

NEW YORK CITY INTERSCHOLASTIC MATH LEAGUE  
SENIOR B DIVISION

CONTEST NUMBER 1

PART I                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 1                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B7**                      Compute the number of positive integers less than or equal to 1,000,000 that are either squares or cubes.

**F12B8**                      In right triangle  $ABC$ ,  $m\angle C = 90^\circ$ ,  $AC = 35$ , and  $BC = 12$ . Compute the length of the radius of the inscribed circle.

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PART II                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 1                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B9**                      Find all ordered pairs of positive integers  $(x, y)$  such that  $x \leq y$  and  $xy = 7(x + y)$ .

**F12B10**                      The face diagonals of a rectangular prism have lengths 7, 8, and 9. If the length of the space diagonal of the prism is  $\sqrt{k}$ , compute  $k$ .

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PART III                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 1                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B11**                      If  $\log_c a + \log_{c^2} a = 12$ , then  $a = c^k$ . Compute  $k$ .

**F12B12**                      In triangle  $KLM$ , the length of median  $\overline{KP}$  is 15, the length of median  $\overline{MQ}$  is 36, and the length of side  $\overline{MK}$  is 26. Compute the area of  $KLM$ .

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CONTEST NUMBER 2

PART I                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 2                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B7**                      From the fourth power of 125, subtract the third power of 125 and then divide the difference by 124. Find the cube root of the quotient.

**F12B8**                      In triangle  $ABC$ , the lengths of sides  $\overline{AB}$ ,  $\overline{BC}$ , and  $\overline{AC}$  are 5, 12, and 13, respectively. The angle bisector of  $B$  intersects  $\overline{AC}$  at point  $D$ . Compute the length of segment  $\overline{BD}$ .

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PART II                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 2                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B9**                      If  $x + \frac{2}{x} = 4$ , find the value of  $x^3 + \frac{8}{x^3}$ .

**F12B10**                      Find all values of  $\theta$  on  $[0, \pi]$  such that  $(2^4)^{\cos^2 \theta} + (2^4)^{\sin^2 \theta} = 10$ .

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PART III                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 2                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B11**                      In isosceles trapezoid  $ABCD$ ,  $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$ ,  $AB = 40$ ,  $CD = 10$ , and  $BC = AD = 20$ . Points  $E$  and  $F$  are on  $\overline{BC}$  and  $\overline{AD}$  respectively, and  $\overline{EF}$  is drawn parallel to  $\overline{AB}$ . The two smaller trapezoids thus formed are equal in perimeter. Find  $EF$ .

**F12B12**                      Four fair dice are rolled. In simplest form, compute the probability that the product of the four resulting numbers is 16.

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CONTEST NUMBER 3

PART I                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 3                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B13**                      The line given by the equation  $y - 2x - 3 = 0$  is reflected over the  $y$ -axis, and then its image is reflected over the  $x$ -axis. Write the equation of the resulting final image in the form  $y = mx + b$ .

**F12B14**                      In a triangle with sides of length 20, 30, and 40, how many times longer is the longest altitude than the shortest altitude?

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PART II                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 3                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B15**                      The average of  $n$  numbers is 30. If 1 is added to the first number, 2 is added to the second number, and so on until  $n$  is added to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  number, the average doubles to 60. Determine the value of  $n$ .

**F12B16**                      In  $\triangle PQR$ ,  $\angle P$  is right,  $PQ = \sqrt{63}$ , and  $QR$  and  $PR$  are both integers. Find and list all possible ordered pairs of lengths  $(QR, PR)$ .

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PART III                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 3                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B17**                      Compute the area of the bounded region of the  $xy$ -plane consisting of all points whose coordinates satisfy the following inequalities:  $y \leq 2x + 1$ ,  $y \geq 0$ ,  $x + y \leq 4$ , and  $x \geq 0$ .

**F12B18**                      Find all real values of  $x$  for which  $x^4 - 7x^3 + 11x^2 + 7x - 12 = 0$ .

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CONTEST NUMBER 4

PART I                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 4                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B19**                      Find the sum of all possible values of  $x$  less than or equal to 75 such that  $7^x - 3^x$  is a multiple of ten.

**F12B20**                      For a raffle with two prizes, twenty-five tickets are sold. Two winning tickets will be selected without replacement. If you buy two tickets, what is the probability that you will win at least one prize?

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PART II                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 4                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B21**                      The first two terms of a geometric sequence are  $\sqrt[3]{2}$  and  $\sqrt[4]{2}$ . The next term is  $\sqrt[6]{2}$ . Compute  $a$ .

