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Round 1: Arithmetic and Number Theory

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

1. $4B3C_9$ is a 4-digit base 9 number such that $C = 3B$. What is the base 9 sum of all possible numbers satisfying the given condition?
2. $ABCD$ is a four-digit positive integer such that D is twice C , $D \neq 0$, and BCD is a three-digit integer that is twice the three-digit integer ABC . Compute all possible ordered quadruples (A, B, C, D) . (Proper ordered quadruple notation must be used.)
3. Compute the number of positive integers n less than 50 such that $n-3$ and $n+3$ are both prime.

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Round 2: Algebra 1

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1. Compute the number of degrees Fahrenheit such that the number given by the Fahrenheit scale for a temperature is twice the number given by the Centigrade scale for the same temperature. (Remember the relationship between Fahrenheit and Celsius is linear with $0^{\circ}\text{C} = 32^{\circ}\text{F}$ and $100^{\circ}\text{C} = 212^{\circ}\text{F}$).

2. In trying to solve an equation of the form $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{2016}{x} = 4$, Jean miswrote the equation as $\frac{2016}{ax} = 4$, but ended up with the same answer as the original equation. Compute the value of a for which this is possible.

3. Compute all values of x (a real number) for which $\sqrt{\frac{x^2+3}{x}} - \sqrt{\frac{x}{x^2+3}} = \frac{3}{2}$.

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Round 3: Geometry

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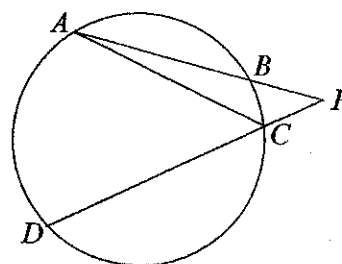
2. _____

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1. Q lies in the exterior of $\angle ABC$. If $m\angle ABQ = 97$ and $m\angle CBQ = 84$, compute all possible measures of $\angle ABC$ between 0° and 180° .

2. $ABCDEFGH$ is a cube, each edge having a length of 30 units. $ABCD$ is a cube face and $EFGH$ is its opposite face. \overline{AG} , \overline{BH} , \overline{CE} and \overline{DF} are cube diagonals. M is $\frac{1}{3}$ of the way from D to C . N is the midpoint of \overline{CG} . $MCNB$ is a pyramid. Determine the number of cubic units in the space of the cube exterior to the pyramid.

3. \overline{AB} and \overline{DC} are secants of a circle and meet outside the circle at P as shown in the diagram. If the degree measure of arc \widehat{AD} is 8 times the degree measure of $\angle BAC$, compute the largest possible integer value for the measure in degrees of $\angle P$.



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Round 4: Algebra 2

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1. Compute all real values of x for which $(\log_6 x)^2 + 3\log_6(6x) - \frac{1}{2}\log_{\sqrt{6}} 6 = 0$

2. If $f(x) = \frac{ax}{x+2}$, $x \neq -2$, compute a so that f is its own inverse.

3. Given a line for which the x -intercept, slope, and y -intercept, taken in this order, form an arithmetic sequence with a common difference of $\frac{15}{2}$. Compute all possible values of the y -intercept.

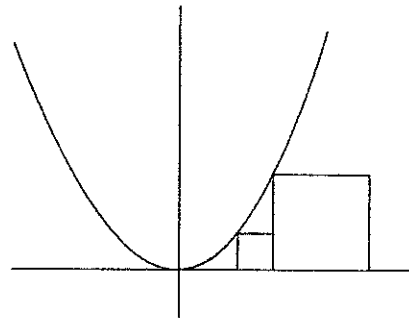
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Round 5: Analytic Geometry

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1. The intersection points of the graphs of $y = 2x^2 - 4x - 1$ and $y = -4x + 7$ determine a line segment. Compute the slope of the perpendicular bisector of that line segment.
2. An ellipse has an area of 100π and an eccentricity of 0.6. Compute the length of a latus rectum in this ellipse. (note: eccentricity of an ellipse is the distance between its center and either of its two foci; The chord through a focus and perpendicular to the major axis of the ellipse is called its latus rectum.)
3. Two squares are placed with a side on the x -axis and a corner on $y = x^2$ as shown. A side of the smaller square lies on a side of the larger. If the ratio of their areas is 81, find the side of the smaller square.



