

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE  
CONTEST 4 - JANUARY 2013 SOLUTION KEY**

**Team Round - continued**

- E) The area of rectangle  $LATI$  is 15.

The diagram contains a blizzard of similar triangles, namely  $\triangle TOP \sim \triangle TIA \sim \triangle LAI \sim \triangle CAL \sim \triangle CLI$  and a pair of congruent triangle, namely  $\triangle TIA \cong \triangle LAI$ .

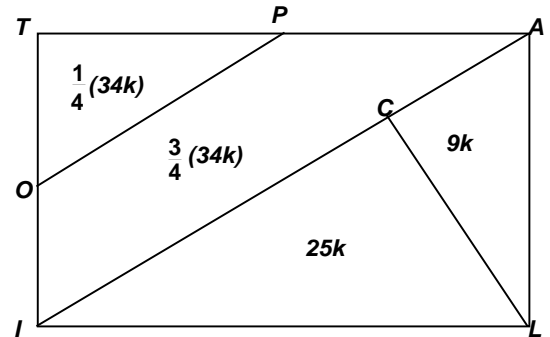
For  $\triangle CAL \sim \triangle CLI$ , the ratio of areas is

$$\left(\frac{LA}{LI}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{25}. \text{ Thus, we know that the area of}$$

$\triangle TIA$  may also be represented as  $34k$ .

Since  $\frac{TO}{TI} = \frac{1}{2}$ , the areas of triangles  $TOP$  and  $TIA$  are in a 1: 4 ratio.

Multiplying through by 2, the required ratio is #1 : #4 : #3 : #2 = **17 : 18 : 50 : 51**.



- F) Consider the chart at the right, where consecutive integers are listed 8 per row.

In the top row, dividing by 8, these entries leave all possible remainders for division by 8, namely 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 and 0.

In each column, division by 8 leaves the same remainder, but division by 5 leaves a different remainder, since 8 and 5 are relatively prime. Only five remainders are possible for division by 5 and each column contains these five remainders, just “shuffled” into a different order.

For example, in column 1, the remainders of division by 5

are 1, 4, 2, 0, 3; in column 2, remainders = 2, 0, 3, 1, 4; in column 3, remainders = 3, 1, 4, 2, 0

As soon as a multiple of 5 is reached in each column, the next and subsequent entries can be written as a (linear) combination of 5 and 8. For example, in column 1,  $33 = 5 \cdot 5 + 1 \cdot 8$ ; in column 6,  $46 = 6 \cdot 5 + 2 \cdot 8$  - etc.

The only chicken nugget purchases possible in the first row of the chart are 5 and 8.

Each entry in the rightmost column is a quantity ( $Q$ ) that may be purchased as each is a multiple of 8-piece nuggets. In the leftmost 7 columns, the numbers above the underlined entry can not be expressed as a (linear) combination of 5 and 8, namely as  $Q = 5x + 8y$ . (Notice that all entries after 40 can be written as a linear combination.)

Therefore, the largest possible number of nuggets that may not be purchased is **27**.

Note also that  $27 = 8 \cdot 5 - (8 + 5)$ .

It is left for you to verify that the maximum value is always  $AB - (A + B)$ , whenever  $A$  and  $B$  are relatively prime.

1	2	3	4	<u>5</u>	6	7	<u>8</u>
9	<u>10</u>	11	12	13	14	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
17	18	19	<u>20</u>	21	22	23	<u>24</u>
<u>25</u>	26	27	28	29	<u>30</u>	31	<u>32</u>
33	34	<u>35</u>	36	37	38	39	<u>40</u>
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56
57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64