## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 – NOVEMBER 2010 ROUND 1 COMPLEX NUMBERS (No Trig)

## ANSWERS

A)		
B) (	,	)
C)		sq. units

# \*\*\*\* NO CALCULATORS ON THIS ROUND \*\*\*\*

A) Compute:  $\left(\frac{1-i}{1+i}\right)^{2010}$ 

B) Find <u>the</u> ordered pair (x, y) of real numbers that satisfy the equation

$$(x^{2} - x - 5) + i(y^{2} - 7y + 3) = 1 - 7i$$

and for which y - x is as large as possible.

C) The complex numbers (1 + i), (-1 + i), (-1 - i) and (1 - i) form a square when plotted in the complex plane. If each of these numbers is multiplied by (1 + i), a new figure is formed. Compute the area of the new figure.



## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2010 ROUND 2 ALGEBRA 1: ANYTHING

## ANSWERS

A) _	 feet
B)	 
C)	\$ 

# \*\*\*\* NO CALCULATORS ON THIS ROUND \*\*\*\*

 A) Mr. Slowski, the Comcast turtle, recently competed in the Reptilian Olympics. He completed the quarter mile course in an hour. At this rate, compute the distance (in feet) he could travel in 48 minutes. [Recall: 1 mile = 5280 feet]

- B) When a two-digit number is divided by the sum of its digits, the quotient is 7. When the same number is multiplied by the sum of its digits, the product is 567. Find this number.
- C) The list price for the home theater of my dreams is \$6000.

Over a three week period, Merchant A gave a discount of  $16\frac{2}{3}\%$ , then  $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ , and finally, 4%, each discount off the already discounted price of the previous week. Similarly, Merchant B gave a discount of 8%, then 10%, and finally, 15%. Unbelievably, these offers differ by less than 1%. Compute the positive difference between the discounted sales prices offered by these two vendors.



## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2010 ROUND 3 PLANE GEOMETRY: AREAS OF RECTILINEAR FIGURES

## ANSWERS





## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2010 ROUND 4 ALG 1: FACTORING AND ITS APPLICATIONS

## ANSWERS

A) \_\_\_\_\_

B) \_\_\_\_\_

C)

# \*\*\*\* NO CALCULATORS ON THIS ROUND \*\*\*\*

A) For <u>positive</u> integers *a*, *b* and *n*,  $x^2 - x - n = (x+a)(x-b)$ . If n < 50, compute the <u>largest</u> possible value of *n*.

B) Let  $P = 280x^3y^2$ .

Compute Q, if the greatest common factor of P and Q is  $28x^2y^2$  and the least common multiple of P and Q is  $3080x^3y^3z$ .

C) Factor completely.  $8A^2 - 7AB + 13B^2 - 3W^2 - 4B^2 - 4A^2 + 19AB - 13W^2$ 



## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2010 ROUND 5 TRIG: FUNCTIONS OF SPECIAL ANGLES

## ANSWERS

A)	
B)	
C)	
**** NO CALCULATORS ON THIS ROUND ****	
compute the exact value of $\frac{\cot(45^\circ) + 2\sin(210^\circ)}{\cot(45^\circ)}$ ; otherwise,	

A) If possible, compute the exact value of  $\frac{\cos(45.9 + 2\sin(210.9))}{1 + \tan(22.5^{\circ})}$ ; otherwise, specify the value as undefined.

B) Compute: 
$$\left(\sin 510^{\circ} \cos 240^{\circ} \cot^3 315^{\circ} \csc \frac{11\pi}{6} \sec \left(\frac{-7\pi}{3}\right)\right)^3$$

C) Given: *ABCD* is a rectangle, BE = 1, DE = DF, CF = CB $\overline{EF} \perp \overline{FB}$  and  $m \angle 2 = 2 \cdot m \angle 1$ 

Compute  $\cos(\angle BED)$ .





## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2010 ROUND 6 PLANE GEOMETRY: ANGLES, TRIANGLES AND PARALLELS

#### ANSWERS



C) In right triangle *ABC*,  $\angle GFI$ ,  $\angle HFI$ ,  $\angle IHK$ ,  $\angle IKH$  and  $\angle JBK$  have measures as indicated in terms of x and y, m $\angle GDF = 36^{\circ}$  and five perpendiculars to  $\overline{BC}$  are marked. If m $\angle CAD = a$  and m $\angle EDG = b$ , compute a + b.





## MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE **CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2010 ANSWERS**

Round 1 Algebra 2: Complex Numbers (No Trig)		
A) -1	B) (-2, 5)	C) 8
Round 2 Algebra 1: Anything		
A) 1056	B) 63	C) (A, \$22.80)
Round 3 Plane Geometry: Area of Rectilinear Figures		
A) 7:9	B) 600	C) 288
Round 4 Algebra 1: Factoring and its Applications		
A) 42	B) $308x^2y^3z$	C) $(2A + 3B - 4W)(2A + 3B + 4W)$
Round 5 Trig: Functions of Special Angles		
A) 0	B) -1	$C) \frac{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{6}}{4}$
Round 6 Plane Geometry: Angles, Triangles and Parallels		

A) 120 B) (9, 2) C) 78

## **Team Round**

A) $\left(\frac{4}{5},\frac{3}{5}\right)$	D) (1, 3, 4, 4)
B) 4 or $\frac{25}{16}$	E) (5, 4)

C)  $\left(-\frac{9}{16}, -\frac{21}{4}\right)$ F) 72



#### Round 1

A) 
$$\left(\frac{1-i}{1+i}\right)^{2010} = \left(\frac{1-i}{1+i}\cdot\frac{1-i}{1-i}\right)^{2010} = \left(\frac{(1-i)^2}{1-i^2}\right)^{2010} = \left(\frac{-2i}{2}\right)^{2010} = (-1)^{2010}\cdot i^{2008}\cdot i^2 = 1\cdot 1\cdot -1 = -1$$

If you know DeMoirve's theorem, you might want to use it to formulate an alternative solution for comparison.

- B) Equating the real and imaginary coefficients,  $\begin{cases} x^2 x 5 = 1 \\ y^2 7y + 3 = -7 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$
- $\begin{cases} x^{2} x 6 = (x 3)(x + 2) = 0 \\ y^{2} 7y + 10 = (y 2)(y 5) = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = 3, -2 \text{ and } y = 2, 5 \Rightarrow (3, 5), (-2, 5), (3, 2), (-2, 2) \Rightarrow (-2, 5) \end{cases}$ C)  $(1+i) \cdot \begin{cases} (1+i) \\ (-1+i) \\ (-1-i) \\ (1-i) \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 2i \\ -2i \\ -2i \\ 2 \end{cases}$ The new figure is a square with side

 $2\sqrt{2}$ , so the area is **8**.

Alternate solution: The area of the original square is  $2^2 = 4$ , and multiplying the vertices by (1 + i) rotates the square  $45^\circ$  and expands each side by

a factor of  $|1 + i| = \sqrt{2}$ . Therefore, the new square will have area  $4(\sqrt{2})^2 = \underline{8}$ .

## Round 2

A) 
$$\frac{5280/4 \text{ feet}}{60 \text{ prim}} \cdot 48 \text{ prim} = \frac{5280}{4} \frac{(4)}{5} = \frac{5280}{5} = \underline{1056} \text{ feet}$$
B) 
$$\begin{cases} (1) \ 10t + u = 7(t + u) \\ (2) \ (10t + u)(t + u) = 567 \\ (1) \Rightarrow t = 2u \\ \text{Substituting for } 10t + u \text{ in } (2), \ 7(t + u)^2 = 567 \Rightarrow (t + u)^2 = 81 \Rightarrow t + u = 3u = 9 \\ \Rightarrow u = 3, t = 6 \Rightarrow \underline{63} \end{cases}$$
C) Discounts of 16 2/29/  $\Rightarrow 1/6 \text{ off}$  12 1/29/  $\Rightarrow 1/8 \text{ off}$  and  $49/ \Rightarrow 1/25 \text{ off}$ 

C) Discounts of 16 2/3% → 1/6 off, 12 1/2% → 1/8 off and 4% → 1/25 off Merchant A's price  $\frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{7}{8} \cdot \frac{24}{25} = \frac{7}{10} = 70\%$  of list (or 30% off list). Merchant B's price: (.92)(.9)(.85) = .7038 = 70.38% of list (or 29.62% off list). Thus, merchant A has the best price by 0.38% (less than 1%)  $\Rightarrow \frac{0.38}{100}(6000) = 0.38(60) = 22.8 \Rightarrow \underline{\$22.80}$ .

