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#### Round 1: Fractions and Exponents

1-1 How many positive integers  $n, 2 \le n \le 20$ , have the property that there are n - 1 different simplified proper fractions with a denominator of n? [Answer: 8]

In order for there to be n - 1 different simplified fractions, no proper fractions with a denominator n must be able to be simplified, so n must be prime. There are 8 primes between 2 and 20: {2,3,5,7,11,13,17,19}, making the desired value 8.

1-2 The expression  $\frac{2^{\frac{4}{3}}}{\left(16^{\frac{5}{5}}\right)\left(8^{-\frac{3}{5}}\right)}$  can be written as  $\frac{a\sqrt{b}}{c}$ , where *a*, *b*, and *c* are positive integers and *b* has no

factors greater than 1 that can be written as an integer to the power of *a*. Find the value of  $b^{\frac{1}{c}}$ . [Answer: 1024]

Writing all exponential quantities as having base 2 makes the expression  $\frac{2^{\frac{4}{3}}}{\left(2^{\frac{10}{3}}\right)\left(2^{-\frac{9}{5}}\right)}$ , making  $2^{\frac{4}{3}-\frac{10}{3}+\frac{9}{5}}$  or  $2^{-\frac{1}{5}}$  or  $2^{-\frac{1}{5}}$  or  $2^{-\frac{1}{5}}$  or  $2^{-\frac{1}{5}}$  or  $2^{-\frac{1}{5}}$ , which we can change by multiplying the numerator and denominator by  $2^{\frac{4}{5}}$  to get  $\frac{\sqrt[5]{16}}{2}$ . This makes the desired quantity  $16^{\frac{5}{2}} = 2^{10} = 1024$ .

1-3 If  $\frac{2^{12x^2+y^2}(16^x)^{x-y}}{(8^y)^{4x-y}} = 2$  for some constants x and y, then the sum of all possible values of  $\frac{81^x}{9^y}$  is  $\frac{a}{b}$ , where a and b are positive integers with no common factors greater than 1. Find the value of a - b. [Answer: 7]

Writing all exponential quantities on the left side as having base 2 make s the expression  $\frac{(2^{12x^2+y^2})(2^{4x^2-4xy})}{2^{12xy-3y^2}}$ , which simplifies to the equation  $2^{16x^2-16xy+4y^2} = 2$ , so  $16x^2 - 16xy + 4y^2 = 1$ , which also means  $(2x - y)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$ , so  $2x - y = \pm \frac{1}{2}$ . The expression  $\frac{81^x}{9^y}$  can be written as  $9^{2x-y}$ , so this quantity may equal 3 or  $\frac{1}{3}$ , the sum of which is  $\frac{10}{3}$ , making the desired quantity 10 - 3 = 7.

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Round 2: Rational Expressions and Equations

2-1 The rational equation  $\frac{x}{x+1} + \frac{x}{x+4} = \frac{12}{x^2+5x+4}$  has a valid rational solution *m*, but the algebra also produces an extraneous solution *n*. Find the value of 6m - 2n. [Answer: 17]

Multiplying every term by (x + 1)(x + 4) gives x(x + 4) + x(x + 1) = 12, which in standard form makes the quadratic  $2x^2 + 5x - 12 = 0$ , which factors to make (2x - 3)(x + 4) = 0. This gives solutions of  $x = \frac{3}{2}$  and x = -4. However, x = -4 is extraneous. Therefore the desired quantity is  $6\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 2(-4) = 17$ .

2-2 The rational expression  $\frac{1}{3+\frac{1}{x+\frac{1}{2}}}$ , where x is a positive integer, is equivalent to a ratio of relatively prime integers where the denominator is exactly 60 more than the numerator. What is the value of x? [Answer: 14]

Simplifying the complex fraction gives  $\frac{1}{3+\frac{1}{2x+1}} = \frac{1}{3+\frac{2}{2x+1}} = \frac{1}{\frac{6x+5}{2x+1}} = \frac{2x+1}{6x+5}$ . Therefore we know 6x + 5 = 2x + 1 + 60, which we can solve to get x = 14.