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Round 6: Trig and Complex Numbers

1. _____

2. _____

3. (_____, _____, _____)

1. For how many positive integral values of n less than 1000 is $\left(\cos\frac{\pi}{7} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{7}\right)^n$ a real number?
2. Compute the value of x if $\tan(\sin^{-1}x) = 2$.
3. In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = \cos \angle A$, $AC = \sin \angle A$, and $BC = \frac{1}{2}$. One of the triangles determined by this data is isosceles. The length of \overline{AC} for the non-isosceles triangle can be written as $\frac{a + \sqrt{b}}{c}$. Determine the ordered triple (a, b, c) .

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Team Round - Place all answers on the team round answer sheet.

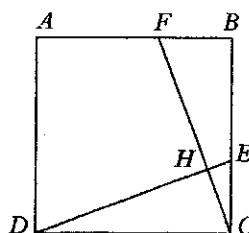
1. Compute all ordered pairs of real numbers (x, y) for which

$$\frac{9x}{2} + \frac{7}{4y} + \frac{9}{16} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{4}{3x} = \frac{y}{2} - 8$$

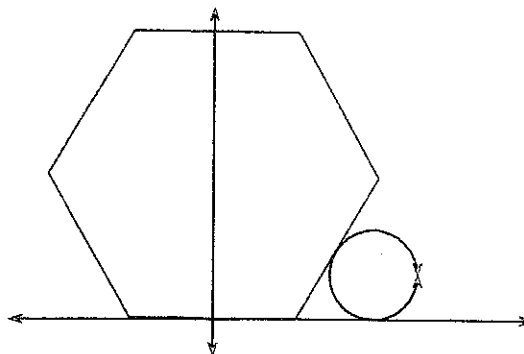
Answers must be in proper ordered pair notation.

2. Let the coordinates of point P be (x, y) , where $x < 0$ and $y > 0$. The distance from point P to the point $Q(3, 7)$ is $\sqrt{65}$. Find all possible ordered pairs (x, y) where x and y are integers. Answers must be in proper ordered pair notation.

3. $ABCD$ is a square of side 60 units and $BF = CE = 20$. Compute the number of square units in the area of $AFHD$.



4. A circle whose area is 16π square units is tangent to the positive x -axis and to a side of a regular hexagon of side 12 units. The hexagon's center is on the positive y -axis and its bottom side lies on the x -axis. Compute the coordinates of the point of tangency of the circle and the hexagon.



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Answer Sheet

Round 1

1. 13410₉
2. (1, 2, 4, 8) and (3, 7, 4, 8)
3. 9

Round 2

1. 320
2. $\frac{1}{2}$
3. 1, 3

Round 3

1. 13, 179
2. 25500
3. 107

Round 4

1. $\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{36}$
2. -2
3. $\frac{25}{2}, 9$

Round 5

1. $\frac{1}{4}$
2. $\frac{32\sqrt{5}}{5}$
3. 4

Round 6

1. 142
2. $\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$
3. (-1, 13, 4)

Team

1. $\left(-\frac{3}{32}, -\frac{112}{9}\right), \left(-\frac{2}{9}, 4\right)$
2. (-1, 14), (-4, 3), (-4, 11), (-5, 6), (-5, 8)
3. 2460
4. $2\sqrt{3}, 6$
5. $27\sqrt{2}$
6. 10

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Round 1 Arithmetic and Number Theory

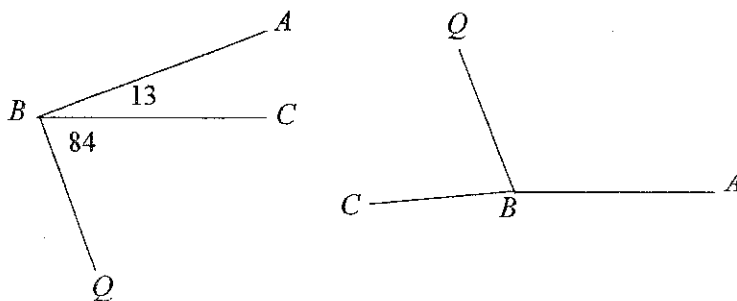
- The possible numbers are 4030_9 , 4133_9 , and 4236_9 . Their sum is $\boxed{13410_9}$.
- Since D is twice C , then $C \leq 5$. If $C = 4$ then $D = 8$. Since C is twice B , then $B = 2$, making $A = 1$. This gives 1248 which has $ABC = 124$ and $BCD = 248$. C can't be 5 or 3 since that would make $B = 2.5$ or 1.5 , nor can $C = 2$ because that makes $B = 1$ and A would be a fraction. The answers are $\boxed{(1, 2, 4, 8)}$ and $\boxed{(3, 7, 4, 8)}$.
- Since $5 + 3$ is not prime, no odd number can work for n . Also, n can't end in 2 since $n + 3$ would be divisible by 5. Similarly, n can't end in 8 except for $n = 8$ since otherwise $n - 3$ is divisible by 5. We check numbers ending in 0, 4, and 6 and obtain $n = 8, 10, 14, 16, 20, 26, 34, 40$, and 44. Answer: $\boxed{9}$.

