

<b>98-99</b>	<b>1</b>	1	<b>2</b>	8	<b>3</b>	56	<b>4</b>	405	<b>5</b>	100000
<b>Individual</b>	<b>6</b>	2401	<b>7</b>	9	<b>8</b>	36	<b>9</b>	11	<b>10</b>	9

<b>98-99</b>	<b>1</b>	3	<b>2</b>	-24	<b>3</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>4</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>5</b>	6
<b>Group</b>	<b>6</b>	12	<b>7</b>	4	<b>8</b>	7	<b>9</b>	12	<b>10</b>	135

**Individual Events**

- I1** The circumference of a circle is  $14\pi$  cm. Let  $X$  cm be the length of an arc of the circle, which subtends an angle of  $\frac{1}{7}$  radian at the centre. Find the value of  $X$ .

Let  $r$  be the radius of the circle.

$$2\pi r = 14\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 7$$

$$X = r\theta = 7 \times \frac{1}{7} = 1$$

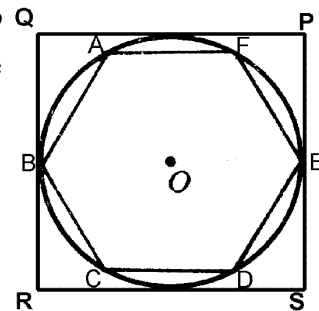
- I2** In Figure 1,  $ABCDEF$  is a regular hexagon with area equal to  $3\sqrt{3}$  cm<sup>2</sup>. Let  $X$  cm<sup>2</sup> be the area of the square  $PQRS$ , find the value of  $X$ .

Area of the hexagon =  $6 \times$  areas of  $\triangle AOB$

$$3\sqrt{3} = 6 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot OB^2 \sin 60^\circ = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot OB^2$$

$$OB^2 = 2$$

$$\text{Area of the square} = (2OB)^2 = 4 \times 2 = 8$$



- I3** 8 points are given and no three of them are collinear. Find the number of triangles formed by using any 3 of the given points as vertices.

The number of triangles formed

$$= {}_8C_3 = \frac{8 \times 7 \times 6}{1 \times 2 \times 3} = 56$$

- I4** In Figure 2, there is a  $3 \times 3$  square.

Let  $\angle a + \angle b + \dots + \angle i = X^\circ$ , find the value of  $X$ .

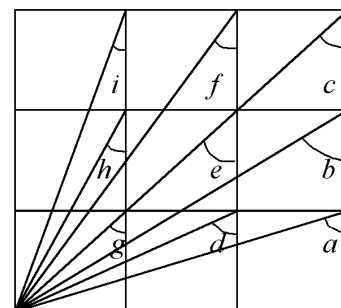
**Reference:** 廣州、武漢、福州、重慶、洛陽 初中數學聯賽

$$\angle c = \angle e = \angle g = 45^\circ$$

$$\angle a + \angle i = 90^\circ, \angle b + \angle f = 90^\circ, \angle d + \angle h = 90^\circ$$

$$\angle a + \angle b + \dots + \angle i = 45^\circ \times 3 + 90^\circ \times 3 = 405^\circ$$

$$X = 405$$



- I5** How many integers  $n$  are there between 0 and  $10^6$ , such that the unit digit of  $n^3$  is 1?

$1^3 = 1$ , the unit digit of  $n$  must be 1

There are  $10^6 \div 10 = 100000$  possible integers.

- 16** Given that  $a, b, c$  are positive integers and  $a < b < c = 100$ , find the number of triangles formed with sides equal  $a$  cm,  $b$  cm and  $c$  cm.

By triangle inequality:  $a + b > c = 100$

Possible pairs of  $(a, b)$ :  $(2, 99), (3, 98), (3, 99), (4, 97), (4, 98), (4, 99), \dots$ ,

$(50, 51), (50, 52), \dots, (50, 99), \dots$

$(98, 99)$

Total number of triangles =  $1 + 2 + \dots + 48 + 49 + 48 + \dots + 2 + 1$

$$= \frac{1+49}{2} \times 49 \times 2 - 49 = 2401$$

- 17** A group of youngsters went for a picnic. They agreed to share all expenses. The total amount used was \$288. One youngster had no money to pay his share, and each of the others had to pay \$4 more to cover the expenses. How many youngsters were there in the group?

Let the number of youngsters be  $n$ .

$$\frac{288}{n-1} - \frac{288}{n} = 4$$

$$72 = n^2 - n$$

$$n = 9$$

- 18** A two-digit number is equal to 4 times the sum of the digits, and the number formed by reversing the digits exceeds 5 times the sum of the digits by 18. What is the number?

Let the unit digits of the original number be  $x$  and the tens digit by  $y$ .

$$10y + x = 4(x + y) \dots\dots(1)$$

$$10x + y - 5(x + y) = 18 \dots\dots(2)$$

$$\text{From (1), } 6y = 3x \Rightarrow x = 2y \dots\dots(3)$$

$$\text{Sub. (3) into (2): } 20y + y - 5(2y + y) = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3, x = 6$$

The number is 36.

