MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE **CONTEST 2 - NOVEMBER 2012 ROUND 7 TEAM QUESTIONS ANSWERS**



A) Let
$$Z = \frac{1}{i - \frac{1}{i -$$

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For example, for
$$k = 2$$
, $Z = \frac{1}{i - \left[\frac{1}{i}\right]}$.

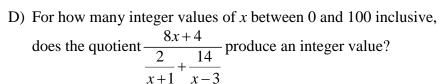
For some minimum value of k this expression simplifies to $-\frac{A}{B}i$, where A and B are positive integers and A is a perfect square $(A \neq 1)$. Determine the ordered triple (k, A, B).

B) Dick, Joe and Norm are practicing for a big math contest. They are very competitive and equally talented and on a set of 100 practice questions, each was able to correctly answer 60 questions and no question stumped all three mathletes.

A question is defined to be *hard* if exactly one mathlete got it right. A question is defined to be *easy* if all three mathletes got it right. Some questions are neither easy nor hard.

There were k more hard questions than easy questions. Compute k.

C) In a regular nonagon ABCDEFGHI, $\triangle ADG$ has area $36\sqrt{3}$. The area of the nonagon is $k \sin \theta^{\circ}$. Find the ordered pair (k, θ°) , where both k and θ are positive integers and θ is acute.



- E) In polar coordinates, the equation $r = \cos \theta + \sqrt{3} \sin \theta$ defines a circle which passes through the origin. $\theta = 30^{\circ}$ and $\theta = 60^{\circ}$ defines lines through the origin which make angles of 30° and 60° respectively, measured counterclockwise from the positive x-axis. Let B and C be the points in the first quadrant where these lines intersect the circle. Compute the distance between *B* and *C*.
- F) Scalene triangle ABC has sides of integer length.

AD is the altitude to side BC.

If AB = 12 and $m \angle BAD = 30^{\circ}$, compute all possible perimeters of $\triangle ABC$.