \$12.10 per shirt  $\frac{3 \cdot \$11 + 3 \cdot \$12 + 4 \cdot \$13}{10 \text{ shirts}} = \frac{\$121}{10 \text{ shirts}} = \$12.10 / \text{shirt} .$

34) 1053

$$(-2i^2)(2007) + \sum_{k=1}^2 207k - (2\sqrt{6})^2(27) + n = 7!$$

$$4014 + 207 + 414 - 648 + n = 5040$$

$$n = 5040 - 3987 = 1053$$

35) 3 hr. 59 min. The three teachers work at rates of  $\frac{1}{11}, \frac{1}{12}, \frac{1}{13}$  sets of tests per hour individually. Thus, they work at a rate of  $\frac{1}{11} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{13} = \frac{431}{1716}$  sets of tests per hour when working together. Thus, it would take them  $\frac{1716}{431} \approx 3.98144$  hours to grade one set of like tests together.  $.98144 \cdot 60 \text{ min.} \approx 58.89 \text{ min.}$

36)  $\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{5}$  or  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$  or 1.7889 The line perpendicular to  $y = 0.5x + 4$  at its y-intercept is

$y = -2x + 4$ . This line intersects the line  $y = 0.5x + 2$  at the point  $(\frac{4}{5}, \frac{12}{5})$ .

Thus, the distance between the lines is

$$\sqrt{(\frac{4}{5} - 0)^2 + (\frac{12}{5} - 4)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{16}{25} + \frac{64}{25}} = \sqrt{\frac{80}{25}} = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{5} .$$

37)  $\sqrt{148} = 2\sqrt{37} \approx 12.1655$  inches. Let  $s$  be the length of an edge of the cube. The surface area of the rectangular solid is  $2(16 \cdot 12 + 16 \cdot 9 + 12 \cdot 9) = 888 = 6s^2$ , so  $s = \sqrt{148}$  .

38) slide rule

39)  $\sqrt{29} \approx 5.3852$  Note this distance is the same as the corresponding distance for the congruent ellipse centered at the origin, namely the ellipse given by  $\frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{y^2}{25} = 1$ . But this is simply the distance between the points (2,0) and (0,5), which is  $\sqrt{4 + 25} = \sqrt{29}$  .

40) 126 mph Let  $p$  be the average air speed of the plane and  $w$  be the wind speed. Then,  $2(p + w) = 280 \Rightarrow p + w = 140$  and  $2.5(p - w) = 280 \Rightarrow p - w = 112$  . Adding these equations, we get  $2p = 252 \Rightarrow p = 126$  .

**The names of the students who qualify for the OHMIO competition will be notified by email by Sunday, March 4**  
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