

Answers to Practice Set Number 3

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Hints, suggestions, and some solutions:

Pascal

- $\left(\frac{6}{5}\right) \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) \left(\frac{8}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{8}{5}\right)$.
- Since the three angles add to 180, $2b + b + 3b = 180$ and $b = 30$. So $3b = 90$ and we have a right triangle.
- Trial and error shows the numbers are 45, 47, 49.
- Since most of these cancel in pairs we just add $24 + 25 + 26 \dots + 31$. These 8 integers average $(24 + 31)/2$ and so the total is $4 \times 55 = 220$.
- Think of the suits as 100 groups of 2 expensive and 1 cheap suit. The average of each group is $(24 + 31)/2$ and so the total is $4 \times 55 = 220$.
- The numerator must be increased by 1700.
- The area is an a by b rectangle plus a triangle of height $c - a$ and base b . The area is $ab + a(c - b)/2 = ab/2 + ac/2 = a(b + c)/2$.
- The areas of triangles with the same altitudes are in the same ratio as their bases. So if the required area is A then $\frac{A}{54} = \frac{12}{36}$ and $A = 18$.
- If the distance is D then $\frac{D}{60} - \frac{D}{100} = 2$ and $D = 300$. So the required speed is $\frac{300}{4} = 75$ km/h.
- Join E to the midpoint M and AC . Then the triangle CEM is equilateral of side 1 and triangle EMA has a 120 angle at M and $MA = ME = 1$. Bisect angle M in the triangle to form two 30-60-90 triangles. Using the ratio of the sides of a 30-60-90 triangle $AE = 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$.

Cayley

- The answer is approximately $14 \times 365 \times 24 \times 60 \times 60/1000000 = 400$.
- The perimeter is just the same as a 9 by 27 rectangle!
- Using the standard formula $2(8x15 + 4x15 + 8x4)$.

4. $x + 47 = 2(25)$ and $11 + y = 28$ so $x + y = 20$.
5. Solve $32x + 72(25 - x) = 64(25)$.
6. Since the correct answer involves multiplying and then adding 5 the error must involve reversing these operations. So $x = 5$ and the correct answer is $95 + 5 = 100$.
7. Divide the area into two semicircles around a rectangle!
8. Only decimals in lowest terms whose denominators involve only powers of 2 and 5 terminate. But $144 = 9 \times 16$ so $\frac{9}{144} = \frac{1}{16}$ is the first terminating decimal.
9. First $CZ = 6$, $BY = k$ and $CY = 8 - k$. Using Pythagoras

$$PA^2 + PB^2 + PC^2 = PX^2 + 9 + PY^2 + k^2 + PZ^2 + 36 = PX^2 + 25 + PY^2 + (8 - k)^2 + PZ^2 + 4$$

Thus $16k = 48$ and $k = 3$.

10. $2004 = 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 167$. Let $n = k^2$ and $n + 2004 = m^2$ so $m^2 - k^2 = 2004 \Rightarrow (m + k)(m - k) = 2004$. But $m + k$ and $m - k$ must have same parity and so must be even. So $\{m + k = 2(501)$ and $m - k = 2(1)\}$ or $\{m + k = 2(167)$ and $m - k = 2(3)\}$. Thus $k = 500$ or 164 , leading to just 2 values for n .

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1. Since the triangle is scalene the best we can do is 75, 74, 31.
2. A little arithmetic shows that for a, b, c and d to be integers a must be a multiple of 9.
3. $(a - b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = 9$.
4. $432 = 16 \times 27$. Since 16 is a perfect square we need only make 27 one also.
5. Since the ratio $16 : 24 = 24 : 36 = 2 : 3$ the triangles are similar and their areas are in ratio 4 : 9.
6. The number 'ddd' has a factor $111 = 3 \times 37$. So 37 must be one number. The other is $9 \times 3 = 27$ and indeed $27 \times 37 = 999$.
7. Using sum and product $ab = b$ and $-a = a + b$. Since there are two roots, a and b are not zero so solving these equations $a = 1$ and $b = -2$.
8. The areas are: a) 12.25 b) 12 c) 12 d) $4\sqrt{5}$ e) $\frac{9}{2}\pi$
9. Since $30^{30} = 2^{30} \cdot 3^{30} \cdot 5^{30}$ and perfect squares have even exponents the answer is $16 \times 16 \times 16$.
10. Note triangle ABC is a 30, 60, 90 triangle! Let the other point of circle intersection be D . The required area is then sector ACD plus sector BCD minus twice triangle ABC . Since the sector angles are 60 and 120 we get $\frac{1}{3}(3\pi) + \frac{1}{6}(9\pi) = 2(\frac{1}{2}3\sqrt{3}) = \frac{5}{2}\pi - 3\sqrt{3}$.