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SOLUTIONS

Time allowed: 3 hours

1. A book is published in three volumes, the pages being numbered from 1 onwards. The page numbers are continued from the first volume to the second volume to the third. The number of pages in the second volume is 50 more than that in the first volume, and the number pages in the third volume is one and a half times that in the second. The sum of the page numbers on the first pages of the three volumes is 1709. If n is the last page number, what is the largest prime factor of n ?

Ans. (17)
Sol. Let the number of pages in the first book be x

$$x, x + 50, \frac{3}{2}(x + 50)$$

$$1 + (x + 1) + (x + x + 50 + 1) = 1709$$

$$3x + 53 = 1709$$

$$3x = 1656$$

$$x = 552$$

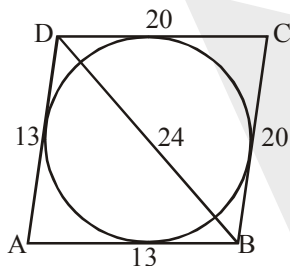
$$\text{Last page number} = x + x + 50 + \frac{3}{2}(x + 50)$$

$$= 552 + 552 + 50 + \frac{3}{2}(552 + 50)$$

$$= 2057$$

$$\text{Largest prime factor of } 2057 = 17$$

2. In a quadrilateral ABCD, it is given that $AB = AD = 13$, $BC = CD = 20$, $BD = 24$. If r is the radius of the circle inscribable in the quadrilateral, then what is the integer closest to r ?

Ans. (08)

Sol.

$$[ABD] = 60,$$

$$[DBC] = 192,$$

$$[ABCD] = 252$$

$$\frac{13r}{2} + \frac{13r}{2} + \frac{20r}{2} + \frac{20r}{2} = 252$$

$$33r = 252$$

$$r = \frac{252}{33} = 7.63$$

$$\therefore \text{Nearest integer} = 8$$

3. Consider all 6-digit numbers of the form $abcba$ where b is odd. Determine the number of all such 6-digit numbers that are divisible by 7.

Ans. (70)

Sol. $abcba$ is divisible by 7

if $abc - cba$ is divisible by 7

$$\Rightarrow abc - cba = 99(a - c) = 7M$$

So, $(a, c) = \{(9, 2), (8, 1), (7, 0), (2, 9), (1, 8), (9, 9), (8, 8), (7, 7), (6, 6), (5, 5), (4, 4), (3, 3), (2, 2), (1, 1)\}$

No of pair of $(a, b) = 14$

Also, no of b 's can be = 5

$$\therefore \text{Total number of 6 digits number} = (14 \times 5) = 70$$

4. The equation $166 \times 56 = 8590$ is valid in some base $b \geq 10$ (that is, 1, 6, 5, 8, 9, 0 are digits in base b in the above equation). Find the sum of all possible values of $b \geq 10$ satisfying the equation.

Ans. (12)

Sol. $166 \times 56 = 8590$

$$(n^2 + 6n + 6) \times (5n + 6) = (8n^3 + 5n^2 + 9n + 0)$$

$$5n^3 + 30n^2 + 30n + 6n^2 + 36n + 36 = 8n^3 + 5n^2 + 9n$$

$$f(n) = 3n^3 - 31n^2 - 57n - 36 = 0$$

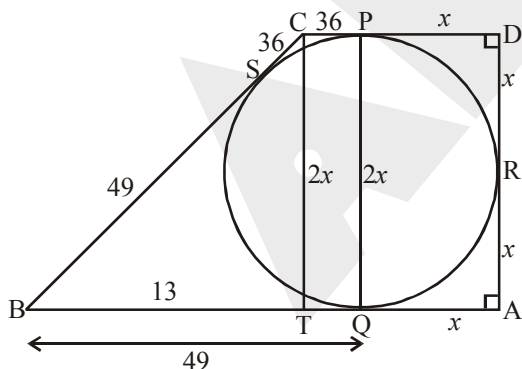
$$\text{at } n = 12 \quad f(n) = 0$$

so base $n = 12$

5. Let $ABCD$ be a trapezium in which $AB \parallel CD$ and $AD \perp AB$. Suppose $ABCD$ has an incircle which touches AB at Q and CD at P . Given that $PC = 36$ and $QB = 49$, find PQ .

