

DE Exam  
Texas A&M High School Math Contest  
November 12, 2022

**Directions:** *All answers should be simplified.*

1. It is known that  $(\sqrt{2} - 1)^4 = \sqrt{N} - \sqrt{N - 1}$ , where  $N$  is an integer. Find  $N$ .
2. A parallelogram has sides of length 2 and 3. One of its diagonals has length 4. Find the length of the other diagonal.
3. Find the probability that an integer number chosen randomly in the range from 1 to  $10^5$  (inclusive) has exactly three odd digits (not necessarily distinct).
4. Evaluate the following expression:  $\cos\left(\arcsin \frac{4}{5}\right) + \arccos\left(\sin \frac{4}{5}\right)$ .
5. Find the largest integer  $x$  satisfying the inequality  $x < \sqrt{|x - 2022|}$ .
6. Suppose  $T$  is a triangle in the plane with sides of length 2, 3 and 4. Let  $F$  be the figure that consists of all points of  $T$  as well as all points at distance at most 1 from the triangle. Find the perimeter of the figure  $F$ .
7. A function  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  satisfies a functional equation  $x + f(x) = 2f(1/x)$  for all  $x > 0$ . Find  $f(3)$ .
8. Find the shortest distance between two circles in the coordinate plane given by equations  $x^2 + y^2 = 81$  and  $x^2 + y^2 + 6x - 8y + 21 = 0$ .
9. How many real solutions does the equation  $(x^2 - x - 1)^{5x^2 - 19x + 16} = 1$  have?
10. Let  $P$  be a pentagon in the coordinate plane with vertices at points  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(4, 0)$ ,  $(5, 2)$ ,  $(3, 4)$  and  $(-1, 2)$ . Find the area of  $P$ .
11. Let  $r$  be a real root of the equation  $x^3 - x + 1 = 0$ . Evaluate the expression  $r^5 + r^4 + r^2 + \frac{1}{r}$ .
12. Suppose  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are two circles of radius 1 that touch each other at the point  $O$ . Let  $S$  be a circle centered at  $O$  and tangent to both  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ . Let  $S_0$  be a circle that touches  $S$  internally and touches  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  externally. Find the radius of  $S_0$ .
13. Let  $f$  be the function of a real variable given by the formula  $f(x) = \frac{cx + c^2}{3x - 6}$ , where  $c$  is a real number. Determine all values of the parameter  $c$  for which the function  $f$  is invertible and, moreover, coincides with its inverse function on the intersection of their domains.

**14.** Let  $P$  be a regular triangular pyramid (that is, the base of  $P$  is an equilateral triangle and the apex is projected onto the center of the base). It is given that three edges of the pyramid have length 4 and the other three edges have length 7. Find the volume of  $P$ .

**15.** Find a triple of integers  $(a, b, c)$  such that  $90 < a < b < c < 180$  and the sum of any two of the numbers  $a, b, c$  is a perfect square.

**16.** A regular dodecagon (12-gon) is inscribed into a circle of radius 1. How many diagonals of the dodecagon intersect the concentric circle of radius  $1/3$ ?

**17.** Find the sum of all even integers  $n$  in the range from 1 to 400 such that the sum  $1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + n$  is a perfect square.

**18.** In a triangle  $ABC$  with  $|AB| > |AC|$ , the median  $AM$ , the angle bisector  $AD$  and the altitude  $AH$  divide the angle  $BAC$  into 4 equal parts. Find  $\angle ABC$ .

**19.** The number  $5 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 2^{336}$  is the smallest positive integer that has exactly 2022 different divisors. How many digits does this number have when written out (in decimal notation)?

**20.** Find the least positive integer  $n$  such that the sum

$$\sin 14^\circ + \sin 28^\circ + \sin 42^\circ + \cdots + \sin(14n)^\circ$$

has negative value.