- 19** Given that the denominator of the 1001<sup>th</sup> term of the following sequence is 46, find the numerator of this term.  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{4}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, \dots$

Suppose the numerator of the 1001<sup>th</sup> term is  $n$ .

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 44 + n = 1001, n \leq 45$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(45)(44) + n = 1001$$

$$n = 1001 - 990 = 11$$

- 110** In the following addition, if the letter 'S' represents 4, what digit does the letter 'A' represent? SEE  
SEE

$$3E + 4 = 10a + Y \dots\dots(1), \text{ where } a \text{ is the carry digit in the tens digit.} \quad \begin{array}{r} 4EE \\ 4EE \\ 4EE \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} \text{SEE} \\ \text{YES} \\ \text{EASY} \end{array}$$

$$4E + a = 10b + 4 \dots\dots(2), \text{ where } b \text{ is the carry digit in the hundreds digit.} \quad \begin{array}{r} 4EE \\ + \text{YE4} \\ \hline \text{EA4Y} \end{array}$$

$$4 \times 3 + Y + b = 10E + A \dots\dots(3)$$

From (3),  $E = 1$  or  $2$

When  $E = 1$ ,  $(1) \Rightarrow Y = 7, a = 0, (2) \Rightarrow b = 0, (3) \Rightarrow A = 9$

When  $E = 2$ ,  $(2) \Rightarrow a = 1, Y = 0$  reject because  $YE4$  is a 3-digit number.

$\therefore A = 9$

**Group Events**

- G1**
- If
- $a$
- is a prime number and
- $a^2 - 2a - 15 < 0$
- , find the greatest value of
- $a$
- .

$$(a + 3)(a - 5) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a < 5$$

The greatest prime number is 3.

- G2**
- If
- $a : b : c = 3 : 4 : 5$
- and
- $a + b + c = 48$
- , find the value of
- $a - b - c$
- .

$$a = 3k, b = 4k, c = 5k; \text{ sub. into } a + b + c = 48$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k + 4k + 5k = 48$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 4$$

$$a = 12, b = 16, c = 20$$

$$a - b - c = 12 - 16 - 20 = -24$$

- G3**
- Find the value of
- $\log(\sqrt{3+\sqrt{5}} + \sqrt{3-\sqrt{5}})$
- .

**Reference: 1993 FI1.4, 2001 FG2.1, 2011 HI7, 2015 FI4.2, 2015 FG3.1**

$$\begin{aligned} \log(\sqrt{3+\sqrt{5}} + \sqrt{3-\sqrt{5}}) &= \log\left(\sqrt{\frac{6+2\sqrt{5}}{2}} + \sqrt{\frac{6-2\sqrt{5}}{2}}\right) \\ &= \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{(1+\sqrt{5})^2} + \sqrt{(\sqrt{5}-1)^2}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= \log\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= \log\left(\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= \log(\sqrt{2}\sqrt{5}) \\ &= \log\sqrt{10} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

- G4**
- Find the area enclosed by the straight line
- $x + 4y - 2 = 0$
- and the two coordinate axes.

$$x\text{-intercept} = 2, y\text{-intercept} = \frac{1}{2}; \text{ the area} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times 2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

- G5** Natural numbers are written in order starting from 1 until  $198^{\text{th}}$  digit as shown  $\underbrace{123456789101112\cdots}_{198 \text{ digits}}$ . If the number obtained is divided by 9, find the remainder.

**Reference: 2023 FG1.4**

123456789 has 9 digits

10111213...9899 has  $90 \times 2 = 180$  digits

$\therefore$  1234567891011...9899100101102 has 198 digits.

$1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + 9 = 45$ ,  $11 + 12 + \cdots + 19$  is also divisible by 9,  $\cdots$ ,

$91 + 92 + \cdots + 99$  is divisible by 9.

$10 + 20 + \cdots + 90$  is divisible by 9

$\therefore$  the remainder is the same as 100101102 divided by 9.

$1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 = 6$ , the remainder is 6.

- G6** The average of 2,  $a$ , 5,  $b$ , 8 is 6. If  $n$  is the average of  $a$ ,  $2a+1$ , 11,  $b$ ,  $2b+3$ , find the value of  $n$ .  
 $2 + a + 5 + b + 8 = 30 \cdots \cdots (1)$ ,  $a + 2a + 1 + 11 + b + 2b + 3 = 5n \cdots \cdots (2)$   
 From (1):  $a + b = 15$   
 (2)  $5n = 3a + 3b + 15 = 3(a + b) + 15 = 3 \times 15 + 15 = 60$   
 $\Rightarrow n = 12$

- G7** If  $p = 2x^2 - 4xy + 5y^2 - 12y + 16$ , where  $x$  and  $y$  are real numbers, find the least value of  $p$ .

