

**2016 Heat Individual (Sample Paper) answer**

<b>I1</b> 237	<b>I2</b> 201499	<b>I3</b> 90	<b>I4</b> $30^\circ$	<b>I5</b> 7
<b>I6</b> 11	<b>I7</b> 23	<b>I8</b> 10	<b>I9</b> $\frac{293}{34} (=8\frac{21}{34})$	<b>I10</b> 1016064
<b>I11</b> 4	<b>I12</b> 2012	<b>I13</b> 730639	<b>I14</b> 13	<b>I15</b> 81.64

- I1** An integer  $x$  minus 12 is the square of an integer.  $x$  plus 19 is the square of another integer. Find the value of  $x$ .

$$x - 12 = n^2 \dots\dots\dots (1); x + 19 = m^2 \dots\dots\dots (2), \text{ where } m, n \text{ are integers.}$$

$$(2) - (1): (m+n)(m-n) = 31$$

$\therefore 31$  is a prime number

$$\therefore m+n = 31 \text{ and } m-n = 1$$

$$m = 16, n = 15$$

$$x = 15^2 + 12 = 237$$

- I2** Given that  $(10^{2015})^{-10^2} = 0.\underbrace{000\dots 01}_{n \text{ times}}$ . Find the value of  $n$ .

$$10^{-201500} = 0.\underbrace{000\dots 01}_{n \text{ times}}$$

$$n = 201500 - 1 = 201499$$

- I3** As shown in Figure 2,  $ABCD$  is a cyclic quadrilateral, where  $AD = 5$ ,  $DC = 14$ ,  $BC = 10$  and  $AB = 11$ .

Find the area of quadrilateral  $ABCD$ .

**Reference: 2002 HI6**

$$AC^2 = 10^2 + 11^2 - 2 \times 11 \times 10 \cos \angle B \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$AC^2 = 5^2 + 14^2 - 2 \times 5 \times 14 \cos \angle D \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

$$(1) = (2): 221 - 220 \cos \angle B = 221 - 140 \cos \angle D \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

$$\angle B + \angle D = 180^\circ \text{ (opp. } \angle \text{s, cyclic quad.)}$$

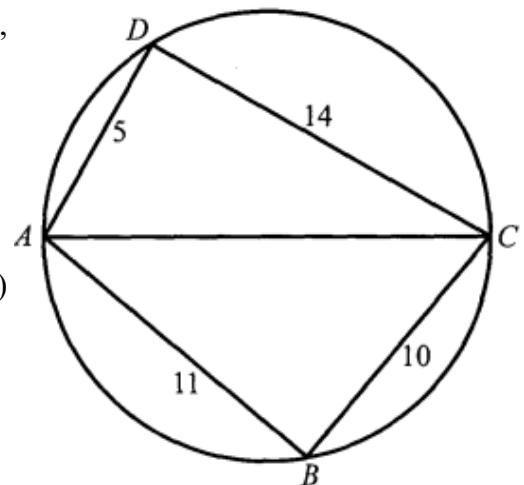
$$\therefore \cos \angle D = -\cos \angle B$$

$$(3): (220 + 140) \cos \angle B = 0 \Rightarrow \angle B = 90^\circ = \angle D$$

Area of the cyclic quadrilateral

$$= \text{area of } \Delta ABC + \text{area of } \Delta ACD$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot 11 \cdot 10 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 5 \cdot 14 = 90$$



- I4** Figure 1 shows a right-angled triangle  $ACD$  where  $B$  is a point on  $AC$  and  $BC = 2AB$ . Given that  $AB = a$  and  $\angle ACD = 30^\circ$ , find the value of  $\theta$ .

$$\text{In } \Delta ABD, AD = \frac{a}{\tan \theta}$$

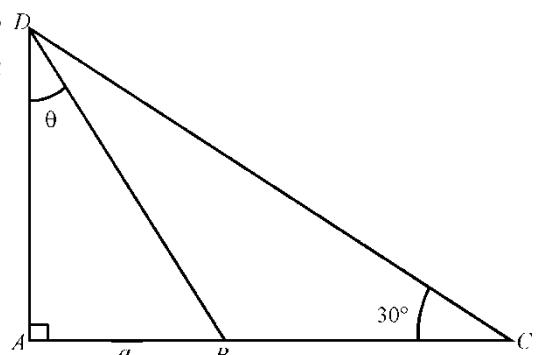
$$\text{In } \Delta ACD, AC = \frac{AD}{\tan 30^\circ} = \frac{\sqrt{3}a}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\text{However, } AC = AB + BC = a + 2a = 3a$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3}a}{\tan \theta} = 3a$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 30^\circ$$



- I5** A school issues 4 types of raffle tickets with face values \$10, \$15, \$25 and \$40. Class A uses several one-hundred dollar notes to buy 30 raffle tickets, including 5 tickets each for two of the types and 10 tickets each for the other two types. How many one-hundred dollars notes Class A use to buy the raffle tickets?

100 is an even number, the face values \$15 and \$25 are odd numbers. Only 5 tickets of \$15 and 5 tickets of \$25 can make a sum of even numbers.

$$10(10) + 15(5) + 25(5) + 40(10) = 700 \Rightarrow \text{Class A uses 7 \$100 notes.}$$

- I6** Find the remainder when  $2^{2011}$  is divided by 13.

$$2^6 = 64 = 13 \times 5 - 1 \equiv -1 \pmod{13}; 2^{12} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

$$2011 = 12 \times 167 + 7$$

$$2^{2011} = 2^{12 \times 167 + 7} = (2^{12})^{167} \times 2^7 \equiv 2^7 \equiv 2^6 \times 2 \equiv -1 \times 2 \equiv -2 \equiv 11 \pmod{13}$$

- I7** Find the number of places of the number  $2^{20} \times 25^{12}$ . (**Reference: 1982 FG10.1, 1992 HI17**)

$$2^{20} \times 25^{12} = 2^{20} \times 5^{24} = 10^{20} \times 5^4 = 625 \times 10^{20}$$

The number of places = 23

- I8** *A, B and C pass a ball among themselves. A is the first one to pass the ball to other one. In how many ways will the ball be passed back to A after 5 passes?*

Construct the following table:

Number of passes	1	2	3	4	5
<i>A</i>	0	$1+1=2$	$1+1=2$	$3+3=6$	$5+5=10$
<i>B</i>	1	$0+1=1$	$1+2=3$	$3+2=5$	$5+6=11$
<i>C</i>	1	$0+1=1$	$1+2=3$	$3+2=5$	$5+6=11$

There will be 10 ways for the ball to pass back to *A*.

- I9** Given that *a* and *b* are distinct prime numbers,  $a^2 - 19a + m = 0$  and  $b^2 - 19b + m = 0$ . Find the value of  $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a}$ . (**Reference: 1996 HG8, 1996FG7.1, 2001 FG4.4, 2005 FG1.2, 2012 HI6**)

*a* and *b* are prime distinct roots of  $x^2 - 19x + m = 0$

$a + b = \text{sum of roots} = 19$  (odd)

$\therefore a$  and *b* are prime number and all prime number except 2, are odd.

$\therefore a = 2, b = 17$  (or  $a = 17, b = 2$ )

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = \frac{17}{2} + \frac{2}{17} = \frac{293}{34} (= 8\frac{21}{34})$$

- I10** It is given that  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, \dots$  is a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $a_1 = 1$  and  $a_{n+1} = a_n + \sqrt{a_n} + \frac{1}{4}$ . Find the value of  $a_{2015}$ .

$$a_2 = 2 + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{9}{4} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{16}{4}$$

$$\text{Claim: } a_n = \frac{(n+1)^2}{4} \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

Pf: By M.I.  $n = 1, 2, 3$ , proved already.

Suppose  $a_k = \frac{(k+1)^2}{4}$  for some positive integer *k*.

$$a_{k+1} = a_k + \sqrt{a_k} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{(k+1)^2}{4} + \frac{k+1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{(k+1)^2 + 2(k+1)+1}{4} = \frac{(k+1+1)^2}{4}$$

By M.I., the statement is true for  $n \geq 1$

$$a_{2015} = \frac{2016^2}{4} = 1008^2 = 1016064$$

- I11** If the quadratic equation  $(k^2 - 4)x^2 - (14k + 4)x + 48 = 0$  has two distinct positive integral roots, find the value(s) of  $k$ .

Clearly  $k^2 - 4 \neq 0$ ; otherwise, the equation cannot have two real roots.

Let the roots be  $\alpha, \beta$ .

$$\Delta = (14k + 4)^2 - 4(48)(k^2 - 4) = 2^2[(7k + 2)^2 - 48k^2 + 192] = 2^2(k^2 + 28k + 196) = [2(k + 14)]^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{14k + 4 + \sqrt{[2(k + 14)]^2}}{2(k^2 - 4)} = \frac{7k + 2 + k + 14}{k^2 - 4} = \frac{8k + 16}{k^2 - 4} = \frac{8}{k - 2}, \beta = \frac{6k - 12}{k^2 - 4} = \frac{6}{k + 2}.$$

For positive integral roots,  $k - 2$  is a positive factor of 8 and  $k + 2$  is a positive factor of 6.

$k - 2 = 1, 2, 4, 8$  and  $k + 2 = 1, 2, 3, 6$

$k = 3, 4, 6, 10$  and  $k = -1, 0, 1, 4$

$\therefore k = 4$  only

**Method 2** provided by Mr. Jimmy Pang from Po Leung Kuk Lee Shing Pik College

The quadratic equation can be factorised as:  $[(k - 2)x - 8][(k + 2)x - 6] = 0$

$$\therefore k \neq 2 \text{ and } k \neq -2 \therefore x = \frac{8}{k - 2} \text{ or } \frac{6}{k + 2}$$

By similar argument as before, for positive integral root,  $k = 4$  only.

