



15th HANOI OPEN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION
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INDIVIDUAL CONTEST - SENIOR SECTION

Time limit: 120 minutes

Instructions:

- Write down your name, your ID number and your team's name on the first page.
- Answer all 15 questions. In Section A, each question is worth 5 points. In Section B, each question is worth 10 points. In Section C, each question is worth 15 points. The total is 150 points. There is no penalty for a wrong answer.
- For Section A (questions 1-5), circle the correct answer A, B, C, D or E. For Section B (questions 6-10), fill your answer in the space provided at the end of each question. For Section C (questions 11-15), write your detailed solution in the space provided at the end of each question.
- Diagrams shown may not be drawn to scale.
- No calculators, protractors or electronic devices are allowed to use.
- Answers must be in pencil, blue or black ball-point pen.
- All papers shall be collected at the end of the test.

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SECTION A. Circle the correct answer A, B, C, D or E.

Question 1. How many rectangles can be formed by the vertices of a cube? (Note: square is also a special rectangle).

- A. 6 B. 8 C. 12 D. 18 E. 16

Question 2. What is the largest area of a regular hexagon that can be drawn inside the equilateral triangle of side 3?

- A. $3\sqrt{7}$ B. $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$ C. $2\sqrt{5}$ D. $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8}$ E. $\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2}$

Question 3. How many integers n are there those satisfy the following inequality

$$n^4 - n^3 - 3n^2 - 3n - 17 < 0?$$

- A. 4 B. 6 C. 8 D. 10 E. 12

Question 4. Let

$$a = (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3})$$

$$b = (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}).$$

The difference $a - b$ belongs to the set:

- A. $(-\infty, -4)$ B. $[-4, 0)$ C. $\{0\}$ D. $(0, 4]$ E. $(4, \infty)$

Question 5. The center of a circle and nine randomly selected points on this circle are colored in red. Every pair of those points is connected by a line segment, and every point of intersection of two line segments inside the circle is colored in red. What is the largest possible number of red points?

- A. 235 B. 245 C. 250 D. 220 E. 265



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SECTION B. Fill your answer in the space provided at the end of the question.

Question 6. Write down all real numbers (x, y) satisfying two conditions:

$$x^{2018} + y^2 = 2, \text{ and } x^2 + y^{2018} = 2.$$

Answer.

Question 7. Let $\{u_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be given sequence satisfying the conditions:

$$u_1 = 0, u_2 = 1, u_{n+1} = u_{n-1} + 2n - 1 \quad \text{for } n \geq 2.$$

- 1) Calculate u_5 .
- 2) Calculate $u_{100} + u_{101}$.

Answer. 1) 2).....

Question 8. Let P be a point inside the square $ABCD$ such that $\angle PAC = \angle PCD = 17^\circ$ (see Figure 1). Calculate $\angle APB$?

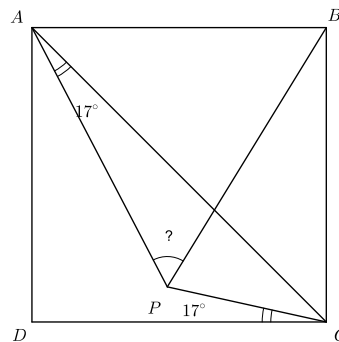


Figure 1

Answer.



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SECTION B. *Fill your answer in the space provided at the end of the question.*

Question 9. How many ways of choosing four edges in a cube such that any two among those four chosen edges have no common point.

Answer.

Question 10. There are 100 school students from two clubs A and B standing in circle. Among them 62 students stand next to at least one student from club A , and 54 students stand next to at least one student from club B .

1) How many students stand side-by-side with one friend from club A and one friend from club B ?

2) What is the number of students from club A ?

Answer. 1); 2)



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SECTION C. Write your detailed solution in the space provided at the end of the question.

Question 11. Find all positive integers k such that there exists a positive integer n , for which $2^n + 11$ is divisible by $2^k - 1$.

Solution:



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SECTION C. Write your detailed solution in the space provided at the end of the question.

Question 12. Let ABC be an acute triangle with $AB < AC$, and let BE and CF be the altitudes. Let the median AM intersect BE at point P , and let line CP intersect AB at point D (see Figure 2). Prove that $DE \parallel BC$, and AC is tangent to the circumcircle of $\triangle DEF$.

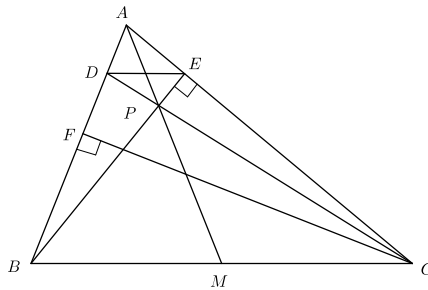


Figure 2

Solution:



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SECTION C. Write your detailed solution in the space provided at the end of the question.