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#### Round 3

A) As a median,  $PQ = \frac{12+20}{2} = 16$  and the altitudes of trapezoids *ABQP* and *PQCD* are equal in length. Thus, the required ratio is  $\frac{\frac{1}{2}h(12+16)}{\frac{1}{2}h(16+20)} = \frac{28}{36} = \frac{7}{9}$ 







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#### Round 4

- A) Since the middle coefficient is -1, we start with (a, b) = (1, 2).  $x^2 - x - n = (x + 1)(x - 2)$  which gives n = 2. Thus, the absolute value of the difference between a and b must always be 1.  $2(3) \rightarrow 6 \quad 3(4) \rightarrow 12 \quad 4(5) \rightarrow 20 \quad 5(6) \rightarrow 30 \quad 6(7) \rightarrow \underline{42} \quad 7(8) \rightarrow 56$  (too big)
- B) Given:  $P = 280x^3y^2$ , GCF(P, Q) =  $28x^2y^2$  and LCM(P, Q) =  $3080x^3y^3z$ . Note: Given any two integers m and n,  $\underline{mn = GCF(m, n) \cdot LCM(m, n)}$ . Ex: GCF(24, 30) = 6 and LCM(24, 30) = 120 and 24(30) = 6(120) = 720 The same principle applies to literal expressions.

*PQ* = GCF(*P*, *Q*) · LCM(*P*, *Q*) → 280 $x^{3}y^{2}(Q) = (28x^{2}y^{2})(3080x^{3}y^{3}z)$ →  $x^{3}y^{2}Q = 308x^{5}y^{5}z$  →  $Q = 308x^{2}y^{3}z$ .

C) Combining like terms,  $8A^2 - 7AB + 13B^2 - 3W^2 - 4B^2 - 4A^2 + 19AB - 13W^2$ =  $4A^2 + 12AB + 9B^2 - 16W^2 = (2A + 3B)^2 - (4W)^2$ .

As the difference of perfect squares this factors to (2A + 3B - 4W)(2A + 3B + 4W)

#### Round 5

A) The numerator  $\cot(45^\circ) + 2\sin(210^\circ)$  evaluates to  $1 + 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$ .

Without bothering to evaluate, we note that the denominator is nonzero, since the tangent of a first quadrant angle is positive. Thus, the expression evaluates to  $\underline{0}$ .

B) 
$$\left( \sin 510^{\circ} \cos 240^{\circ} \cot^{3} 315^{\circ} \csc \frac{11\pi}{6} \sec \left(\frac{-7\pi}{3}\right) \right)^{5} = \left( \sin 150^{\circ} \cos 240^{\circ} \cot^{3} 315^{\circ} \csc \frac{11\pi}{6} \sec \left(\frac{5\pi}{3}\right) \right)^{5}$$
$$= \left( \sin 30^{\circ} \cdot -\cos 60^{\circ} \cdot -\cot^{3} 45^{\circ} \cdot -\csc 30^{\circ} \cdot \sec 60^{\circ} \right)^{5} = \left( (-1)(-1)(-1)^{3} \right) = -1$$



#### **Round 5 - continued**

C) The given information is marked in the diagram below and, taking note of the embedded

30 - 60 - 90 triangle, we know that  $EF = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $FB = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

Both  $\triangle EDF$  and  $\triangle BCF$  are isosceles right triangles whose sides are in a  $1:1:\sqrt{2}$  ratio.