- I12** Given that  $y = (x + 1)(x + 2)(x + 3)(x + 4) + 2013$ , find the minimum value of  $y$ .

**Reference 1993HG5, 1993 HG6, 1995 FI4.4, 1996 FG10.1, 2000 FG3.1, 2004 FG3.1, 2012 FI2.3**

$$\begin{aligned} y &= (x + 1)(x + 4)(x + 2)(x + 3) + 2013 = (x^2 + 5x + 4)(x^2 + 5x + 6) + 2013 \\ &= (x^2 + 5x)^2 + 10(x^2 + 5x) + 24 + 2013 = (x^2 + 5x)^2 + 10(x^2 + 5x) + 25 + 2012 \\ &= (x^2 + 5x + 5)^2 + 2012 \geq 2012 \end{aligned}$$

The minimum value of  $y$  is 2012.

- I13** How many pairs of distinct integers between 1 and 2015 inclusively have their products as multiple of 5?

Multiples of 5 are 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, ..., 2015. Number = 403

Numbers which are not multiples of 5 =  $2015 - 403 = 1612$

Let the first number be  $x$ , the second number be  $y$ .

Number of pairs = No. of ways of choosing any two numbers from 1 to 2015 – no. of ways of choosing such that both  $x, y$  are not multiples of 5.

$$\begin{aligned} &= C_2^{2015} - C_2^{1612} = \frac{2015 \times 2014}{2} - \frac{1612 \times 1611}{2} = 403 \times \left( \frac{5 \times 2014}{2} - \frac{4 \times 1611}{2} \right) \\ &= 403 \times (5 \times 1007 - 2 \times 1611) = 403 \times (5035 - 3222) = 403 \times 1813 = 730639 \end{aligned}$$

- I14** Let  $x$  be a real number. Find the minimum value of  $\sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 13} + \sqrt{x^2 - 14x + 130}$ .

**Reference 2010 FG4.2**

Consider the following problem:

Let  $P(2, 3)$  and  $Q(7, 9)$  be two points.  $R(x, 0)$  is a variable point on  $x$ -axis. To find the minimum sum of distances  $PR + RQ$ .

Let  $y = \text{sum of distances} = \sqrt{(x - 2)^2 + 9} + \sqrt{(x - 7)^2 + 81}$

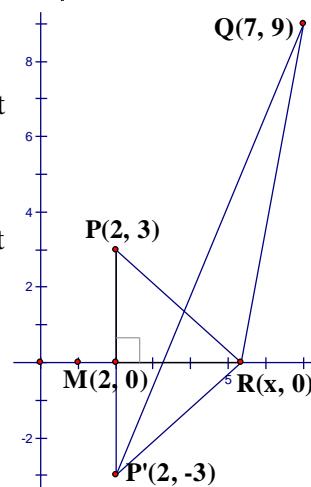
If we reflect  $P(2, 3)$  along  $x$ -axis to  $P'(2, -3)$ ,  $M(2, 0)$  is the foot of perpendicular,

then  $\Delta PMR \cong \Delta P'MR$  (S.A.S.)

$y = PR + RQ = P'R + RQ \geq P'Q$  (triangle inequality)

$$y \geq \sqrt{(7 - 2)^2 + (9 + 3)^2} = 13$$

The minimum value of  $\sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 13} + \sqrt{x^2 - 14x + 130}$  is 13.



- I15** In figure 2,  $AE = 14$ ,  $EB = 7$ ,  $AC = 29$  and  $BD = DC = 10$ .  
Find the value of  $BF^2$ .

**Reference: 2005 HI5**

$$AB = 14 + 7 = 21, BC = 10 + 10 = 20$$

$$AB^2 + BC^2 = 21^2 + 20^2 = 841 = 29^2 = AC^2$$

$\therefore \angle ABC = 90^\circ$  (converse, Pythagoras' theorem)

Let  $BF = a$ ,  $\angle CBF = \theta$ ,  $\angle ABF = 90^\circ - \theta$

Area of  $\Delta BEF$  + area of  $\Delta BCF$  = area of  $\Delta BCE$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 20 \times a \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cdot a \times 7 \cos \theta = \frac{20 \times 7}{2}$$

$$20a \sin \theta + 7a \cos \theta = 140 \dots\dots (1)$$

Area of  $\Delta BDF$  + area of  $\Delta ABF$  = area of  $\Delta ABD$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 21 \times a \cos \theta + \frac{1}{2} \cdot a \times 10 \sin \theta = \frac{10 \times 21}{2}$$

$$21a \cos \theta + 10a \sin \theta = 210 \dots\dots (2)$$

$$2(2) - (1): 35a \cos \theta = 280$$

$$a \cos \theta = 8 \dots\dots (3)$$

$$3(1) - (2): 50a \sin \theta = 210$$

$$a \sin \theta = \frac{21}{5} \dots\dots (4)$$

$$(3)^2 + (4)^2: BF^2 = a^2 = 8^2 + \left(\frac{21}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{2041}{25} (= 81\frac{16}{25} = 81.64)$$

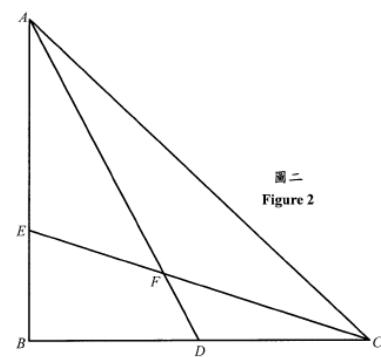


Figure 2

<b>15-16 Individual</b>	<b>1</b>	8	<b>2</b>	-1007	<b>3</b>	45	<b>4</b>	12	<b>5</b>	5985
	<b>6</b>	14	<b>7</b>	200	<b>8</b>	46	<b>9</b>	14	<b>10</b>	32
	<b>11</b>	$\frac{1}{2016}$	<b>12</b>	$\frac{17}{3}$	<b>13</b>	522	<b>14</b>	20	<b>15</b>	-1
<b>15-16 Group</b>	<b>1</b>	$\frac{1}{2}$	<b>2</b>	$75 \text{ cm}^2$	<b>3</b>	* $\frac{63}{2^{2011}}$ <small>see the remark</small>	<b>4</b>	6	<b>5</b>	$\sqrt{7}$
	<b>6</b>	672	<b>7</b>	72	<b>8</b>	386946	<b>9</b>	$\frac{281}{13} =$ $21\frac{8}{13}$	<b>10</b>	4062241

**Individual Events****I1** 計算  $0.125^{2016} \times (2^{2017})^3$  的值。Find the value of  $0.125^{2016} \times (2^{2017})^3$ .

$$0.125^{2016} \times (2^{2017})^3 = \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^{2016} \times (2^3)^{2017} = \left(\frac{1}{8} \times 8\right)^{2016} \times 8 = 8$$

**I2** 已知方程  $\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = x_2 + x_3 = x_3 + x_4 = \dots = x_{2014} + x_{2015} = x_{2015} + x_{2016} = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_{2015} + x_{2016} = x_{2016} \end{cases}$ , 求  $x_1$  的值。Given the equations  $\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 = x_2 + x_3 = x_3 + x_4 = \dots = x_{2014} + x_{2015} = x_{2015} + x_{2016} = 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_{2015} + x_{2016} = x_{2016} \end{cases}$ ,find the value of  $x_1$ .

$x_1 + x_2 = x_2 + x_3 \Rightarrow x_1 = x_3$

$x_2 + x_3 = x_3 + x_4 \Rightarrow x_2 = x_4$

$x_3 + x_4 = x_4 + x_5 \Rightarrow x_3 = x_5$

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Inductively, we can prove that  $x_1 = x_3 = \dots = x_{2015}; x_2 = x_4 = \dots = x_{2016}$ Let  $a = x_1 + x_3 + \dots + x_{2015} = 1008x_1; b = x_2 + x_4 + \dots + x_{2016} = 1008x_2$ .Sub. the above results into equation (2):  $1008(x_1 + x_2) = x_{2016} = x_2$ 

$1008 = x_2$

$x_1 + x_2 = 1 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1 - 1008 = -1007$

**I3** 有多少個  $x$  使得  $\sqrt{2016 - \sqrt{x}}$  為整數？How many  $x$  are there so that  $\sqrt{2016 - \sqrt{x}}$  is an integer?**Reference: 2018 FG4.1, 2019 FG2.1**

$45 = \sqrt{2025} > \sqrt{2016 - \sqrt{x}}$

$\sqrt{2016 - \sqrt{x}} = 0, 1, 2, \dots \text{ or } 44.$

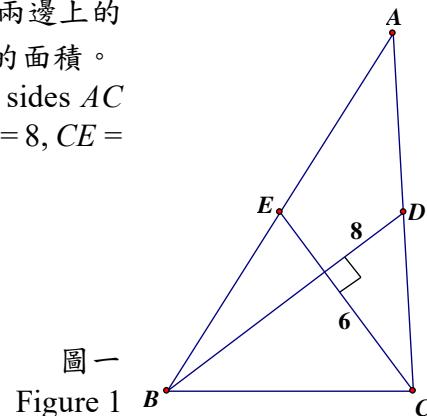
There are 45 different  $x$  to make  $\sqrt{2016 - \sqrt{x}}$  an integer.**I4** 若  $x, y$  為整數，有多少對  $x, y$  且滿足  $(x+1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 50$ ？If  $x, y$  are integers, how many pairs of  $x, y$  are there which satisfy the equation

$(x+1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 50?$

The integral solutions to  $a^2 + b^2 = 50$  are  $(a, b) = (\pm 5, \pm 5), (\pm 7, \pm 1)$  or  $(\pm 1, \pm 7)$ .\therefore The number of pairs of integral solutions are  $2 \times 2 \times 3 = 12$ .

