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CLASS - VII & VIII

Instructions:

1. Answer all the questions.
2. Elegant and novel solutions will get extra credits.
3. Diagrams and explanations should be given wherever necessary.
4. Fill in FACE SLIP and your rough working should be in the answer paper itself.
5. Maximum time allowed is THREE hours.
6. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Let  $a_n$  be the units place of  $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2$ . Prove that the decimal  $0.a_1a_2a_3\dots a_n\dots$  is a rational number and represent it as  $\frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are natural numbers.

Sol.  $a_n = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2$  (units digit)

$$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 5, a_3 = 4, a_4 = 0, a_5 = 5, a_6 = 1, a_7 = 0, a_8 = 4, a_9 = 5, a_{10} = 5, a_{11} = 6, a_{12} = 0, a_{13} = 9, a_{14} = 5, a_{15} = 0, a_{16} = 6, a_{17} = 5, a_{18} = 9, a_{19} = 0, a_{20} = 0, a_{21} = 1, a_{22} = 5, a_{23} = 4, a_{24} = 0$$

Similarly all unit digits are repeating same as  $a_1$  to  $a_{20}$ .

$$\frac{p}{q} = \overline{0.15405104556095065900}$$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{15405104556095065900}{99999999999999999999}$$

$p, q$  are natural numbers.

2. (a) Find the positive integers  $m, n$  such that  $\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{3}{17}$

- (b) Find the positive integers  $m, n, p$  such that  $\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{3}{17}$ .

- (c) Using this idea, prove that we can find for any positive integer  $k$ ,  $k$  distinct integers,  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  such that

$$\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n_k} = \frac{3}{17}$$

- Sol. (a)  $\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{3}{17}$

$$\frac{17}{3m} + \frac{17}{3n} = 1$$

$$(3m - 17)(3n - 17) = 289 = 1 \times 289$$

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$$\begin{aligned} 3m - 17 &= 1, & 3n - 17 &= 289 \\ 3m &= 18, & 3n &= 306 \\ m &= 6, & n &= 102 \\ 3m - 17 &\neq 17 & 3n - 17 &\neq 17, & m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (m, n) = (6, 102) = (102, 6)$$

(b)  $\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{3}{17}$

$$m \leq n \leq p$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \geq \frac{1}{n} \geq \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\frac{3}{m} \geq \frac{3}{17} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{m} \geq \frac{1}{17} \Rightarrow m \leq 17$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \leq \frac{3}{17} \Rightarrow \frac{17}{3} \leq m$$

$$\therefore 6 \leq m \leq 17$$

for  $m = 6$ ,  $\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{3}{17}$

$$\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{102}$$

$$(n - 102)(p - 102) = 102 \times 102$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 6, n = 204, p = 204$$

Similarly for  $m = 7, 8, \dots, 17$  equations could be solved.

(c)  $n_1 \leq n_2 \leq n_3 \leq \dots \leq n_k$

$$\frac{1}{n_1} \geq \frac{1}{n_2} \geq \frac{1}{n_3} \geq \dots \geq \frac{1}{n_k}$$

$$\frac{k}{n_1} \geq \frac{3}{17} \Rightarrow n_1 \leq \frac{17}{3}k$$

$$\frac{1}{n_1} \leq \frac{3}{17} \Rightarrow \frac{17}{3} \leq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{17}{3} \leq n_1 \leq \frac{17k}{3}$$

Solving equations we can find for any positive integer  $k$ ,  $k$  distinct integers.

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3. Does there exist a positive interger which is a multiple of 2019 and whose sum of the digits is 2019? If no, prove it. If yes, give one such number.

Sol. Multiples of 2019 are 2019, 4038, 6057, 8076, 10095, 12114 ..... So on and sum of their digits are 12, 15, 18, 21, 16, 9 respectively.

Now consider a number 807612114 whose some of digits is 30.

Now take '807612114' 67 times and '12114' one more time such that

807612114 ..... 1211412114 → Sum of digit of this number is 2019 and number is also divisible by 2019.

  
67 times

4. In a triangle XYZ, the medians drawn through X and Y are perpendicular. Then show that XY is the smallest side of XYZ.

Sol. Let YZ and XZ are 2a and 2b respectively, XP and YQ are 3q and 3p respectively.

