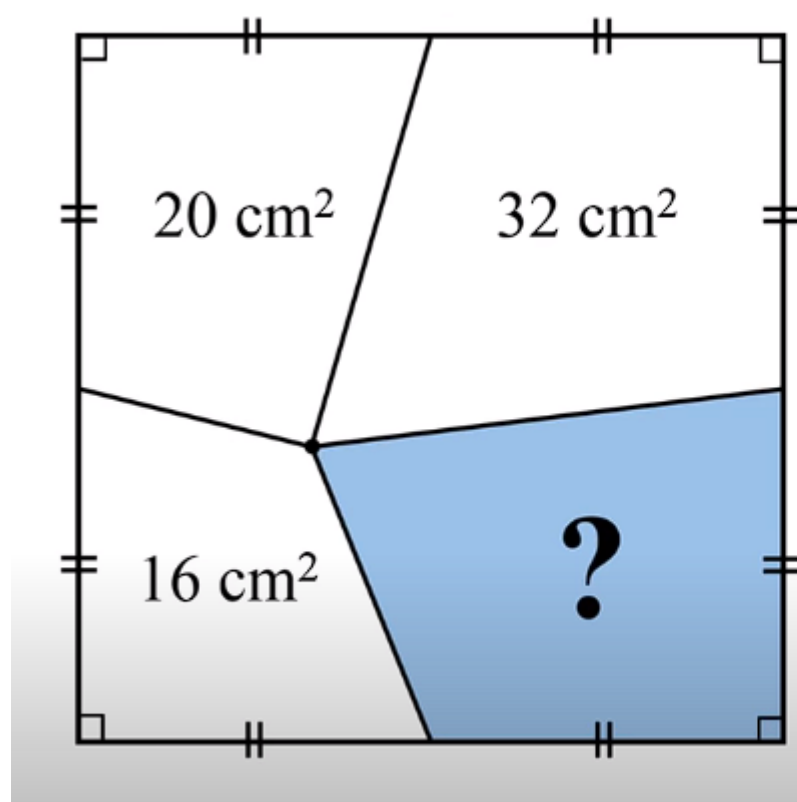


October Math Gems

PROBLEM OF THE WEEK 26

§1 Problems

Problem 1.1. What is the length of $|XY|$

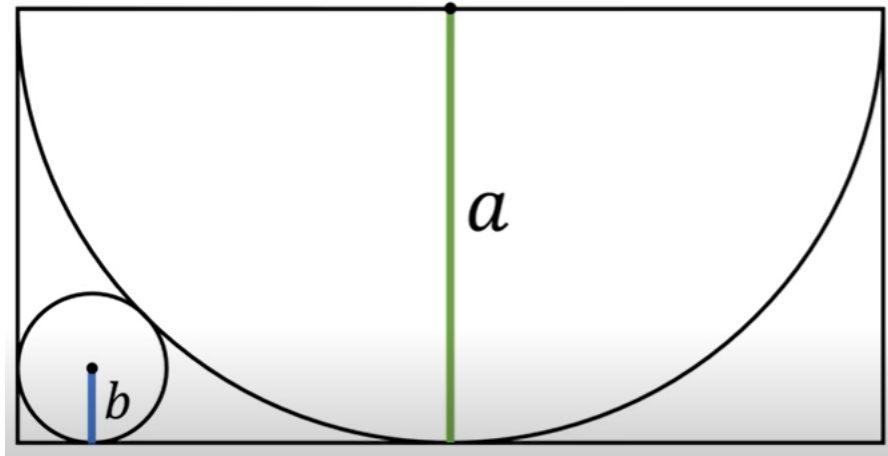


(Diagram not to scale)

Problem 1.2. Suppose that α , β , and γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 + 3x^2 - 24x + 1 = 0$. Find the value $\sqrt[3]{\alpha} + \sqrt[3]{\beta} + \sqrt[3]{\gamma}$

Problem 1.3. Find all real solution for the equation $\sqrt[3]{x} + \sqrt[3]{x-16} = \sqrt[3]{x-8}$

Problem 1.4. Find $\frac{a}{b}$



Problem 1.5. In the equation $ax^2 + 5x + 2$, solve for a so that the equation has exactly one solution

Problem 1.6. Given that $x^2 = 17x + y$ and $y^2 = 17y + x$. Then, what is the value of $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + 1}$?