Round 2 Algebra 1

- Since $F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$, we have $2C = \frac{9}{5}C + 32 \rightarrow C = 160$. Thus, the Fahrenheit reading is $\boxed{320}$.
- The general case is more interesting. Consider $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{m}{x} = 4$ and $\frac{m}{ax} = 4$. The first gives $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{4a-1}{ma}$ while the second gives $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{4a}{m}$. Then $\frac{4a-1}{ma} = \frac{4a}{m} \rightarrow m$'s cancel with the result that 2016 is irrelevant and $4a - 1 = 4a^2 \rightarrow (2a - 1)^2 = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{a = \frac{1}{2}}$.
- Let $Y = \frac{x^2 + 3}{x}$. Squaring both sides, $\sqrt{Y} - \sqrt{\frac{1}{Y}} = \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow Y - 2 + \frac{1}{Y} = \frac{9}{4}$
 $\Rightarrow Y + \frac{1}{Y} = \frac{17}{4} \Rightarrow 4Y^2 - 17Y + 4 = (4Y - 1)(Y - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow Y = \frac{1}{4}, 4$.
 $\frac{x^2 + 3}{x} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow 4x^2 - x + 12 = 0$ which has no real roots.
 $\frac{x^2 + 3}{x} = 4 \Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 3 = (x - 1)(x - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \underline{1, 3}$
 Both values check in the original equation.

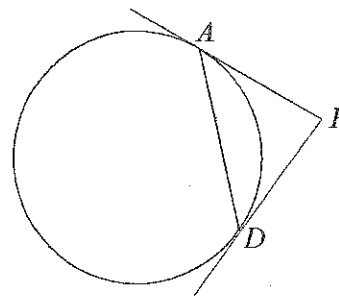
Round 3 – Geometry

1. As shown in the left-hand diagram, $\angle ABC = m\angle ABQ - m\angle CBA = 97 - 84 = 13$. As shown in the right-hand diagram, $m\angle ABC + m\angle ABQ + m\angle CBQ = 360$, so $m\angle ABC = 360 - 97 - 84 = 179$. Answer: **13 and 179**.



2. The area of $\triangle MCN$ is $\frac{1}{2} 20 \cdot 15 = 150$. The volume of pyramid $MCNB$ is $\frac{1}{3} 150 \cdot 30 = 1500$. The required volume is $30^3 - 1500 = \mathbf{25500}$.

3. Let $m\angle A = x$, then $m\widehat{AD} = 8x$, $m\widehat{BC} = 2x$, $m\angle ACD = 4x$, making $m\angle P = \frac{8x - 2x}{2} = 3x$. If \overline{PAB} and \overline{PCD} were rotated, keeping P fixed, until the lines became tangents, then A and B would coincide, and C and D would coincide as shown in the diagram. Since $m\angle P + m\widehat{AD} = 180$, for minor arc \widehat{AD} , we have $2x + 3x = 180 \rightarrow x = 36$. This would make $m\angle P = 108$, but the lines must be secants, not tangents, so the largest possible integer measure of $\angle P$ is **107**.



Round 4 – Algebra 2

1. Let $Y = \log_6 x$.

$$(\log_6 x)^2 + 3\log_6(6x) - \frac{1}{2}\log_{\sqrt{6}} 6 = 0 \Leftrightarrow Y^2 + 3(1+Y) - 1 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Y^2 + 3Y + 2 = (Y+1)(Y+2) = 0 \Rightarrow Y = -1, -2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{36}$$

2. If f is its own inverse then $f(f(x)) = x$ so $f\left(\frac{ax}{x+2}\right) = x \rightarrow \frac{a\left(\frac{ax}{x+2}\right)}{\frac{ax}{x+2} + 2} = x \rightarrow$

$$\frac{a^2x}{x+2} = \frac{ax^2}{x+2} + 2x \rightarrow (a+2)x^2 + (4-a^2)x = 0. \text{ This is true for all } x \text{ in the domain of } f \text{ if}$$

$$\boxed{a = -2}.$$

3. Assume the equation of the given line is $y = mx + b$.

Since the x -intercept is $-\frac{b}{m}$, $-\frac{b}{m}, m, b$ is an arithmetic sequence with a common difference d .