2-3 Shriya is mixing together a fruit juice drink. She starts with 600 milliliters of orange juice and she completely mixes in *x* milliliters of pineapple juice. She drinks 200 milliliters of the mixture but then adds 2*x* milliliters of grapefruit juice. The proportion of the drink by volume now composed of pineapple juice in terms of *x* is  $\frac{x^2+Ax+B}{Cx^2+Dx+E}$ . Find the value of C(D + 2A) - BE. [Answer: 9000]

After the initial mixing, the proportion by volume of pineapple juice in the mixture is  $\frac{x}{x+600}$ . The amount of pineapple juice she then consumes when she drinks 200 milliliters of the mixture is  $\frac{200x}{x+600}$ . After adding the additional grapefruit juice, the proportion by volume of pineapple juice in the mixture is  $\frac{x^{-\frac{200x}{x+600}}}{x+600-200+2x}$ . Multiplying the numerator and denominator by x + 600 yields  $\frac{x(x+600)-200x}{(3x+400)(x+600)}$ , which expands to  $\frac{x^{2}+400x}{3x^{2}+2200x+240000}$ . This makes the desired quantity 3(2200 + 2(400)) - (0)(240000) = 9000.

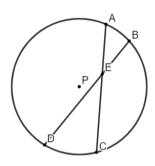
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## Round 3: Circles

3-1 A circle has the property that its area in square units is exactly 8 times its circumference in units.
What is the length in units of the longest chord in the circle?
[Answer: 32]

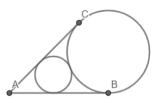
If r is the radius of the circle, then the equation described is  $\pi r^2 = 8(2\pi r)$ , making r = 16. Since the longest chord in the circle is the diameter, the desired quantity is 32.

3-2 See the diagram, not necessarily drawn to scale. A circle with center *P* has a radius of length 9 units and two chords  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{BD}$  which meet at point *E*. If  $\widehat{mCD} = 2\widehat{mAB}$  and  $\underline{m}\angle AED = 140^\circ$ , then the length of  $\widehat{CD}$  is  $\frac{a}{b}\pi$  units where *a* and *b* are positive integers with no common factors greater than 1. Find the value of 2a + b. [Answer: 19]

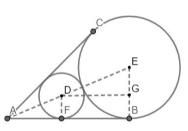


Because  $m \angle AED = 140^\circ$ , we have  $m \angle AEB = 40^\circ$ , which means  $40 = \frac{m\widehat{AB} + m\widehat{CD}}{2} = \frac{3m\widehat{AB}}{2}$ , so  $m\widehat{AB} = \left(\frac{80}{3}\right)^\circ$  and  $m\widehat{CD} = \left(\frac{160}{3}\right)^\circ$ . Therefore the arclength is  $\frac{160}{3} * \frac{18\pi}{360} = \frac{8}{3}\pi$ , making the desired quantity 2(8) + 3 = 19.

3-3 See the diagram. Two circles are tangent to each other and are also tangent to line segments  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{AC}$ . If the smaller circle has an area of  $9\pi$  and the larger circle has an area of  $144\pi$ , find AB. [Answer: 16]



Refer to the diagram, where centers *D* and *E* have been drawn in, as well as point of tangency *F* and point *G* such that  $\overline{DG}$  is parallel to  $\overline{AB}$ . Since DE = 3 + 12 = 15 and EG = 12 - 3 = 9, it follows that  $DG^2 = 15^2 - 9^2$ , so DG = 12. We can then use similar triangles knowing  $\frac{AF}{3} = \frac{AF+12}{12}$  to find that AF = 4, making AB = 16.



