MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST 5 – FEBRUARY 2008 SOLUTION KEY

Round 5

A) A point on the circumference moves 24π inches per second.

Converting,
$$24\pi \frac{\text{in}}{\text{sec}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ ft}}{12 \text{ in}} \cdot \frac{60 \text{ sec}}{1 \text{ min}} = \underline{120\pi} \text{ ft/min}$$

- B) $(5x-3)^2 = (3x-1)(10x-12) \rightarrow 25x^2 30x + 9 = 30x^2 46x + 12$ $\rightarrow 5x^2 - 16x + 3 = (5x-1)(x-3) = 0 \rightarrow x = 3$ [1/5 is extraneous] PA = 12, PB = 8, BC = 10, AC = 9Thus, the perimeter of $\triangle APC = (12 + 18 + 9) = 39$.
- C) Let x = PD. Applying the product-chord theorem, 14x = 12(28) $\Rightarrow x = 24$. Since E and F are midpoints, $AE = 20 \Rightarrow PE = 8$ and $CF = 19 \Rightarrow PF = OE = 5$. Thus, in right $\triangle PEO$, $PO^2 = 8^2 + 5^2 \Rightarrow PO = \sqrt{89}$ and in right $\triangle APD$, $AD^2 = 12^2 + 24^2 \Rightarrow AD = 12\sqrt{5}$ $\Rightarrow AD - PO = 12\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{89}$

