

Section A.

In this section, there are 10 questions. Fill in your answer in the space provided at the end of each question.

Question 1: Let $x = 2 + \sqrt{3}$, Then $x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}$ is

- A. 196. B. 194. C. $14 + 2\sqrt{3}$. D. $14 - 2\sqrt{3}$. E. $190\sqrt{3}$.

Question 2: Given a circle with center O and diameter AB of length 2. The perpendicular from the midpoint Q of OA intersects the circle at P. The radius of the circle which can be inscribed in triangle APB is

- A. $\frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{2}$ B. $\frac{\sqrt{3} - 1}{2}$ C. $\frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4}$ D. $\frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{4}$ E. $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

Question 3: Let $x = \frac{(\sqrt{3} - 1)\sqrt[3]{10 + 6\sqrt{3}}}{\sqrt{6 + 2\sqrt{5}} - \sqrt{5}}$. Evaluate $P = (x^3 - 4x + 1)^{2018}$

- A. $2\sqrt{5}$. B. 18. C. 1 D. 2. E. $3\sqrt{2}$.

Question 4: Let $P(x)$ be a monic polynomial of degree 3. (Monic here means that the coefficient of x^3 is 1). Suppose that the remainder when $P(x)$ is divided by $x^2 - 5x + 6$ equals 2 times the remainder when $P(x)$ is divided by $x^2 - 5x + 4$. If $P(0) = 100$, what is $P(5)$?

- A. 112. B. 110. C. 108. D. 106. E. 104.

Question 5: Let a, b, and c be distinct nonzero real numbers with

$$\frac{1 + a^3}{a} = \frac{1 + b^3}{b} = \frac{1 + c^3}{c}.$$

Find the value of $S = a^3 + b^3 + c^3$.

- A. $S = -3$. B. $S = -6$. C. $S = -9$. D. $S = 3$. E. $S = 6$.

Question 6: Solve the equation $(4x - 1)\sqrt{x^2 + 1} = 2x^2 + 2x + 1$.

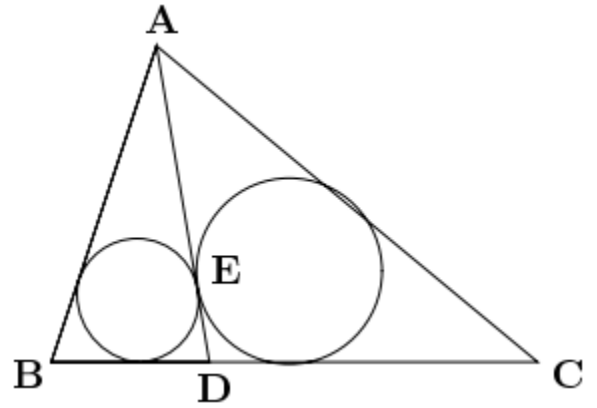
Answer: _____

Question 7: Given positive real numbers x, y, z with $x - \sqrt{y + 6} = \sqrt{x + 6} - y$. Assume that the minimum and maximum value of $S = x + y$ are M and m respectively. Determine

$$A = \frac{M + m}{2}.$$

Answer: _____

Question 8: The triangle ABC has sides $AB = 137$; $AC = 241$, and $BC = 200$. There is a point D on BC such that both incircles of triangles ABD and ACD touch AD at the same point E. Determine the length of CD.



Answer: _____

Question 9: Find all real values of x ; y and z such that

$$\begin{cases} x - \sqrt{yz} = 42 \\ y - \sqrt{zx} = 6 \\ z - \sqrt{xy} = -30 \end{cases} .$$

Answer: _____

Question 10: A rectangular box P is inscribed in a sphere of radius r . The surface area of P is 384, and the sum of the lengths of its 12 edges is 112. What is r ?

Answer: _____

Section B.

Answer the following 5 questions. Show your detailed solution in the space provided.

Question 11: Let AB and CD be two mutually perpendicular chords of a circle with radius R , and let I be the intersection of AB and CD. Prove that $IA^2 + IB^2 + IC^2 + ID^2 = 4R^2$.

Solution:

Answer: _____

Question 12: Solve in positive integers: $520(xyzt + xy + xz + zt + 1) = 577(yzt + y + z)$.

Solution:

Answer: _____

Question 13: Prove that the number

$$\frac{\left(2^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(4^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(6^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(8^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(10^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(12^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)}{\left(1^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(3^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(5^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(7^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(9^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\left(11^4 + \frac{1}{4}\right)}$$

is an integer, and find the number by simplification without actual calculations.

Solution:

Answer: _____

Question 14: Let (O, R_1) and (O, R_2) be two concentric circles with radii $R_1 < R_2$. Let l and m be two parallel chords of (O, R_2) which are tangent to the inner circle (O, R_1) , and let A be a point on the outer circle (O, R_2) but it is inside the strip of l and m . The tangents to the inner circle through A with their intersection points C and D with the chords. Prove that the product $AC \times AD$ does not depend on the position of A .

Solution:

Answer: _____

Question 15: Given real numbers x, y, z with

$$\begin{cases} a^2 + b^2 + 2a - 4b + 4 = 0 \\ c^2 + d^2 - 4c + 4d + 4 = 0 \end{cases} .$$

Find the minimum and maximum of $P = (a - c)^2 + (b - d)^2$.

Solution:

Answer: _____