Ans. (84)

Sol.



$$CP = TQ = 36 \Rightarrow BT = 49 - 36 = 13$$

$$\text{In } \triangle BTC \Rightarrow 85^2 = 13^2 + (2x)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x)^2 = 7056 \Rightarrow 2x = 84$$

$$\therefore PQ = 84 \text{ cm}$$

6. Integers a, b, c satisfy $a + b - c = 1$ and $a^2 + b^2 - c^2 = -1$. What is the sum of all possible values of $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$?

Ans. (18)

Sol. $a^2 + b^2 = c^2 - 1$

$a + b = c + 1$

$a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = c^2 + 1 + 2c$

$c - 1 + 2ab = c^2 + 1 + 2c$

$2ab = 2c + 2$

$ab = c + 1$

$a + b = ab$

$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = 1$

$a = b$

$a = b = 0, c = -1$

$a = b = 2, c = 3$

$8 + 9 = 17$

$17 + 1 = 18$

$(a - 1)(b - 1) = 1$

$a - 1 = 1, b - 1 = 1, a = b = 2$

$a - 1 = -1, b - 1 = -1, a = b = 0$

7. A point P in the interior of a regular hexagon is at distance 8, 8, 16 units from three consecutive vertices of the hexagon, respectively. If r is radius of the circumscribed circle of the hexagon, what is the integer closest to r ?

Ans. (14)

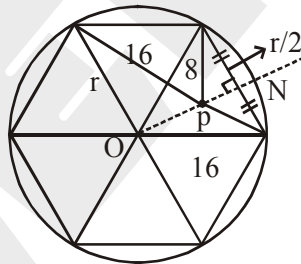
Sol. $PN = \sqrt{64 - \frac{r^2}{4}} \Rightarrow OP = \frac{\sqrt{3}r}{2} - PN$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{256 - r^2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}r}{2} - \sqrt{64 - \frac{r^2}{4}}$

$\Rightarrow r^4 - 256r^2 + 12288 = 0$

$\Rightarrow r^2 = 64, 192 \Rightarrow r = \sqrt{192}$

$\Rightarrow 14$



8. Let AB be a chord of a circle with centre O . Let C be a point on the circle such that $\angle ABC = 30^\circ$ and O lies inside the triangle ABC . Let D be a point on AB such that $\angle DCO = \angle OCB = 20^\circ$. Find the measure of $\angle CDO$ in degrees.

Ans. (80)

Sol. $\angle ABC = 30^\circ$

$\therefore \angle AOC = 60^\circ$ with $OC = OA$, so

$\triangle OAC$ is equilateral $OA = OC = AC = R$

Join OB , since $OC = OB$ so

$\angle OBC = \angle OCB = 20^\circ$

$\angle OBA = 10^\circ, \angle OAB = 10^\circ, \angle OAC = 60^\circ, \angle DAC = 70^\circ$

Also, $\angle ACO = 60^\circ$

so $\angle ACD = 60^\circ - 20^\circ = 40^\circ$

In $\triangle ACD$ by ASP

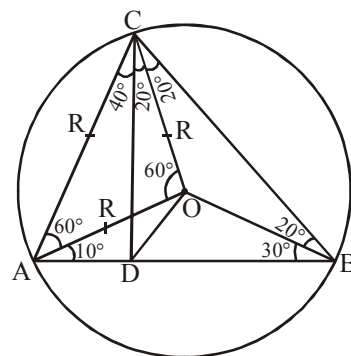
$\angle ADC = 70^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \therefore \angle ADC = \angle CAD = 70^\circ$

$AC = CD = R$, In $\triangle CDO$, $CD = CO$

and $\angle DCO = 20^\circ$,

$\therefore \angle CDO = \frac{180^\circ - 20^\circ}{2} = 80^\circ$



9. Suppose a, b are integers and $a + b$ is a root of $x^2 + ax + b = 0$. What is the maximum possible values of b^2 ?

Ans. (81)

Sol. $(a + b)^2 + a(a + b) + b = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2a^2 + b^2 + 3ab + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a^2 + a(3b) + b^2 + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{3b \pm \sqrt{9b^2 - 8(b^2 + b)}}{4}$$

So, $b^2 - 8b$ must be a perfect square

$$\Rightarrow (b - 4)^2 - 16 = K^2 ; K \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 4)^2 - K^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow (b - 4 - K)(b - 4 + K) = 16$$

Possible values of (b, K) are

$$(9, 3), (-1, 3), (4, 0), (0, 0)$$

Hence, maximum possible value of b^2 is 81

10. In a triangle ABC, the median from B to CA is perpendicular to the median from C to AB. If the median from A to BC is 30, determine $(BC^2 + CA^2 + AB^2)/100$.

