

**MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE**  
**CONTEST 1 - OCTOBER 2008**  
**ROUND 5 INEQUALITIES & ABSOLUTE VALUE**

**ANSWERS**

A) \_\_\_\_\_

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

C) \_\_\_\_\_

A) If  $|2x - 5| \leq 13$ , compute the average of the largest positive and smallest negative solutions.

B) Determine the sum of all integers which do **not** satisfy  $|101 - 8x| > 27$

C) Solve for  $x$  (over the real numbers): 
$$\frac{(x^2 + 7x)^3 \left(x^2 + \frac{x}{2}\right)}{x^3 - 9x^2 + 27x - 27} \leq 0$$