- I5** 63 個連續整數的和是 2016，求緊接該 63 個連續整數後的 63 個連續整數的和。  
 The sum of 63 consecutive integers is 2016, find the sum of the next 63 consecutive integers.  
 The sum of next 63 consecutive integers =  $2016 + 63 \times 63 = 5985$
- I6** 已知 8 個整數的平均數、中位數、分佈域及唯一眾數均為 8。若  $A$  為該 8 個整數中的最大數，求  $A$  的最大值。  
 Given that the mean, median, range and the only mode of 8 integers are also 8. If  $A$  is the largest integer among those 8 integers, find the maximum value of  $A$ .  
 Suppose the 8 integers, arranged in ascending order, are  $a \leq b \leq c \leq d \leq e \leq f \leq g \leq A$ .
- $$\frac{a+b+c+d+e+f+g+A}{8} = 8 \Rightarrow a+b+c+d+e+f+g+A = 64 \dots\dots (1)$$
- $$\frac{d+e}{2} = 8 \Rightarrow d+e = 16 \dots\dots (2)$$
- $$a = A - 8 \dots\dots (3)$$
- Sub. (2) and (3) into (1):  $A - 8 + b + c + 16 + f + g + A = 64 \Rightarrow 2A + b + c + f + g = 56 \dots\dots (4)$
- $\therefore$  Median = 8  $\Rightarrow d \leq 8 \leq e$
- $\therefore$  Mode = 8  $\Rightarrow d = e = 8$
- In order to maximize  $A$  and satisfy equation (4),  $b, c, f, g$  must be as small as possible.  
 $f = g = 8, b = A - 8, c = A - 8$ ; sub. these assumptions into (4):  
 $2A + 2A - 16 + 8 + 8 = 56$   
 $\Rightarrow$  The maximum value of  $A = 14$ .
- I7** 在整數 1 至 500 之間出現了多少個數字「2」？  
 How many '2's are there in the numbers between 1 to 500?  
 1 to 9, '2' appears once. 10 to 99, '2' appears in 12, 20, 21, 22, …, 29, 32, …, 92: 19 times.  
 100 to 199, '2' appears 20 times, 200 to 299, '2' appears 120 times,  
 300 to 399, '2' appears 20 times, 400 to 499, '2' appears 20 times.  
 '2' appears 200 times.
- I8** 某數的 16 進制位是 1140。而同一數字的  $a$  進制位是 240，求  $a$ 。  
 A number in base 16 is 1140. The same number in base  $a$  is 240, what is  $a$ ?  
 $1140_{16} = 16^3 + 16^2 + 4 \times 16 = 4416_{10} = 240_a = 2a^2 + 4a$   
 $a^2 + 2a - 2208 = 0$   
 $(a - 46)(a + 48) = 0$   
 $a = 46$  or  $-48$  (rejected)
- I9**  $P$  點的極座標為  $(6, 240^\circ)$ 。若  $P$  向右平移 16 單位，求  $P$  的像與極點之間的距離。  
 The polar coordinates of  $P$  are  $(6, 240^\circ)$ . If  $P$  is translated to the right by 16 units, find the distance between its image and the pole. **Reference: 2019 HI2**  
 Before translation, the rectangular coordinates of  $P$  is  $(6 \cos 240^\circ, 6 \sin 240^\circ) = (-3, -3\sqrt{3})$ .  
 After translation, the rectangular coordinates of  $P$  is  $(13, -3\sqrt{3})$ .  
 The distance from the pole is  $\sqrt{13^2 + (-3\sqrt{3})^2} = 14$  units

- I10** 如圖一，在  $\triangle ABC$  中， $BD$  和  $CE$  分別是  $AC$  和  $AB$  兩邊上的中線，且  $BD \perp CE$ 。已知  $BD = 8$ ， $CE = 6$ ，求  $\triangle ABC$  的面積。  
As shown in Figure 1,  $BD$  and  $CE$  are the medians of the sides  $AC$  and  $AB$  of  $\triangle ABC$  respectively, and  $BD \perp CE$ . Given that  $BD = 8$ ,  $CE = 6$ , find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .



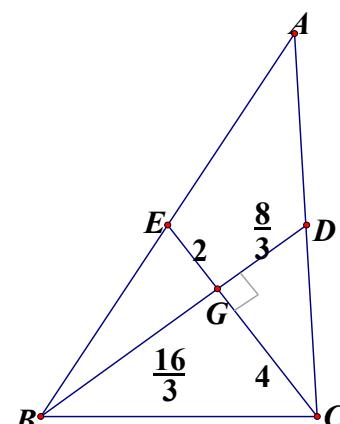
Suppose  $BD$  and  $CE$  intersect at the centroid  $G$ .

Then  $G$  divides each median in the ratio  $1 : 2$ .

$$CG = 4, GE = 2; BG = \frac{16}{3}, GD = \frac{8}{3}.$$

$$S_{\triangle BCE} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6 \cdot \frac{16}{3} = 16 \text{ sq. units}$$

$$S_{\triangle ABC} = 2 S_{\triangle BCE} = 32 \text{ sq. units}$$



- I11** 已知方程  $100[\log(63x)][\log(32x)] + 1 = 0$  有兩個相異的實數根  $\alpha$  及  $\beta$ ，求  $\alpha\beta$  的值。  
It is known that the equation  $100[\log(63x)][\log(32x)] + 1 = 0$  has two distinct real roots  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Find the value of  $\alpha\beta$ .

$$100[\log(63x)][\log(32x)] + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 100(\log 63 + \log x)(\log 32 + \log x) + 1 = 0$$

$$100 (\log x)^2 + 100(\log 32 + \log 63) \log x + (100 \log 32 \log 63 + 1) = 0$$

This is a quadratic equation in  $\log x$ . The two distinct real roots are  $\log \alpha$  and  $\log \beta$ .

$$\log \alpha\beta = \log \alpha + \log \beta = \text{sum of roots}$$

$$= -\frac{100(\log 32 + \log 63)}{100}$$

$$= \log \frac{1}{32 \times 63}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha\beta = \frac{1}{2016}$$

- I12 如圖二所示， $ABC$ ， $CDEF$  及  $FGH$  皆為直線，且  $ABC // FGH$ 。 $AB = 42$ ， $GH = 40$ ， $EF = 6$  及  $FG = 8$ 。已知  $ABC$  與  $FGH$  之間的距離為 41，求  $BC$ 。

As shown in Figure 2,  $ABC$ ,  $CDEF$  and  $FGH$  are straight lines,  $ABC // FGH$ ,  $AB = 42$ ,  $GH = 40$ ,  $EF = 6$  and  $FG = 8$ . Given that the distance between  $ABC$  and  $FGH$  is 41, find  $BC$ .

Let the mid-point of  $AB$  be  $M$ .

Draw the perpendicular bisector  $MN$  of  $AB$  cutting  $GH$  at  $N$ .

$AM = MB = 21$  and  $AB \perp MN$ .

圖二 Figure 2

$$\angle HNM = \angle AMN = 90^\circ \quad (\text{alt. } \angle\text{s, } AB // GH)$$

$MN$  must pass through the centre  $O$  of the circle.

$$GN = NH = 20 \quad (\perp \text{ from centre bisect chord})$$

Let  $ON = x$ , then  $OM = 41 - x$ . Join  $OA$ ,  $OH$ . Let the radius be  $r$ .

$$21^2 + (41 - x)^2 = r^2 \dots\dots (1) \quad (\text{Pythagoras' theorem on } \triangle AMO)$$

$$20^2 + x^2 = r^2 \dots\dots (2) \quad (\text{Pythagoras' theorem on } \triangle HNO)$$

$$(1) = (2): 441 + 1681 - 82x + x^2 = 400 + x^2$$

$$x = 21$$

$$\text{Sub. } x = 21 \text{ into (2): } r^2 = 20^2 + 21^2 \Rightarrow r = 29$$

$$FG \times FH = FE \times FD \quad (\text{intersecting chords theorem})$$

$$8 \times 48 = 6 \times (6 + ED)$$

$$ED = 58 = 2r = \text{diameter of the circle}$$

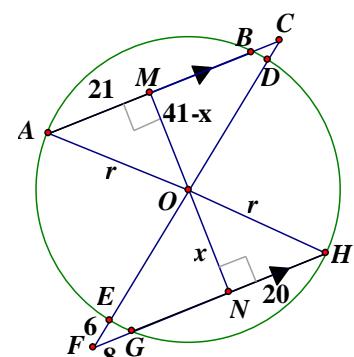
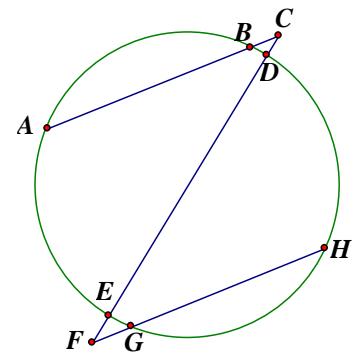
$\therefore O$  is the mid-point of  $ED$ .

It is easy to show that  $\triangle OMC \sim \triangle ONF$  (equiangular)

$$\frac{MC}{OM} = \frac{NF}{ON} \quad (\text{corr. sides, } \sim \Delta\text{s})$$

$$\frac{21+BC}{41-21} = \frac{8+20}{21}$$

$$BC = \frac{17}{3}$$



**I13** 設  $A$ 、 $B$  和  $C$  為三個數字。利用這三個數字組成的三位數有以下性質：

- (a)  $ACB$  可以被 3 整除；
- (b)  $BAC$  可以被 4 整除；
- (c)  $BCA$  可以被 5 整除；及
- (d)  $CBA$  的因數數目為單數。

求三位數  $ABC$ 。

Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be three digits. The number formed by these three digits has the following properties:

- (a)  $ACB$  is divisible by 3;
- (b)  $BAC$  is divisible by 4;
- (c)  $BCA$  is divisible by 5;
- (d)  $CBA$  has an odd number of factors.