Ans. (24)

Sol. $CD = BD = GD$ (\because right triangle)

$$AB^2 = (2BF)^2 = 4(x^2 + 4y^2)$$

$$AC^2 = (2CE)^2 = 4(y^2 + 4x^2)$$

$$BC^2 = 20^2 = 4(x^2 + y^2)$$

$$AB^2 + BC^2 + AC^2 = 6 \times 4(x^2 + y^2) = 6 \times 20^2 = 2400$$

$$= \frac{2400}{100} = 24$$

$$x^2 + 4y^2 = \frac{b^2}{4} \qquad \frac{6a^2}{100} = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{100}$$

$$5(x^2 + y^2) = \frac{b^2 + c^2}{4}$$

$$5(4x^2 + 4y^2) = b^2 + c^2$$

Appoloneons theorem,

$$b^2 + c^2 = 2(20)^2 + \frac{a^2}{2}$$

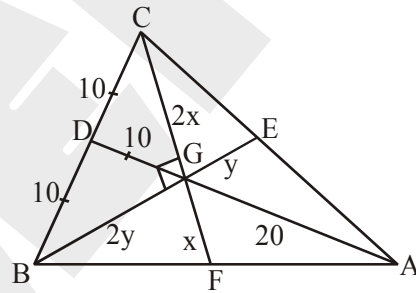
$$5a^2 = 2(30)^2 + \frac{a^2}{2}$$

$$5a^2 - \frac{a^2}{2} = 3 \times 900$$

$$\frac{a^2}{2} = 3 \times 900$$

$$\frac{a^2}{100} = 4$$

$$\frac{6a^2}{100} = 24$$



11. There are several tea cups in the kitchen, some with handles and the others without handles. The number of ways of selecting two cups without a handle and three with a handle is exactly 1200. What is the maximum possible number of cups in the kitchen?

Ans. (29)

Sol. Let the no. of cups with handles be x and no. of cups without handle be y

$${}^x C_2 \cdot {}^y C_3 = 1200$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x!}{(x-2)!2!} \times \frac{y!}{(y-3)!3!} = 1200$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x(x-1)}{2} \times \frac{y(y-1)(y-2)}{6} = 1200$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x-1) \times y(y-1)(y-2) = 14400$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \times 5 \times 8 \times 9 \times 10 = 14400$$

$$\Rightarrow 24 \times 25 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 = 14400$$

$$\therefore x = 5 ; y = 10$$

$$\text{or } x = 25 ; y = 4$$

$$\therefore \text{Maximum number of cups} = 25 + 4 = 29$$

12. Determine the number of 8-tuples $(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_8)$ such that $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_8 \in \{1, -1\}$ and $\epsilon_1 + 2\epsilon_2 + 3\epsilon_3 + \dots + 8\epsilon_8$

is a multiple of 3.

Ans. (88)

Sol.
$$\sum_{k=1}^8 k \epsilon_k \equiv \sum_{k=0}^2 \epsilon_{3k+1} - \sum_{k=0}^2 \epsilon_{3k+2} \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_4 + \epsilon_7 \equiv \epsilon_2 + \epsilon_5 + \epsilon_8 \pmod{3} \text{ its easy to count now, there 22}$$

Possible $(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_4, \epsilon_5, \epsilon_7, \epsilon_8)$ which satisfy thisx where $\epsilon_i \in \{-1, 1\}$.

Thus, there are a total of $4 \times 22 = 88$ solutions, considering ϵ_3 and ϵ_6 .

13. In a triangle ABC, right-angled at A, the altitude through A and the internal bisector of $\angle A$ have lengths 3 and 4, respectively. Find the length of the median through A.

Ans. (24)

Sol.
$$N \equiv \left(\frac{bc}{b+c}, \frac{bc}{b+c} \right)$$

$$\text{So, } AM = \sqrt{2} \frac{bc}{b+c} = 4 \dots (i)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2}}} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{bc}{\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}} = 3 = AM \dots (ii)$$

