

2024 SSMO Team Round Solutions

SMO Team

TR 1: Find the number of ordered triples of positive integers (a, b, c) that satisfy the equation

$$2(a^b)^c + 1 = 513.$$

Answer: 10

Solution: We have

$$\begin{aligned} 2(a^b)^c + 1 &= 513 \\ \implies a^{bc} &= 256 \implies a = 2^{a_1} \mid a_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \\ \implies 2^{a_1 bc} &= 2^8 \\ \implies a_1 bc &= 2^3 \implies a_1 = 2^{a_2}, b = 2^{b_1}, c = 2^{c_1} \mid a_2, b_1, c_1 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \\ \implies 2^{a_2+b_1+c_1} &= 2^3 \\ \implies a_2 + b_1 + c_1 &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

From the Hockey Stick Identity, it follows that this equation has $\binom{5}{2} = 10$ solutions.

TR 2: Find the sum of the three smallest positive integers n where the last two digits of n^4 are 01.

Answer: 51

Solution: From $n^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{100}$, we have $n^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $n^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{25}$. From the first congruence, we have $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$. Now, let $n \equiv 5a + b \pmod{25}$ for integers $0 \leq a, b < 5$. Then,

$$(5a + b)^4 = 5^4 a^4 + 4 \cdot 5^3 a^3 b + 6 \cdot 5^2 a^2 b^2 + 4 \cdot 5 a b^3 + b^4 \equiv 20ab^3 + b^4 \pmod{25}$$

so

$$20ab^3 + b^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{25}.$$

Now, we will proceed using casework. Clearly, b is not a multiple of 5. Now, note that

$$\begin{aligned} b \equiv 1 \pmod{5} &\implies a \equiv 0 \pmod{5}, \\ b \equiv 2 \pmod{5} &\implies a \equiv 1 \pmod{5}, \\ b \equiv 3 \pmod{5} &\implies a \equiv 3 \pmod{5}, \text{ and} \\ b \equiv 4 \pmod{5} &\implies a \equiv 4 \pmod{5}. \end{aligned}$$

So, we have $5a+b \in \{1, 7, 18, 24\}$. Combining this with $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, we find the following solutions as residues mod 50: 1, 7, 43, and 49. So, the answer is $1 + 7 + 43 = 51$.

TR 3: Consider positive integers N such that when N 's units digit and leading nonzero digit are removed, what remains is a two-digit perfect square. The average of all N can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m + n$.

Answer: 32733

Solution: Note that the two-digit perfect square obtained from removing the leading and units digit has to be in the set $\{16, 25, \dots, 81\}$. Taking the expected value of N , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(N) &= \mathbb{E}(i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 9\}) \cdot 1000 + \left(\frac{4^2 + 5^2 + \dots + 9^2}{6} \right) \cdot 10 + \mathbb{E}(i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}) \\ &= 5 \cdot 1000 + \left(\frac{271}{6} \right) \cdot 10 + \frac{9}{2} = \frac{32737}{6} \implies 32737 + 6 = \boxed{32733}.\end{aligned}$$

TR 4: Let ABC be a right triangle with circumcenter O and incenter I such that $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$ and $\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{3}{4}$. Let D be the projection of O onto AB , and let E be the projection of O onto BC . Denote ω_1 be the incenter of ADO and ω_2 as the incenter of OEC . The value of $\frac{[\omega_1\omega_2I]}{[ABC]}$ can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m + n$.

Answer: 53

Solution: We will use analytic geometry. WLOG, let $B = (0, 0)$, $A = (0, 6)$, $C = (8, 0)$ without loss of generality due to rigid transformations or dilations. Since the area of ABC is $\frac{1}{2} \cdot 8 \cdot 6 = 24$, the inradius is $\frac{24}{6+8+10} = 2$, meaning $I = (2, 2)$. Since ABC is a right triangle, the O must be the midpoint of AC . So, D and E are the midpoints of AB and BC , respectively. Now, as ADO and OEC are both similar to ABC , we can easily compute $\omega_1 = (1, 4)$ and $\omega_2 = (5, 1)$. From the shoelace theorem, the area of $\omega_1\omega_2I$ is $\frac{5}{2}$, meaning our answer is

$$\frac{\frac{5}{2}}{24} = \frac{5}{48} \implies 5 + 48 = \boxed{53}.$$

TR 5: Let ABC be a triangle with $AB = AC = 5$ and $BC = 6$. Let ω_1 be the circumcircle of ABC and let ω_2 be the circle externally tangent to ω_1 and tangent to rays AB and AC . The distance between the centers of ω_1 and ω_2 can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m + n$.

Answer: 27

Solution: Let D be the midpoint of BC and let E be the point at which ω_1 and ω_2 are tangent. By symmetry, O_1 and O_2 , the centers of ω_1 and ω_2 , are on line ADE . Now, $\triangle ADC \sim \triangle ACE$, so the radius of ω_1 is

$$r_1 = \frac{5 \cdot \frac{5}{4}}{2} = \frac{25}{8}.$$

If F is the point at which ω_2 and AC are tangent, then AO_2F is a 3-4-5 right triangle. If r_2 is the radius of ω_2 , we find that

$$\frac{r_2}{r_2 + \frac{25}{4}} = \frac{3}{5}$$

so $r_2 = \frac{75}{8}$. Therefore, the final answer is

$$r_1 + r_2 = \frac{25}{8} + \frac{75}{8} = \frac{25}{2} \implies 25 + 2 = \boxed{27}.$$

TR 6: Let α , β , and γ be the roots of the polynomial $x^3 - 6x^2 - 19x - n$. If n is an integer, what is the least possible positive value of $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3$?