Find the 3-digit number  $ABC$ .

From (a),  $A + B + C = 3m \dots\dots (1)$ , where  $m$  is a positive integer.

From (b),  $10A + C = 4n \dots\dots (2)$ , where  $n$  is a positive integer.

From (c),  $A = 0$  or  $5 \dots\dots (3)$

If  $A = 0$ , then  $ACB$  is not a three digit number.  $\therefore$  rejected

Sub.  $A = 5$  into (2),  $C = 2$  or 6

From (d),  $CBA$  has an odd number of factors  $\Rightarrow CBA$  is a perfect square  $\dots\dots (4)$

Sub.  $A = 5$ ,  $C = 6$  into (1):  $B = 1, 4$  or 7

$CBA = 615, 645$  or  $675$ , all these numbers are not perfect square, rejected.

Sub.  $A = 5$ ,  $C = 2$  into (1):  $B = 2, 5$  or 8

$CBA = 225, 255$  or  $285$

Of these numbers, only 225 is a perfect square

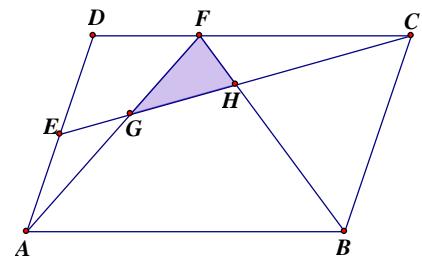
$\therefore A = 5, B = 2, C = 2$

$ABC = 522$

- I14 在圖三中， $ABCD$  為一平行四邊形， $E$  為  $AD$  上的中點及  $F$  為  $DC$  上的點且滿足  $DF : FC = 1 : 2$ 。 $FA$  及  $FB$  分別相交  $EC$  於  $G$  及  $H$ ，求  $\frac{\text{ABCD的面積}}{\Delta FGH\text{的面積}}$  的值。

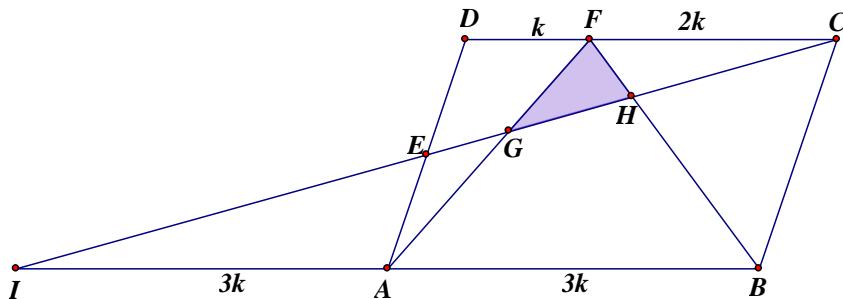
As shown in Figure 3,  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.  $E$  is the mid-point of  $AD$  and  $F$  is a point on  $DC$  such that  $DF : FC = 1 : 2$ .  $FA$  and  $FB$  intersect  $EC$  at  $G$  and  $H$  respectively. Find the value of  $\frac{\text{Area of } ABCD}{\text{Area of } \Delta FGH}$ .

Reference: 1998 HG5, 2019 HI11



圖三

Figure 3



Produce  $CE$  to meet  $BA$  produced at  $I$ . Let  $DF = k$ ,  $CF = 2k$ .

$$AB = 3k$$

(opp. sides // -gram)

$$\Delta CDE \cong \Delta IAE$$

( $DE = EA$ , given, A.A.S.)

$$IA = DC = 3k$$

(corr. sides,  $\cong \Delta$ s)

$$\Delta CFG \sim \Delta IAE$$

(equiangular)

$$CG : GI = CF : IA = FG : GA = 2 : 3 \dots\dots (1)$$

(corr. sides,  $\sim \Delta$ s)

$$\Delta CFH \sim \Delta IBH$$

(equiangular)

$$CH : HI = CF : IB = FH : HB = 2k : 6k = 1 : 3 \dots\dots (2)$$

(corr. sides,  $\sim \Delta$ s)

Let  $IC = 20m$ . By (1),  $CG = 8m$ ,  $GI = 12m$ .

By (2),  $CH = 5m$ ,  $HI = 15m$

$$\therefore GH = CG - CH = 8m - 5m = 3m$$

$$CH : HG = 5m : 3m = 5 : 3$$

Let  $S_{\Delta FGH} = 3p$ , then  $S_{\Delta CFH} = 5p$  ( $\Delta FGH$  and  $\Delta CFH$  have the same height)

$$\Rightarrow S_{\Delta CFG} = 3p + 5p = 8p$$

$S_{\Delta CAG} = \frac{3}{2} \times 8p = 12p$  ( $\Delta CFG$  and  $\Delta CAG$  have the same height & by (1))

$$\Rightarrow S_{\Delta CAF} = 8p + 12p = 20p$$

$S_{\Delta DAF} = \frac{1}{2} \times 20p = 10p$  ( $\Delta DAF$  and  $\Delta CAF$  have the same height)

$$\Rightarrow S_{\Delta CAD} = 10p + 20p = 30p$$

$$\Delta ACD \cong \Delta CAB$$

(A.S.A.)

$$\Rightarrow S_{\Delta CAB} = 30p$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{ABCD} = 30p + 30p = 60p$$

$$\frac{\text{Area of } ABCD}{\text{Area of } \Delta FGH} = \frac{60p}{3p} = 20$$

**I15** 已知數列  $\{a_n\}$ ，其中  $a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} - a_n$ 。若  $a_2 = -1$  及  $a_3 = 1$ ，求  $a_{2016}$  的值。

Given a sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , where  $a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} - a_n$ . If  $a_2 = -1$  and  $a_3 = 1$ , find the value of  $a_{2016}$ .

$$a_4 = a_3 - a_2 = 1 - (-1) = 2$$

$$a_5 = a_4 - a_3 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$a_6 = a_5 - a_4 = 1 - 2 = -1$$

$$a_7 = a_6 - a_5 = -1 - 1 = -2$$

$$a_8 = a_7 - a_6 = -2 - (-1) = -1 = a_2$$

$$a_9 = a_8 - a_7 = -1 - (-2) = 1 = a_3$$

$$a_{10} = a_9 - a_8 = 1 - (-1) = 2 = a_4$$

$\therefore$  The sequence repeats the cycle  $(-1, 1, 2, 1, -1, -2)$  for every 6 terms.

$$2016 = 6 \times 336$$

$$a_{2016} = a_{2010} = \dots = a_6 = -1$$

**Group Events**

**G1** 最初甲瓶裝有 1 公升酒精，乙瓶是空的。

第 1 次將甲瓶全部的酒精倒入乙瓶中，第 2 次將乙瓶酒精的  $\frac{1}{2}$  倒回甲瓶，

第 3 次將甲瓶酒精的  $\frac{1}{3}$  倒回乙瓶，第 4 次將乙瓶酒精的  $\frac{1}{4}$  倒回甲瓶，……。

第 2016 次後，甲瓶還有多少公升酒精？

At the beginning, there was 1 litre of alcohol in bottle A and bottle B is an empty bottle.

First, pour all alcohol from bottle A to bottle B; second, pour  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the alcohol from bottle B

back to bottle A; third, pour  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the alcohol from bottle A to bottle B; fourth, pour  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the

alcohol from bottle B back to bottle A, … . After the 2016<sup>th</sup> pouring, how much alcohol was left in bottle A?

No. of times	Amount of alcohol in A	Amount of alcohol in B
1	0	1
2	$1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
3	$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$	$1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$
4	$1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$
5	$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$	$1 - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$
6	$1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{5} \times \frac{5}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

Let the amount of alcohol in A and B be  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  after  $n$  trials.

Claim: For  $n > 1$ ,  $a_{2n} = b_{2n} = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $a_{2n-1} = \frac{n-1}{2n-1}$ ,  $b_{2n-1} = \frac{n}{2n-1}$ .

Proof: Mathematical induction on  $n$ .  $n = 2, 3$ , proved by the above table.

Suppose  $a_{2k} = b_{2k} = \frac{1}{2}$  for some positive integer  $k > 1$ .

$$a_{2k+1} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2k}{2k+1} = \frac{k}{2k+1} = \frac{(k+1)-1}{2(k+1)-1}; b_{2k+1} = 1 - \frac{k}{2k+1} = \frac{k+1}{2k+1} = \frac{(k+1)}{2(k+1)-1}$$

Suppose  $a_{2k-1} = \frac{k-1}{2k-1}$ ,  $b_{2k-1} = \frac{k}{2k-1}$  for some positive integer  $k > 1$ .

$$b_{2k} = \frac{k}{2k-1} \times \frac{2k-1}{2k} = \frac{1}{2}; b_{2k} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

By the principal of mathematical induction, the claim is true for all positive integer  $n > 1$ .

$$a_{2016} = a_{2(1008)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

**G2** 圖一顯示 $\triangle ABC$ ,  $P$  為  $AB$  的中點及  $Q$  是  $CP$  上的一點。已知  $BQ \perp CP$ ,  $PQ = 6\text{ cm}$ 、 $CQ = 9\text{ cm}$  及  $AQ = 13\text{ cm}$ 。求 $\triangle ABC$  的面積。

Figure 1 shows  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $P$  is the mid-point of  $AB$  and  $Q$  is a point on  $CP$ . It is known that  $BQ \perp CP$ ,  $PQ = 6\text{ cm}$ ,  $CQ = 9\text{ cm}$  and  $AQ = 13\text{ cm}$ . Find the area of  $\triangle ABC$ .