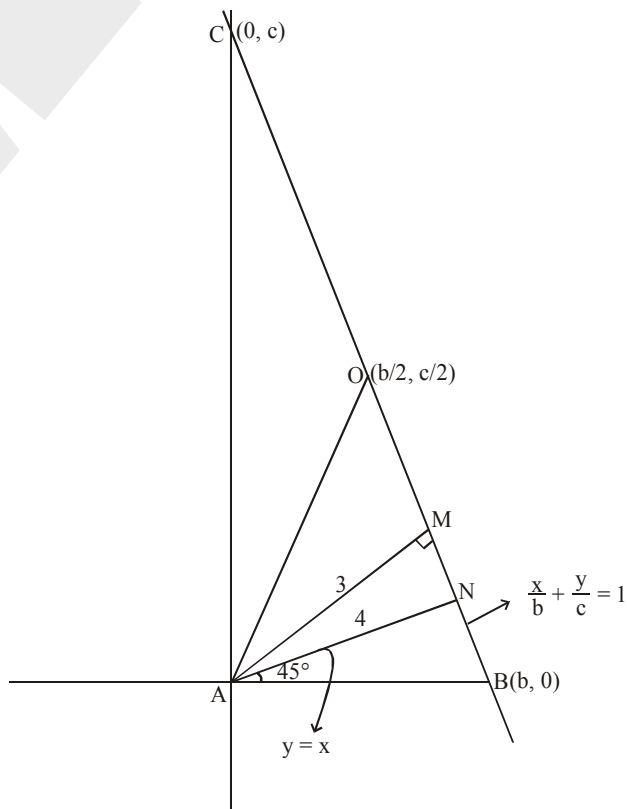
$$\Rightarrow (bc)^2 = 9[(b+c)^2 - 2bc]$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 c^2 = 9 \left[\frac{b^2 c^2}{8} - 2bc \right]$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$\Rightarrow bc = 144 \Rightarrow \sqrt{b^2 + c^2} = 48$$

$$\text{Hence, median} = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 + c^2}}{2} = 24$$



14. If $x = \cos 1^\circ \cos 2^\circ \cos 3^\circ \dots \cos 89^\circ$ and $y = \cos 2^\circ \cos 6^\circ \cos 10^\circ \dots \cos 86^\circ$, then what is the integer nearest to $\frac{2}{7} \log_2(y/x)$?

Ans. (19)

Sol. $x = \cos 1^\circ \cos 2^\circ \cos 3^\circ \dots \cos 89^\circ$
 $= (\cos 1^\circ \cos 89^\circ) (\cos 2^\circ \cos 88^\circ) \dots (\cos 44^\circ \cos 46^\circ) \cos 45^\circ$
 $= (\cos 1^\circ \sin 1^\circ) (\cos 2^\circ \sin 2^\circ) \dots (\cos 44^\circ \sin 44^\circ) \cos 45^\circ$

$$x = \frac{1}{2^{44}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin 2^\circ \sin 4^\circ \dots \sin 88^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{44}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin 2^\circ \sin 88^\circ) (\sin 4^\circ \sin 86^\circ) \dots (\sin 44^\circ \sin 46^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{44}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin 2^\circ \cos 2^\circ) (\sin 4^\circ \cos 4^\circ) \dots (\sin 44^\circ \cos 44^\circ)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{66}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin 4^\circ \sin 8^\circ \dots \sin 84^\circ \sin 88^\circ)$$

$$\frac{y}{x} = \frac{\cos 2^\circ \cos 6^\circ \dots \cos 82^\circ \cos 86^\circ}{\frac{1}{2^{66}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sin 4^\circ \sin 8^\circ \dots \sin 84^\circ \sin 88^\circ)} = 2^{\frac{133}{2}} \text{ (all terms cancel)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{7} \log_2 2^{(133/2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{7} \times \frac{133}{2} = \frac{133}{7} = 19$$

= 19 Ans.

15. Let a and b natural number such that $2a - b$, $a - 2b$ and $a + b$ are all distinct squares. What is the smallest possible value of b ?

Ans. (21)

Sol. Let $2a - b$, $a - 2b$ and $a + b$ be equal to square of natural number n , k and r respectively.

Therefore, $2a - b = k^2$ (i)

$a - 2b = n^2$ (ii)

and $a + b = r^2$ (iii)

(i) - (ii) gives, $a + b = n^2$ (iv)

By (iv) and (iii), $k^2 - n^2 = r^2 \Rightarrow k^2 = n^2 + r^2$

Since, $b = \frac{\left(r^2 - \frac{(n^2 + k^2)}{3} \right)}{2}$

Also, $n^2 + r^2$ is divisible by 3 so, $(n, k, r) = (9, 15, 12)$

Minimum value of b is $\frac{\left(12^2 - \frac{(15^2 + 9^2)}{3} \right)}{2} = 21$

May be smallest b is 21.

