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SENIOR B DIVISION CONTEST NUMBER TWO

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S86B7. Diagonal AC of square ABCD is a side of square ACEF. If the area of ACEF is 8, compute the area of ABCD.

S86B8. For some real number θ , the legs of a right triangle are $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$. Compute the radius of the circle circumscribing this triangle.

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S86B9. A train leaves New York for Washington, D.C. at noon, and travels at a constant rate of 70 miles per hour. Also at noon, a train leaves Washington for New York, travelling at a constant rate of 40 miles per hour. They will meet somewhere along the route. How far away will they be one hour before they meet?

S86B10. If $\sin x + \cos x = 1/2$, compute $\sin 2x$.

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S86B11. The integers from 1 through 10 are written on index cards. It is desired to color each of these cards with one of three colors (red, white, or blue) in such a way that any two cards with integers differing by less than three are different colors. In how many ways can this be done?

S86B12. A paper rectangle 10 units wide and 24 units long is folded and creased so that opposite vertices coincide. Compute the length of the crease formed.



ANSWERS

7. 4

9. 110 or 110 miles

11. 6

8. $1/2$

10. $-3/4$

12. $65/6$



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S86B13 Find a four-digit number (in decimal notation), whose two rightmost digits are identical, whose two leftmost digits are identical, and which is a perfect square.

S86B14. At a graduation party, each senior gave a snapshot of himself or herself to every other senior. If 870 snapshots were exchanged, how many seniors were at the party?

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S86B15. Two fair six-sided dice are thrown. Compute the probability that the product of the numbers showing will be 12.

S86B16. Compute $\cos[\text{Arcsin } 4/5 + \text{Arctan } 5/12]$, where Arc denotes principal value.

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S86B17. The measure of the interior angles of a pentagon are in arithmetic progression, with a common difference of 10 (degrees). Compute the degree-measure of the smallest angle of the pentagon.

S86B18. Find all real numbers x for which $(x+2)^4 + x^4 = 82$.

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13. 7744

15. $1/9$

17. 88 or 88°

14. 30

16. $16/65$

18. 1, -3 : both required



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S86B19. Compute $\log_{10} 4 \div \log_{10} \frac{1}{4}$.

S86B20. If a and b are positive integers such that $a^2 + 24 = b^2$, compute the largest possible value of $a + b$.

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S86B21. In parallelogram $ABCD$, $AB = 10$. Point P is the trisection point of diagonal BD which is closer to D , and AP intersects CD at Q . Compute the length of DQ .

S86B22. Two fair, six-sided dice are thrown. Compute the probability that the product of the numbers shown is not a prime number (remember that 1 is not a prime number).

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S86B23. If a and b are the roots of the equation $x^2 + 5x + 7 = 0$, compute the value of $a^2 + b^2$.

S86B24. If $\sin^6 x + \cos^6 x = 2/3$, and $0 < x < \pi/2$, compute $\sin 2x$.

ANSWERS

19. -1	21. 5	23. 11
20. 12	22. 5/6	24. 2/3



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S86B25. In a class of 32 students, 24 spent 3 hours each studying math, and the rest spent 2 hours each studying math. What was the average number of hours spent studying math by a student in the class?

S86B26. The centers of two externally tangent circles are 7 inches apart. If the length of a common external tangent to both circles is 6, compute the (positive) difference between their radii.

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S86B27. Compute $\log_{\sqrt{2}} (\sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}})^{\sqrt{2}}$.

S86B28. In rhombus PQRS, points A and B are in sides QR and RS respectively such that triangle PAB is equilateral. If $PQ=PA$, compute the degree-measure of angle PQR.

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S86B29. Compute the distance between two opposite vertices of a cube whose side is 4 units long.

S86B30. Find all real values of x such that:

$$\sqrt{3x^2 + 6x + 7} + \sqrt{5x^2 + 10x + 14} = 4 - 2x - x^2.$$

ANSWERS

25. 2.75 or $11/4$
or equivalent

27. 2

29. $4\sqrt{3}$

26. $\sqrt{13}$

28. 80 or 80°

30. -1



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S86B7. Since $AC:AB = \sqrt{2}$, and the ratio of the areas of similar figures is the square of the ratio of the sides, the ratio of the areas of the two squares is 2:1. Hence the area of ABCD is 4.