Question 13. For a positive integer n , let $S(n), P(n)$ denote the sum and the product of all the digits of n respectively.

- 1) Find all values of n such that $n = P(n)$.
- 2) Determine all values of n such that $n = S(n) + P(n)$.

Solution:



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SECTION C. Write your detailed solution in the space provided at the end of the question.

Question 14. Let a, b, c denote the real numbers such that $1 \leq a, b, c \leq 2$. Consider

$$T = (a - b)^{2018} + (b - c)^{2018} + (c - a)^{2018}.$$

Determine the largest possible value of T .

Solution:



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SECTION C. Write your detailed solution in the space provided at the end of the question.

Question 15. There are n distinct straight lines on a plane such that every line intersects exactly 12 others. Determine all the possible values of n .

Solution:



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SECTION A. Circle the correct answer A, B, C, D or E.

Question 1. How many rectangles can be formed by the vertices of a cube? (Note: square is also a special rectangle).

- A. 6 B. 8 **C. 12** D. 18 E. 16

Solution. Correct Answer **C**. There are 6 squares on 6 faces of the cube. There are 4 diagonals of the cube that have the same length and pass through the center of the cube. Every two diagonals intersect at their midpoint, hence they form a rectangle. So, there are $6 + \binom{4}{2} = 12$ rectangles. \square

Question 2. What is the largest area of a regular hexagon that can be drawn inside the equilateral triangle of side 3?

- A. $3\sqrt{7}$ **B. $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}$** C. $2\sqrt{5}$ D. $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8}$ E. $\frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2}$

Solution. Correct Answer **B**. Suppose that the regular hexagon H with side a is inside the triangle equilateral triangle with side 3. Then, the inscribed circle of H is also inside the triangle, and its radius is equal to $a\sqrt{3}/2$. On the other hand, the largest circle in the given equilateral triangle is its inscribed circle whose radius is $\sqrt{3}/2$. It follows that $a \leq 1$ and the answer is $6\sqrt{3}/4 = 3\sqrt{3}/2$. \square

Question 3. How many integers n are there those satisfy the following inequality

$$n^4 - n^3 - 3n^2 - 3n - 17 < 0?$$

- A. 4** B. 6 C. 8 D. 10 E. 12

Solution. Correct Answer **A**. We have

$$(n + 1)^3 + 16 > n^4 \geq 0,$$

which implies $n \geq -3$. For $n \geq 4$ we have

$$n^4 - (n + 1)^3 \geq 3n^3 - 3n^2 - 3n - 1 \geq 12n^2 - 3n^2 - 3n - 1 = n(n - 3) + 8n^2 - 1 > 16.$$

Hence, $-3 \leq n \leq 3$. By directly calculation we obtain $n = -1, 0, 1, 2$. □

Question 4. Let

$$\begin{aligned} a &= (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{6})(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}) \\ b &= (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}). \end{aligned}$$

The difference $a - b$ belongs to the set:

- A. $(-\infty, -4)$ **B. $[-4, 0)$** C. $\{0\}$ D. $(0, 4]$ E. $(4, \infty)$

Solution. Correct Answer **B**. Note that

$$(x + y + z)(x + y - z)(x - y + z)(-x + y + z) = 2(x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2x^2) - x^4 - y^4 - z^4.$$

We get $a - b = 2(2 + 3)(6 - 5) - 6^2 + 5^2 = -1$.

In fact, we can also calculate a, b as follows: for $(x, y, z) = (\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{6})$ we get $a = 23$, and for $(x, y, z) = (\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ we get $b = 24$. It follows that $a - b = -1$. □

Question 5. The center of a circle and nine randomly selected points on this circle are colored in red. Every pair of those points is connected by a line segment, and every point of intersection of two line segments inside the circle is colored in red. What is the largest possible number of red points?

- A. 235 B. 245 C. 250 **D. 220** E. 265

Solution. Correct Answer **D**. Remark that a convex quadrilateral has exactly one intersection which is the intersection of its two diagonals. Consider 9 points on the circle, which give at most $\binom{9}{4} = 126$ intersections. Considering the center and three points on the circle, there are at most $\binom{9}{3} = 84$ intersections. So there are at most $126 + 84 + 10 = 220$ red points. □



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Question 6. Write down all real numbers (x, y) satisfying two conditions:

$$x^{2018} + y^2 = 2, \text{ and } x^2 + y^{2018} = 2.$$

Answer.

Solution. $(1, 1), (1, -1), (-1, 1), (-1, -1)$.

For jury: The maximal score for uncompleted answer is 8 points (2 points for each one of those).

