



Stanford Mathematics Tournament 2008

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- **p1.** Find the maximum value of $e^{\sin x \cos x \tan x}$.

p2. A fighter pilot finds that the average number of enemy ZIG planes she shoots down is $56z - 4z^2$, where z is the number of missiles she fires. Intending to maximize the number of planes she shoots down, she orders her gunner to "Have a nap ... then fire z missiles!" where z is an integer. What should z be?

p3. A sequence is generated as follows: if the n^{th} term is even, then the $(n + 1)^{\text{th}}$ term is half the n^{th} term; otherwise it is two more than twice the n^{th} term. If the first term is 10, what is the 2008^{th} term?

p4. Find the volume of the solid formed by rotating the area under the graph of $y = \sqrt{x}$ around the x -axis, with $0 \leq x \leq 2$.

p5. Find the volume of a regular octahedron whose vertices are at the centers of the faces of a unit cube.

p6. What is the area of the triangle with vertices $(x, 0, 0)$, $(0, y, 0)$, and $(0, 0, z)$?

p7. Daphne is in a maze of tunnels shown below. She enters at A , and at each intersection, chooses a direction randomly (including possibly turning around). Once Daphne reaches an exit, she will not return into the tunnels. What is the probability that she will exit at A ?

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p8. In triangle AXE , T is the midpoint of \overline{EX} , and P is the midpoint of \overline{ET} . If triangle APE is equilateral, find $\cos(m\angle XAE)$.

p9. In rectangle $XKCD$, J lies on \overline{KC} and Z lies on \overline{XK} . If \overline{XJ} and \overline{KD} intersect at Q , $\overline{QZ} \perp \overline{XK}$, and $\frac{KC}{KJ} = n$, find $\frac{XD}{QZ}$.

p10. Bill the magician has cards A , B , and C as shown. For his act, he asks a volunteer to pick any number from 1 through 8 and tell him which cards among A , B , and C contain it. He then uses this information to guess the volunteer's number (for example, if the volunteer told Bill " A and C ", he would guess "3").

One day, Bill loses card C and cannot remember which numbers were on it. He is in a hurry and randomly chooses four different numbers from 1 to 8 to write on a card. What is the probability Bill will still be able to do his trick?

A : 2 3 5 7

B : 2 4 6 7

C : 2 3 6 1

p11. Given that $f(x, y) = x^7y^8 + x^4y^{14} + A$ has root $(16, 7)$, find another root.

p12. How many nonrectangular trapezoids can be formed from the vertices of a regular octagon?

p13. If $re^{i\theta}$ is a root of $x^8 - x^7 + x^6 - x^5 + x^4 - x^3 + x^2 - x + 1 = 0$, $r > 0$, and $0 \leq \theta < 360$ with θ in degrees, find all possible values of θ .

p14. For what real values of n is $\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\tan(x))^n dx$ defined?

p15. A parametric graph is given by

$$\begin{cases} y = \sin t \\ x = \cos t + \frac{1}{2}t \end{cases}$$

How many times does the graph intersect itself between $x = 1$ and $x = 40$?

PS. You had better use hide for answers.

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1 Calculate the least integer greater than $5^{(-6)(-5)(-4)\dots(2)(3)(4)}$.

2 How many primes exist which are less than 50?

3 Give the positive root(s) of $x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x - 4$.

- 4 A right triangle has sides of integer length. One side has length 11. What is the area of the triangle?
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- 5 One day, the temperature increases steadily from a low of 45°F in the early morning to a high of 70°F in the late afternoon. At how many times from early morning to late afternoon was the temperature an integer in both Fahrenheit and Celsius? Recall that $C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32)$.
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- 6 A round pencil has length 8 when unsharpened, and diameter $\frac{1}{4}$. It is sharpened perfectly so that it remains 8 inches long, with a 7 inch section still cylindrical and the remaining 1 inch giving a conical tip. What is its volume?
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- 7 At the Rice Mathematics Tournament, 80
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- 8 Terence Tao is playing rock-paper-scissors. Because his mental energy is focused on solving the twin primes conjecture, he uses the following very simple strategy:
- He plays rock first.
 - On each subsequent turn, he plays a different move than the previous one, each with probability $\frac{1}{2}$.
- What is the probability that his 5th move will be rock?
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- 9 What is the sum of the prime factors of 20!?
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- 10 Six people play the following game: They have a cube, initially white. One by one, the players mark an X on a white face of the cube, and roll it like a die. The winner is the first person to roll an X (for example, player 1 wins with probability $\frac{1}{6}$, while if none of players 1-5 win, player 6 will place an X on the last square and win for sure). What is the probability that the sixth player wins?
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- 11 Simplify: $\sqrt[3]{\frac{17\sqrt{7}+45}{4}}$
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- 13 Let N be the number of distinct rearrangements of the 34 letters in SUPERCALIFRAGILISTICEXPIALIDOCIOUS. How many positive factors does N have?
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- 14 Suppose families always have one, two, or three children, with probability $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ respectively. Assuming everyone eventually gets married and has children, what is the probability of a couple having exactly four grandchildren?
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- 15 While out for a stroll, you encounter a vicious velociraptor. You start running away to the north-east at 10m/s , and you manage a three-second head start over the raptor. If the raptor runs at

$15\sqrt{2}$ m/s, but only runs either north or east at any given time, how many seconds do you have until it devours you?

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- 16** Suppose convex hexagon $HEXAGN$ has 120° -rotational symmetry about a point P —that is, if you rotate it 120° about P , it doesn't change. If $PX = 1$, find the area of triangle $\triangle GHX$.
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