16. What is the value of

$$\sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq 10 \\ i+j=\text{odd}}} (i+j) - \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq 10 \\ i+j=\text{even}}} (i+j)?$$

Ans. (55)

Sol. $S = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq 10 \\ i+j=\text{odd}}} (i+j) - \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq 10 \\ i+j=\text{even}}} (i+j)?$

$$\Rightarrow S = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 10} (-1)^{i+j-1} (i+j)$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 10} (-1)^{i+j-1} (i+j+22-(i+j))$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 10} (-1)^{i+j-1}$$

Let us count how many times $i+j$ is even or odd,

$$i+j = \text{even}, 2 \cdot {}^5C_2 = 20$$

$$i+j = \text{odd}, {}^5C_1 \cdot {}^5C_1 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow S = 11(-20 + 25) = 55$$

Alternate

In even cases we have to exclude $1=1, 2=2, \dots, 10=10$ cases as ($i \neq j$)

$$\text{So sum } 1+2+\dots+10 = \frac{10 \times 11}{2} = 55$$

will be difference

17. Triangles ABC and DEF are such that $\angle A = \angle D$, $AB = DE = 17$, $BC = EF = 10$ and $AC - DF = 12$. What is $AC + DF$?

Ans. (30)

Sol. $\cos \theta = \frac{(17)^2 + (12+x)^2 - (10)^2}{2(17)(12+x)} = \frac{(17)^2 + x^2 - (10)^2}{2(17)(x)}$

$$= \frac{(289) + (12+x)^2 - 100}{(12+x)} = \frac{(289) + x^2 - 100}{x}$$

$$= \frac{289}{12+x} + (12+x) - \frac{100}{(12+x)} = \frac{289}{x} + x - \frac{100}{x}$$

$$= 12 + \frac{189}{12+x} = \frac{189}{x}$$

$$12 = (189) \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{12+x} \right)$$

$$12 = (189) \left(\frac{12}{x(12+x)} \right)$$

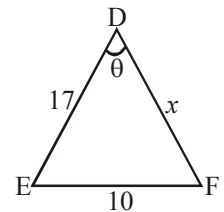
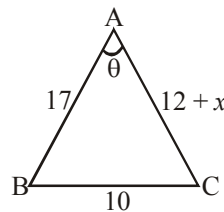
$$x^2 + 12x - 189 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 21x - 9x - 189 = 0$$

$$(x+21)(x-9) = 0$$

$$x = 9$$

$$\therefore AC + DF = 12 + 2x = 12 + 2(9) = 30$$



18. If $a, b, c \geq 4$ are integers, not all equal and $4abc = (a + 3)(b + 3)(c + 3)$, then what is the value of $a + b + c$?

Ans. (16)

Sol. By observation $a = 4, b = 5, c = 7$ satisfies given equations

$$\therefore a + b + c = 4 + 5 + 7 = 16$$

19. Let $N = 6 + 66 + 666 + \dots + 666 \dots 66$, where there are hundred 6's in the last term in the sum. How many times does the digit 7 occur in the number N?

Ans. (33)

Sol. $N = \frac{6}{9} [9 + 99 + \dots + 999\dots9]$

$$= \frac{6}{9} \left[\frac{10(10^n - 1)}{9} - 100 \right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{9} \left[\frac{10}{9} \times \frac{999\dots9}{100 \text{ times}} - 100 \right]$$

$$\frac{60}{9} \left[\underbrace{111\dots1}_{100 \text{ times}} - 10 \right]$$

$$\frac{20}{3} [111\dots101]$$

$$\frac{[222\dots22020]}{3}$$

$$22020 \rightarrow 7340$$

$$22222020 \rightarrow 740730$$

$$2222222020 \rightarrow 7407407340$$

each pair of 222 gives 740 & 22020 gives 7340 in last

So that 33 times occur.