**F12B22**                      Cube  $RSTVWXYZ$  has side length 12. Let point  $A$  be the center of face  $WXYZ$ . Find  $AR$ .

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PART III                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 4                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B23**                      Triangle  $RST$  is inscribed in circle  $O$ , with diameter  $\overline{ROS}$ . Through point  $O$ , a line perpendicular to diameter  $\overline{ROS}$  intersects chord  $\overline{RT}$  at point  $U$ . If  $OU = 10$ , and  $m\angle OUR = 60^\circ$ , find  $TU$ .

**F12B24**                      Find all ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  of positive integers that satisfy

$$(x + 3y - 2)^2 = x^2 + 9y^2 + 4$$

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CONTEST NUMBER 5

PART I                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 5                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B25**                      Determine the value of  $\log_{\sqrt{5}} \sqrt[3]{25}$ .

**F12B26**                      Find all ordered pairs of real numbers  $(x, y)$  such that  $y - x = |x + y|$  and  $3x + y = 12$ .

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PART II                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 5                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B27**                      Two numbers have a geometric mean of 8 and an arithmetic mean of 7.5. Find the sum of the squares of the numbers.

**F12B28**                      Evaluate

$$\sum_{x=41}^{49} \cos^2 x^\circ$$

PART III                      FALL 2012                      CONTEST 5                      TIME: 10 MINUTES

**F12B29**                      The point with coordinates  $(4, -3)$  is reflected across the line whose equation is  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$ . Determine the coordinates of its image.

**F12B30**                      If  $f(x)$  is a function such that for each real number  $x$ ,  $f(-x) + 3f(x) = \tan x$ , find the value of  $f(\frac{\pi}{4})$ .

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CONTEST NUMBER 1 SOLUTIONS

F12B1. **Answer : 1090**

There are 1000 perfect squares and 100 perfect cubes less than or equal to one million. However, there are 10 such perfect cubes that are also perfect squares; that is, numbers less than or equal to one million that are perfect sixth powers. So, the total number of unique cubes and squares is  $1000 + 100 - 10 = \boxed{1090}$ .

F12B2. **Answer : 5**

The Pythagorean Theorem yields  $AB = 37$ . Let the center of the inscribed circle be point  $O$ , and let the length of its radius be  $r$ . Let circle  $O$  be tangent to  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{AC}$ , and  $\overline{AB}$  at points  $D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$  respectively. Since quadrilateral  $ODCE$  is a square,  $CD = CE = r$ . Now,  $BD = BF = 12 - r$  and  $AE = AF = 35 - r$ . Since  $BF + FA = BA$ ,  $12 - r + 35 - r = 37$ . Therefore,  $r = \boxed{5}$ .

F12B3. **Answer : (14, 14) and (8, 56)**

We are given that  $x \leq y$  and  $xy = 7(x + y)$ . Rearranging the second relation, we see that  $xy - 7x - 7y = 0$ . Then,  $(x - 7)(y - 7) = xy - 7x - 7y + 49 = 49$ . This equation yields three possibilities:  $x - 7 = 7$  and  $y - 7 = 7$ ,  $x - 7 = 1$  and  $y - 7 = 49$ , or  $x - 7 = 49$  and  $y - 7 = 1$ . The resulting values for  $(x, y)$  are  $(14, 14)$ ,  $(8, 56)$ , and  $(56, 8)$ . The third is rejected due to the first condition, leaving  $\boxed{(14, 14) \text{ and } (8, 56)}$ .

F12B4. **Answer : 97**

Let the edge lengths be  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ . Then,  $a^2 + b^2 = 49$ ,  $b^2 + c^2 = 64$ , and  $c^2 + a^2 = 81$ . Adding, we get  $2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = 194$ . So,  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 97$ . Therefore, the length of the space diagonal is  $\sqrt{97}$ . Therefore,  $k = \boxed{97}$ .

F12B5. **Answer : 8**

Rewrite the given equation as  $\frac{\log a}{\log c} + \frac{\log a}{2 \log c} = 12$ . Then,  $\log_c a = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 12 = 8$ , which means  $c^8 = a$ . So,  $k = \boxed{8}$ .