$$\text{Thus, } d = \frac{15}{2} = b - m = m + \frac{b}{m} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} m = b - \frac{15}{2} \\ 2m^2 + b = mb \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Substituting, } 2\left(b - \frac{15}{2}\right)^2 + b = \left(b - \frac{15}{2}\right)b$$

$$\text{Multiplying through by 2 and expanding, } \Rightarrow 4b^2 - 60b + 225 + 2b = 2b^2 - 15b$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2b^2 - 43b + 225 = 0 \Leftrightarrow (2b - 25)(b - 9) = 0 \Rightarrow b = \frac{25}{2}, 9$$

Round 5 – Analytic Geometry

1. From $-4x + 7 = 2x^2 - 4x - 1$, $x = -2$ or $x = 2$. The points of intersection are $(-2, 15)$ and $(2, -1)$. The slope is -4 . The required slope is $\frac{1}{4}$.

$$2. \quad \pi ab = 100\pi, \varepsilon = 0.6 = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2}} \rightarrow a^2 - b^2 = 0.36a^2 \rightarrow b^2 = 0.64a^2 \rightarrow b = 0.8a.$$

Substituting into the first equation gives $0.8a^2 = 100 \rightarrow a = 5\sqrt{5} \rightarrow b = 4\sqrt{5}$.

$$\text{Focal length is } \frac{2b^2}{a} = \frac{2 \cdot 80}{5\sqrt{5}} = \frac{32\sqrt{5}}{5}.$$

Alternate Solution:

Let $a = 5k$, $c = 3k$, then $b = 4k$. Then $20k^2 = 100$ so $k = \sqrt{5}$. The equation of the ellipse is $\frac{x^2}{125} + \frac{y^2}{80} = 1$. Substituting $x = 3\sqrt{5}$, we get $\frac{y^2}{80} = 1 - \frac{45}{125} = 1 - \frac{9}{25} = \frac{16}{25}$. Then

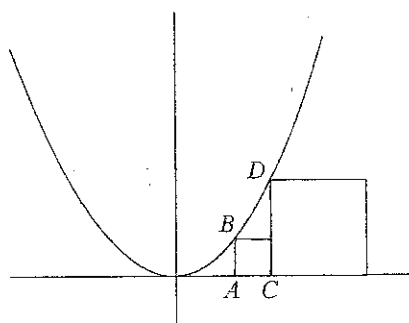
$$y = \pm \frac{4}{5} \cdot 4\sqrt{5} = \pm \frac{16}{5}\sqrt{5}. \text{ so the focal chord is } \boxed{32 \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}}.$$

3. Let $A = (x, 0)$, then $B = (x, x^2)$, making $C = (x + x^2, 0)$ and $D = (x + x^2, (x + x^2)^2)$.

Then the area of the smaller square is $(x^2)^2 = x^4$. The area of the larger square is

$$\left((x + x^2)^2 \right)^2 = (x + x^2)^4. \text{ Then } \frac{(x + x^2)^4}{x^4} = 81 \rightarrow \frac{(x + x^2)^4}{x^4} = 81 \rightarrow \frac{(x + x^2)^2}{x^2} = 9 \rightarrow x^2 - 2x = 0. \text{ Thus, } x = 2 \text{ so}$$

the side of the smaller square is $\boxed{4}$.



Round 6 – Trig and Complex Numbers

1. If n is a multiple of 7, then the expression either equals $\cos \pi + i \sin \pi = -1$ or $\cos 2\pi + i \sin 2\pi = 1$. Since $\frac{1000}{7} = 142.857\overline{142857}$, there are $\boxed{142}$ values of n that give real numbers.
2. Let $\sin^{-1} x = \theta$, then $\tan \theta = 2$ and $\sin \theta = x$. First, for the tangent to be positive, x must be a first quadrant angle. Second, $\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$, giving $\frac{x}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}} = 2 \rightarrow x^2 = 4 - 4x^2$. Hence,

$$x^2 = \frac{4}{5} \rightarrow x = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{5}$$

3. By the Law of Cosines we have $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \sin^2 A + \cos^2 A - 2 \sin A \cos A \cos A =$

$$\frac{1}{4} = 1 - 2 \cos^2 A \sin A \rightarrow 2 \cos^2 A \sin A = \frac{3}{4} \rightarrow (1 - \sin^2 A) \sin A = \frac{3}{8} \rightarrow \sin^3 A - \sin A + \frac{3}{8} = 0.$$

We're told that $\frac{1}{2}$ is a solution. The reduced polynomial is $4 \sin^2 A + 2 \sin A - 3 = 0$. The only

positive solution is $\frac{-1 + \sqrt{13}}{4}$. Then $\boxed{(a, b, c) = (-1, 13, 4)}$.