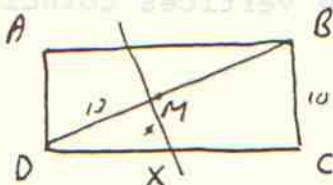
S86B8. Since $\sin^2\theta + \cos^2\theta = 1$, the hypotenuse of this triangle is 1. Since the hypotenuse is the diameter of the circumscribed circle, the radius is $1/2$.

S86B9. The trains travel towards each other at the rate of $70+40 = 110$ miles per hour. Hence they will be 110 miles apart one hour before they meet.

S86B10. We have $(\sin x + \cos x)^2 = \sin^2x + \cos^2x + 2 \sin x \cos x = 1 + \sin 2x$, so $1/4 = 1 + \sin 2x$, and $\sin 2x = -3/4$.

S86B11. There are three ways to color the first card. For each such choice, there are two ways to color the second card, making six choices in all. From these six choices, the color of each of the rest of the cards is determined.

S86B12. The crease is the perpendicular bisector of diagonal BD. To determine its length, we use similar triangles MDX, BDC. We have $DB = 26$, so $MD = 13$. If $MX = x$, then $MD:MX = CD:BC$, or $13:x = 24:10$, and $x = 65/12$. Hence the fold is $130/12 = 65/6$.



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S86B13 Suppose the number is $AABB$, where juxtaposition symbolizes place value rather than multiplication. It is not hard to see that the number must be a multiple of 11, and since it contains four digits, it must be greater than 33. A quick try shows that only $88^2=7744$ works.

To see that the number must be a multiple of 11, we may write it as $(AA)(100)+BB = (11)(A)(100) + (11)(B)$. In general, if the sum of the odd numbered digits in a decimal numeral is equal to the sum of the even numbered digits, the number represented is divisible by 11.

S86B14. If there were n seniors, then $n(n-1) = 870 = 30 \times 29$, so $n = 30$.

S86B15. The pairs of numbers which multiply to 12 are $(2,6), (3,4), (4,3), (6,2)$. These are $4/36 = 1/9$ of the possible outcomes.

S86B16. Let $A = \text{Arcsin } 4/5$, $B = \text{Arctan } 5/12$. Then $\sin A = 4/5$, $\tan B = 5/12$. Since both A and B are in quadrant I, $\cos A = 3/5$, $\sin B = 5/13$, and $\cos B = 12/13$. Then $\cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B = (3/5)(12/13) - (4/5)(5/13) = (36-20)/65 = 16/65$.

S86B17. The sum of the angles is $3 \times 180 = 540$ degrees. Hence the average angle is $540/5 = 108$ degrees. Since the angles are in arithmetic progression, this is the "middle" of the five angles, so the smallest is $108 - 20 = 88$ degrees.

S86B18. Let $y = x+1$. Then $(y+1)^4 + (y-1)^4 = 82$. Expanding, we find many terms which cancel out, and the equation becomes $2y^4 + 12y^2 + 2 = 82$, or $y^4 + 6y^2 + 1 = 41$, or $y^4 + 6y^2 - 40 = 0$. This can be factored as a quadratic in y^2 to yield $(y^2+10)(y^2-4) = 0$, so $y^2 = -10, 4$. The root $y^2 = -10$ gives no real values for x , while the root $y^2 = 4$ gives $y = 2, -2$, so $x = 1$ or -3 .

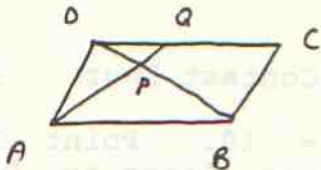


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S86B19. $\log_{10} 4 \div \log_{10} \frac{1}{4} = \log_{10} 4 \div (-\log_{10} 4) = -1.$

S86B20. We have $b^2 - a^2 = (b+a)(b-a) = 24$. We need $b+a$ to be the largest factor of 24 such that a and b are integers. If $b+a = 24$ and $b-a = 1$, neither a nor b are integers. If $b+a = 12$ and $b-a = 2$, then $b=7$ and $a = 5$.