If $x^2 > 1$ then $x^{2018} > x^2 > 1 \implies y^2 < 1 \implies y^2 > y^{2018}$. Thus $x^{2018} + y^2 > x^2 + y^{2018}$ (contradiction). Analogically, if $x^2 < 1 \implies x^{2018} + y^2 < x^2 + y^{2018}$ (contradiction). Therefore $x^2 = y^2 = 1$.

Question 7. Let $\{u_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be given sequence satisfying the conditions:

$$u_1 = 0, u_2 = 1, u_{n+1} = u_{n-1} + 2n - 1 \quad \text{for } n \geq 2.$$

- 1) Calculate u_5 .
- 2) Calculate $u_{100} + u_{101}$.

Answer. 1) 2).....

Solution. 1)...10 (4 points); 2) ...10000 (6 points).

1) It is easy to see that $u_2 = 1, u_3 = 3, u_4 = 6, u_5 = 10$.

2) We can prove by induction that

$$u_n = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \quad \text{for every } n \geq 1.$$

Therefore,

$$u_n + u_{n+1} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = n^2 \quad \text{for every } n \geq 1.$$

Thus, $u_{100} + u_{101} = 10000$.

Question 8. Let P be a point inside the square $ABCD$ such that $\angle PAC = \angle PCD = 17^\circ$ (see Figure 1). Calculate $\angle APB$?

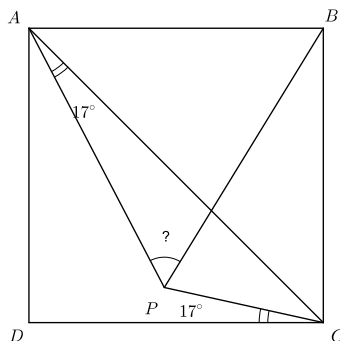


Figure 1

Answer.

Solution. 62° .

Let $\mathcal{O}(B, BA)$ denote the circle with its center B and radius BA . Let Q denote the point of intersection of ray CP with $\mathcal{O}(B, BA)$. We have $\angle DCQ = 17^\circ$, which implies $\angle CAQ = \angle CAP = 17^\circ$. Hence, $Q \equiv P$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \angle ABP &= 2\angle ACP = 2(45^\circ - 17^\circ) = 56^\circ; \\ \angle APB &= 180^\circ - (56^\circ + 45^\circ + 17^\circ) = 62^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

The answer is 62° .

Question 9. How many ways of choosing four edges in a cube such that any two among those four chosen edges have no common point.

Answer.

Solution. ...9

Results: There are 9 choices. Consider 2 cases: all edges are parallel (3 choices) or two pairs of parallel edges (6 choices).

Question 10. There are 100 school students from two clubs A and B standing in circle. Among them 62 students stand next to at least one student from club A , and 54 students stand next to at least one student from club B .

1) How many students stand side-by-side with one friend from club A and one friend from club B ?

2) What is the number of students from club A ?

Answer. 1); 2)

Solution. 1)....16 (4 points) 2)54 (6 points).

Let x denote the number of students standing between 2 students from club A , i.e. $(A - * - A)$; y denote the number of students standing between 2 students from club B , i.e.

$(B - * - B)$; and z denote the number of students standing between 1 student from A and 1 student from B , i.e. $(A - * - B)$ or $(B - * - A)$.

Thus we have $x + y + z = 100$; $x + z = 62$; $y + z = 54$. From those equations we have $z = 62 + 54 - 100 = 16$, $x = 62 - 16 = 46$ and $y = 54 - 16 = 38$.

Moreover each student from club A has exactly 2 neighbours. Therefore $2x + z = 2|A|$, where $|A|$ is the number of students from club A . Thus $|A| = (2 * 46 + 16)/2 = 54$.



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Question 11. Find all positive integers k such that there exists a positive integer n , for which $2^n + 11$ is divisible by $2^k - 1$.

Solution. Suppose $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ is a positive integer such that $2^n + 11$ is divisible by $2^k - 1$. Let $n = qk + r$ where q, r are nonnegative integers and $0 \leq r < k$.

We have:

$$2^n + 11 = 2^{kq+r} + 11 = 2^r(2^{kq} - 1) + (2^r + 11) \div 2^k - 1 \Rightarrow 2^r + 11 \div 2^k - 1. \quad (5 \text{ points})$$

Thus we have $2^r + 11 \geq 2^k - 1$ and $r < k$. Therefore $k \leq 4$ (**5 points**). By checking for $k = 1, 2, 3, 4$, we obtain $k = 1, 2, 4$ (**5 points**)

Question 12. Let ABC be an acute triangle with $AB < AC$, and let BE and CF be the altitudes. Let the median AM intersect BE at point P , and let line CP intersect AB at point D (see Figure 2). Prove that $DE \parallel BC$, and AC is tangent to the circumcircle of $\triangle DEF$.

