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Marking Scheme -Mathematical Olympiad – Stage I – 2015

Note: All alternate solutions are to be accepted at par. Please asses what a student know in place of what he doesn't know.

1. When the tens digit of a three digit number \overline{abc} is deleted , a two digit number \overline{ac} is formed . How many numbers \overline{abc} are there such that

$$\overline{abc} = 9\overline{ac} + 4c.$$

Soln. Let the three digit no. \overline{abc} be $100a+10b+c$ and similarly $\overline{ac} = 10a+c$ 2 marks

As per given equation $100a+10b+c=9*(10a+c)+4c$

which gives on simplification

$$5(a+b)=6c$$

3 marks

Since a,b,c are integers between 0 and 9 and $a \neq 0$, The only possibility is $a+b=6$ and $c=5$ 3 marks

so by taking $b=6-a$, six possible numbers arise by taking $a=1,2,3,4,5,6$

So there are six three digit numbers.

2 marks

2. Let $p(x) = x^2+bx+c$ where b and c are integers. If $p(x)$ is a factor of both x^4+6x^2+25 and $3x^4+4x^2+28x+5$, find the value of $p(1)$?

Soln.

$$X^4+6x^2+25=(x^4+10x^2+25)-4x^2$$

1 mark

$$\Rightarrow (x^2+5)^2-(2x)^2$$

2 marks

$$\Rightarrow (X^2+5+2x)(x^2+5-2x)$$

2 marks

\Rightarrow So $p(x)$ is either x^2+5+2x or x^2+5-2x

\Rightarrow By long division we find that only x^2-2x+5 is factor of $3x^4+4x^2+28x+5$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{So } 3x^4+4x^2+28x+5 = (x^2-2x+5)(3x^2+6x+1)$$

3 marks

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = x^2-2x+5$$

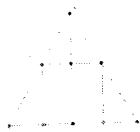
$$\Rightarrow p(1) = 4$$

2 marks

3. A square is inscribed in an equilateral triangle. Find the ratio of area of the square to that of the triangle.

Solution:

Fig 1 mark



Let the side of square be 'a' so $AG = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a$ and $GD = a$

So $AD = AG + GD = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1\right)a$ (1)

3 marks

If 'b' be the side of equilateral triangle. Altitude of triangle is $AD = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}b$ (2)

From 1 and 2, $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1\right)a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}b$

So $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2 + \sqrt{3}}b$

3 marks

Now area of square = $a^2 = \frac{3}{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}b^2$ (3)

2 marks

Area of Triangle = $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}b^2$ (4)

Ratio of areas of Square to Triangle : $\frac{3}{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}b^2 : \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}b^2$

$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{7 + 4\sqrt{3}} : \frac{1}{4} = 4\sqrt{3} : 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$

2 marks

4. (a) Prove that $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} + \dots + \frac{1}{98} - \frac{1}{99} + \frac{1}{100} > \frac{1}{5}$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{98} - \frac{1}{99}\right) + \frac{1}{100}$$

3 marks

Soln. $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{20} + \dots + \frac{1}{9702} + \frac{1}{100}$

\Rightarrow Now Let us find $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{20} = \frac{13}{60} = \frac{12+1}{60} = \frac{12}{60} + \frac{1}{60} = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{60} > \frac{1}{5}$

1 mark

So $\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5}\right) + \dots + \left(-\frac{1}{99} + \frac{1}{100}\right) > \frac{1}{5}$

1 mark

4 (b) Find the largest prime factor of $3^{12} + 2^{12} - 2 \cdot 6^6$

Soln

$$(3^6)^2 + (2^6)^2 - 2 \cdot 3^6 \cdot 2^6$$

$$\Rightarrow (3^6 - 2^6)^2 = \{(3^3)^2 - (2^3)^2\}^2$$

3 marks

$$\Rightarrow \{(3^3 + 2^3)(3^3 - 2^3)\}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \{(3-2)(9+4+6)(3^3+2^3)\}^2$$

1 mark

$$\Rightarrow \{(19)(3+2)(9+4-6)\}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \{(19)(5)(7)\}^2$$

1 mark

So largest prime factor is 19

5. Surface area of a sphere A is 300 % more than the surface area of another sphere B. If the volume of sphere B is p% less than the volume of sphere A, find the value of 'p'.

Soln. Let the radius of sphere B be 'r'

So its surface area = $4\pi r^2$

Let surface area of A be S which is 300% more than that of B

$$\frac{(s - 4\pi r^2)}{4\pi r^2} \times 100 = 300 \quad \boxed{2 \text{ marks}}$$

$$\Rightarrow s - 4\pi r^2 = 12\pi r^2$$

So we get

$$\Rightarrow s = 16\pi r^2 \quad \boxed{1 \text{ mark}}$$

Let radius of sphere A be R so $4\pi R^2 = 16\pi r^2$

$$\Rightarrow \text{We get } R = 2r \quad \boxed{2 \text{ marks}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Now volume of sphere A} = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{3}\pi(2r)^3 = \frac{32}{3}\pi r^3 \quad \boxed{2 \text{ marks}}$$

Volume of sphere B be = $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ which is p% less than that of A

$$\text{So } \frac{\frac{32\pi r^3}{3} - \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3}{\frac{32}{3}\pi r^3} \times 100 = p$$

$$\frac{\frac{28}{3}\pi r^3}{\frac{32}{3}\pi r^3} \times 100 = p \quad \boxed{2 \text{ marks}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Rightarrow p = \frac{700}{8} = 87.5 \quad \boxed{1 \text{ mark}}$$

6. ABC is an isosceles triangle in which AB=AC=25 cm and BC=14 cm
 Find the difference of the circum-radius and in- radius of the triangle.

