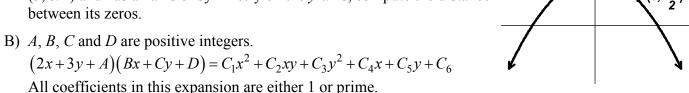
MASSACHUSETTS MATHEMATICS LEAGUE **CONTEST 4 - JANUARY 2010 ROUND 7 TEAM QUESTIONS ANSWERS**



***** CALCULATORS ARE PERMITTED IN THIS ROUND *****

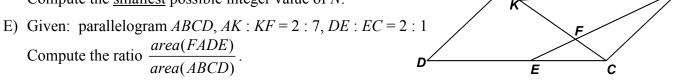
A) The maximum height of a parabola above the x-axis is twice the distance between the vertex of the parabola and its focus. If the parabola contains the point (5, 5/2) and has an axis of symmetry on the y-axis, compute the distance



All coefficients in this expansion are either 1 or prime. Determine all possible ordered triples
$$(C_4, C_5, C_6)$$

- $(\cos^4 4x \sin^4 4x)(1 2\sin^2 x) = 0$, where $0 \le x < \pi$. C) Given: Let (p, q) denote the <u>smallest</u> and <u>eighth largest</u> solutions respectively over the specified interval. Compute $\frac{q}{}$.
- D) A rectangular pane of stamps would contain 48 fewer stamps if it consisted of three more rows each containing 5 fewer stamps. There are N^2 stamps on the original pane.

Compute the smallest possible integer value of N.



F) A treasure is located at a point along a straight road with landmarks A, B, C and D located (in the given order) as indicated on the map below:



Relative distances are rarely accurate on these old pirate maps.

The following instructions were included:

- (1) Start at A and go 1/2 of the distance to C
- (2) Then go 1/3 of the distance to D
- (3) Then go 1/4 of the distance to B and dig!

If AB = 120 yards and BC = 80 yards and the treasure is buried midway between A and D, compute the distance from B to D.