

Nassau County Interscholastic Mathematics League

Contest #5

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2024 – 2025

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25. Compute  $\sqrt{123^2 + 2 \cdot 123 \cdot 678 + 678^2}$

26. The area of a triangle whose perimeter is 8 and each of whose side lengths is an integer can be expressed in simplest form as  $p\sqrt{q}$ . Compute  $(pq)^3$ .

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27. Point  $P$ , whose coordinates are  $(k, 0)$  is equidistant from the origin and from point  $Q$ , whose coordinates are  $(2, 4)$ . Compute  $k$ .

28. If  $f(x) = (x + 1)^3 - x^3$  and  $f(0) + f(1) + f(2) + \cdots + f(99) = a \cdot 10^6$ , compute  $a$ .

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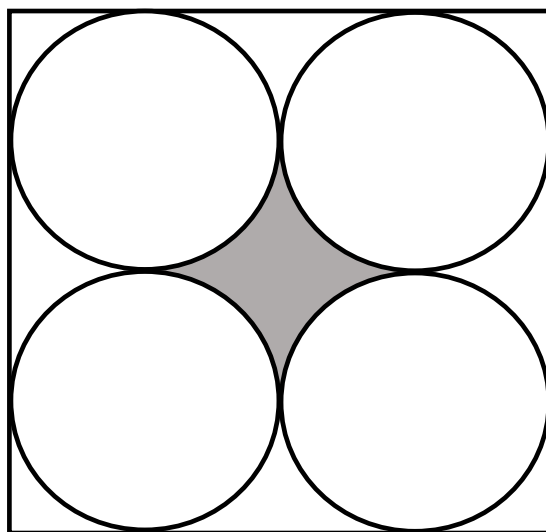
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29. Compute the sum of the members of the set of all positive two-digit numbers such that if the digits of each number are reversed, the result is another two-digit number that is 75% greater than the original.

30. In the accompanying diagram, the area of the shaded region is  $64 - 16\pi$ . Each of the congruent circles in the diagram is tangent to two sides of the square and to two adjacent circles. Compute the area of the square.



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## Solutions for Contest #5

25. The given expression is an expanded form of  $\sqrt{(123 + 678)^2} = \sqrt{801^2} = \mathbf{801}$ .
26. Since the perimeter of the triangle with integer side lengths is 8, no side length can exceed 3 because then the sum of the remaining side lengths would be 4 or less, contradicting the triangle inequality. Also, not all three sides can be less than 3 because that would make the perimeter less than 6. So, one side-length is 3 and the others sum to 5. Therefore, the triangle is isosceles with side-lengths of 3, 3, and 2. The altitude to the side whose length is 2 must be  $\sqrt{8}$  from the Pythagorean Theorem. The area of the triangle is one-half the product of 2 and  $\sqrt{8}$  or  $2\sqrt{2} \rightarrow p = 2$  and  $q = 2$ . The required response is **64**.

27. From the distance formula,  $\sqrt{(k-2)^2 + (0-4)^2} = k \rightarrow k^2 - 4k + 4 + 16 = k^2 \rightarrow 4k = 20 \rightarrow k = \mathbf{5}$ .

Alternate Solution: Let point  $R$  be the origin. The equation of line  $RQ$  is  $y = 2x$ . The midpoint of segment  $\overline{RQ}$  is  $(1, 2)$ . The equation of the line perpendicular to  $\overline{RQ}$  is:

$$y - 2 = -\frac{1}{2}(x - 1). \text{ To find } k, \text{ replace } y \text{ with } 0 \text{ and } x \text{ with } k \rightarrow k = 5.$$

28. Start with  $f(0) + f(1) + f(2) + \dots + f(99) = (1^3 - 0^3) + (2^3 - 1^3) + (3^3 - 2^3) + \dots + (100^3 - 99^3)$ . After appropriate cancellation, the sum is  $100^3 = 10^6 = 1 \cdot 10^6$  and  $a = \mathbf{1}$ .
29. Each original two-digit number is represented by  $10t + u$ , where  $t$  is the tens digit and  $u$  is the units digit. Then,  $10u + t = 1.75(10t + u) \rightarrow 40u + 4t = 70t + 7u \rightarrow 33u = 66t \rightarrow u = 2t$ . Thus, the original set is  $\{12, 24, 36, 48\}$  and the required sum is **120**.

30. Let the radius of each circle be  $r$ . The area of the square is the sum of the areas of the four circles and 4 times the area of the shaded region. Therefore,  $(4r)^2 = 4\pi r^2 + 4(64 - 16\pi) \rightarrow 16r^2 = 4\pi r^2 + 256 - 64\pi \rightarrow 16r^2 - 4\pi r^2 = 256 - 64\pi \rightarrow r^2 = \frac{256 - 64\pi}{16 - 4\pi} = 16 \rightarrow r = 4$ . Then the side of the square is 16 and its area is **256**.

