

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE  
CONTEST 5 - FEBRUARY 2016 SOLUTION KEY**

**Team Round - continued**

E)  $9x + 10x + 6x + (4x + 5) + (6x + 10) = 35x + 15 = 540 \Rightarrow x = \frac{525}{35} = 15$

Therefore, the angles of  $ABCDE$  measure  $135^\circ, 150^\circ, 90^\circ, 65^\circ, 100^\circ$ .

Since the degree-measure of an intercepted arc is twice the measure of the inscribed angle, we have the following system of equations.

$$\begin{cases} b + c + d = 270 \\ c + d + e = 300 \\ a + d + e = 180 \\ a + b + e = 130 \\ a + b + c = 200 \end{cases}$$

Subtracting successive equations,

$$\begin{cases} e - b = 30 \\ c - a = 120 \\ d - b = 50 \\ c - e = 70 \end{cases}$$

Expressing each arc in terms of the same variable ( $e$ ),

$$\begin{cases} a = c - 120 = e - 50 \\ b = e - 30 \\ c = e + 70 \\ d = b + 50 = e + 20 \end{cases}$$

$$a + b + c + d + e = 5e + 10 = 360 \Rightarrow e = 70 \Rightarrow (a, b, c, d) = (20, 40, 140, 90)$$

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5) = \underline{(20, 40, 70, 90, 140)}.$$