In  $\Delta XOY$  ;  $XY = \sqrt{4p^2 + 4q^2}$  .....(1)

In  $\Delta YOP$  ;  $a = \sqrt{4p^2 + q^2}$

$YZ = 2a = 2\sqrt{4p^2 + q^2}$

$= \sqrt{16p^2 + 4q^2}$

$= \sqrt{4p^2 + 4q^2 + 12p^2}$  .....(2)

In  $\Delta XOQ$  ;  $b = \sqrt{p^2 + 4q^2}$

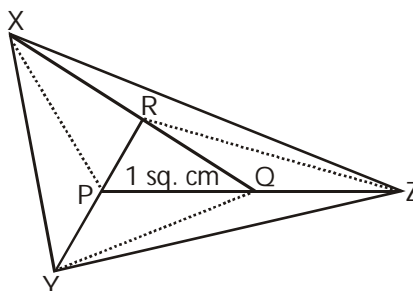
$XZ = 2b = 2\sqrt{p^2 + 4q^2}$

$= \sqrt{4p^2 + 16q^2}$

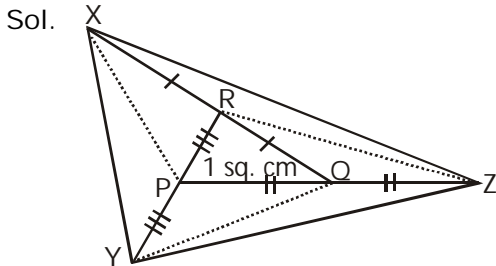
$= \sqrt{4p^2 + 4q^2 + 12q^2}$  .....(3)

From (1), (2), & (3) we can say XY is the smallest side.

5. Let  $\Delta PQR$  be a triangle of area 1  $\text{cm}^2$ . Extend QR to X such that  $QR = RX$ ; RP to Y such that  $RP = PY$  and PQ to Z such that  $PQ = QZ$ . Find the area of  $\Delta XYZ$ .



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In  $\Delta POX \rightarrow PR$  is median

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\Delta PXR) = \text{ar}(\Delta PQR) = 1 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(1)$$

In  $\Delta YRX \rightarrow XP$  is median

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\Delta YPX) = \text{ar}(\Delta PXR) = 1 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(2)$$

In  $\Delta YQR \rightarrow PQ$  is median

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\Delta YPQ) = \text{ar}(\Delta PQR) = 1 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(3)$$

In  $\Delta YPZ \rightarrow YQ$  is median

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\Delta YPQ) = \text{ar}(\Delta YQZ) = 1 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(4)$$

In  $\Delta PRZ \rightarrow RQ$  is median

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\Delta PQR) = \text{ar}(\Delta QRZ) = 1 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(5)$$

In  $\Delta XQZ \rightarrow RZ$  is median

$$\text{ar}(\Delta RQZ) = \text{ar}(\Delta XRZ) = 1 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(6)$$

Using eq (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6)

$$\text{area of } \Delta XYZ = 7 \text{ cm}^2$$

6. Find the real numbers  $x$  and  $y$  given that  $x - y = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $x^4 + y^4 = \frac{2657}{16}$

Sol.  $x - y = \frac{3}{2}, x^4 + y^4 = \frac{2657}{16}$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 2xy = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = \frac{9}{4} + 2xy$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 + y^4 + 2x^2y^2 = \frac{81}{16} + 4x^2y^2 + 9xy$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2657}{16} - \frac{81}{16} = 2x^2y^2 + 9xy$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{2576}{16} = 2x^2y^2 + 9xy$$

Let  $xy = t$

$$2t^2 + 9t - 161 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{-23}{2}, 7$$

Case-I

$$xy = 7, x - y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{7}{y} - y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2y^2 + 3y - 14 = 0$$

$$(y - 2)(2y + 7) = 0$$

$$y = 2, -7/2$$

For  $y = 2, x = \frac{7}{2}$

$$y = \frac{-7}{2}, x = -2$$

Case-II

$$xy = \frac{-23}{2}, x - y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{-23}{2y} - y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2y^2 + 3y + 23 = 0$$

No real value of  $y$  exists.

$\therefore$  Possible real values are  $x = -2, y = -\frac{7}{2}$  and  $x = \frac{7}{2}, y = 2$

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7. The difference of the eight digit number ABCDEFGH and the eight digit number GHEFCADB is divisible by 481. Prove that  $C = E$  and  $D = F$ .