Produce  $QP$  to  $D$  so that  $PD = QP = 6\text{ cm}$   
 $AP = PB$  (given that  $P$  is the mid-point of  $AB$ )

$\angle APD = \angle BPQ$  (vert. opp.  $\angle$ s)

$\therefore \triangle APD \cong \triangle BPQ$  (S.A.S.)

$\angle ADP = \angle BQP = 90^\circ$  (corr.  $\angle$ s,  $\cong \Delta$ s)

$AD = \sqrt{13^2 - 12^2} \text{ cm} = 5\text{ cm}$  (Pythagoras' theorem)

$QB = AD = 5\text{ cm}$  (corr. sides,  $\cong \Delta$ s)

$$S_{\triangle BCP} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 15 \cdot 5 \text{ cm}^2 = \frac{75}{2} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$S_{\triangle ACP} = S_{\triangle BCP} = \frac{75}{2} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ (They have the same base and the same height)}$$

$$S_{\triangle ABC} = 2 \times \frac{75}{2} \text{ cm}^2 = 75 \text{ cm}^2$$

### Method 2 (Provided by Mr. Mak Hugo Wai Leung)

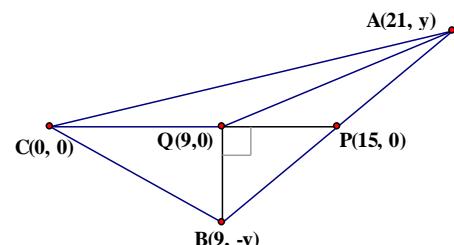
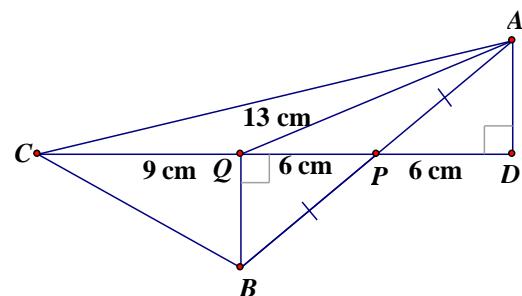
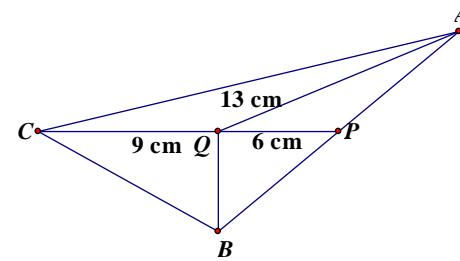
Using coordinate geometry method, we denote  $C$  as the origin, then  $Q = (9, 0)$ ,  $P = (15, 0)$ . We may let  $B = (9, -y)$ , where  $y > 0$ . Since  $P$  is the midpoint of  $A$  and  $B$ , the coordinates  $A = (21, y)$ .

$$\text{Now } AQ = 13 \text{ gives } \sqrt{(y-0)^2 + (21-9)^2} = 13,$$

solving yields  $y = 5$  (since  $y > 0$ ).

Therefore,  $A = (21, 5)$ ,  $B = (9, -5)$ ,  $C = (0, 0)$ , and the area of triangle  $ABC$  is given by:

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 9 & -5 \\ 21 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \text{ cm}^2 = \frac{1}{2} (45 + 105) \text{ cm}^2 = 75 \text{ cm}^2$$



**G3** 考慮數列  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ 。定義  $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$  其中  $n$  為任何正整數。

若  $S_n = 2 - a_n - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ ，求  $a_{2016}$  的值。

Consider a sequence of numbers  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ . Define  $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$  for any positive integer  $n$ . Find the value of  $a_{2016}$  if  $S_n = 2 - a_n - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ .

Claim:  $a_n = \frac{n}{2^n}$

Prove by induction.  $S_1 = a_1 = 2 - a_1 - 1 \Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$

$$S_2 = a_1 + a_2 = 2 - a_2 - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + 2a_2 = 2 - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow a_2 = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{4}$$

Suppose  $a_m = \frac{m}{2^m}$  is true for  $m = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , where  $k$  is a positive integer.

$$S_{k+1} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{4}{16} + \dots + \frac{k}{2^k} + a_{k+1} = 2 - a_{k+1} - \frac{1}{2^k} \quad \dots\dots (1)$$

$$2S_{k+1} = 1 + 1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{4}{8} + \dots + \frac{k}{2^{k-1}} + 2a_{k+1} = 4 - 2a_{k+1} - \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} \quad \dots\dots (2)$$

$$2S_{k+1} - S_{k+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{k-1}} - \frac{k}{2^k} + a_{k+1} = 2 - a_{k+1} - \frac{1}{2^k}$$

$$\frac{1 - \frac{1}{2^k}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} - \frac{k}{2^k} + 2a_{k+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{2^k} \Rightarrow 2 - \frac{2}{2^k} - \frac{k}{2^k} + 2a_{k+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{2^k} \Rightarrow a_{k+1} = \frac{k+1}{2^{k+1}}$$

By the principle of mathematical induction, the formula is true for all positive integer  $n$ .

$$a_{2016} = \frac{2016}{2^{2016}} = \frac{32 \times 63}{32 \times 2^{2011}} = \frac{63}{2^{2011}}$$

### Remark: Original question

考慮數列  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ 。定義  $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$  其中  $n$  為任何整數。

若  $S_n = 2 - a_n - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ ，求  $a_{2016}$  的值。

Consider a sequence of numbers  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$ . Define  $S_n = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n$  for any positive integer  $n$ . Find the value of  $a_{2016}$  if  $S_n = 2 - a_n - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ .

The Chinese version is not the same as the English version. If  $n$  is ANY integer,  $S_n$  is undefined for negative values or zero of  $n$ .

**G4** 設  $x$  及  $y$  為正整數且滿足  $\log x + \log y = \log(2x - y) + 1$ ，求  $(x, y)$  的數量。

If  $x$  and  $y$  are positive integers that satisfy  $\log x + \log y = \log(2x - y) + 1$ , find the number of possible pairs of  $(x, y)$ .

**Reference:** 2002 HG9, 2006 FI3.3, 2006 FG2.4, 2012 FI4.2

$$\log(xy) = \log(2x - y) + \log 10 \Rightarrow xy = 10(2x - y)$$

$$20x - 10y - xy = 0$$

$$200 + 20x - y(10 + x) = 200 \Rightarrow (20 - y)(10 + x) = 200$$

$10 + x$	$20 - y$	$x$	$y$
1	200	rejected	
2	100	rejected	
4	50	rejected	
5	40	rejected	
8	25	rejected	
10	20	rejected	
20	10	10	10
25	8	15	12
40	5	30	15
50	4	40	16
100	2	90	18
200	1	190	19

There are 6 pairs of  $(x, y)$  satisfying the equation.

**G5** 圖二中， $\angle AOB = 15^\circ$ 。 $X$ 、 $Y$ 是  $OA$  上的點， $P$ 、 $Q$ 、

$R$ 是  $OB$  上的點使得  $OP = 1$  及  $OR = 3$ 。

若  $s = PX + XQ + QY + YR$ ，求  $s$  的最小值。

In Figure 2,  $\angle AOB = 15^\circ$ .  $X, Y$  are points on  $OA, P, Q, R$

are points on  $OB$  such that  $OP = 1$  and  $OR = 3$ .

If  $s = PX + XQ + QY + YR$ , find the least value of  $s$ .

**Reference:** 1999 HG9

Reflect  $O, P, Q, R, B$  along  $OA$  to give  $O, S, T, U, C$ .

Reflect  $O, X, Y, A$  along  $OC$  to give  $O, V, W, D$ .

Reflect  $O, S, T, U, C$  along  $OD$  to give  $O, L, M, N, E$ .

By the definition of reflection,

$$\angle AOC = \angle COD = \angle DOE = \angle AOB = 15^\circ, \angle BOE = 60^\circ$$

$$OS = OL = OP = 1, OT = OM = OQ, OU = ON = OR = 3$$

$$OV = OX, OW = OY$$

$$s = PX + XQ + QY + YR$$

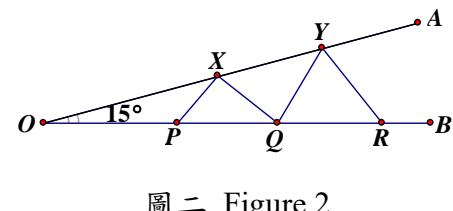
$$= PX + XT + TW + WN$$

$s$  is the least when  $P, X, T, W, N$  are collinear.

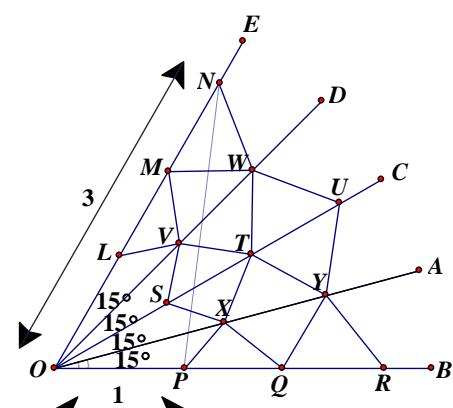
In this case, by cosine rule,

$$s^2 = 1^2 + 3^2 - 2 \times 1 \times 3 \cos 60^\circ = 7$$

$$s = \sqrt{7}$$



圖二 Figure 2



**G6** 設  $y = px^2 + qx + r$  為一二次函數。已知

- (1)  $y$  的對稱軸為  $x = 2016$ 。
- (2) 該函數的圖像通過  $x$  軸於  $A$ 、 $B$  兩點，其中  $AB = 4$  單位。
- (3) 該函數的圖像通過直線  $y = -10$  於  $C$ 、 $D$  兩點，其中  $CD = 16$  單位。  
求  $q$  的值。

Let  $y = px^2 + qx + r$  be a quadratic function. It is known that

- (1) The axis of symmetry of  $y$  is  $x = 2016$ .
- (2) The curve cuts the  $x$ -axis at two points  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $AB = 4$  units.
- (3) The curve cuts the line  $y = -10$  at two points  $C$  and  $D$  such that  $CD = 16$  units.

