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Ponder This Challenge:

This month's challenge is based on a suggestion by Kerry M. Soileau (thanks!).

One can replace the letters in the expression $I/M = B/A + C/K$ with different digits from 1 to 6 to form a valid equation. For example: $5/6 = 2/4 + 1/3$.

Substituting back letters to digits, using the same solution ACK.IBM is 413.526.

The problem: Replace the letters with different digits such that $D/O + N/T = P/E + R/I + S/H$ and send us PONDER.THIS translated back to a number.

We will post the names of those who submit a correct, original solution! If you don't want your name posted then please include such a statement in your submission!

We invite visitors to our website to submit an elegant solution. Send your submission to the ponder@il.ibm.com.

If you have any problems you think we might enjoy, please send them in. All replies should be sent to: ponder@il.ibm.com

Challenge: 04/01/2013 @ 01:00 PM EST

Solution: 05/01/2013 @ 01:00 PM EST

List Updated: 04/01/2013 @ 01:00 PM EST

People who answered correctly:

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Robin Ryder (03/30/2013 04:17 AM EDT)
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Todd Will (03/30/2013 06:55 AM EDT)
Gergely Pataki (03/30/2013 08:05 AM EDT)
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Mahdi Alqaidoom (03/30/2013 09:45 AM EDT)
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Ken Meehan (03/30/2013 07:06 PM EDT)
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Christopher Marks (03/31/2013 04:26 PM EDT)
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Keith F. Lynch (03/31/2013 11:17 PM EDT)
Sunil Srivastava (04/01/2013 12:38 AM EDT)
Alex Fleischer (04/01/2013 04:45 AM EDT)
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Umut Uludag (04/01/2013 07:55 AM EDT)
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