

BC Exam  
Texas A&M High School Math Contest  
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All answers must be simplified, and if units are involved, be sure to include them.

1. Given

$$A = \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}}$$

and

$$B = (\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}\sqrt{\sqrt{3}})(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{\sqrt{3}}),$$

find  $2A + B$  simplifying as much as possible.

2. Let  $x$  and  $y$  be the solutions of the system of equations

$$\sqrt{39 - 2x - 10y} = 5$$

and

$$\sqrt{15 - 2x + 2y} = 5.$$

Find  $x + y$ .

3. A collection of nickels and dimes has a total value of \$2.40 and contains 35 coins. How many nickels are in the collection?
4. A box containing 180 cubic inches is constructed by cutting from each corner of a cardboard square a small square with side 5 inches, and then turning up the sides. Find the area of the original piece of cardboard.
5. Find the largest common divisor for the numbers

$$11^{100} + 11^{101} + 11^{102} + 11^{103}$$

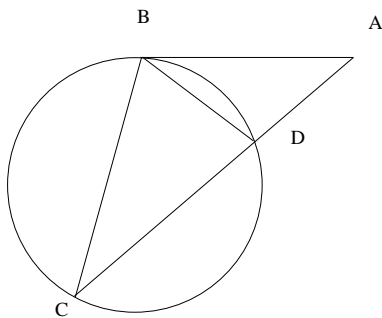
and

$$7^{100} + 7^{101} + 7^{102} + 7^{103}.$$

6. Find the sum of all solutions of the equation

$$x^2 + 6x + \sqrt{x^2 + 6x} = 20.$$

7. Suppose that  $\triangle ABC$  is a right triangle with  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ ,  $AB = 5$ , and  $AC = 12$ . On the line  $AB$  we consider the point  $M$  such that  $\triangle BMC$  is isosceles with  $BM = CM$ . Find  $AM$ .
8. Mr. Kaye is 11 times as old as his daughter Lynn. Thirty-six years from now he will be at most twice as old as Lynn. At most, how old is Lynn?
9. In the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB = AC$  and  $\angle A = 120^\circ$ . The median  $AD$  to the side  $BC$  is extended through the point  $D$  with the segment  $DM = 3AD$ . Find  $\angle DMB$ .
10. In the figure below  $AB$  is tangent to the circle. If  $AB = 8$  and  $AC$  exceeds  $AD$  by 12, what is  $AC$ ?



11. Find the sum of all positive integers  $x$  for which  $x + 56$  and  $x + 113$  are perfect squares.

12. Consider the sum

$$S = \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1}},$$

where  $n$  is a positive integer. If  $S = 10$ , what is the value of  $n$ ?

13. Find the product of all solutions of the equation

$$(3x^2 - 4x + 1)^3 + (x^2 + 4x - 5)^3 = 64(x^2 - 1)^3.$$

14. A circle whose center is on the  $x$ -axis passes through the points  $(3, 5)$  and  $(6, 4)$ . Find the radius of the circle.

15. Find the sum of all integers  $N$  with the property that  $N^2 - 71$  is divisible by  $7N + 55$ .

16. In the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $BD$  is the median to the side  $AC$ ,  $DG$  is parallel to the base  $BC$  ( $G$  is the point of intersection of the parallel with  $AB$ ). In the  $\triangle ABD$ ,  $AE$  is the median to the side  $BD$  and  $F$  is the intersection point of  $DG$  and  $AE$ . Find  $\frac{BC}{FG}$ .

17. The function

$$f(x) = x^2 + (x + 2)^2 + \cdots + (x + 98)^2 - [(x + 1)^2 + (x + 3)^2 + \cdots + (x + 99)^2]$$

is a linear function,  $f(x) = ax + b$ . Find  $a - b$ .

18. In the isosceles  $\triangle ABC$  with  $AB = AC$ , let  $AM$  be the median to the side  $BC$  and let  $BD$  be the altitude to the side  $AC$ . If  $\angle AMD = 4\angle BDM$  find  $\angle ACB$ .

19. Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two linear functions such that

$$f(x - 1) = 2x - 3 + g(1) - f(1)$$

and

$$g(x - 1) = 4x + 5 - g(1) - f(1),$$

for all real numbers  $x$ . Find  $g(5)$ .

20. Consider  $\triangle ABC$  with  $\angle B = \angle C = 70^\circ$ . On the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$  we take the points  $F$  and  $E$ , respectively, so that  $\angle ABE = 15^\circ$  and  $\angle ACF = 30^\circ$ . Find  $\angle AEF$ .