This approach is an alternative to using the usual expansion of cos(A + B) which would not be known by all students in this round. Thanks again to MaryBeth McGinn for this gem. The question, diagram and solution are adapted directly from the 2008 MML Contest #2 notes and the study guide MML Contest 2 A-Questions + Solutions (05-09).



## Round 6



C) In  $\Delta HIK$ , x + y = 60.

Applying the fact that the measure of exterior angle equals the sum of the measures of the two remote interior angles to  $\Delta HKB$  forces m $\angle KHB = 20$ .

 $\angle GFH$  and  $\angle IHJ$ , as corresponding angles of parallel lines, forces x + (y-3) = (y+10) + 20٢

$$\Rightarrow x = 33 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = 57 \\ y = 33 \end{cases} \text{ and } m \angle DFG = 123.$$
  
As alternate interior angles of parallels,  
$$m \angle DGF = m \angle EDG = b.$$
  
Therefore, in  $\Delta DFG$ ,  $b = 180 - (36 + 123) = 21$   
$$\Rightarrow a + b = \underline{78}.$$

Alternate Solution (Tuan Le) As an exterior angle,  $m \angle HKI = m \angle HKI + m \angle HKI$  $\rightarrow$  m $\angle BHK = 20^{\circ}$ In  $\Delta HIB$ ,  $x + y + 30 = 90 \rightarrow x + y = 60$ . Since  $\overline{HI} \parallel \overline{FG}$ , m∠BFG = m∠BHI  $\rightarrow$  $x + y - 3 = y + 30 \Rightarrow x = 33, y = 27 \text{ and } a = 57.$  $DE \parallel AC \rightarrow a = b + 36 \rightarrow b = 21$ . Thus, a + b = 51 + 27 = 78.





**Team Round** 

A) Given : 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{z} = \overline{z} \\ a+b = 1.4 \text{ and } z = a+bi. \text{ Substitute } b = \left(\frac{7}{5} - a\right) \text{ in } \frac{1}{a+bi} = a-bi \iff a^2 + b^2 = 1\\ a > b \end{cases}$$
$$a^2 + \left(\frac{7}{5} - a\right)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow 2a^2 + \frac{49}{25} - \frac{14a}{5} = 1 \Rightarrow 50a^2 - 70a + 24 = 0\\ \Rightarrow 25a^2 - 35a + 12 = (5a-3)(5a-4) = 0\\ a > b \Rightarrow (a, b) = \left(\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right).\end{cases}$$

Alternate solution (Norm Swanson)

 $z \cdot \overline{z} = 1 \rightarrow z$  lies on the unit circle with center at (0, 0). So, let  $a = \cos(t)$  and  $b = \sin(t)$  and consequently,  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$ .

Squaring the second equation,  $a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = \left(\frac{7}{5}\right)^2 \rightarrow 2ab = \frac{49}{25} - 1 = \frac{24}{25} \rightarrow ab = \frac{12}{25}$ .

We want two numbers whose sum is 7/5 and whose product is 12/25. Clearly, 3/5 and 4/5 satisfy the requirement.

$$a > b \rightarrow (a, b) = \left(\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right).$$

B) Rearranging terms,  $1 - \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{1}{2x} - \frac{1}{2x^3} \rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2} = \frac{x^2 - 1}{2x^3}$ Since  $x \neq 0$ , this simplifies to  $\frac{x^2 - 1}{1} = \frac{x^2 - 1}{2x}$ 

For  $x = \pm 1$ , both terms are 0; otherwise, equating the denominators,  $2x = 1 \rightarrow x = 1/2$ Thus,  $(x^2 + 1)^2 = 2^2$  or  $(5/4)^2 \rightarrow (x^2 + 1)^2 = \underline{4 \text{ or } 25/16}$ 

Alternate Solution:  $(x \neq 0)$  Multiplying through by  $2x^3$ ,  $1 - 2x - x^2 + 2x^3 = 0$  $\Rightarrow (1 - 2x) - x^2(1 - 2x) = 0 \Rightarrow (1 - 2x)(1 - x^2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm 1 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow (x^2 + 1)^2 = 4 \text{ or } \frac{25/16}{12}$ 



#### **Team Round**

C) Compared to *ABCD*, the trapezoids *ABPQ* and *ADSQ* combined include some regions that should be excluded and exclude some regions that should be included.  $\Delta BPT$  and  $\Delta DSV$  should be excluded, while  $\Delta CRT$  and  $\Delta CRV$  should be included.