20. Determine the sum of all possible positive integers n , the product of whose digits equals $n^2 - 15n - 27$.

Ans. (17)

Sol. Let product of digits of n be $P(x)$

claim : $P(n) \leq n$

Proof: Let $n = a_m 10^m + a_{m-1} 10^{m-1} + \dots + a_0$

$$\geq a_m 10^m$$

$$\geq a_m a^m$$

$$\geq a_m a_{m-1} \dots a_0$$

$$= P(n)$$

Now $n^2 - 15n - 27 \leq n$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 16n - 27 \leq 0$$

$$-1 < 8 - \sqrt{91} \leq n \leq 8 + \sqrt{91} < 18 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also $P(n) \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 15n - 27 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 15n + 56 \geq 83$$

$$\Rightarrow (n - 7)(n - 8) \geq 83$$

$$\Rightarrow (n - 7)^2 > (n - 7)(n - 8) \geq 83$$

$$\Rightarrow (n - 7) > \sqrt{83}$$

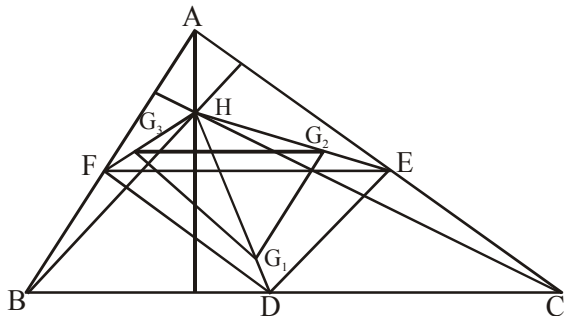
$$\Rightarrow n > 7 + \sqrt{83} > 16 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii) $n = 17$ which satisfies the condition.

21. Let ABC be an acute-angled triangle and let H be its orthocentre. Let G_1 , G_2 and G_3 be the centroids of the triangles HBC, HCA and HAB, respectively. If the area of triangle $G_1G_2G_3$ is 7 units, what is the area of triangle ABC?

Ans. (63)

Sol.



Given

$$\frac{HG_1}{HD} = \frac{HG_2}{HE} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{HG_1}{HD} = \frac{HG_3}{HF} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$G_1G_2 \parallel DE$ and $G_1G_2 \parallel DF$

and $G_2G_3 \parallel FE$

$$\frac{HG_2}{HE} = \frac{HG_3}{HF} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$G_2G_3 \parallel EF$

$$[HG_1G_2] = \frac{4}{9} [HDE] \quad (1)$$

$$[HG_1G_3] = \frac{4}{9} [HFD] \quad (2)$$

$$[HG_2G_3] = \frac{4}{9} [HFE] \quad \dots (3)$$

$$(1) + (2) - (3)$$

$$[HG_1G_2] + [HG_1G_3] + [HG_2G_3] = \frac{4}{9} ([HDE] + [HFD] + [HFE])$$

$$[G_1G_2G_3] = \frac{4}{9} [DEF]$$

$$9[G_1G_2G_3] = 4[DEF] = ABC$$

$$9 \times 7 = [ABC]$$

$$63 = [ABC]$$

22. A positive integer k is said to be good if there exists a partition of $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 20\}$ into disjoint proper subsets such that the sum of the numbers in each subset of the partition is k . How many good numbers are there?

Ans. (06)

Sol. Let us partition it in k part and each part to 's' then,

$$ks = 1 + 20 + \dots + 20$$

$$\Rightarrow ks = 210$$

$$\Rightarrow s \mid 210$$

Also s must be ≥ 20 , (as 20 will be present in some partition)

$$\text{Now, } 210 = 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7$$

So, Proper divisors of 210 are 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 14, 15, 21, 30, 35, 42, 70, 105

$$\Rightarrow s \text{ can be } 21, 20, 35, 42, 70, 105$$

for $s = 21$, we have

$$(1, 20), (2, 19), \dots (10, 11)$$

$$\Rightarrow 21 \text{ is good number}$$

for $s = 42$, join two two pairs of above

for $s = 105$, join five five pairs of above

$$\Rightarrow 42 \text{ and } 105 \text{ are also good number.}$$

for $s = 70$

$$\{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14\}, \{15, 16, 17, 18, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 12, 13, 19, 20\}$$

$$\Rightarrow s = 70 \text{ is a good number}$$

for $s = 35$

$$\{5, 9, 11, 10\}, \{6, 7, 8, 14\}, \{4, 15, 16\}, \{17, 18\}, \{2, 13, 20\}, \{1, 3, 12, 19\}$$

$$s = 35 \text{ is also a good number.}$$

For $s = 30$

$$\{20, 10\}, \{19, 11\}, \{18, 12\}, \{17, 13\}, \{16, 14\}, \{15, 9, 6\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$$

$$\Rightarrow s = 30 \text{ is also a good number}$$

Hence, there are total 6 good number.

