

**NEW YORK CITY INTERSCHOLASTIC MATHEMATICS LEAGUE**  
**Senior A Division** CONTEST NUMBER 1

**PART I**                      **SPRING 2007**                      **CONTEST 1**                      **TIME: 10 MINUTES**

S07A1      If  $\frac{n}{1} - \frac{n}{3} + \frac{n}{9} - \frac{n}{27} + \dots = 2007$ , compute  $n$ .

S07A2      Solve for  $x$ :  $\log_2(x^2 - 9) + \log_2(x) - \log_2(x + 3) = 2$ .

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**PART II**                      **SPRING 2007**                      **CONTEST 1**                      **TIME: 10 MINUTES**

S07A3      Compute the number of positive integers less than 2007 that are multiples of 2 or 7, but not multiples of both 2 and 7.

S07A4      Oleg is biking from New York to Vermont. The probability that he will see a car within the next fifteen minutes is  $\frac{63}{64}$ . Assume that the probability of seeing a car during any time interval depends only on the length of the interval and does not depend on the starting and ending points of the interval. If  $\frac{a}{b}$  is the probability that Oleg will see a car within the next five minutes, compute  $\frac{a}{b}$ .

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**PART III**                      **SPRING 2007**                      **CONTEST 1**                      **TIME: 10 MINUTES**

S07A5      The graph of the function  $f(x) = 3x^2 + 13x + 4$  is reflected over the line  $y = x$ . Compute the minimum distance between a point on  $y = f(x)$  and its reflection.

S07A6      Compute the sum of all integral values of  $x$  such that  $\frac{(x+2)^3}{x+7}$  is an integer.

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<b>ANSWERS:</b>	S07A1	2676
	S07A2	4
	S07A3	1003
	S07A4	$\frac{3}{4}$
	S07A5	0
	S07A6	-56

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S07A1    **2676.**  $n - \frac{n}{3} + \frac{n}{9} - \frac{n}{27} + \dots = 2007$  The sum of an infinite geometric series is  $S = \frac{a}{1-r}$ ,  
 where  $a =$  the first term  $= n$  and  $r =$  the common ratio  $= \frac{-1}{3}$ .  $\therefore S = \frac{n}{1 + \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3n}{4} = 2007$ .

Therefore  $n = 2676$ .

S07A2    **4.**  $\log_2(x^2 - 9) + \log_2(x) - \log_2(x+3) = \log_2\left(\frac{(x^2 - 9)x}{(x+3)}\right) = \log_2((x-3)x) = 2$  or

$x^2 - 3x = 4 \therefore x = -1, 4$  Reject  $x = -1$  because we cannot take the log of a negative number.

S07A3    **1003.** To find the number of multiples of a given number  $n$  less than or equal to 2007, find the greatest integer less than or equal to the quotient of 2007 and  $n$ .

$\left\lfloor \frac{2007}{2} \right\rfloor = 1003$ ,  $\left\lfloor \frac{2007}{7} \right\rfloor = 286$ ,  $\left\lfloor \frac{2007}{14} \right\rfloor = 143$ . The multiples of 2 and 7 include

multiples of 14 (both 2 and 7). Since we want only multiples of 2 and 7 and not both, we must subtract the multiples of 14 twice.  $1003 + 286 - 143 - 143 = 1003$ .

S07A4     $\frac{3}{4}$ . Let the probability that Oleg sees a car in 5 minutes  $= p$ . Then the probability he does not see a car in 5 minutes  $= 1 - p$ . In fifteen minutes, the probability he doesn't see a car is  $(1 - p)^3$ . The probability that he sees a car in 15 minutes is

$1 - (1 - p)^3 = \frac{63}{64} \rightarrow (1 - p)^3 = \frac{1}{64} \rightarrow 1 - p = \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow p = \frac{3}{4}$ . (Note:  $p^3$  is not the probability of seeing a car in 15 minutes but rather the probability of seeing a car in each 5 minute interval.)