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#### Round 4: Quadratic Equations & Complex Numbers

4-1 A quadratic f(x) with a leading coefficient of 1 and all rational coefficients has a zero at x = 1 - 3i. What is the value of f(10)? [Answer: 90]

Because all of the coefficients are rational, the other zero must be 1 + 3i. The sum of the zeros is 2 and the product is  $1 - 9i^2 = 10$ , so  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 10$ , and f(10) = 100 - 20 + 10 = 90.

4-2 Let f and g be quadratic polynomials. f(z) has all rational coefficients and a zero of z = 3 + 4i. g(z) is of the form  $g(z) = z^2 - 2iz + p + qi$  where p and q are real numbers and has a zero in common with f(z) that is not 3 + 4i. |p + qi| can be written as  $a\sqrt{b}$  where a and b are positive integers and b has no perfect square factors greater than 1. Find 3a - b. [Answer: 40]

With the given information, g(z) must have a zero of 3 - 4i. Since the sum of the zeros of g(z) is 2*i*, it follows that the other zero of g(z) must be -3 + 6i. The product of the zeros is  $(3 - 4i)(-3 + 6i) = -9 + 18i + 12i - 24i^2 = 15 + 30i$ . The magnitude of this number is  $\sqrt{15^2 + 30^2} = 15\sqrt{5}$ , making the desired quantity 3(15) - 5 = 40.

4-3 A quadratic function *h* has the form  $h(z) = az^2 - 5iz + c$ , where *a* and *c* are complex coefficients. If *a* and *c* are conjugates and  $h\left(\frac{9i}{a}\right) = 0$ , find the value of |a|. [Answer: 6]

Note that the zeros of *h* are  $\frac{5i\pm\sqrt{-25-4ac}}{2a}$ , and one of these must equal  $\frac{9i}{a}$ , meaning  $5i + \sqrt{-25-4ac} = 18i$ , and so  $\sqrt{-25-4ac} = 13i$ . Because *a* and *c* are conjugates,  $ac = |a|^2$ , so  $-25 - 4|a|^2 = -169$ , so  $|a|^2 = 36$ , and therefore |a| = 6.

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Round 5: Trigonometric Equations

5-1 If  $6\cos(x) + 8 = 12$ , find  $36\sin^2(x) + 12$ . [Answer: 32]

We have  $\cos(x) = \frac{2}{3}$ , and so  $\sin^2(x) = 1 - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{5}{9}$ , making the desired quantity  $36\left(\frac{5}{9}\right) + 12 = 32$ .

5-2 Consider the equation sec(x) - 2 = 2 tan(x) - csc(x) for x ∈ [0,2π). If A is the largest value of x that satisfies the equation and B is the smallest value of x that satisfies the equation, find the value of <sup>360</sup>/<sub>π</sub> (A - B).
[Answer: 570]

Multiplying the entire equation by  $\sin(x)\cos(x)$  makes the equation  $\sin(x) - 2\sin(x)\cos(x) = 2\sin^2(x) - \cos(x)$ . Moving all terms to one side makes  $2\sin^2(x) - \sin(x) + 2\sin(x)\cos(x) - \cos(x) = 0$ , which factors into  $(2\sin(x) - 1)(\sin(x) + \cos(x)) = 0$ . Solutions come from  $\sin(x) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\sin(x) = -\cos(x)$ , making a solution set of  $x \in \left\{\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{4}\right\}$ . This makes the desired quantity  $\frac{360}{\pi} \left(\frac{7\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{360(19\pi)}{12\pi} = 570$ .

5-3 The equation  $A\cos^3(x) + B\cos^2(x) + C\cos(x) + D = 0$ , where A, B, C, and D are integers with no common factors greater than 1 and A > 0, has the solution set  $x \in \left\{\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{4}\right\}$ . Find the value of A + B + C + D. [Answer: 1]

One way to approach this problem is to construct linear equations in cosine that will produce the desired solution set. The equation  $\cos(x) = \frac{1}{2}$  has solutions  $x \in \left\{\frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}\right\}$ . The equation  $\cos(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  has solutions  $x \in \left\{\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}\right\}$ . The equation  $\cos(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  has solutions  $x \in \left\{\frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}\right\}$ . This makes an equation with three linear factors in cosine:  $(2\cos(x) - 1)(\sqrt{2}\cos(x) - 1)(\sqrt{2}\cos(x) + 1) = 0$ , when the factors are multiplied together, the equation becomes  $4\cos^3(x) - 2\cos^2(x) - 2\cos(x) + 1 = 0$ , making the desired quantity 4 - 2 - 2 + 1 = 1.