23. What is the largest positive integer n such that $\frac{a^2}{\frac{b}{29} + \frac{c}{31}} + \frac{b^2}{\frac{c}{29} + \frac{a}{31}} + \frac{c^2}{\frac{a}{29} + \frac{b}{31}} \geq n(a + b + c)$ holds for all positive real numbers a, b, c

Ans. (14)

Sol. If a, b, c, x, y, z are positive reals,

$$\text{then, } \frac{a^2}{x} + \frac{b^2}{y} + \frac{c^2}{z} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{x+y+z}$$

(By extended form of Cauchy Schwarz),

$$\therefore \frac{a^2}{\frac{b}{29} + \frac{c}{31}} + \frac{b^2}{\frac{c}{29} + \frac{a}{31}} + \frac{c^2}{\frac{a}{29} + \frac{b}{31}} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{\frac{b}{29} + \frac{c}{31} + \frac{c}{29} + \frac{a}{31} + \frac{a}{29} + \frac{b}{31}} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{\frac{a+b+c}{29} + \frac{a+b+c}{31}}$$

$$\geq \frac{(a+b+c)^2}{(a+b+c) \left[\frac{1}{29} + \frac{1}{31} \right]} \geq \frac{(a+b+c)}{29.31} \geq \frac{a+b+c}{899}$$

$$\geq (a+b+c) \left(\frac{899}{60} \right)$$

$$\geq 14.98 (a+b+c)$$

$$\geq n (a+b+c)$$

\therefore Largest positive integer will be $n = 14$

24. If N is the number of triangles of different shapes (i.e. not similar) whose angle are all integers (in degrees), what is N/100?

Ans. (27)

Sol. Let the angles be $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 180^\circ$$

number of positive solution are

$$= {}^{180-1}C_{3-1} = {}^{179}C_2$$

But some solutions are counted more than once like,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \quad 1 \quad 178 \\ 1 \quad 2 \quad 176 \\ 3 \quad 3 \quad 174 \\ \vdots \\ 59 \quad 59 \quad 62 \\ 61 \quad 61 \quad 58 \\ 62 \quad 62 \quad 56 \\ \vdots \\ 89 \quad 89 \quad 2 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{are counted 3 times}$$

→ 88 solution

and all solution with $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2 \neq \lambda_3$ are counted 6 times.

60 60 60 one times

$$\frac{1}{6} \underbrace{\left({}^{179}C_2 - 3 \times 88 - 1 \right)}_{\text{scalene and all different}} + \underbrace{88}_{\text{isosceles but not equilateral}} + \underbrace{1}_{\text{equilateral}} = N$$

$$N = 2700 \Rightarrow \frac{N}{100} = 27$$

25. Let T be the smallest positive integer which, when divided by 11, 13, 15 leaves remainders in the sets {7, 8, 9}, {1, 2, 3}, {4, 5, 6} respectively. What is the sum of the squares of the digits of T?

Ans. (81)

Sol. $x = 7, 8, 9$ (mode 11)

$x = 1, 2, 3$ (mode 13)

$x = 4, 5, 6$ (mode 15)

L.C.M. of 15, 13 is 195

So by observation,

183, 184, 185 = 1, 2, 3 (mode 13)

184, 185, 186 = 4, 5, 6 (mode 15)

183, 184, 185 = 7, 8, 9 (mode 11)

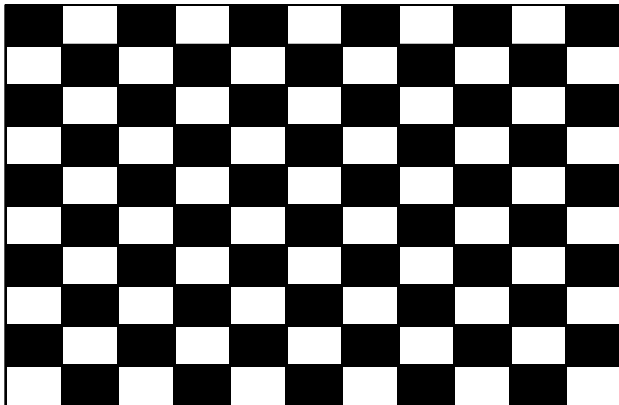
∴ Smallest number is 184

$$= 1^2 + 8^2 + 4^2 = 81$$

26. What is the number of ways in which one can choose 60 unit squares from a 11×11 chessboard such that no two chosen squares have a side in common?

Ans. (62)

Sol.



There are 121 unit squares of two colours $60 + 61$.

if we want to choose square with no common sides then we have to select square of same colour.

