

TEAM PROBLEM SOLUTIONS FOR 2013

- T1.** Draw vertical and horizontal grid lines to enclose $\triangle ABC$ in a rectangle. Subtracting the areas of the three “outer triangles” from the rectangle, we get Area of $\triangle ABC = 14$, so the Area of parallelogram $ABCD = 28$. Alternatively, use determinants to get the area of triangle ABC .
- T2.** Let the height and length of the picture be a and b respectively, and the corresponding outer dimensions of the border be $a+2$ and $b+2$. $ab = (a+2)(b+2) - ab \Rightarrow 2a+2b-ab+4 = 0 \Rightarrow (a-2)(b-2) - 8 = 0 \Rightarrow (a-2)(b-2) = 8$. The two possible factorings of 8 are $1 \cdot 8$ and $2 \cdot 4$, leading to $ab = 3 \cdot 10$ or $4 \cdot 6$. The larger (area) picture is **3 by 10**.
- T3.** A is either in quadrant III or IV. Let the corresponding reference angles each be x . $A = 180+x$ or $A = 360-x$, so their sum is **540°** .
- T4.** Here’s three methods, each based on $\triangle GAH \sim \triangle CBH$, so $AH:HB = GH:HC = \sqrt{3} : \sqrt{27} = 1:3$. K is for area.
- {1} $K_{GAH} : K_{GDC} = 1^2 : 4^2 = 1:16$, so $K_{GDC} = 16(3) = 48$. Thus $K_{AHCD} = 48-3 = 45$, and $K_{ABCD} = 45+27 = 72$.
- {2} Draw AC . Since $\triangle ACH$ and $\triangle BCH$ have the same altitude (from C), their areas are in the same ratio as their bases. Thus $K_{ACH} : K_{BCH} = 1:3 = 9:27$, so $K_{ACH} = 9$. Thus $K_{ABCD} = 2(K_{ACB}) = 2(9+27) = 72$.
- {3} Choose J on DC such that $HJ \parallel AD$. $K_{HJC} = K_{HBC}$ [since HC is a diagonal of parallelogram $HJCB$] = 27, so $K_{HJCB} = 54$. Also, since parallelograms $ADJH$ and $HJCB$ have the same height, their areas are in the same ratio as their bases; therefore $K_{ADJH} : K_{HJCB} = 1:3 = 18:54$, so $K_{ADJH} = 18$. Then $K_{ABCD} = 18+54 = 72$.
- T5.** This sequence is $n, 10n+7, 10^2n+77, 10^3n+777, \dots \equiv \underline{n}, \underline{n} \underline{7}, \underline{n} \underline{7} \underline{7}, \underline{n} \underline{7} \underline{7} \underline{7}, \dots$. The 50th term is \underline{n} followed by 49 sevens. The sum of these digits is $n+3+4+3$. To be a multiple of 9, we need $n+10 = 18$, so $n = 8$.
- T6.** Here are two methods, each using $AD = DE = EB = 2x, AC = b, BC = a, AB = c$.
- {1} Let M be the midpoint of AB ; draw CM . In a right triangle, the median to the hypotenuse is $\frac{1}{2}$ the hypotenuse, so $CM = c/2 = 3x$. In isosceles $\triangle CDE$, median CM will also be an altitude, so $9x^2 + x^2 = 25$, leading to $6x = \sqrt{90}$. $N = 90$.
- {2} Draw line through A parallel to CB . Extend CD to meet that line at F . From similar triangles AFD and BCD , since AD is half of DB , $AF = a/2$ and $DF = 5/2$ [so $CF = 15/2$]. Applying the Pythagorean Theorem to AFC , $(a/2)^2 + b^2 = (15/2)^2$, leading to $a^2 + 4b^2 = 225$. By a similar argument, we get $b^2 + 4a^2 = 225$. Adding these two equations, $5(a^2 + b^2) = 450 = 5c^2$, so $c = \sqrt{90}$, and $N = 90$.
- T7.** Letter the circles from top to bottom, left to right, as $A; B,C,D; E,F,G$. Note that their sum is 28. If the “magic sum” is S , then $(A+B+E) + (A+C+F) + (A+D+G) = 3S$, so $2A+28 = 3S$. Also, $(B+C+D) + (E+F+G) = 2S$, so $28-A = 2S$. These equations lead to $A=4$, so E cannot be a **4**. [Any other number is possible for E , since we can interchange any two of the “vertical” lines, or interchange the horizontal lines.]
- T8.** Since $(\frac{1}{2})ah_a = (\frac{1}{2})bh_b = (\frac{1}{2})ch_c$, and $h_a:h_b:h_c = 6:4:3$, we get $a:b:c = 2:3:4$. Let the sides of the \triangle be $a=2x, b=3x, c=4x$. Then by Law of Cosines, $\cos C = (4x^2 + 9x^2 - 16x^2)/2(2x)(3x) = -3/12 = -1/4$.
- T9.** Call the horizontal chord EF and the vertical chord GH . Draw a chord \parallel and $=$ to EF , but above O ; draw a chord \parallel and $=$ to GH , but to the right of O . These four chords divide the circle into 9 sections. The “corner four” each = S_1 ; the “outer two” of the middle horizontal set each = $S_2 - S_1$; the “top and bottom two” of the middle vertical set each = $S_4 - S_1$. Now we have $S_3 = (S_4 - S_1) + (S_1) + (S_2 - S_1) + 24$, so $(S_1 + S_3) - (S_2 + S_4) = 24$.
- T10.** Let $AB = d$ and Winnie’s usual rate be r mph. Her usual trip takes d/r mph. Expressing minutes in hours,
- $$\frac{d}{r} - \frac{d}{4} = \frac{15}{60} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{7/2} - \frac{d}{r} = \frac{15}{60}$$
- Dividing these equations [the d ’s will cancel] leads to $\frac{28 - 7r}{8r - 28} = 2$, so $r = F/G = 84/23$. [d will be $5\frac{1}{4}$ miles. The numbers $7\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{3}{4}$ may be a hint that division is helpful.]