**Reference: 2001 HI3, 2012 HG5, 2018 HI1**

$$p = 2x^2 - 4xy + 2y^2 + 3y^2 - 12y + 16 = 2(x - y)^2 + 3(y^2 - 4y + 4) + 4 = 2(x - y)^2 + 3(y - 2)^2 + 4$$

$p \geq 4$ , the least value of  $p$  is 4.

- G8** Find the units digit of  $333^{335}$ .

$3^1 = 3$ ,  $3^2 = 9$ ,  $3^3 = 27$ ,  $3^4 = 81$ , the units digit of  $3^{4m}$  is 1, where  $m$  is any positive integer.

$$333^{335} = 333^{4 \times 83 + 3} = (333^4)^{83} \times 333^3$$

$$= (\cdots 1)^{83} \times (\cdots 3^3)$$

$$= \cdots 7, \text{ the units digit is 7.}$$

- G9** In Figure 1,  $\angle MON = 20^\circ$ ,  $A$  is a point on  $OM$ ,  $OA = 4\sqrt{3}$ ,  $D$  is a point on  $ON$ ,  $OD = 8\sqrt{3}$ ,  $C$  is any point on  $AM$ ,  $B$  is any point on  $OD$ . If  $\ell = AB + BC + CD$ , find the least value of  $\ell$ . (**Reference: 2016 HG5**)

Reflect the figure along the line  $OM$ , then reflect the figure between  $\angle MON_1$  along the line  $ON_1$ .

$$\angle NOM_2 = 3 \times 20^\circ = 60^\circ$$

$$\ell = AB + BC + CD = AB_1 + B_1C + CD$$

$$\ell = A_2B_1 + B_1C + CD$$

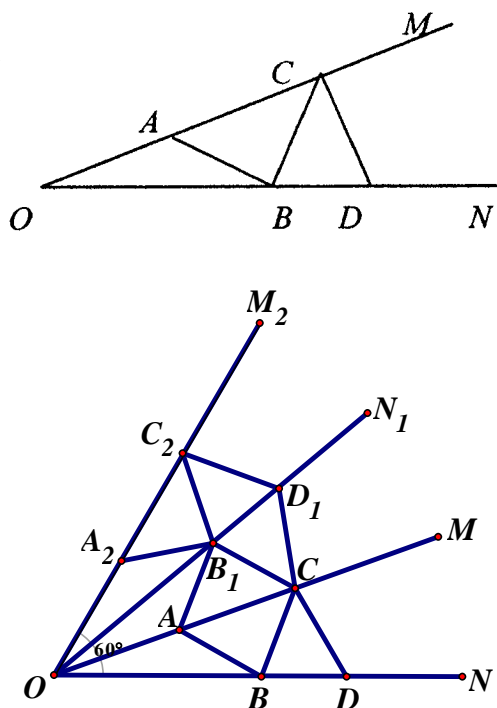
$\ell$  is the shortest when  $A_2, B_1, C, D$  are collinear.

By cosine formula on  $\triangle OA_2D$ ,

$$\text{Shortest } \ell = A_2D$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sqrt{(4\sqrt{3})^2 + (8\sqrt{3})^2 - 2(4\sqrt{3})(8\sqrt{3})\cos 60^\circ} \\ &= \sqrt{48 + 192 - 96} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 12$$



- G10** In figure 2,  $P$  is a point inside the square  $ABCD$ ,  $PA = a$ ,  $PB = 2a$ ,  $PC = 3a$  ( $a > 0$ ). If  $\angle APB = x^\circ$ , find the value of  $x$ .

**Reference: 2014 HG4**

Rotate  $\triangle APB$  by  $90^\circ$  in anti-clockwise direction about  $B$ .

Let  $P$  rotate to  $Q$ ,  $A$  rotate to  $E$ .

$\triangle APB \cong \triangle EQB$  (by construction)

$EQ = a$ ,  $BQ = 2a = PB$ . Join  $AQ$ .

$\angle PBQ = 90^\circ$  (Rotation)

$\angle ABQ = 90^\circ - \angle ABP = \angle PBC$

$AB = BC$  (sides of a square)

$\triangle ABQ \cong \triangle CBP$  (S.A.S.)

$AQ = CP = 3a$  (corr. sides  $\cong$   $\Delta$ s)

$\therefore \angle PBQ = 90^\circ$  (Rotation)

$\therefore PQ^2 = PB^2 + QB^2$  (Pythagoras' Theorem)

$$= (2a)^2 + (2a)^2 = 8a^2$$

$$AP^2 + PQ^2 = a^2 + 8a^2 = 9a^2$$

$$AQ^2 = (3a)^2$$

$$\therefore AP^2 + PQ^2 = AQ^2$$

$$\angle APQ = 90^\circ$$

$\therefore \angle PBQ = 90^\circ$  and  $PB = QB$

$$\therefore \angle BPQ = 45^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \angle APB &= 45^\circ + 90^\circ \\ &= 135^\circ \end{aligned}$$