Therefore if we choose white colour there is only one way to select 60 square from 60 squares and if we choose square of black colour then there are 61 ways to select 60 squares out of 61.

So total number of ways = $1 + 61 = 62$

27. What is the number of ways in which one can colour the squares of a 4×4 chessboard with colour red and blue such that each row as well as each column has exactly two red squares and two blue squares?

Ans. (90)

Sol. Each row can be coloured in any one of the following six ways

RBRB, RRBB, RBBR, BBRR, BRRB and BRBR

First two rows can be coloured in $6 \times 6 = 36$ ways

Let us divide all 36 ways in three cases.

(i) First and second row are identical :

There are 6 such cases then last two rows can be painted in only 1 way.

Number of such such ways = 6

(ii) First and second row do not match at any palce :

Colour first row by any one of the 6 ways and switch colour in second row for corresponding squares.

First two can be coloured in 6 ways.

Now 3rd row can be painted in any one of the 6 ways and final row one way.

$\Rightarrow 6 \times 6 = 36$ ways in this case

(iii) First and second row match exactly at two places:

There are $36 - 6 - 6 = 24$ such cases

the column in which two square are of same colour in first two row can be painted in only one way (in third and fourth row) and the remaining two squares of third row can be painted in two ways last row will be fix

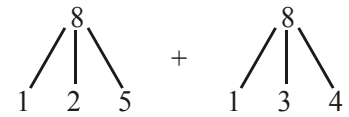
$\Rightarrow 24 \times 2 = 48$ ways

Hence total ways are $6 + 36 + 48 = 90$ ways.

28. Let N be the number of ways of distributing 8 chocolates of different brands among 3 children such that each child gets at least one chocolate, and no two children get the same number of chocolates. Find the sum of the digits of N.

Ans. (24)

Sol. Total ways of distribution = $\left(\frac{8!}{1!2!5!} + \frac{8!}{1!3!4!}\right) \times 3! = 2688$ ways



\therefore sum of digits = $2 + 6 + 8 + 8 = 24$

29. Let D be an interior point of the side BC of a triangle ABC. Let I_1 and I_2 be the incentres of triangles ABD and ACD respectively. Let AI_1 and AI_2 meet BC in E and F respectively. If $\angle BI_1E = 60^\circ$, what is the measure of $\angle CI_2F$ in degrees?

Ans. (30)

Sol. $\frac{B}{2} + x = 60^\circ$ in $\triangle ABI_1$

$\therefore \angle AED = 60^\circ + \frac{B}{2}$ (exterior angle)

$\angle ADC = 60^\circ + \frac{B}{2} + x = 60^\circ + 60^\circ = 120^\circ$ (exterior angle)

In $\triangle ADC$, $2y + C = 60^\circ$

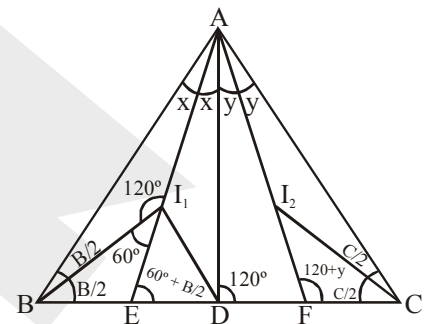
$\Rightarrow y + \frac{C}{2} = 30^\circ$

But In $\triangle CI_2F$, $\angle I_2FC = 120^\circ + y$ (exterior angle)

In $\triangle CI_2F$ we have

$\angle I_2FC + \angle FCI_2$

$= 120^\circ + y + \frac{C}{2} = 120^\circ + 30^\circ = 150^\circ$ so $\angle CI_2F = 30^\circ$



30. Let $P(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$ be a polynomial in which a_i is a non negative integer for each $i \in (0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n)$. If $P(1) = 4$ and $P(5) = 136$, what is the value of $P(3)$?

Ans. (34)

Sol. $p(1) = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$

$4 = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$

$p(5) = a_0 + 5a_1 + 25a_2 + 125a_3 + 625a_4 + \dots + 5^na_n$

$136 = a_0 + 5a_1 + 25a_2 + 125a_3 + 625a_4 + \dots + 5^na_n$

observe that $a_4, a_5 \dots a_n = 0$ as given that a_i is non negative integer.

\therefore So we assume

$p(x) = x^3 + 2x + 1$

$p(1) = 4$

$p(5) = 125 + 10 + 1 = 136$

$p(3) = 27 + 6 + 1 = 34$