S07A5    **0.** Let  $d =$  the distance between  $(x, y)$  and  $(y, x)$ , then

$$d = \sqrt{(x - y)^2 + (y - x)^2} = \sqrt{2(y - x)^2} = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{(3x^2 + 13x + 4 - x)^2} = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{(3x^2 + 12x + 4)^2}$$

Since  $|3x^2 + 12x + 4|$  has a minimum when it is 0 (it has real roots),  $d = 0$ .

S07A6    **-56.**  $\frac{x^3 + 6x^2 + 12x + 8}{x + 7} = x^2 - x + 19 - \frac{125}{x + 7}$ . The factors of 125 are:  $\pm 1, \pm 5, \pm 25, \pm 125$ .

The sum of these factors is zero. Since  $x + 7$  must equal each factor to divide 125 evenly, the sum of all such  $x$  and 7 (eight times)  $= 0$  therefore the sum of all  $x = -56$ .



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S07A7  $\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}$ . Area of the hexagon is  $\frac{6s^2\sqrt{3}}{4}$  and the perimeter is  $6s \therefore \frac{6s^2\sqrt{3}}{4} = 6s$ .

Solving for  $s$  yields 0, which we reject, or  $\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{3}$ .

S07A8  $-\frac{1}{9}$  If  $a$  and  $b$  are the roots of  $x^2 + 3kx + k = 0$ ,  $a + b = -3k$  and  $ab = k$ . Hence

$$(a+b)^2 = 9k^2 \therefore a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 9k^2 \rightarrow a^2 + b^2 = 9k^2 - 2k = \left(3k - \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{9}$$

The minimum value of  $a^2 + b^2$  occurs when

$$\left(3k - \frac{1}{3}\right) = 0 \therefore k = \frac{1}{9} \text{ and } a^2 + b^2 = 9 \cdot \frac{1}{81} - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{9} = -\frac{1}{9}.$$

S07A9 108.  $\frac{24\text{hours}}{1\text{day}} \times \frac{60\text{min}}{1\text{hour}} \times \frac{60\text{sec}}{1\text{min}} = \frac{20\text{naps}}{1\text{day}} \times \frac{40\text{winks}}{1\text{nap}}$  or  $24 \times 60 \times 60 \text{sec} = 20 \times 40 \text{winks}$

Dividing both sides by 800, simplifies the equality to

$$3(6)(6)\text{sec} = 1\text{wink} \therefore 108\text{sec} = 1\text{wink}.$$

S07A10 2.  $2\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) + (\sqrt{xy})^2 = x + y + xy = -4$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 32$ . So

$$x + y = -(4 + xy) \therefore (x + y)^2 = (4 + xy)^2 \text{ yields } x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = 16 + 8xy + x^2y^2$$

Therefore  $32 = 16 + 6xy + x^2y^2$ . Let  $A = xy$ , then  $A^2 + 6A - 16 = 0 \therefore A = -8$  or  $2$ . Reject  $A = -8$  and we get  $xy = 2$ .

S07A11  $\frac{11}{32}$ . After 6 pitches are thrown, the batter must have walked or struck out. If we expand

$(B + S)^6$ , the exponents of  $B$  and  $S$  will tell us how many balls and strikes the batter has and the numerical coefficient will tell the number of ways that outcome may occur. The sixth row of Pascal's triangle is 1, 6, 15, 20, 15, 6, and 1. The batter walks on the first three possibilities and strikes out on the rest.  $1+6+15=22$  and  $1+6+15+20+15+6+1 = 64$ .

Therefore the probability the batter walks is  $\frac{22}{64} = \frac{11}{32}$ . Or:

Because  $P(4B \text{ and } 0S) = 1/16$ ,  $P(4B \text{ and } 1S) = 4/32$ , and  $P(4B \text{ and } 2S) = 10/64$ , the probability of walking is  $1/16 + 4/32 + 10/64$  which is  $11/32$ .