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#### Round 6: Sequences & Series

6-1 An arithmetic sequence has the first three terms 3, 7, 11, .... What is the average (arithmetic mean) of the first 100 terms? [Answer: 201]

Because the series is arithmetic, the average of the first 100 terms is also the average of the first and last term. The last term is 3 + 99(4) = 399, so the desired quantity is  $\frac{3+399}{2} = 201$ .

6-2 There are two infinite geometric series with the same first term  $a_1 = 48$  and common ratios  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ . For each series, the infinite sum is 12 more than five times the second term. Find the value of  $\frac{1}{1-r_1-r_2}$ .

[Answer: 20]

If *r* is an known ratio, then we can construct the eqaution  $\frac{48}{1-r} = 12 + 5(48r)$ , which simplifies to  $240r^2 - 228r + 36 = 0$ . Note that this means the sum of the two solutions is  $\frac{228}{240} = \frac{19}{20}$ , which makes the desired value  $\frac{1}{1-\frac{19}{20}} = 20$ .

6-3 There is an arithmetic series with the first term k such that the sum of the first N terms for all  $N \ge 1$  is  $kN^2$ . Find the value of the 100<sup>th</sup> term of the series if k = 10. [Answer: 1990]

Note that the first term must be equal to  $10(1)^2 = 10$ . The sum of the first two terms must be  $10(2)^2 = 40$ , which means the second term must be 30. Therefore the series has a common difference of 20, and the desired value is 10 + 99(20) = 1990.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY MATH LEAGUE 2022–2023 Match 5 Team Round

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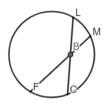
1. Let *n*, *a*, and *b* be positive integers such that  $\frac{n}{2023} = \frac{1}{a + \frac{1}{b}}$ . If  $n \le 10$  and b > 1, find the smallest possible value of *a*. [Answer: 337]

Noting that abn + n = 2023b and therefore  $b = \frac{n}{2023-an}$ , we then notice that smaller values of a will correspond with larger values of n and that 2023 - an must be less than n if b > 1. For n = 10, 2023 - 10a must equal 1, 2, or 5, which means 10a must equal 2022, 2021, or 2018, none of which are possible if a is an integer. We continue decreasing values of n until we notice for n = 6, it is possible that 2023 - 6a = 1, because then 6a = 2022 and therefore a = 337.

2. There are two values of the constant *a* such that the equation  $\frac{5}{ax-4} = \frac{2}{x+3}$  would have no solutions for *x*. The quadratic equation  $Ma^2 + Na + P = 0$ , for relatively prime integers *M*, *N*, and *P*, has solutions equal to these two values of *a*. Find the value of |M| + |N| + |P|. [Answer: 33]

First note that  $x \neq -3$ . Cross-multiplication produces 5x + 15 = 2ax - 8. This will have no solutions for x if 5 = 2a, so  $a \neq \frac{5}{2}$ . Additionally, since  $x \neq -3$ , it follows that  $-15 + 15 \neq -6a - 8$ , so  $a \neq -\frac{4}{3}$ . This leads to the quadratic equation (2a - 5)(3a + 4) = 0, which expands to make  $6a^2 - 7a - 20 = 0$ , making the desired quantity 6 + 7 + 20 = 33.