Find the value of  $q$ .

$$y = p(x - 2016)^2 + k$$

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of  $y = p(x - 2016)^2 + k = 0$

$$p(x^2 - 4032x + 2016^2) + k = 0$$

$$px^2 - 4032px + 2016^2p + k = 0$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 4032, \alpha\beta = \frac{2016^2 p + k}{p} = 2016^2 + \frac{k}{p}$$

$$|\alpha - \beta| = 4 \Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta)^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow (4032)^2 - 4(2016^2 + \frac{k}{p}) = 16$$

$$k = -4p$$

$$y = p(x - 2016)^2 - 4p = px^2 - 4032px + (2016^2 - 4)p$$

Let  $r, s$  be the roots of  $px^2 - 4032px + (2016^2 - 4)p = -10$

$$r + s = 4032, rs = \frac{2014 \times 2018 p + 10}{p} = 2014 \times 2018 + \frac{10}{p}$$

$$|r - s| = 16 \Rightarrow (r + s)^2 - 4rs = 256$$

$$4032^2 - 4(2016^2 - 4 + \frac{10}{p}) = 256$$

$$16 - \frac{40}{p} = 256$$

$$\frac{40}{p} = -240 \Rightarrow p = -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$q = -4032p = (-4032) \times \left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) = 672$$

### Method 2

$$y = p(x - 2016)^2 + k$$

Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of  $y = p(x - 2016)^2 + k = 0$

$$\alpha = 2016 - 2 = 2014, \beta = 2016 + 2 = 2018$$

$$p(2018 - 2016)^2 + k = 0 \Rightarrow 4p + k = 0 \dots (1)$$

Let  $r, s$  be the roots of  $p(x - 2016)^2 + k = -10$

$$r = 2016 - 8 = 2008, s = 2016 + 8 = 2024$$

$$p(2024 - 2016)^2 + k = 0 \Rightarrow 64p + k = -10 \dots (2)$$

$$\text{Solving (1), (2) gives } p = -\frac{1}{6}, k = \frac{2}{3}, q = -4032p = (-4032) \times \left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) = 672$$

**G7** 設三角形三條中綫的長度為 9、12 及 15。求該三角形的面積。

The lengths of the three medians of a triangle are 9, 12 and 15. Find the area of the triangle.

Let the triangle be  $ABC$ , with medians  $AD = 15$ ,  $BE = 12$ ,  $CF = 9$ .

The centroid  $G$  divides each median in the ratio 1 : 2.

$$\therefore AG = 10, GD = 5, BG = 8, GE = 4, CG = 6, GF = 3.$$

Produce  $GD$  to  $H$  so that  $GD = DH = 5$ .

Join  $BH, HC$ . By the definition of median,  $BD = DC$ .

$\therefore BHCG$  is a parallelogram. (diagonals bisect each other)

$CH = 8, BH = 6$  (opp. sides of  $\parallel$ -gram)

In  $\Delta BGH$ ,  $BG^2 + BH^2 = 6^2 + 8^2 = 36 + 64 = 100 = 10^2 = GH^2$

$\therefore \angle GBH = 90^\circ$  (converse, Pythagoras' theorem)

$$S_{\Delta BGH} = \frac{1}{2} BH \cdot BG = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (6 \times 8) = 24$$

$$S_{\Delta BDG} = S_{\Delta BHG} = \frac{24}{2} = 12 \text{ (equal base, same height)}$$

$$S_{\Delta CDG} = S_{\Delta BDG} = 12 \text{ (equal base, same height)}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{\Delta BCG} = 12 + 12 = 24$$

$$S_{\Delta BGF} = \frac{3}{6} S_{\Delta BCG} = \frac{24}{2} = 12 \text{ (different bases, same height)}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{\Delta BCF} = 12 + 24 = 36$$

$$S_{\Delta ACF} = S_{\Delta BCF} = 36 \text{ (equal base, same height)}$$

$$S_{\Delta ABC} = 36 + 36 = 72$$

**Method 2 (Inspired by Mr. Mak Hugo Wai Leung)**

Claim: Area of triangle  $= \frac{4}{3} \sqrt{m(m - m_a)(m - m_b)(m - m_c)}$  ..... (\*), where  $m_a, m_b$  and  $m_c$  are the

lengths of the 3 medians from vertices  $A, B$  and  $C$  respectively, and  $m = \frac{m_a + m_b + m_c}{2}$ .

The centroid  $G$  divides each median in the ratio 1 : 2.

$$\therefore AG = \frac{2}{3} m_a, BG = \frac{2}{3} m_b, CG = \frac{2}{3} m_c.$$

Produce  $GD$  to  $H$  so that  $GD = DH = \frac{1}{3} m_a$ .

Join  $BH, HC$ . By the definition of median,  $BD = DC$ .

$BHCG$  is a parallelogram (diagonals bisect each other)

$HC = BG, BH = CG$  (opp. sides of  $\parallel$ -gram)

$\Delta CGH$  is similar to a larger triangle whose sides are  $m_a, m_b, m_c$ . By Heron's formula,

$$S_{\Delta CGH} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \sqrt{m(m - m_a)(m - m_b)(m - m_c)} = S_{\Delta BGH}$$

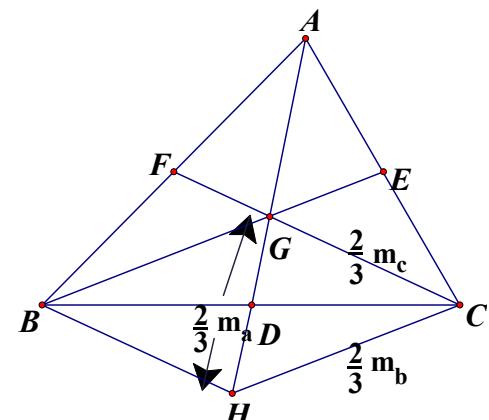
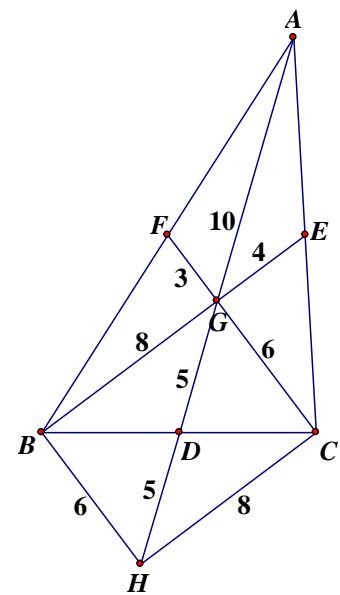
$$S_{\Delta BCG} = S_{\Delta BCH} = \frac{1}{2} S_{\Delta CGH} = \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{m(m - m_a)(m - m_b)(m - m_c)}$$

$$S_{\Delta ACG} = S_{\Delta ABG} = \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{m(m - m_a)(m - m_b)(m - m_c)}$$

$$\therefore S_{\Delta ABC} = 3 \times \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{m(m - m_a)(m - m_b)(m - m_c)} = \frac{4}{3} \sqrt{m(m - m_a)(m - m_b)(m - m_c)}$$

$$m = \frac{1}{2}(9+12+15) = 18, m - m_a = 18 - 9 = 9, m - m_b = 18 - 12 = 6, m - m_c = 18 - 15 = 3$$

$$S_{\Delta ABC} = \frac{4}{3} \sqrt{18(9)(6)(3)} = 72$$



**G8** 若某正整數的二進位表示有以下特質：

- (1) 有 11 個位，
  - (2) 有六個位是 1，有五個位是零，
- 則稱該數為「好數」。

(例如：2016 是一個「好數」，因為  $2016 = 11111100000_2$ 。)

求所有「好數」的和。

If the binary representation of a positive integer has the following properties:

- (1) the number of digits = 11,
  - (2) the number of 1's = 6 and the number of 0's = 5,
- then the number is said to be a “good number”.

(For example, 2016 is a “good number” as  $2016 = 11111100000_2$ .)

Find the sum of all “good numbers”.

Let the 11-digit binary number be  $X = \overline{abcdefgijk}$ , where  $a = 1$  and all other digits are either 0 or 1. If  $X$  is a “good number”, then, discard the leftmost digit, there are 5 1's and 5 0's.

The number of “good numbers” is  $C_5^{10} = \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6}{1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5} = 252$

Starting from rightmost digit to 2<sup>9</sup>-digit, each digit has 126 1's and 126 0's

Sum of all “good numbers” is  $252 \times 2^{10} + 126 \times 2^9 + 126 \times 2^8 + \dots + 126$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 126 \times 2^{10} + 126 \times \frac{2^{11} - 1}{2 - 1} \\ &= 126 \times (1024 + 2047) \\ &= 126 \times 3071 = 386946 \end{aligned}$$

- G9** 設整數  $a$ 、 $b$  及  $c$  為三角形的邊長。已知  $f(x) = x(x-a)(x-b)(x-c)$ ，且  $x$  為一個大於  $a$ 、 $b$  及  $c$  的整數。若  $x = (x-a) + (x-b) + (x-c)$  及  $f(x) = 900$ ，求該三角形三條垂高的總和。  
 Let the three sides of a triangle are of lengths  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  where all of them are integers. Given that  $f(x) = x(x-a)(x-b)(x-c)$  where  $x$  is an integer of size greater than  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .  
 If  $x = (x-a) + (x-b) + (x-c)$  and  $f(x) = 900$ , find the sum of the lengths of the three altitudes of this triangle.

$$x = (x-a) + (x-b) + (x-c) \Rightarrow 2x = a + b + c$$

$$2x - 2a = b + c - a, 2x - 2b = a + c - b, 2x - 2c = a + b - c$$

$$16 f(x) = 2x(2x-2a)(2x-2b)(2x-2c) = (a+b+c)(b+c-a)(a+c-b)(a+b-c) = 16 \times 900$$

$$\text{Let } a+b+c = p \dots (1), b+c-a = q \dots (2), a+c-b = r \dots (3), a+b-c = s \dots (4)$$

$16 \times 900$  is even  $\Rightarrow$  at least one of  $p, q, r, s$  is even.