Since  $\triangle BPT \sim \triangle CRT$  and BP : CR = 4 : 5, Area $(\triangle BPT)$  : Area $(\triangle CRT) = 16 : 25$ . Since  $\triangle DSV \sim \triangle CRV$  and DS : CR = 2 : 5, Area $(\triangle DSV)$  : Area $(\triangle CRV) = 4 : 25$ . Let (X, Y) denote the areas of  $\triangle BPT$  and  $\triangle DSV$  respectively. Then

Area(ABCD) = Area(ABPQ) + Area(ADSQ) -  $\underline{X} - \underline{Y} + \frac{25}{16}\underline{X} + \frac{25}{4}\underline{Y}$ = Area(ABPQ) + Area(ADSQ) +  $\frac{9}{16}\underline{X} + \frac{21}{4}\underline{Y} \rightarrow (a, b) = \left(-\frac{9}{16}, -\frac{21}{4}\right).$ 



#### **Team Round - continued**

D) 
$$x^{14k} - x^{8k} - x^{6k} + 1 = (x^{6k} - 1)(x^{8k} - 1) = (x^{3k} + 1)(x^{3k} - 1)(x^{4k} + 1)(x^{4k} - 1)$$
  
=  $(x^k + 1)(x^{2k} - x^k + 1)(x^k - 1)(x^{2k} + x^k + 1)(x^{4k} + 1)(x^{2k} + 1)(x^k + 1)(x^k - 1)$   
Thus, the sum of the factors is  $x^{4k} + 3x^{2k} + 4x^k + 4 \rightarrow (1, 3, 4, 4)$ .

E) 
$$\sin 54^{\circ} = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4} \Rightarrow \cos 36^{\circ} = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4}$$
. Utilizing basic identities,  
 $\sin 2\theta \sin \theta = 2\sin^{2}\theta \cos \theta = 2\cos\theta(1 - \cos^{2}\theta)$  (\*\*\*)  
 $\Rightarrow \sin 144^{\circ} \sin 72^{\circ} = \sin(180^{\circ} - 36^{\circ})\sin 72^{\circ} = \sin 36^{\circ} \sin(2(36)^{\circ})$   
Let  $\theta = 36$ . Then (\*\*\*)  $\Rightarrow \sin 144^{\circ} \sin 72^{\circ} = 2\cos 36^{\circ}(1 - \cos^{2} 36^{\circ})$   
 $= 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4}\right)\left(1 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{4}\right)^{2}\right) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{16 - 6 - 2\sqrt{5}}{16}\right) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{5 - \sqrt{5}}{8}\right) = \frac{4\sqrt{5}}{16} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$   
 $\Rightarrow (A, B) = (5, 4).$ 

F) Let 
$$m \angle BAD$$
,  $m \angle ADC$ ,  $m \angle ADB = a - d$ ,  $a$  and  $a + d$  respectively and  
 $d^2 = a + 60$ . Since  $BA = BC$ ,  $m \angle C = m \angle BAC$ , so  $a - d + m \angle DAC = a$   
 $\Rightarrow m \angle DAC = d$ . But notice also that in  $\Delta DAC$ , the vertex angle  $DAC$   
has measure  $180 - 2a$ .  
Equating and solving for  $a, d = 180 - 2a \Rightarrow a = \frac{180 - d}{2}$ .  
Thus,  $d^2 = a + 60$  becomes  $d^2 = \frac{180 - d}{2} + 60$ 

→  $2d^2 = 180 - d + 120$  →  $2d^2 + d - 300 = (2d + 25)(d - 12) = 0$  → d = 12 only, a = 84.  $(d = -12.5 \Rightarrow a = 96.25$  which is impossible for the base angle in an isosceles triangle.) Finally, m∠BAD =  $84 - 12 = \underline{72}$ .

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