

Minnesota State High School Mathematics League Individual Event

2009-10 Event 3A

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1. As the value of k changes, the equation $(2x - 3y + 6) + k(2x + y - 10) = 0$ describes a family of lines. What value of k identifies the vertical line in this family?

$k =$ _____

2. Solve the system:
$$\begin{cases} 2x - 3y + 6 = 0 \\ 2x + y - 10 = 0 \end{cases}$$

$(x, y) =$ _____

3. The system
$$\begin{cases} p + q + 2r = 1 \\ 2p - q = 3 \\ -p + 4r = 1 \end{cases}$$
 has a unique solution. Find it.

$(p, q, r) =$ _____

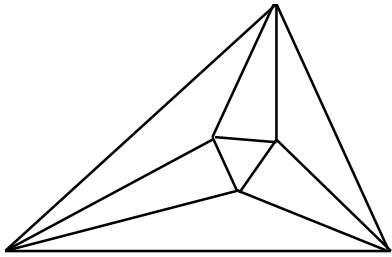
4. Consider all possible ordered triples of integers (x, y, z) which solve the system
$$\begin{cases} x + 3y - z = 1 \\ 3x - y - 2z = -1 \end{cases}$$
. There are two specific single-digit positive integers, n and d , such

that all of the x -values in those ordered triples can be written in the form $mn + d$, where m is any integer. Compute the values of n and d .

$n =$ _____ $d =$ _____

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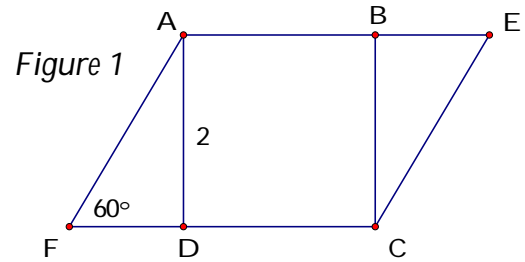
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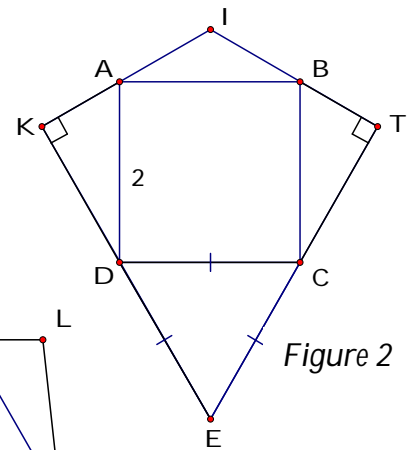
1. *Figure 1* shows square $ABCD$, of side length 2, inscribed in parallelogram $AECF$. If $m\angle F = 60^\circ$, compute the length of \overline{FC} .

$FC =$ _____



2. *Figure 2* shows square $ABCD$, of side length 2, inscribed in kite $KITE$ so that $\triangle DCE$ is equilateral. If angles K and T are right angles, compute the length of \overline{ET} .

$ET =$ _____



3. *Figure 3* shows square $ABCD$, of side length 2, inscribed in trapezoid $KLMN$ ($\overline{KL} \parallel \overline{NM}$) so that $\triangle AND$ is equilateral. Compute the length of \overline{NK} .

$NK =$ _____

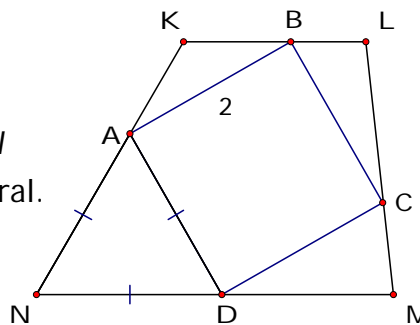
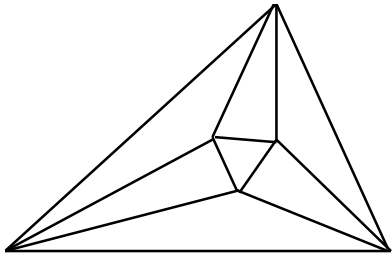


Figure 3

4. A square of side length 2 is inscribed in a regular hexagon so that two sides of the square are parallel to two sides of the hexagon. Find the shortest distance between two of the parallel sides.

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1. Compute the value of $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)$.

2. Express the range of the function $f(x) = \cos(\tan^{-1} x)$. Do this by placing inequality symbols in the boxes, and real numbers, $-\infty$, or $+\infty$ in the blanks.

_____ $f(x)$ _____

3. Right triangle ABC (shown in *Figure 3*) has legs of lengths $AB = 4$ and $AC = 6$, and point D is the midpoint of side \overline{AC} . Compute $\sin \angle CBD$.