F12B6. **Answer : 360**

Let the point of intersection of  $\overline{MQ}$  and  $\overline{KP}$  be  $T$ . Since the medians of a triangle intersect at the centroid in a 2 : 1 ratio,  $MT = 24$ ,  $TQ = 12$ ,  $KT = 10$ , and  $TP = 5$ . Since  $KTM$  is a 5-12-13 triangle,  $\angle KTM$  is a right angle and the area of  $KTM$  is 120. Also, the areas of  $MTP$  and  $KTQ$  are both 60. Since a median separates a triangle into two triangles of equal area, the area of  $KTQ$  is equal to the area of  $LQT$ , which must also then be 60. Similarly, the area of  $MTP$  is equal to the area of  $LTP$ . So, the total area of  $KLM$  is  $\boxed{360}$ .

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## CONTEST NUMBER 2 SOLUTIONS

F12B7. **Answer : 125**

$$\sqrt[3]{\frac{125^4 - 125^3}{124}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{125^3(125 - 1)}{124}} = \sqrt[3]{125^3} = \boxed{125}.$$

F12B8. **Answer : 79**

Let  $AD = x$ . Then,  $CD = 13 - x$ . Use the angle bisector theorem to get  $\frac{5}{12} = \frac{x}{13-x}$ . Solving this equation, we see that  $x = \frac{65}{17}$ . Use the law of sines in  $\triangle ADB$  to get  $\frac{\sin A}{BD} = \frac{\sin 45^\circ}{x}$ . It follows that

$$\frac{12/13}{BD} = \frac{\sqrt{2}/2}{65/17}, \text{ and } BD = \boxed{\frac{60\sqrt{2}}{17}}.$$

F12B9. **Answer : 40**

$$(x + \frac{2}{x})^3 = x^3 + 6x + \frac{12}{x} + \frac{8}{x^3} = 64. \text{ Thus, } x^3 + \frac{8}{x^3} = 64 - 6(x + \frac{2}{x}) = 64 - 6 \cdot 4 = \boxed{40}.$$

F12B10. **Answer :  $\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{6}$**

$(2^4)^{\cos^2 \theta} + (2^4)^{\sin^2 \theta} = 10$ . So,  $2^{4\cos^2 \theta} + 2^{4\sin^2 \theta} = 10$ . It follows that  $2^{4\cos^2 \theta} + 2^{4-4\cos^2 \theta} = 10$ , which means  $2^{4\cos^2 \theta} + \frac{2^4}{2^{4\cos^2 \theta}} = 10$ . This is a quadratic in  $2^{4\cos^2 \theta}$ . Solving, we find that  $2^{4\cos^2 \theta}$  must be

$$2 \text{ or } 8. \text{ Therefore, } 4\cos^2 \theta = 1 \text{ or } 3. \text{ Solving for } \theta, \text{ we get } \boxed{\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{6}}.$$

F12B11. **Answer :  $\frac{145}{4}$**

Let  $DF = x$ . Since the perimeters of the two smaller trapezoids are equal,  $10 + 2x = 40 + 2(20 - x)$ . So,  $x = DF = CF = \frac{35}{2}$ , and  $AF = BE = \frac{5}{2}$ . Let diagonal  $\overline{AC}$  intersect  $\overline{EF}$  at point  $G$ . From  $\triangle AFG \sim \triangle ADC$ , we get  $\frac{5/2}{20} = \frac{FG}{10}$  and  $FG = \frac{5}{4}$ . From  $\triangle CGE \sim \triangle CAB$ , we get  $\frac{35/2}{20} = \frac{GE}{40}$  and

$$GE = 35. \text{ Thus, } FE = FG + GE = \boxed{\frac{145}{4}}.$$

F12B12. **Answer :  $\frac{19}{1296}$**

There are three distinct ways we can select four numbers whose product is 16:  $\{1, 1, 4, 4\}$ ,  $\{1, 2, 2, 4\}$ , and  $\{2, 2, 2, 2\}$ . There are  $\frac{4!}{2!2!} = 6$  ways we can order the first,  $\frac{4!}{2!} = 12$  ways we can order the second, and 1 way to order the third. Together they make up a total of 19 arrangements that produce a product of 16. Overall, we can roll the dice in  $6^4 = 1296$  different ways. The probability of rolling

$$\text{a product of 16 is therefore } \boxed{\frac{19}{1296}}.$$

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## CONTEST NUMBER 3 SOLUTIONS

F12B13. **Answer :**  $y = 2x - 3$

Rewrite the given equation as  $y = 2x + 3$ . Reflecting over the  $y$ -axis, we obtain  $y = -2x + 3$  for the first image. Then, we reflect over the  $x$ -axis to obtain the final image  $y = 2x - 3$ .