S86B21. In similar triangles ABP , QDP , sides $BP:DP = 2:1$. Hence $AB:DQ = 2:1$, and $DQ = 5$.



S86B22. The products which produce primes are $1 \times 2, 1 \times 3, 1 \times 5, 2 \times 1, 3 \times 1, 5 \times 1$. This is $6/36 = 1/6$ of the possible outcomes. This means that the product will not be prime $5/6$ of the time.


S86B23. Write $a^2 + b^2 = (a+b)^2 - 2ab$. Then, from the results about the sum and product of the roots of an equation, $a+b=-5$ and $ab=7$. Hence $a^2 + b^2 = 25 - 2 \times 7 = 25 - 14 = 11$.

S86B24. We can factor the given expression as the sum of two cubes:

$$\begin{aligned} \sin^6 x + \cos^6 x &= (\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)(\sin^4 x - \sin^2 x \cos^2 x + \cos^4 x) \\ &= 1[(\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x)^2 - 3\sin^2 x \cos^2 x] \\ &= 1 - 3 \sin^2 x \cos^2 x = 2/3, \text{ so} \\ \sin^2 x \cos^2 x &= 1/9. \end{aligned}$$

Now $\sin^2 2x = 4\sin^2 x \cos^2 x = 4/9$, and $\sin 2x = \pm 2/3$. The limits on x force us to reject the negative value.

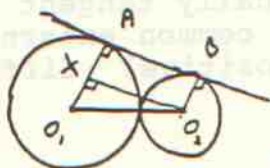
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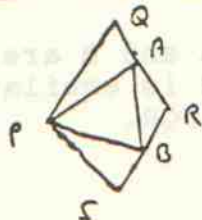
S86B25. Altogether, the students spent $24 \times 3 + 8 \times 2 = 72 + 16 = 88$ hours studying math. Since there are 32 students, the average time spent is $88/32 = 11/4 = 2.75$ hours.

S86B26. Drawing rectangle ABO_1X (see diagram), we find that $O_1X = AB = 6$ and $O_1O_2 = 7$. Then $O_1X^2 = 7^2 - 6^2 = 49 - 36 = 13$, so $O_1X = \sqrt{13}$. But $O_1X = O_1A - XA = O_1A - O_2B$, which is the difference in the two radii.

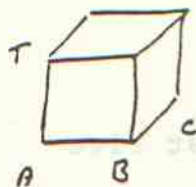


S86B27. We have: $\log_{\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{2}^{\sqrt{2}})^{\sqrt{2}} = \log_{\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{2}^2) = \log_{\sqrt{2}} 2$. Since $2 = (\sqrt{2})^2$, $\log_{\sqrt{2}} 2 = 2$.

S86B28. If $m\angle PQR = x$, then $\angle PAQ = x$, and $\angle QPA = 180 - 2x$. Since angles QPS and PQR are supplementary, we find: $x + 2(180 - 2x) + 60 = 180$, or $420 - 3x = 180$, and $x = 80$.



S86B29. In right triangle ABC , $AB = 4$ and $BC = 4$, so hypotenuse $AC = 4\sqrt{2}$. In right triangle ACT , $AC = 4\sqrt{2}$, $AT = 4$, so hypotenuse $CT = \sqrt{48} = 4\sqrt{3}$.



S86B30. We can rewrite the given equation as:

$$\sqrt{3(x+1)^2 + 4} + \sqrt{5(x+1)^2 + 9} = 5 - (x+1)^2.$$

Clearly, $\sqrt{3(x+1)^2 + 4} \geq \sqrt{4} = 2$, while $\sqrt{5(x+1)^2 + 9} \geq \sqrt{9} = 3$. Now the left side of the equation is never less than 5, while the right side is never greater than 5. Thus equality can occur only if both sides of the equation are equal to 5. This happens when $(x+1)^2 = 0$, or $x = -1$.