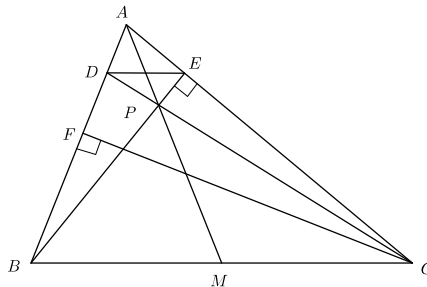


Figure 2

Solution. 1) Let $ED' \parallel BC$ (with $D' \in AB$). We see that P is the common point of BE, CD', AM in the trapezoid $BCED'$. It follows $D' \equiv D, DE \parallel BC$ (**5 points**).

2) Let H be the point of intersection of BE and CF and let K denote the point of intersection of AH and DE . We see that the quadrilateral $HKDF$ is inscribed in a circle, hence $AD \cdot AF = AK \cdot AH$. (**5 points**)! In other hand, we have $AE^2 = AK \cdot AH$. By the above equalities we deduce $AE^2 = AD \cdot AF$, as desired. (**5 points**).

Question 13. For a positive integer n , let $S(n), P(n)$ denote the sum and the product of all the digits of n respectively.

1) Find all values of n such that $n = P(n)$.

2) Determine all values of n such that $n = S(n) + P(n)$.

Solution. Let $n = \overline{a_k a_{k-1} \dots a_1 a_0} = a_k 10^k + a_{k-1} 10^{k-1} + \dots + 10a_1 + a_0$.

1) If $k \geq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} n - P(n) &= a_k 10^k + a_{k-1} 10^{k-1} + \dots + 10a_1 + a_0 - (a_k a_{k-1} \dots a_0) \\ &\geq a_k (10^k - 9^k) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $n = P(n) \Leftrightarrow k = 0 \implies n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9$. **(5 points).**

2) Notice that in this case n has at least 2 digits. Moreover we have

$$\begin{aligned} n - S(n) - P(n) &= a_k 10^k + a_{k-1} 10^{k-1} + \dots + 10a_1 + a_0 - (a_k + \dots + a_0) - a_k a_{k-1} \dots a_1 a_0 \\ &= a_k (10^k - a_{k-1} \dots a_1 a_0 - 1) + a_{k-1} (10^{k-1} - 1) + \dots + a_1 \cdot 9 \\ &\geq a_k (10^k - 9^k - 1) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

The equality occurs if $k = 1$. **(5 points).** We find $n = 10a_1 + a_0 = a_1 + a_0 + a_1 a_0$ i.e. $10 = 1 + a_0$ and $a_0 = 9$. All numbers 19, 29, 39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 99 are satisfying the condition. **(5 points).**

Answer: 19, 29, 39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 99.

Question 14. Let a, b, c denote the real numbers such that $1 \leq a, b, c \leq 2$. Consider

$$T = (a - b)^{2018} + (b - c)^{2018} + (c - a)^{2018}.$$

Determine the largest possible value of T .

Solution. Without loss of generality, one can assume that

$$1 \leq c \leq b \leq a \leq 2. \tag{1}$$

Hence, $0 \leq a - b \leq 1$ and $(a - b)^{2018} \leq a - b$, and the equality holds if $a = b$ or $(a, b) = (2, 1)$. **(5 points).** Similarly, $0 \leq b - c \leq 1$ then $(b - c)^{2018} \leq b - c$, $0 \leq a - c \leq 1$ then $(c - a)^{2018} \leq a - c$. **(5 points).** Hence,

$$T = (a - b)^{2018} + (b - c)^{2018} + (c - a)^{2018} \leq a - b + b - c + a - c = 2(a - c) \leq 2.$$

The equality holds if $(a, b, c) = (2, 2, 1)$ or $(a, b, c) = (2, 1, 1)$. So, $\max T = 2$. **(5 points).**

Question 15. There are n distinct straight lines on a plane such that every line intersects exactly 12 others. Determine all the possible values of n .

Solution. Suppose that we have k separate groups of parallel straight lines. Every straight line of each group will intersect all other straight lines of other $(k - 1)$ groups. Hence, 12 is the number of straight lines in every $(k - 1)$ groups. It follows all k groups consist the same number, that called q . **(5 points).** We then have $12 = q(k - 1)$ and $n = kq$. This follows $12 + q = kq$. **(5 points).** We deduce 12 is divisible by q , i.e. $q = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12$. As above, the identity $n = 12 + q$ gives $n \in \{13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 24\}$. **(5 points).**