S07A12  $\sqrt{2}$ . From Stewart's Theorem,

$$(AD)^2 = \frac{1}{2}((AC)^2 + (AB)^2) - \left(\frac{BC}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{9}{2}(BC)^2\right) - \left(\frac{BC}{2}\right)^2 = 2(BC)^2$$

$$\therefore (AD) = \sqrt{2}(BC) \text{ or } \frac{AD}{BC} = \sqrt{2}.$$

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S07A13    If  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$ , compute:

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) + \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) + \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right) + \cdots + \left(x^{2007} + \frac{1}{x^{2007}}\right).$$

S07A14     $(\log_2 4 - 1) + (\log_2 6 - 1) + (\log_2 8 - 1) + \cdots + (\log_2 2004 - 1) + (\log_2 2006 - 1) = \log_2(k!).$   
Compute  $k$ .

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**PART II**                      **SPRING 2007**                      **CONTEST 3**                      **TIME: 10 MINUTES**

S07A15    Compute the number of positive integers  $n$ , where  $n \leq 2007$ , for which  $(n+1)! + n!$  is divisible by 2007.

S07A16    Compute the number of three-element subsets of  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 29, 30\}$  such that the sum of the three elements is divisible by 3.

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**PART III**                      **SPRING 2007**                      **CONTEST 3**                      **TIME: 10 MINUTES**

S07A17    The base 10 fraction  $\frac{a}{b}$  expressed in base 8 is  $\bar{.2}$ . Compute  $\frac{a}{b}$  in base 10.

S07A18    In right triangle  $ABC$ , the sides have integral lengths. The perimeter of the triangle is numerically equal to its area. If  $a < b < c$ , compute the number of distinct ordered triples  $(a, b, c)$ .

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**ANSWERS:**

S07A13	-2
S07A14	1003
S07A15	1786
S07A16	1360
S07A17	$\frac{2}{7}$
S07A18	2

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S07A13 -2.  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0 \rightarrow x = -1$  is the only solution. Thus each odd place term is -2 and each even place term gives 2. This pattern continues so the first 2006 terms cancel to 0 and the 2007<sup>th</sup> term is -2.

S07A14  $\log_2 4 - 1 = \log_2 4 - \log_2 2 = \log_2 2$

$\log_2 6 - 1 = \log_2 6 - \log_2 2 = \log_2 3$

$\log_2 8 - 1 = \log_2 8 - \log_2 2 = \log_2 4$ , etc.

Now the left side of the equation is:

$\log_2 2 + \log_2 3 + \log_2 4 + \dots + \log_2 1003 = \log_2 (2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot 1003) = \log_2 1003! \rightarrow k = 1003.$

(note  $\log_2 1 = 0$ .)

S07A15 1786.  $(n+1)! + n! = (n+1)n! + n! = (n+2)n!$  The prime factorization of 2007 is  $3^2 \times 223$ . Therefore  $223 \leq n \leq 2007$ , or  $n+2 = 223$  and  $n = 221$ . Thus  $n$  can be  $1785 + 1 = 1786$  numbers.

S07A16 1360. We can either choose three numbers with the same remainder mod 3 (three cases) or three numbers with a different remainder (fourth case). Each of the first three cases can be done in  ${}_{10}C_3 = 120$  ways and the fourth in  $10^3 = 1000$  ways.  $3(120) + 1000 = 1360$ .

Or: (without mod)

Among our thirty numbers we have ten which leave a remainder of 0 on division by 3, ten which leave a remainder of 1, and ten which leave a remainder of 2. In order to get a final remainder of 0, we must choose either one from each group ( $10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 = 1000$  ways) or three from the same group ( ${}_{10}C_3 = 120$  ways per group, with three groups gives 360 ways). Thus the answer is  $1000 + 360 = 1360$ .

