

MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE

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ROUND 7: TEAM QUESTIONS

ANSWERS

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B) \_\_\_\_\_ E) \_\_\_\_\_

C) \_\_\_\_\_ ° F) \_\_\_\_\_

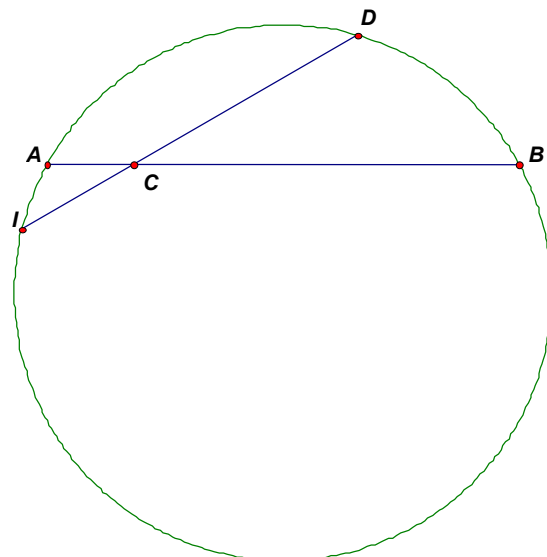
A) Suppose  $f(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x-3}$ . For what values of  $x$  does  $2 \cdot f(x) \cdot f^{-1}(x) = 2$ ?

B) Suppose  $m$  and  $n$  are twin primes (i.e. primes differing by 2) and suppose the digits used to form  $m$  and  $n$  are distinct. If the smallest such pair of numbers and the largest such pair of number are all added together, what is the sum?

C) In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle B = \csc^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{34}}{3}\right)$  and  $\angle A = \tan^{-1}(0.25)$ . Find  $m\angle C$  in degrees.

D) I am half as old as my mother was when my brother was twelve years younger than I am now. My brother was born when my mother was 26. If the sum of my brother's and my own current ages is 36, how old was my mother when I was born?

E) In the diagram at the right,  $m\angle DCB = 30^\circ$ ,  $AC = 4$ ,  $IC = 6$  and  $BC = 18$ . The exact positive difference between the distances of the two chords from the center of the circle is  $a - b\sqrt{c}$  for integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ . Evaluate  $b^2c - a$ .



F)  $T_n = 3n + 2$ . For some integers  $j$  and  $k$ ,  $j > k > 6$ ,  $T_k$  will be the geometric mean between  $T_6$  and  $T_j$ . Find the smallest possible value of the sum  $j + k$ .