

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE
CONTEST 5 – FEBRUARY 2009 SOLUTION KEY**

Round 4

A) If T (hours) denotes the time both machines are working together, then $\frac{T + \frac{1}{4}}{2} + \frac{T}{3} = 1$.

Multiplying by 24, $12T + 3 + 8T = 24 \rightarrow T = 21/20$ hours = **63** minutes

B) $2008(x - 2008) = 2009(x - 2009)$

$$2008x - 2008^2 = 2009x - 2009^2$$

$$x = 2009^2 - 2008^2 = (2009 + 2008)(2009 - 2008) = \underline{\mathbf{4017}}$$

$$\text{C) } \begin{cases} N = 100h + 10t + u \\ t = u/2 \rightarrow u = 2t \\ h = u + t \end{cases}$$

Thus, $h = 3t$ and $t \leq 4 \rightarrow N = 300t + 10t + 2t = 312t = 2^3 \cdot 3 \cdot 13t$

So, clearly, N is divisible by 3, 4, 6 and 13 $\rightarrow d = \underline{\mathbf{7}}$