S07A17  $\frac{2}{7} .2222\dots = \frac{2}{8} + \frac{2}{8^2} + \frac{2}{8^3} + \dots = \frac{\frac{2}{8}}{1 - \frac{1}{8}} = \frac{2}{7}$

S07A18 2. We are given  $P = a + b + c = A = \frac{ab}{2}$ . We get  $2c = ab - 2a - 2b$ , but we also know that

$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  from the Pythagorean theorem. Substituting for  $c$  and squaring both sides

we get  $(2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})^2 = (ab - 2a - 2b)^2 \therefore 4a^2 + 4b^2 = 4a^2 + 4b^2 + a^2b^2 - 4a^2b - 4ab^2 + 8ab$

So  $a^2b^2 - 4a^2b - 4ab^2 + 8ab = 0$  or  $ab(ab - 4a - 4b + 8) = 0$ . Since

$a \neq 0$  and  $b \neq 0 \therefore ab - 4a - 4b + 8 = 0$ . Solving for  $a$  yields  $a = 4 + \frac{8}{b-4}$  therefore  $b = 2,$

3, 5, 6, 8, or 12. Since  $0 < a < b$ , only (5,12,13) and (6,8,10) work and there are 2 ordered triples.

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*PART I*                      *SPRING 2007*                      *CONTEST 4*                      *TIME: 10 MINUTES*

S07A19      If  $x$  is a positive real number such that  $3x^{3x^{3x^{3x^{\dots}}}} = 6$ , compute  $x$ .

S07A20      Concentric circles  $C_1, C_2$ , and  $C_3$  have radii of 1, 2, and 4, respectively. One of the bases of a trapezoid is a chord of  $C_3$  and tangent to  $C_2$  and the other base is a chord of  $C_2$  and tangent to  $C_1$ , and the center of the circles is in the interior of the trapezoid. Compute the area of the trapezoid.

*PART II*                      *SPRING 2007*                      *CONTEST 4*                      *TIME: 10 MINUTES*

S07A21      Given:  $\log_4 x = \log_9 y = \log_6 24$ , compute  $xy$ .

S07A22      If  $\frac{2x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 4}{(x-1)^3} = \frac{A}{(x-1)^0} + \frac{B}{(x-1)^1} + \frac{C}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{D}{(x-1)^3}$  for real numbers  $A, B, C$ , and  $D$ , compute  $A+B+C+D$ .

*PART III*                      *SPRING 2007*                      *CONTEST 4*                      *TIME: 10 MINUTES*

S07A23      Compute all value(s) of  $x$  for which  $15 + 15x^2 + 15x^4 + \dots = 16$ .

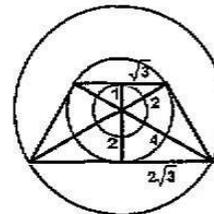
S07A24       $ABCD$  is a square with side of length 1. Equilateral triangle  $EFG$  is inscribed within triangle  $BCD$ , with  $E$  the midpoint of  $\overline{BD}$  and points  $F$  and  $G$  on  $\overline{BC}$  and  $\overline{CD}$  respectively. The area of triangle  $EFG$  is  $\frac{a+b\sqrt{3}}{4}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. Compute  $a + b$ .

**ANSWERS:**      S07A19               $\sqrt[3]{2}$   
                          S07A20               $9\sqrt{3}$   
                          S07A21              576  
                          S07A22              -2  
                          S07A23               $\pm \frac{1}{4}$   
                          S07A24              -1

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S07A19  $\sqrt[6]{2} \cdot 3x^{3+3x^6} = 6 \therefore 3x^6 = 6. x^6 = 2$  so  $x = \sqrt[6]{2}$ .

S07A20  $9\sqrt{3}$ . (see diagram) The height of the trapezoid is 3 and the bases can be found by forming right triangles as shown, giving bases of  $2\sqrt{3}$  and  $4\sqrt{3}$ , and an area of  $3 \frac{2\sqrt{3} + 4\sqrt{3}}{2} = 9\sqrt{3}$ .



S07A21 576.  $\log_4(x) = \log_9(y) = \log_6(24) = z$  therefore  $x = 4^z, y = 9^z, 6^z = 24$ .  
 $xy = 36^z = (6^z)^2 = 24^2 = 576$ .