Team Round

$$1. \quad \frac{4}{3x} = \frac{y}{2} - 8 \Rightarrow y = 2\left(\frac{4}{3x} + 8\right) = \boxed{\frac{8(6x+1)}{3x}} \quad \text{Substituting in the first equation,}$$

$$\frac{9x}{2} + \frac{7}{4} \cdot \frac{3x}{8(6x+1)} + \frac{9}{16} = 0 \quad \text{Multiplying by } \frac{2}{3}, \quad 3x + \frac{7x}{16(6x+1)} + \frac{3}{8} = 0$$

$$\text{Multiplying by the LCD } (16(6x+1)), \quad 48x(6x+1) + 7x + 6(6x+1) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 288x^2 + 91x + 6 = 0$$

With an odd middle term, we try factoring 288 as an odd times an even (~~288~~·1, ~~96~~·3, 32·9)

$$(32x+3)(9x+2) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{32}, -\frac{2}{9} \quad \text{Substituting in the boxed expression,}$$

$$\frac{8\left(6 \cdot \frac{-3}{32} + 1\right)}{3 \cdot \frac{-3}{32}} = \frac{8(-18+32)}{-9} = -\frac{112}{9} \text{ and } \frac{8\left(6 \cdot \frac{-2}{9} + 1\right)}{3 \cdot \frac{-2}{9}} = \frac{8(-12+9)}{-6} = \frac{8 \cdot 3}{6} = 4.$$

$$\text{Thus, we have } (x, y) = \left(-\frac{3}{32}, -\frac{112}{9}\right), \left(-\frac{2}{9}, 4\right).$$

Alternate Solution:

The second equation can be written as $\frac{4}{3x} = \frac{y-16}{2}$. Multiplying the first equation by 1/6,

we get $\frac{3x}{4} + \frac{7}{24y} + \frac{3}{32} = 0$. Combining gives $\frac{2}{y-16} = -\frac{7}{24y} - \frac{3}{32} \rightarrow 9y^2 + 76y - 448 = 0$.

Reducing the roots by a factor of 4, we get $9y^2 + \frac{76y}{4} - \frac{448}{16} = 0 \rightarrow 9y^2 + 19y - 28 = 0$ where

$y = 1$ is a root. So the factors are $(y-1)(9y+28) = 0$, then the roots of the original equation are $y = 4$ and $y = -\frac{112}{9}$. Substituting into $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{3(y-16)}{8}$ gives $x = -\frac{2}{9}$ and $x = -\frac{3}{32}$.

2. Squaring PQ , $(x-3)^2 + (y-7)^2 = 65$

The only possible sums of perfect squares that produce 65 are $1^2 + 8^2$ and $4^2 + 7^2$.

$x-3 = 1, 4, 7, 8 \Rightarrow x > 0$ All are rejected.

$$x-3 = \begin{cases} -1 \\ -4 \\ -7 \\ -8 \end{cases} \Rightarrow x = \begin{cases} \cancel{-2} \\ -1 \\ -4 \\ -5 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$(y-7)^2 = 65 - (x-3)^2 = 65 - \begin{cases} 16 \\ 49 \\ 64 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 49 \\ 16 \\ 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow y = 7 + \begin{cases} \pm 7 \\ \pm 4 \\ \pm 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow y = \begin{cases} 14 \\ 3, 11 \\ 6, 8 \end{cases}$$

Thus, we have 5 ordered pairs, namely, $(-1, 14), (-4, 3), (-4, 11), (-5, 6), (-5, 8)$

3. The area of $ABCD$ is 3600 and the sum of the areas of $\triangle BCF$ and $\triangle CDE$ is $2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 60 \cdot 20 = 1200$. This

counts the area of EH twice so it must be

subtracted. Let $m\angle EDC = \theta$, then

$m\angle DEC = 90 - \theta$, and since $\triangle BCF \cong \triangle CDE$, then

$m\angle BCF = \theta$, making $\triangle CHE \square \triangle DCE$.