Sol. Acc. to question  $[ABCDEFGH - GHEFCADB]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (10^7A + 10^6B + 10^5C + 10^4D + 10^3E + 10^2F + 10^1G + H) \\ &- (10^7G + 10^6H + 10^5E + 10^4F + 10^3C + 10^2D + 10^1A + B) \\ &= 10(10^6 - 1)A + (10^6 - 1)B + 10^3(10^2 - 1)C + 10^2(10^2 - 1)D \\ &+ 10^3(1 - 10^2)E + 10^2(1 - 10^2)F + 10(1 - 10^6)G + (1 - 10^6)H. \\ &= (10^6 - 1)[10A + B - 10G - H] + (10^2 - 1)(10^3C + 10^2D - 10^3E - 10^2F) \\ &= 999999(10A + B - 10G - H) + 99 \times 10^3(C - E) + 99 \times 10^2(D - F) \end{aligned}$$

↓  
divisible by 481  
as  $999999 = 481 \times 2079$

↓  
Let (k)

$$\Rightarrow k = 99000(C - E) + 9900(D - F) = 9900(10C - 10E + D - F)$$

Here k should be multiple of 481.

$$\text{Now, } k = 9900(10C - 10E + D - F)$$

$$20 \times 481(10C - 10E + D - F) + 280[10C - 10E + D - F]$$

↓  
Divisible by 481

↓  
m

$$(481 = 37 \times 13)$$

37, 13 are not factors of 280 and maximum possible value of  $10C - 10E + D - F$  is 99, which can not be a multiple of 37 and 13 simultaneously.

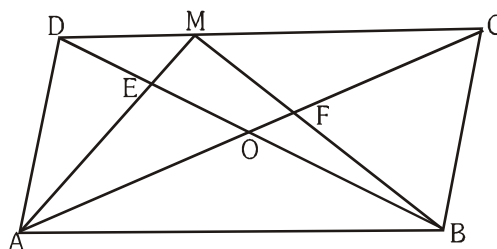
$$\therefore 10C - 10E + D - F = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 10(C - E) = (F - D)$$

This is only possible when  $C - E = 0$  and  $F - D = 0$

$$\therefore C = E \text{ and } F = D$$

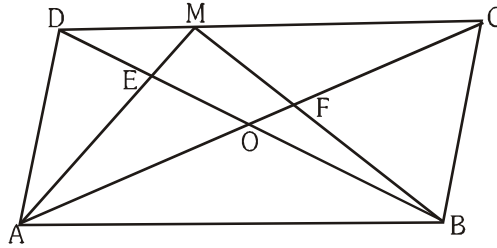
8. ABCD is a parallelogram with area  $36 \text{ cm}^2$ . O is the intersection point of the diagonals of the parallelogram. M is a point on DC. The intersection point of AM and BD is E and the intersection point of BM and AC is F. The sum of the areas of the triangles AED and BFC is  $12 \text{ cm}^2$ . What is the area of the quadrilateral EOFM?



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Sol.  $\text{ar.}(\parallel\text{gm ABCD}) = 36 \text{ cm}^2$

$\therefore \text{ar.}(\triangle ABM) = 18 \text{ cm}^2$



[If a triangle and a parallelogram are on the same base and between the same parallels then the area of triangle is half of area of parallelogram.]

$\text{ar}(\triangle AOB) = \text{ar}(\triangle BOC) = \text{ar}(\triangle COD) = \text{ar}(\triangle AOD) = 9 \text{ cm}^2$

$\text{ar}(\triangle AOB) + \text{ar}(\triangle BOC) = 18 \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots\dots(1)$

$\text{ar}(\triangle AED) + \text{ar}(\triangle BFC) = 12 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ (given)} \quad \dots\dots(2)$

$\text{ar}(\triangle AOE) + \text{ar}(\triangle BOF) = [\text{ar}(\triangle AOD) + \text{ar}(\triangle BOC)] - [\text{ar}(\triangle AED) + \text{ar}(\triangle BFC)]$

$= 18 \text{ cm}^2 - 12 \text{ cm}^2$

$= 6 \text{ cm}^2$

$\text{ar}(\text{quad. EOFM}) = \text{ar}(\triangle AMB) - [\text{ar}(\triangle AOB) + \text{ar}(\triangle AOE) + \text{ar}(\triangle BOF)]$

$= 18 - [9 + 6] \text{ cm}^2$

$= (18 - 15) \text{ cm}^2$

$= 3 \text{ cm}^2$