S07A22 -2. Divide the numerator by  $x - 1$ , the remainder (0) is the numerator,  $D$ , of the  $(x - 1)^3$  term and the quotient is  $2x^2 - 3x - 4$ . Divide the new quotient by  $x - 1$ , the remainder (-5) is the numerator,  $C$ , of the  $(x - 1)^2$  term and the quotient is  $2x - 1$ . Divide this quotient by  $x - 1$ , the remainder (1) is the numerator,  $B$ , of the  $(x - 1)$  term and the quotient is 2 (is the numerator  $A$ ). Or:  
 Let  $x = 2$ . We get  $A + B + C + D = 2 \cdot 2^3 - 5 \cdot 2^2 - 2 + 4 = -2$ .

S07A23  $\pm \frac{1}{4}$ . This is the sum of an infinite geometric series and we get:

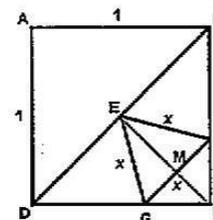
$$15 + 15x^2 + 15x^4 + \dots = \frac{15}{1 - x^2} = 16, \text{ therefore } 15 = 16 - 16x^2, x^2 = \frac{1}{16} \text{ and } x = \pm \frac{1}{4}.$$

S07A24 -1. Let  $FG = x$ , and  $M$  be the midpoint of  $\overline{FG}$ . Since  $FGC$  is an isosceles right triangle,  $MC = \frac{x}{2}$ .  $\overline{ME}$  is the altitude of triangle  $EFG$ ,

so  $ME = \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . But  $CE$  is half the length of a diagonal of a unit square, so

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = CE = CM + ME = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2} \rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{2}.$$

$$\text{area of } \triangle EFG \text{ is } \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} x^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \frac{8 - 4\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{-3 + 2\sqrt{3}}{4}. -3 + 2 = -1.$$



(Editors note: the proof that triangle  $GFC$  is isosceles is trivial, but is it unique? If  $F$  is rotated around  $E$  by 60 degrees, we get an image line segment that intersects  $\overline{CD}$  in only one place, as segments can have at most one point of intersection. Since that intersection must be the position of  $G$ ,  $G$  is unique and  $F$  is unique.)

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S07A25      If  $\theta$  is an angle measured in degrees, compute the number of values of  $\theta$ ,  $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 2007^\circ$ , such that  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta$ .

S07A26       $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 = 4$ ,  $a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + a_5 = 8$ ,  $a_3 + a_4 + a_5 + a_6 = 12$ ,  
 $a_4 + a_5 + a_6 + a_7 = 16$ , ...,  $a_{10} + a_{11} + a_{12} + a_{13} = 40$ ,  
 $a_{11} + a_{12} + a_{13} + a_1 = 44$ ,  $a_{12} + a_{13} + a_1 + a_2 = 48$ , and  $a_{13} + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 52$ .  
 Compute  $a_7$ .

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S07A27      In creating his new cereal, Tony mixes 1 scoop of sugar and 2 scoops of raisins for every  $x$  scoops of bran. Sugar costs 5 cents per scoop, raisins cost 10 cents per scoop, and bran costs 15 cents per scoop. The ingredients are then mixed completely and packaged in boxes containing 20 scoops of the mixture. If the ingredients cost \$2.60 per box, compute  $x$ .

S07A28      Compute the number of real values of  $x$  that satisfy the equation  
 $|x^2 - 3| + x = |3x|$

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S07A29      Compute the number of terminating zeros in the decimal expansion of  $2007!$

S07A30      Let  $S = \log_3 \left( 3^{\frac{1}{3}} \right) + \log_3 \left( 9^{\frac{2}{9}} \right) + \log_3 \left( 27^{\frac{3}{27}} \right) + \dots + \log_3 \left( \left( 3^n \right)^{\frac{n}{3^n}} \right) + \dots$ . Compute  $S$ .