3. See the diagram (not drawn to scale), which shows a circle with two chords *FM* and *LC* that intersect at point *B*. *FL* is a diameter of the circle, *FB* = 5, *MB* = 2, and *mCM* = 60°. The area of the circle is <sup>c</sup>/<sub>d</sub> π where *c* and *d* are positive integers with no common factors greater than 1. Find the value of 10*c* + *d*. [Answer: 614]



Because  $\widehat{mCM} = 60^{\circ}$  and  $\widehat{FL}$  is a semicircle, it follows that  $\widehat{mFC} + \widehat{mML} = 120^{\circ}$  and therefore  $m \angle FBC = 60^{\circ}$ . Also, because  $\widehat{FL}$  is a semicircle,  $\angle FCL$  is a right angle and therefore  $m \angle FBC = 30^{\circ}$ . This means  $BC = \frac{5}{2}$  and  $FC = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . We can find BL since  $\frac{5}{2}BL = (5)(2)$ , and so BL = 4 and  $CL = \frac{13}{2}$ . We can find the diameter FL using  $(FL)^2 = \left(\frac{13}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$ , yielding  $(FL)^2 = 61$ , so  $FL = \sqrt{61}$ . The area of the circle is therefore  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{61}}{2}\right)^2 \pi = \frac{61}{4}\pi$ , making the desired quantity 10(61) + 4 = 614.

4. Consider the polynomial f(z) = z<sup>2</sup> + (2 - 4i)z - 3 - 10i. If z<sub>0</sub> = a + bi, where a and b are integers, has the property that f(z<sub>0</sub>) lies on the real axis, what is the value of |f(z<sub>0</sub>)|? [Answer: 8]

One way to solve this is to put f(z) into vertex form, making  $f(z) = (z + 1 - 2i))^2 - 3 - 10i - (1 - 2i)^2 = (z + 1 - 2i)^2 - 6i$ . Letting  $z_0 = a + bi$  gives  $f(z_0) = (a + 1 + (b - 2)i)^2 - 6i$ . This quantity will have a real component of  $(a + 1)^2 - (b - 2)^2$  and an imaginary component of (2(a + 1)(b - 2) - 6)i, which must equal zero. Therefore (a + 1)(b - 2) = 3. Since *a* and *b* are integers, then a = 0 and b = 5 or a = 2 and b = 3. In either case,  $|(a + 1)^2 - (b - 2)^2| = |1 - 9| = 8$ .

5. There are three angles θ, 0 ≤ θ < π/2, such that sin(5θ) = cos(θ). The sum of these angle measures in radians is a/b π where a and b are positive integers with no common factors greater than 1. Find 2b - a. [Answer: 11]</li>

Note that  $\cos(\theta) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$ . The value of  $\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$  will always be in quadrant I, but there are three cases we must consider for  $5\theta$ : 1) it is less than  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , 2) it lies between  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  and  $\pi$ , and 3) it lies between  $2\pi$  and  $\frac{5}{2}\pi$ . For case 1 we have  $5\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$ , so  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{12}$ . For case 2 we have  $\pi - 5\theta = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$ , so  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$ . Finally for case 3 we have  $5\theta - 2\pi = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$ , so  $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{12}$ . The sum of these values is  $\frac{5\pi}{8}$ , making the desired quantity 2(8) - 5 = 11.

6. Consider a sequence where a<sub>0</sub> = 5, a<sub>1</sub> = 6, a<sub>2</sub> = 7, and for n > 2, a<sub>n</sub> = 2a<sub>n-1</sub> - a<sub>n-3</sub>. Find the smallest value n such that a<sub>n</sub> - a<sub>n-1</sub> > 1000. [Answer: 17]

If we construct the first few terms of the sequence, we get 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 17, 25... Notice that the value of  $a_n - a_{n-1}$  is the  $n^{th}$  Fibonacci number, where  $F_1 = F_2 = 1$ . Constructing the Fibonacci sequence until we arrive at a term greater than 1000 yields 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233, 377, 610, 987, 1597..., and the last term is the 17<sup>th</sup> term of the sequence, making the desired value 17.