Problem 1. $(2\star)$

Find all values of x given that $(x-2)^{x^2-4}=1$.

Problem 2. $(2\star)$

Given that x and y are integers and $5^{x-y+5} = 7^{x+y+3}$, find the value of $\frac{x-y}{x+y}$.

Problem 3. $(3\star)$

Given that

$$\begin{cases} 4^a \cdot 3^b = 108 \\ 2^b \cdot 9^a = 72 \end{cases}$$

Find 2a + b.

Problem 4. $(5\star)$

Given that n is an integer that is not equal to 0, and

$$(-2x+1)^{2n} == (9x^2+6x+1)^n$$

Find the sum of the possible values of x.

Problem 5. $(3\star)$

Given that

$$\begin{cases} (x+y) \cdot 2^{y-x} = 1\\ (x+y)^{x-y} = 2 \end{cases}$$

Find the sum of possible values of x.

Problem 6. $(3\star)$

x and y are integers such that $2^{x+y} + 2^x = 3^{y+2} - 3^y$. Find x.

Problem 7. (7*)

a,b,c, and d are positive real numbers such that $a^6=b^5,c^4=d^3,b-c=19.$ Find the value of $d^2-a^2.$

Problem 8. $(7\star)$

It is given that $y = x^2 - 5x + 5$, $z = x^2 - 12x + 35$ and $y^2 = 1$. Find the sum of all possible values of x.

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Problem 9. $(5\star)$

Find the value of

$$\frac{\sqrt{x-1} + \sqrt{1-x}}{2x+3}.$$

Problem 10. (3★)

Find the value of

$$\sqrt{|40\sqrt{2} - 57|} - \sqrt{40\sqrt{2} + 57}.$$

Problem 11. $(5\star)$

Find the value of

$$\sqrt{\sqrt{6}+1}+\sqrt{\sqrt{6}-1}.$$

In terms of b, where $\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5} = b^2$.

Problem 12. $(5\star)$

If x, y, k are real numbers not equal to 0, and we know

$$x^{y^k} = k^{x^y}, k = x^y, y = x^{2y}$$

Then find the value of y.

Problem 13. $(2\star)$

If $\sqrt{x+9} + \sqrt{x} = 1$, find the value of $\sqrt{x+9} - \sqrt{x}$.

Problem 14. (3★)

If $x - \sqrt{\frac{2}{x}} = 3$, what is the value of $x - \sqrt{2x}$?

Problem 15. $(3\star)$

Find the value of

$$\frac{\sqrt[4]{17+12\sqrt{2}}}{\sqrt{2}-1} - 2\sqrt{2}$$

Problem 16. $(5\star)$

Compute

$$\sqrt[3]{5 + 2\sqrt{13}} - \sqrt[3]{5 - 2\sqrt{13}}.$$

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Problem 17. $(5\star)$

Find the value of

$$\frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{13}-3}+\sqrt{\sqrt{13}+3}}{\sqrt{4+2\sqrt{11}+\sqrt{7-\sqrt{9}}}}.$$

Problem 18. $(7\star)$

Find x, if we are given

$$\sqrt{2x + \sqrt{4x - 1}} + \sqrt{2x - \sqrt{4x - 1}} = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

Problem 19. $(7\star)$

Given that

$$A = \frac{1}{10 - 3\sqrt{11}} - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{11} - 7\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{7\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{97}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{97} - 4\sqrt{6}}.$$

Find the value of

$$\frac{A}{5-2\sqrt{6}}.$$

Problem 20. $(7\star)$

Find all possible real values of x such that

$$\sqrt{\frac{x-7}{1990}} + \sqrt{\frac{x-6}{1991}} + \sqrt{\frac{x-5}{1992}} = \sqrt{\frac{x-1990}{7}} + \sqrt{\frac{x-1991}{6}} + \sqrt{\frac{x-1992}{5}}.$$

Problem 21. (11★)

Given that

$$A = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}$$

$$B = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}$$

$$C = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}}$$

$$D = \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2 + \sqrt{2}}}}$$

Find the value of $A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$.