F12B14. **Answer :**  $2$

Let  $h_l$  be the length of the longest altitude of the triangle, which is the altitude to the side of length 20. Let  $h_s$  be the length of the shortest altitude of the triangle, which is the altitude to the side of length 40. The area of the triangle may be expressed either as  $\frac{20h_l}{2}$  or  $\frac{40h_s}{2}$ . These expressions must be equal, so  $\frac{h_l}{h_s} = 2$ .

F12B15. **Answer :**  $59$

The sum of the numbers in the modified sequence can be written as  $30n + (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)$ . It can also be written as  $60n$ . Setting these two expressions equal, we obtain a quadratic in  $n$ :

$$30n + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 60n \Rightarrow \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 30n \Rightarrow n^2 + n = 60n \Rightarrow n(n-59) = 0$$

Discarding the case where  $n = 0$ , we find that  $n = 59$ .

F12B16. **Answer :**  $(32, 31), (12, 9), (8, 1)$

From the Pythagorean Theorem, we know  $QR^2 = 63 + PR^2$ . Rearranging and factoring, we obtain  $(QR + PR)(QR - PR) = 63 \cdot 1 = 21 \cdot 3 = 9 \cdot 7$ . This yields three possible systems of equations:  $QR + PR = 63$  and  $QR - PR = 1$ , or  $QR + PR = 21$  and  $QR - PR = 3$ , or  $QR + PR = 9$  and  $QR - PR = 7$ . The solutions are  $(QR, PR) = (32, 31), (12, 9), (8, 1)$ .

F12B17. **Answer :**  $\frac{13}{2}$

The boundary lines  $y = 2x + 1$  and  $x + y = 4$  intersect at point  $(1, 3)$ . The required area is the difference of the area of two triangular regions:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{9}{2} \cdot 3 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{27-1}{4} = \frac{13}{2}$ .

F12B18. **Answer :**  $-1, 1, 3, 4$

$$\begin{aligned} x^4 - 7x^3 + 11x^2 + 7x - 12 &= 0 \\ x^4 + 11x^2 - 12 - 7x^3 + 7x &= 0 \\ (x^2 + 12)(x^2 - 1) - 7x(x^2 - 1) &= 0 \\ (x^2 - 7x + 12)(x^2 - 1) &= 0 \\ (x - 4)(x - 3)(x - 1)(x + 1) &= 0 \\ x &= -1, 1, 3, 4 \end{aligned}$$

# SENIOR B DIVISION

## CONTEST NUMBER 4 SOLUTIONS

F12B19. **Answer : 1406**

Taking the units digit of  $7^x$  for  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  gives us 7, 9, 3, 1, 7, 9, 3, 1,  $\dots$

Taking the units digit of  $3^x$  for  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  gives us 3, 9, 7, 1, 3, 9, 7, 1,  $\dots$

So,  $7^x - 3^x$  is a multiple of 10 when  $x \equiv 0$  or  $2 \pmod{4}$ . Summing  $2+4+6+\dots+74$  we obtain  $\boxed{1406}$ .

F12B20. **Answer :  $\frac{47}{300}$**

The probability that you do not win either prize is given by  $\frac{23}{25} \cdot \frac{22}{24} = \frac{253}{300}$ . So, the probability that

you win at least one prize must be  $1 - \frac{253}{300} = \boxed{\frac{47}{300}}$ .

F12B21. **Answer : 6**

Let the ratio of the geometric sequence be  $r$ . From the first two terms, we know  $2^{1/3} \cdot r = 2^{1/4}$ , or  $r = 2^{1/4} \cdot 2^{-1/3} = 2^{-1/12}$ . The third term must be  $2^{1/4} \cdot 2^{-1/12} = 2^{1/6}$ . So,  $a = \boxed{6}$ .

F12B22. **Answer :  $6\sqrt{6}$**

Orient the cube so that  $A$  is at the origin, face  $WXYZ$  lies in the plane  $z = 0$ , and point  $R$  has all positive coordinates. Then,  $R = (6, 6, 12)$ . Since  $A$  is at the origin,  $AR = \sqrt{6^2 + 6^2 + 12^2} = \boxed{6\sqrt{6}}$ .

F12B23. **Answer : 10**

Since  $\overline{OU}$  is perpendicular to  $\overline{ROS}$ ,  $\angle ROU$  is right. This means  $\triangle ROU$  is a 30-60-90 right triangle. Using  $OU = 10$ , we find  $RU = 20$  and  $RO = 10\sqrt{3}$ . Diameter  $\overline{RS}$  must have twice the length of  $RO$ , so  $RS = 20\sqrt{3}$ .  $\triangle RTS$  is inscribed in a semicircle, so it is also right; in fact, it is also a 30-60-90 triangle. Using  $RS = 20\sqrt{3}$  we find that  $RT = 30$ .  $TU = RT - RU = 30 - 20 = \boxed{10}$ .