Problem 1.7. Given that $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{25} + \sqrt[3]{5} + 1} = A\sqrt[3]{25} + B\sqrt[3]{5} + C$. So, what is the value of $A + B + C$ (A,B, and C are rational numbers).

Problem 1.8. Solve for all real values of x

$$4^x + 6^x = 9^x$$

Problem 1.9. $\sin^2(1^\circ) + \sin^2(2^\circ) + \sin^2(3^\circ) + \cdots + \sin^2(90^\circ)$

Problem 1.10. If $x = \sqrt{3\sqrt{2\sqrt{3\sqrt{2\sqrt{3\sqrt{2\dots}}}}}}$, Find the value of x^2

Problem 1.11. Given that $4x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 2$. Then, what is the value of $8x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$?

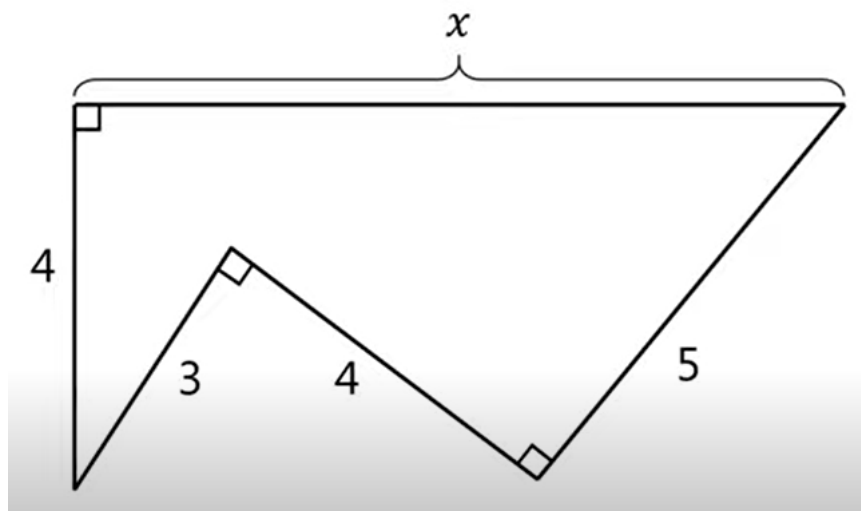
Problem 1.12. The leg of a right-angled triangle is equal to $\frac{1}{5}$ the sum of the other sides, and the triangle's perimeter is 1. What is the area of the triangle?

Problem 1.13. Find all positive integers for which $n^2 + 45$ is a perfect square

Problem 1.14. A club has 30 members. The positions of president, vice president, and treasurer will be assigned to 3 distinct members. What is the maximum number of distinct assignments that can be made?

Problem 1.15. There are 90 equally spaced dots marked on a circle. Shannon chooses an integer, n . Beginning at a randomly chosen dot, Shannon goes around the circle clockwise and colours in every n th dot. He continues going around and around the circle colouring in every n th dot, counting each dot whether it is coloured in or not, until he has coloured in every dot. Which of the following could have been Shannon's integer ?
(3, 5, 6, 7)

Problem 1.16. What is the value of x ?



Problem 1.17. If $x^2 = 2023 + y$, $y^2 = 2023 + x$, where $x \neq y$ and x and y are both real numbers. Find the value of xy

Problem 1.18. Solve for real values of x

$$2\sqrt[3]{2x+1} = x^3 - 1$$

Problem 1.19. Simplify and prove your answer for real values of x

$$x = \sqrt[3]{8 + 3\sqrt{21}} + \sqrt[3]{8 - 3\sqrt{21}}$$

Problem 1.20. Solve for all real solutions of x

$$(x^2 - 7x + 11)^{(x^2 - 13x + 42)} = 1$$