

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE
CONTEST 3 - DECEMBER 2015 SOLUTION KEY**

Team Round - continued

C) $OQ = 5 \Rightarrow OR = 13$

An equation of a origin-centered circle passing through point R is
 $x^2 + y^2 = 169$

Since the slope of \overline{OQ} is $\frac{4}{3}$, the slope of \overline{RQ} is $-\frac{3}{4}$ and the equation of

\overline{RQ} is $(y - 4) = -\frac{3}{4}(x - 3) \Leftrightarrow 3x + 4y = 25$

Solving these equations, $9x^2 + 9y^2 = 9 \cdot 169$
 $9x^2 = (25 - 4y)^2 \Rightarrow (625 - 200y + 16y^2) + 9y^2 = 9 \cdot 169$

$\Rightarrow 25y^2 - 200y + 625 - 1521 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 25y^2 - 200y - 896 = 0$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{200 \pm \sqrt{200^2 + 4 \cdot 25 \cdot (896)}}{50} = \frac{200 \pm \sqrt{100(400 + 896)}}{50}$

$\Rightarrow y = \frac{200 \pm \sqrt{10^2 \cdot 36^2}}{50} = \frac{200 \pm 360}{50} \Rightarrow y = \frac{56}{5} = 11.2, \cancel{\frac{16}{5}}$

Substituting, $3x + 4(11.2) = 25 \Rightarrow 3x = -19.8 \Rightarrow x = -6.6$

Thus, $R(-6.6, 11.2)$ or $R\left(-\frac{33}{5}, \frac{56}{5}\right)$.

Solution #2 (Norm Swanson):

Clearly, in $\triangle POQ$ $\sin \alpha = \frac{4}{5}$ and $\cos \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$, and,

in $\triangle ROQ$, $\sin \beta = \frac{12}{13}$ and $\cos \beta = \frac{5}{13}$

Since the coordinates of point R are $(\cos(\angle ROP), \sin(\angle ROP))$, we must evaluate $\sin(\alpha + \beta)$ and $\cos(\alpha + \beta)$.

$\sin(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13} + \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} = \frac{56}{65}$ $\cos(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{5}{13} - \frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{12}{13} = -\frac{33}{65} \Rightarrow R\left(-\frac{33}{65}, \frac{56}{65}\right)$

D) Taking log of both sides, $\begin{cases} \log m = (b + c) \log a \\ \log n = (c + a) \log b \end{cases}$

Adding, we have

$\log m + \log n = \log mn = c(\log a + \log b) + a \log b + b \log a = \log(ab)^c + \log(a^b b^a) = \log(ab)^c + 2$

$\Rightarrow \log mn = \log(ab)^c + \log 100 = \log(100(ab)^c) \Rightarrow (ab)^c = \frac{mn}{100}$