F12B24. **Answer : (3, 2), (6, 1)**

$$\begin{aligned} (x + 3y - 2)^2 &= x^2 + 9y^2 + 4 \\ x^2 + 6xy - 4x + 9y^2 - 12y + 4 &= x^2 + 9y^2 + 4 \\ 6xy - 4x - 12y &= 0 \\ 3xy - 2x - 6y &= 0 \\ 2x + 6y - 3xy - 4 &= -4 \\ (x - 2)(2 - 3y) &= -4 \end{aligned}$$

Since the solutions must be integers, the  $(x - 2)$  factor must be 1, 2, 4, -1, -2, or -4. Checking each possibility, we find that the only choices that produce positive integers for both  $x$  and  $y$  are  $(x - 2) = 1$  and  $(x - 2) = 4$ , yielding  $\boxed{(3, 2)}$  and  $\boxed{(6, 1)}$ .

# SENIOR B DIVISION

## CONTEST NUMBER 5 SOLUTIONS

F12B25. **Answer :**  $\frac{4}{3}$

Let  $x = \log_{\sqrt{5}} \sqrt[3]{25}$ . Then,  $(\sqrt{5})^x = \sqrt[3]{25}$ , or  $(5^{1/2})^x = (5^2)^{1/3}$ . This means  $\frac{1}{2}x = \frac{2}{3}$ , or  $x = \frac{4}{3}$ .

F12B26. **Answer :** **(0, 12)**

We consider two separate cases: one where  $x + y$  is positive, and one where  $x + y$  is negative. In the first,  $y - x = |x + y| = x + y$ , implying  $x = 0$ . Using the fact that  $3x + y = 12$  we obtain the solution  $(0, 12)$ . In the second case,  $y - x = |x + y| = -x - y$ , implying  $y = 0$ . Using the fact that  $3x + y = 12$  we obtain the solution  $(4, 0)$ . However, we assumed that  $x + y$  was negative to obtain this solution, while  $4 + 0$  is not. So, we discard  $(4, 0)$ , leaving just  $\boxed{(0, 12)}$ .

F12B27. **Answer :** **97**

Let the numbers be  $x$  and  $y$ . We are given  $\sqrt{xy} = 8$  and  $\frac{x+y}{2} = 7.5$ . Rewriting the second equation as  $x + y = 15$  and squaring both sides, we obtain  $x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = 225$ . But  $xy = 64$ , so  $x^2 + y^2 = 225 - 2 \cdot 64 = \boxed{97}$ .

F12B28. **Answer :**  $\frac{9}{2}$

Observe  $\cos^2 41^\circ + \cos^2 49^\circ = \cos^2 41^\circ + \sin^2 41^\circ = 1$ . Similarly  $\cos^2 42^\circ + \cos^2 48^\circ = \cos^2 43^\circ + \cos^2 47^\circ = \cos^2 44^\circ + \cos^2 46^\circ = 1$ . Finally  $\cos^2 45^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$ . So, the overall sum is  $1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{9}{2}$ .

F12B29. **Answer :** **(0, 5)**

Through point  $P(4, -3)$  draw a line perpendicular to the line  $y = \frac{1}{2}x$ . Let the lines intersect at point  $Q(a, \frac{a}{2})$ . Since  $\overline{PQ}$  is perpendicular to a line of slope  $\frac{1}{2}$ , its slope is  $-2$ . So,  $\frac{-3 - \frac{a}{2}}{4 - a} = -2$ , implying  $a = 2$ . To get from  $P(4, -3)$  to  $Q(2, 1)$  we go left 2 and up 4. Continuing from  $(2, 1)$  to reach the image of  $P$ , we obtain  $(2 - 2, 1 + 4) = \boxed{(0, 5)}$ .

F12B30. **Answer :**  $\frac{1}{2}$

Plugging  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$  and  $x = -\frac{\pi}{4}$  into the given relation produces a system of two equations:  $f(-\frac{\pi}{4}) + 3f(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \tan(\frac{\pi}{4}) = 1$  and  $f(\frac{\pi}{4}) + 3f(-\frac{\pi}{4}) = \tan(-\frac{\pi}{4}) = -1$ . Solving, we obtain  $f(\frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{1}{2}$ .