<b>ANSWERS:</b>	S07A25	23
	S07A26	-1
	S07A27	7
	S07A28	4
	S07A29	500
	S07A30	$\frac{3}{2}$

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S07A25 23.  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{2 \cos \theta} \therefore \sin \theta = 0$  or  $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$\therefore \sin \theta = 0$  for  $\theta = 0, 180, \dots, 1980$ . There are 12 values.

$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}$  when  $\theta = 60, 420, 780, 1140, 1500, 1860$  or  $300, 660, 1020, 1380, 1740$ . There are 11 values. The total is 23.

S07A26 -1. Adding all the equations we get

$$4 \sum_{k=1}^{13} a_k = 4 + 8 + \dots + 52 = 4 \cdot \frac{13 \cdot 14}{2} = 91 \cdot 4 \rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{13} a_k = 91.$$

$$a_7 = \sum_{k=1}^{13} a_k - (a_3 + a_9 + a_{10} + a_{11}) - (a_{12} + a_{13} + a_1 + a_2) - (a_5 + a_4 + a_6 + a_8) = 91 - 32 - 48 - 12 = -1.$$

S07A27 7. Each batch of cereal contains  $x + 3$  scoops of cereal. The total cost is

$$1(5) + 2(10) + x(15) = 15x + 25. \text{ The cost per scoop, } C = \frac{15x + 25}{x + 3} = \frac{260}{20} = 13 \rightarrow x = 7.$$

S07A28 4. There are four cases,  $x^2 - 3 > 0$  and  $3x > 0$ ,  $x^2 - 3 > 0$  and  $3x < 0$ ,

$x^2 - 3 < 0$  and  $3x > 0$ ,  $x^2 - 3 < 0$  and  $3x < 0$ . The first case yields the

equation  $x^2 - 3 + x = 3x \therefore x = 3$  or  $x = -1$ ,  $x = -1$  is extraneous. The second case yields the equation

$x^2 - 3 + x = -3x \therefore x = -2 \pm \sqrt{7}$ ,  $x = -2 + \sqrt{7}$  is extraneous. The third case yields the equation

$-x^2 + 3 + x = 3x \therefore x = -3$  or  $x = 1$ ,  $x = -3$  is extraneous. The fourth case yields the equation

$-x^2 + 3 + x = -3x \therefore x = 2 \pm \sqrt{7}$ ,  $x = 2 + \sqrt{7}$  is extraneous. Thus there are 4 real values of  $x$  that satisfy the equation.

S07A29 500. We get a zero from every factor of 10. We have many factors of 2 to choose from, so we need only add factors of 5.

$$\left[ \frac{2007}{5} \right] = 401, \left[ \frac{2007}{25} \right] = 80, \left[ \frac{2007}{125} \right] = 16, \left[ \frac{2007}{625} \right] = 3 \text{ and}$$

$$401 + 80 + 16 + 3 = 500 \text{ factors of 5.}$$

S07A30  $\frac{3}{2}$ .  $S = \log_3 3^{1/3} + \log_3 9^{2/9} + \log_3 27^{3/27} + \dots + \log_3 (3^n)^{n/3^n} + \dots = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{9}{27} + \dots + \frac{n^2}{3^n} + \dots$

$$S - \frac{S}{3} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{9}{27} + \dots + \frac{n^2}{3^n} + \dots - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{9}{27} + \dots + \frac{n^2}{3^n} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{9} + \frac{5}{27} + \dots + \frac{2n-1}{3^n} + \dots$$

$$S - \frac{S}{3} - \frac{1}{3} \left( S - \frac{S}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{9} + \frac{5}{27} + \dots + \frac{2n-1}{3^n} + \dots - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{9} + \frac{5}{27} + \dots + \frac{2n-1}{3^n} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{2}{27} + \dots + \frac{2}{3^n} + \dots = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2/9}{1 - 1/3} = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{9} \rightarrow s = \frac{3}{2}.$$