If  $p$  is even, then  $(1) - (2)$ :  $2a = p - q$ , L.H.S. is even  $\Rightarrow$  R.H.S. is even  $\Rightarrow q$  is even

$$(1) - (3): 2b = p - r \Rightarrow r \text{ is even}, (1) - (4): 2c = p - s \Rightarrow s \text{ is even}$$

Similarly, if  $q$  is even, then  $p, r$  and  $s$  must be even.

Conclusion:  $p = 2j, q = 2k, r = 2m, s = 2n$  and  $jkmn = 900 = 2^2 \times 3^2 \times 5^2 \dots (5)$

$a + b + c = 2j$  is the largest, without loss of generality, assume  $j > k \geq m \geq n$

$$a = j - k, b = j - m, c = j - n \Rightarrow c \geq b \geq a$$

$$2j = a + b + c = j - k + j - m + j - n = 3j - (k + m + n) \Rightarrow j = k + m + n \dots (6)$$

Sub. (6) into (5):  $(k + m + n)kmn = 900$

$$j^4 > jkmn = 900 \Rightarrow j > \sqrt[4]{30} > 5 \dots (7)$$

If  $j > 30$ ,  $\therefore (5) \quad jkmn = 900 > 30kmn$ , then  $kmn < 30$

$$j = k + m + n > 30 \Rightarrow 3k \geq k + m + n > 30 \Rightarrow k > 10$$

$(k, m, n) = (12, 1, 1)$ , but  $(k + m + n)kmn \neq 900$ , rejected

$(k, m, n) = (15, 1, 1)$ , but  $(k + m + n)kmn \neq 900$ , rejected

$(k, m, n) = (18, 1, 1)$ , but  $(k + m + n)kmn \neq 900$ , rejected

$(k, m, n) = (20, 1, 1)$ , but  $(k + m + n)kmn \neq 900$ , rejected

$(k, m, n) = (25, 1, 1)$ , but  $(k + m + n)kmn \neq 900$ , rejected

Conclusion: by (7),  $6 \leq j = k + m + n \leq 30$

When  $j = 30$ ,  $kmn = 30 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (30, 1, 1), (15, 2, 1), (10, 3, 1), (6, 5, 1)$  or  $(5, 3, 2)$

but  $j = k + m + n \neq 30$ , rejected

When  $j = 25$ ,  $kmn = 36 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (18, 2, 1), (12, 3, 1), (9, 4, 1), (9, 2, 2), (6, 6, 1)$ ,

or  $(6, 3, 2)$  but  $j = k + m + n \neq 25$ , rejected

When  $j = 20$ ,  $kmn = 45 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (15, 3, 1), (9, 5, 1)$  or  $(5, 3, 3)$

but  $j = k + m + n \neq 20$ , rejected

When  $j = 18$ ,  $kmn = 50 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (10, 5, 1)$  or  $(5, 5, 2)$

but  $j = k + m + n \neq 18$ , rejected

When  $j = 15$ ,  $kmn = 60 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (10, 6, 1), (10, 3, 2), (6, 5, 2), (5, 4, 3)$

only  $(10, 3, 2)$  satisfies  $j = k + m + n = 15$

When  $j = 12$ ,  $kmn = 75 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (5, 5, 3)$ , but  $j = k + m + n \neq 12$ , rejected

When  $j = 10$ ,  $kmn = 90 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (9, 5, 2)$  or  $(6, 5, 3)$ , but  $j = k + m + n \neq 10$ , rejected

When  $j = 9$ ,  $kmn = 100 \Rightarrow (k, m, n) = (5, 5, 4)$ , but  $j = k + m + n \neq 9$ , rejected

When  $j = 6$ ,  $kmn = 150 \Rightarrow$  no integral solution, rejected

$a = j - k, b = j - m, c = j - n \Rightarrow a = 5, b = 12, c = 13$ , a right-angled triangle

The three altitudes of the triangle are:  $12, 5, \frac{60}{13}$ .

Sum of all altitudes =  $12 + 5 + \frac{60}{13} = \frac{281}{13}$ .

**G10** 求  $\frac{1^4 + 2015^4 + 2016^4}{1^2 + 2015^2 + 2016^2}$  的值。

Find the value of  $\frac{1^4 + 2015^4 + 2016^4}{1^2 + 2015^2 + 2016^2}$ .

**Reference: 2008 FGS.4, IMO HK Preliminary Selection Contest 2009 Q1**

Let  $x = 2015.5$ , then  $2015 = x - 0.5$ ,  $2016 = x + 0.5$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1^4 + 2015^4 + 2016^4}{1^2 + 2015^2 + 2016^2} &= \frac{1 + (x-0.5)^4 + (x+0.5)^4}{1 + (x-0.5)^2 + (x+0.5)^2} \\ &= \frac{1 + 2[x^4 + 6(0.5)^2 x^2 + 0.5^4]}{1 + 2(x^2 + 0.5^2)} \\ &= \frac{1 + 2x^4 + 3x^2 + \frac{1}{8}}{1 + 2x^2 + \frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{2x^4 + 3x^2 + \frac{9}{8}}{2x^2 + \frac{3}{2}} \\ &= \frac{16x^4 + 24x^2 + 9}{4(4x^2 + 3)} \\ &= \frac{(4x^2 + 3)^2}{4(4x^2 + 3)} \\ &= \frac{4x^2 + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{(2 \times 2015.5)^2 + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{4031^2 + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{(4000 + 31)^2 + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{16000000 + 248000 + 961 + 3}{4} \\ &= \frac{16248964}{4} = 4062241 \end{aligned}$$

**Method 2 (provided by Mr. Mak Hugo Wai Leung)**

In general, we have

$$\frac{1 + x^4 + (x+1)^4}{1 + x^2 + (x+1)^2} = \frac{2(x^4 + 2x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1)}{2(x^2 + x + 1)} = \frac{(x^2 + x + 1)^2}{x^2 + x + 1} = x^2 + x + 1$$

Substituting  $x = 2015$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1^4 + 2015^4 + 2016^4}{1^2 + 2015^2 + 2016^2} &= 1 + 2015 + 2015^2 = 1 + 2015 + (2000 + 15)^2 \\ &= 2016 + 4000000 + 60000 + 225 \\ &= 2016 + 4060225 \\ &= 4062241 \end{aligned}$$

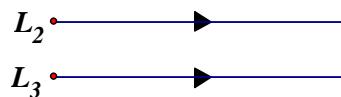
**Geometrical Construction**

1. Suppose there are three different parallel lines,  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$  and  $L_3$ . Construct an equilateral triangle with only one vertex lies on each of the three parallel lines.

假設有三條不同的平行線， $L_1$ 、 $L_2$  及  $L_3$ 。構作一個等邊三角形，其中每條平行線只會有一個頂點存在。

**Reference:**

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作圖方法如下(圖一)：

- (1) 在  $AB$  上取任意一點  $Y$ 。
- 過  $Y$  作一線垂直於  $AB$ ，交  $CD$  於  $X$  及  $EF$  於  $R$ 。
- (2) 作一等邊三角形  $XYZ$ 。
- (3) 連接  $ZR$ 。
- (4) 過  $Z$  作一線垂直於  $ZR$ ，交  $AB$  於  $P$  及  $CD$  於  $Q$ 。
- (5) 連接  $PR$  及  $QR$ 。

$\triangle PQR$  便是所需的三角形，作圖完畢。

證明如下：

$$PQ \perp ZR \text{ 及 } AB \perp YR \quad (\text{由作圖所得})$$

$$\therefore P, Y, R, Z \text{ 四點共圓} \quad (\text{外角=內對角})$$

$$\angle RPZ = \angle RYZ \quad (\text{同弓形上的圓周角})$$

$$= \angle XYZ = 60^\circ$$

$$PQ \perp ZR \text{ 及 } CD \perp RX \quad (\text{由作圖所得})$$

$$\therefore Q, X, R, Z \text{ 四點共圓} \quad (\text{外角=內對角})$$

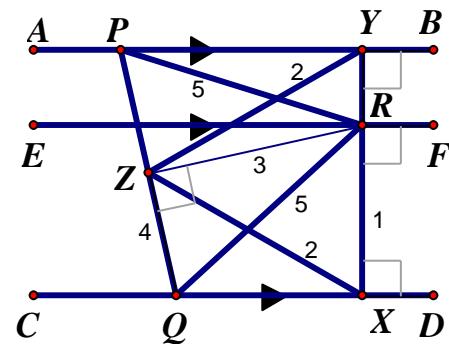
$$\angle RQZ = \angle RXZ \quad (\text{同弓形上的圓周角})$$

$$= \angle YXZ = 60^\circ$$

$$\angle PRQ = 180^\circ - 60^\circ - 60^\circ = 60^\circ \quad (\text{三角形內角和})$$

$\therefore \triangle PQR$  為一等邊三角形。

證明完畢。



圖一

方法二(由荃灣官立中學徐季忻提供)(圖二)：

(1) 在  $AB$  上取任意一點  $P$ 。

以  $P$  為圓心，任意半徑作一圓，交  $AB$  於  $H$  及  $K$ 。

(2) 以  $H$  為圓心，半徑為  $HP$  作一弧，交該圓於  $J$ ；  
以  $K$  為圓心，半徑為  $KP$  作一弧，交該圓於  $L$ ，  
使得  $\angle JPL = 60^\circ$ 。連接並延長  $PJ$ ，交  $EF$  於  $X$ ，  
及  $CD$  於  $R$ 。連接並延長  $PL$ ，交  $CD$  於  $Q$ 。

