

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE
CONTEST 3 - DECEMBER 2007 SOLUTION KEY**

Round 2

A) Since magic integers are 6^{th} powers of positive integers, we have

$$1^6 = 1, \quad 2^6 = 64, \quad 3^6 = 729 \quad 4^6 = 2^{12} = 1024(4) = 4096$$

$$5^6 = 625(25) = \frac{625(100)}{4} = 15615 \quad 6^6 = 2^6 3^6 = 64(729) = 46656$$

$$1 + 64 + 729 + 4096 + 15625 + 46656 = \underline{\underline{67171}}$$

Note in the expansion of 5^6 , instead of multiplying by 25, a two-digit number, we multiply by 100 and divide by 4, i.e. append two zeros and divide by a 1-digit multiplier, 4.

B) Summing the entries in the first three rows we have: 10, 20 and 40

The sum of the entries is apparently doubling from one row to the next; or, looking from another perspective, is given by the formula $10(2^{\text{row} - 1})$.

$$\rightarrow S_{16} = 10(2^{15}) = \underline{\underline{327680}}$$

$$2^{10} = 1024 \rightarrow 2048 \rightarrow 4096 \rightarrow 8192 \rightarrow 16384 \rightarrow 32768$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{C) } (12^{x+1}) \cdot (18^{x-1}) \cdot (75^3) &= (2^2 \cdot 3)^{x+1} \cdot (2 \cdot 3^2)^{x-1} \cdot (5^2 \cdot 3)^3 = 2^{2x+2} \cdot 3^{x+1} \cdot 2^{x-1} \cdot 3^{2x-2} \cdot 5^6 \cdot 3^3 \\ &= 2^{3x+1} \cdot 3^{3x+2} \cdot 5^6 \end{aligned}$$

Since the factor must be even, there are $(3x + 1)$ choices for the exponent of 2, namely 1, 2, ..., $3x + 1$.

However, since 0 is an allowable exponent for 3 and 5, there are $(3x + 3)$ and 7 choices for the exponents of 3 and 5 respectively.

Thus, the number of even factors is $(3x + 1)(3x + 3)(7) = \underline{\underline{3 \cdot 7(x + 1)(3x + 1)}}$ or $\underline{\underline{21(x + 1)(3x + 1)}}$