Soln. Draw $AD \perp BC$ as $AB=AC$ so D will be mid point of BC

Now we have $AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2$

$$\Rightarrow (25)^2 = (AD)^2 + (7)^2$$

2marks

$$\Rightarrow AD = 24$$



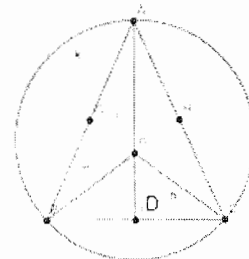
Let O be the In-centre of the triangle. So OD is in-radius.

Now area of $ABC = \frac{1}{2} BC \times AD = \frac{1}{2} \times 14 \times 24 = 168 \text{ cm}^2$ (1) 2 marks

Also area of Triangle ABC = $\frac{1}{2} (AB + BC + AC) \times r$ where r is in-radius.

$$= 32 \times r \text{ cm}^2 \text{ -----}$$

From (1) and (2) we get $r = \frac{21}{4} \text{ cm}$. 2 marks



. Let P be the Circumcentre of the Triangle ABC.

Let $PA=PB=PC=R$ = the Circum-radius

So $PD = 24-R$

Now from Triangle PBD , $PB^2=PD^2+BD^2$

$$\Rightarrow R^2=(24-R)^2+7^2$$

$$\Rightarrow R^2=576-48R+R^2+49$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{625}{48}$$

3 marks

Now required difference of two radii = $\left(\frac{625}{48} - \frac{21}{4}\right)$

$$= \frac{373}{48} \text{ cm.}$$

1 mark

7. AB and BC are two equal chords of a circle of length $2\sqrt{5}$ cm each . If radius of the circle is 5 cm, find the length of the chord AC .

Soln. Let O be the centre of the circle Join OA, OB and OC .

As $AB=BC$ so OB will be the perpendicular bisector of AC

fig- 1 mark



Let OB intersect AC at D and perpendicular to AD, Let $OD=x$, so $BD=5-x$

Now from Triangle OAD, $OA^2=AD^2+OD^2$

3 marks

$$\Rightarrow 25=AD^2+x^2 \quad (1)$$

\Rightarrow From triangle BDA we get , $AB^2=AD^2+BD^2$

$$\Rightarrow (2\sqrt{5})^2 = AD^2 + (5-x)^2 \quad (2)$$

3 marks

\Rightarrow From (1) and (2) we get $x=3$

\Rightarrow Putting this value we get $AD=4$

\Rightarrow So $AC=2AD=8$ cm.

3 marks

8. Two dice are thrown simultaneously. Find the sum of the probability of “getting a prime number as a sum” and probability of “getting a doublet of prime numbers.”

Soln. Total No. of outcomes= $6 \times 6=36$

Outcomes for getting a prime number as sum are:

$(1,1),(1,2),(1,4),(1,6),(2,1),(2,3),(2,5),(3,2),(3,4),(4,1),(4,3),(5,2),(5,6),(6,1)$ and $(6,5) = 15$ outcomes

3 marks

So probability (Sum as Prime number) = $\frac{15}{36}$

1 Mark

Further , Prime doublets are $(2,2),(3,3),(5,5)$

2 marks

So probability of a doublet as prime No. = $\frac{3}{36}$

2 marks

Now required probability = $\frac{15}{36} + \frac{3}{36} = \frac{1}{2}$

2 marks

9. A person starts from a place P towards another place Q at a speed of 30 km/ h. After every 12 minutes, he increases his speed by 5 km/h. If the distance between P and Q is 51 km., find the time taken by him to cover the whole distance.

Soln. Let he covers the distance in n intervals of 12 minutes each.

In the first interval speed is 30 km/h so distance travelled= 30X12Min=6km.

In the 2nd interval speed is 35km/h, so distance= 35X12min= 7km.

And so on.....

2 marks

So total distance travelled in n intervals= 6+7+8+.....up to n terms.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{2} \{2 \times 6 + (n-1) \times 1\}$$

2 marks

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n^2 + 11n}{2} \text{ km} = 51 \text{ km (given)}$$

2 marks

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + 11n - 102 = 0$$

\Rightarrow on simplification it gives $n = -17$ (rejected) and 6

3 marks

\Rightarrow so there are 6 intervals of 12 min each.

\Rightarrow Hence total time $6 \times 12 = 72$ minutes.

1 mark

10. Solve for 'x' ;

$$4\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 + 8\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 29$$

Soln. The equation can be written as

$$4\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2\right) + 8\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 29 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) + 8\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 37 = 0$$

3 marks

Let $x + \frac{1}{x} = y$

So the equation reduces to $4(y^2 - 2) + 8y - 37 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 + 8y - 45 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y-5)(2y+9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Y = 5/2 \text{ or } y = -9/2$$

3 marks

$$\Rightarrow \text{When } y = 5/2 \text{ we get } x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(2x-1) = 0 \text{ this gives } x = 2 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

2 marks

$$\Rightarrow \text{Taking } y = -9/2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{We get } x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{65}}{4}$$

2 marks