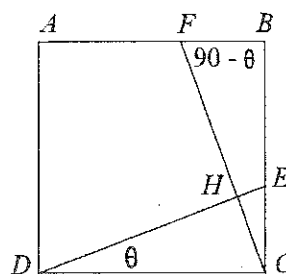
$DE = \sqrt{60^2 + 20^2} = 20\sqrt{10}$, so the ratio of EC to

DC is $\frac{20}{20\sqrt{10}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$ and since the ratio of areas is

the square of the ratio of corresponding sides, the

area of ECH equals $\frac{1}{10} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 20 \cdot 60 = 60$. The area of

$AFHD = 3600 - (1200 - 60) = \boxed{2460}$.



Alternate Solution:

Put the square on a coordinate system with

$D(0,0), C(60,0), B(60,60), A(0,60)$. Then $F(40,60)$

DE is $x - 3y = 0$, and CF is $3x + y = 180$. Solving we

get $H = (54, 18)$. Then using the determinant

method, we get

$$.5 \begin{vmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 54 & 18 \\ 40 & 60 \\ 0 & 60 \\ 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} =$$

$$0.5(3240 + 2400 - 720) = 2460.$$

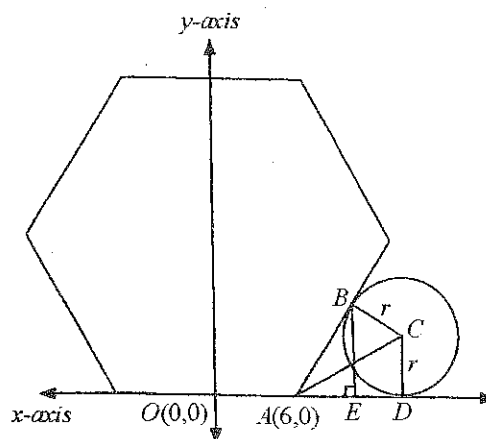
4. Since $m\angle BAC = 60$ and \overline{AC} bisects the angle, ABC and ADC are 30-60-90 right triangles, making

$AD = AB = r\sqrt{3}$. Drop a perpendicular from the

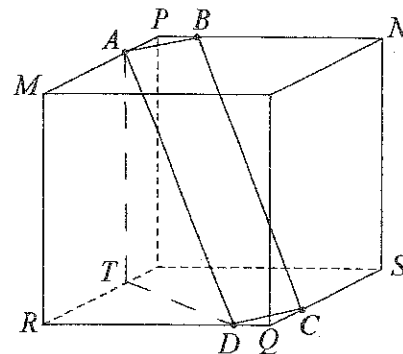
point of tangency B . Then $AE = \frac{r\sqrt{3}}{2}$ making

$$BE = \frac{r\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot \sqrt{3} = \frac{3r}{2}. \text{ Since } r = 4 \text{ the coordinates of}$$

$$B \text{ are } (AE, BE) = \boxed{(2\sqrt{3}, 6)}.$$



5. Let the edge of the cube equal $3x$. Then $AP = BP = x$, making $AB = x\sqrt{2}$. Let T lie directly below A . Then $TR = 2x = RD$, making $TD = 2x\sqrt{2}$. Since $AT = 3x$, then $AD = \sqrt{9x^2 + 8x^2} = x\sqrt{17}$. The area of $ABCD$ is, therefore $x\sqrt{2} \cdot x\sqrt{17} = x^2\sqrt{34}$. Setting $x^2\sqrt{34} = \sqrt{17}$ gives $x^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$. If the edge of the cube is $3x$, then the surface area is $6(3x)^2 = 54x^2$. The surface area is, therefore, $54 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \boxed{27\sqrt{2}}$



6. Using the reciprocal relationship and the power rule, we have $\frac{1}{\log_y x} + 2\log_y x - 3 = 0 \rightarrow$

$2(\log_y x)^2 - 3\log_y x + 1 = 0 \rightarrow (2\log_y x - 1)(\log_y x - 1) = 0$. Thus, $x = y^{1/2}$ or $y = x \rightarrow y = x^2$ or $y = x$. The first gives the two ordered pairs (2, 4) and (3, 9). Since a log base can't be 1, the second gives 8 ordered pairs from (2, 2) to (9, 9). The answer is $\boxed{10}$.