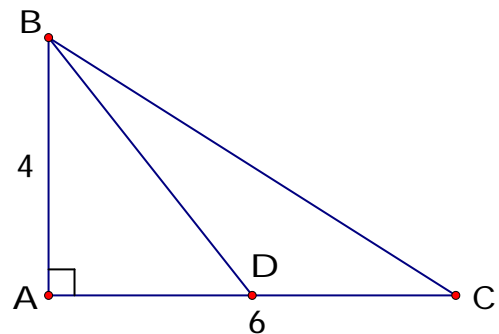
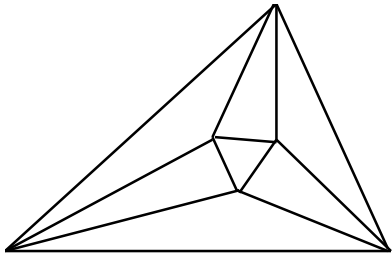


Figure 3

4. The side lengths of a certain triangle are three consecutive integers, and the smallest angle in the triangle has a tangent of $\frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5}$. Find the exact value of the triangle's perimeter.

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1. If $\log_4 M = \frac{5}{2}$, then M can be written in the form 2^n . Compute n .

$n =$ _____

2. Compute the value of the sum: $\log \frac{1}{2} + \log \frac{2}{3} + \log \frac{3}{4} + \dots + \log \frac{n}{n+1} + \dots + \log \frac{99}{100}$.

3. If $b = \log_3 x$, find all real values of x which satisfy $\log_b (\log_3 x^2) = 2$.

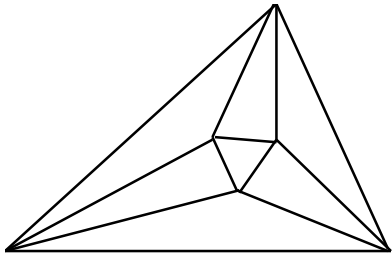
$x =$ _____

4. If $\log 80 = a$ and $\log 45 = b$, write $\log 6$ as a simplified expression involving a and b .

$\log 6 =$ _____

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Each question is worth 4 points. Team members may cooperate in any way, but at the end of 20 minutes, submit only one set of answers. Place your answer to each question on the line provided.

1. Find the value of n such that $\frac{1}{1+\sqrt{3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{7}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n-1}+\sqrt{2n+1}} = 100$.

$n =$ _____

2. The sides of a triangle have lengths $\log_8 a$, $\log_{16} a$, and $\log_{64} a$ for some value of a . Compute the sine of the smallest angle in this triangle.

3. Figure 3 shows square $ABCD$, of side length 2, inscribed in trapezoid $KLMN$ so that $\triangle AND$ is equilateral. If $m\angle M = \alpha$, express the length of \overline{LM} in terms of $\sin \alpha$.

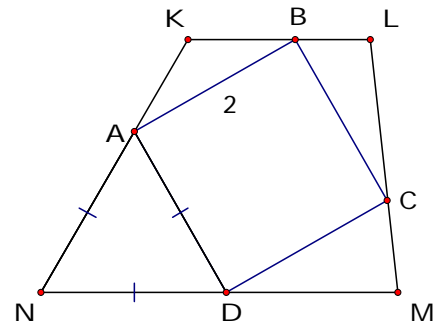


Figure 3

4. Two people, both starting at sunrise, walk toward each other from opposite ends of a hiking trail. They meet at noon. Both continue hiking, the faster one finishing the trail at 5:20 pm, the slower one finishing at 8:20 pm. What time was sunrise?

5. Figure 5 shows square $ABCD$, of side length 2, inscribed in cyclic quadrilateral $CRLE$ so that $\triangle ALD$ is equilateral. Compute the length of diagonal \overline{LC} .

$LC =$ _____

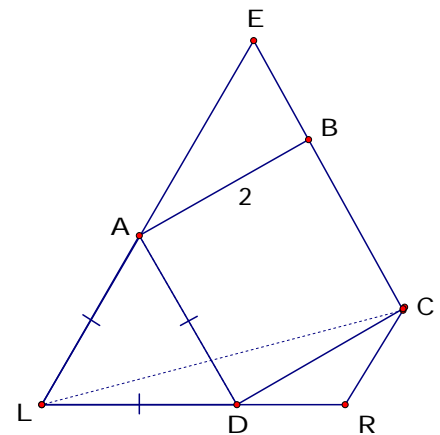


Figure 5

6. Alice, Beth, and Cindy, starting together, walk in the same direction around a circular track. It takes the girls $\frac{5}{36}$, $\frac{2}{9}$, and $\frac{35}{99}$ of an hour, respectively, to walk once around the track. How many laps will Alice have walked by the next time all three girls are together again at the starting point?

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