(3) 連接  $XQ$ 。

(4) 過  $X$  作一線段  $XY$ ，使得  $\angle YXQ = 60^\circ$ ，且交  $AB$  於  $Y$ 。

(5) 連接  $YQ$ 。

則  $\triangle XYQ$  便是一個等邊三角形了。作圖完畢。

證明如下：

$\triangle HPJ$  及  $\triangle KPL$  是等邊三角形

(由作圖所得)

$\angle HPJ = 60^\circ = \angle KPL$

(等邊三角形的性質)

$\angle JPL = 60^\circ$

(直線上的鄰角)

$\angle PRQ = 60^\circ = \angle PQR$

( $AB \parallel CD$  的交錯角)

$\therefore \triangle PQR$  是一個等邊三角形

$\angle QXY = 60^\circ = \angle QPY$

(由作圖所得)

$PXQY$  為一個圓內接四邊形。

(同弓形上的圓周角的逆定理)

$\angle XYQ = \angle XPQ = 60^\circ$

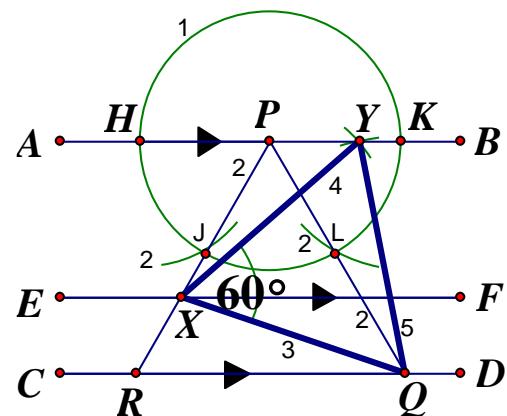
(同弓形上的圓周角)

$\angle XQY = \angle HPX = 60^\circ$

(圓內接四邊形的外角)

$\therefore \triangle XYQ$  是一個等邊三角形。

證明完畢。



圖二

方法三(由譚志良先生提供)(圖三)：

(1) 在  $AB$  上取任意一點  $P$ 。

以反時針方向，作等邊三角形  $\Delta PEG$  及  $\Delta PFH$ 。

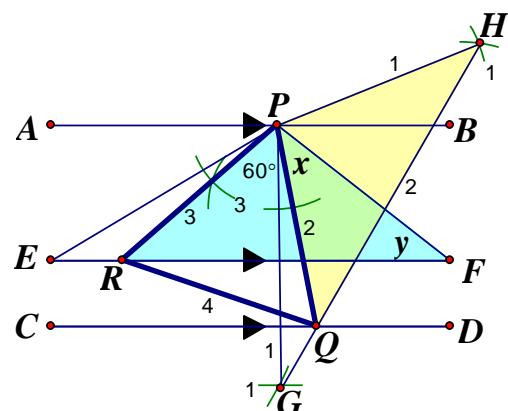
(2) 連接  $GH$ ，交  $CD$  於  $Q$ ，連接  $PQ$ 。

(3) 以順時針方向，作  $\angle QPR = 60^\circ$ ，交  $EF$  於  $R$ 。

(4) 連接  $QR$ 。

則  $\Delta PQR$  便是一個等邊三角形了。

作圖完畢。



圖三

證明如下：

設  $\angle QPF = x$ ， $\angle PFE = y$

考慮  $\Delta PEF$  及  $\Delta PGH$

$PE = PG$ ， $PF = PH$

(等邊三角形的性質)

$\angle EPG = 60^\circ = \angle FPH$

(等邊三角形的性質)

$\angle EPF = 60^\circ + \angle GPF = \angle GPH$

(S.A.S.)

$\angle PEF = \angle PHG = y$

(全等三角形的對應角)

$\angle RPF = 60^\circ + x = \angle QPH$

(已證)

$PF = PH$

(A.S.A.)

$\therefore \Delta RPF \cong \Delta QPH$

(全等三角形的對應邊)

$PR = PQ$

(兩邊相等)

$\therefore \Delta PQR$  為一等腰三角形

(等腰三角形底角相等)

$\angle PQR = \angle PRQ$

(三角形內角和)

$= (180^\circ - 60^\circ) \div 2$

$= 60^\circ$

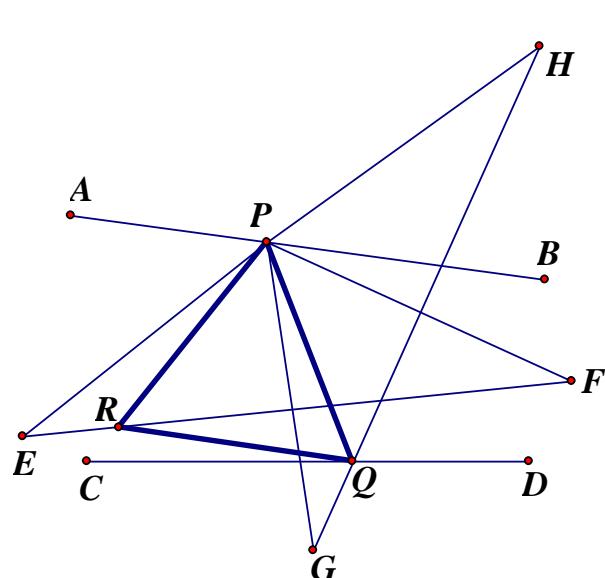
$\therefore \Delta PQR$  是一個等邊三角形

證明完畢。

註：

以上證明沒有應用  $AB \parallel CD \parallel EF$  的性質，

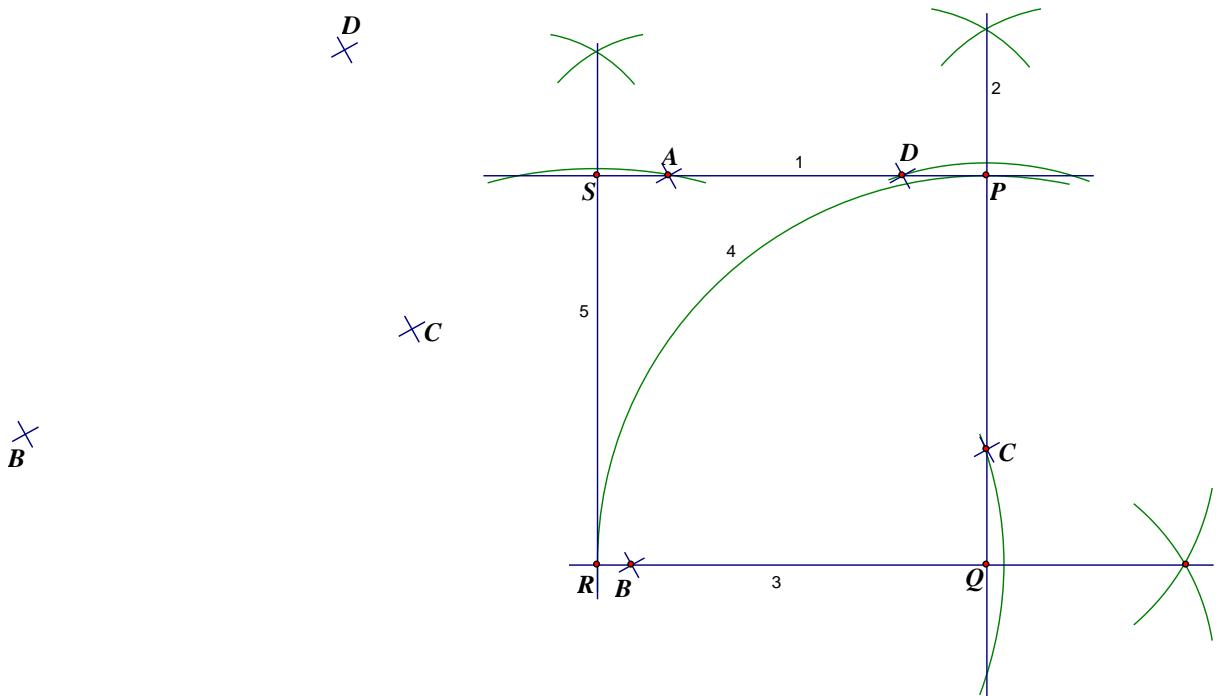
所以這個方法可以適用於任意三條線。



2. Given four points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$  as shown in the figure below, construct a square which passes through these four points.

下圖所示為四點  $A$ 、 $B$ 、 $C$  及  $D$ ，構作一個通過這四點的正方形。

$\text{A} \times$



The construction steps are as follows:

- (1) Join  $AD$  and extend  $AD$  to both ends longer.
- (2) Construct a line through  $C$  and perpendicular to  $AD$  which intersects  $AD$  produced at  $P$ .
- (3) Construct a line through  $B$  and perpendicular to  $PC$  which intersects  $PC$  produced at  $Q$ .
- (4) Use  $Q$  as centre and  $QP$  as radius to draw an arc, cutting  $QB$  produced at  $R$ .
- (5) Construct a line through  $R$  and perpendicular to  $DA$  which intersects  $DA$  produced at  $S$ .

Then  $PQRS$  is the required square.

Proof: By construction,  $\angle SPQ = \angle PQR = \angle PSR = 90^\circ$

$$\angle QRS = 360^\circ - 90^\circ - 90^\circ - 90^\circ = 90^\circ \quad (\angle \text{sum of polygon})$$

$\therefore PQRS$  is a rectangle

By step (4),  $PQ = QR = \text{radii of the arc}$ .

$\therefore PQRS$  is a square.

**Remark:**  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$  may lie outside the square.