Answer: 3

Solution: From Vieta's Formulas, we have

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 6, \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = -19, \text{ and } \alpha\beta\gamma = n.$$

Since $x^3 - 6x^2 - 19x - n = 0$ for $x \in \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma\}$, we have $x^3 = 6x^2 + 19x + n$. So,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3 &= (6\alpha^2 + 19\alpha + n) + (6\beta^2 + 19\beta + n) \\ &\quad + (6\gamma^2 + 19\gamma + n) \\ &= 6(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2) + 19(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) + 3n \\ &= 6((\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 - 2(\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma)) \\ &\quad + 19(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) + 3n \\ &= 6((6^2) - 2(-19)) + 19(6) + 3n = 558 + 3n. \end{aligned}$$

Since n is an integer and we are seeking to find the least positive value of $558 + 3n = 3(n + 186)$, we let $n = -185$, giving an answer of 3.

TR 7: Let a and b be real numbers that satisfy

$$a^3 + 8ab^2 = 8b^3 + 4a^2b = 375.$$

Find $\lfloor ab \rfloor$.

Answer: 12 We can factor the first equation as such:

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 + 8ab^2 &= 8b^3 + 4a^2b \implies \\ a^3 - 8b^3 &= 4a^2b - 8ab^2 \implies \\ (a - 2b)(a^2 + 2ab + 4b^2) &= 4ab(a - 2b) \implies \\ (a - 2b)(a^2 - 2ab + 4b^2) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Consider the case where $a - 2b$ is nonzero. Then, the discriminant of the quadratic factor (in a) is $(2b)^2 - 4(4b^2) = -12b^2$. Since a and b are reals, this means $b = 0$ which is clearly not possible. So, $a = 2b$. Substituting, we have

$$8b^3 + 16b^3 = 375 \implies b^3 = \frac{125}{8} \implies b = \frac{5}{2}. So,$$

$$\lfloor ab \rfloor = \lfloor (5) \left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \rfloor = \lfloor \frac{25}{2} \rfloor = \boxed{12}.$$

TR 8: Three integers $0 \leq a \leq b \leq c < 229$ satisfy the congruence $n^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{229}$. Given that $71^2 - 3$ and $107^2 + 1$ are both multiples of 229, find the value of b .

Answer: 94

Solution: Note that $n^3 \equiv 1 \pmod{229} \implies (n^3 - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{229}$. Consider the complex third roots of unity 1 and $\frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2}$. They can be defined based on $\frac{1}{2}, \sqrt{-1}$, and $\sqrt{3}$. From the given multiples of 229, we can $\sqrt{3} \equiv 71 \pmod{229}$ and $i \equiv 107 \pmod{229}$

since they function like square roots. In addition, 229 is odd so 2^{-1} exists. We have $i\sqrt{3} \equiv 107 \cdot 71 \equiv 269 \pmod{229}$. Thus, $\frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} \equiv 134 \pmod{229}$ and $\frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2} \equiv 94 \pmod{229}$. So, $a = 1, b = \boxed{94}$, and $c = 134$.

TR 9: Let $ABCDEFGH$ be an equiangular octagon such that $AB = 6, BC = 8, CD = 10, DE = 12, EF = 6, FG = 8, GH = 10$, and $AH = 12$. The radius of the largest circle that fits inside the octagon can be expressed as $a + b\sqrt{c}$, where c is a squarefree positive integer. Find $a + b + c$.

Answer: 10

Solution: Note that $AB \parallel EF, BC \parallel FG, CD \parallel GH$, and $DE \parallel HA$. Thus, the diameter of the circle is the least distance between any pair of these opposite parallel sides. Note that a side of length x oriented at a 45-degree angle relative to a pair of opposite parallel sides contributes $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$ to the distance and a side of length x oriented perpendicularly contributes x to the distance. Obviously, we only have to add up the contributions of one run of three sides; for example for AB and EF we only have to consider sides from B to E or F to A . However, it doesn't matter which run we pick since opposite sides are congruent. Let the distances be a, b, c , and d respectively, with the order given in the first sentence. We have

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 10 + \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{12}{\sqrt{2}} = 10 + 10\sqrt{2}, \\ b &= 12 + \frac{10}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} = 12 + 8\sqrt{2}, \\ c &= 6 + \frac{12}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} = 6 + 10\sqrt{2}, \text{ and} \\ d &= 8 + \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{10}{\sqrt{2}} = 8 + 8\sqrt{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, $10 + 10\sqrt{2} \geq 8 + 8\sqrt{2}$ and $12 + 8\sqrt{2} \geq 8 + 8\sqrt{2}$. We also have $6 + 10\sqrt{2} \geq 8 + 8\sqrt{2}$ since $\sqrt{2} \geq 1$. So, the least distance between pairs of opposite parallel sides is $8 + 8\sqrt{2}$ and the radius of the largest circle that fits inside the octagon is $4 + 4\sqrt{2}$. Thus, the answer is $4 + 4 + 2 = \boxed{10}$.

TR 10: The side-lengths of a convex cyclic quadrilateral $ABCD$ are integers and satisfy

$$(AB \cdot AD + BC \cdot CD)^2 = AC^2 \cdot BD^2 - 72.$$

Find the perimeter of $ABCD$.

Answer: 37 Let $AB = a, BC = b, CD = c, DA = d$. From Ptolemy's Theorem, we have $BC \cdot CD = ac + bd$. So, the equation is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} (ad + bc)^2 &= (ac + bd)^2 - 72 \implies \\ 72 &= a^2c^2 + b^2d^2 - a^2d^2 - b^2c^2 \implies \\ 72 &= (a^2 - b^2)(c^2 - d^2). \end{aligned}$$

WLOG, assume that $a^2 - b^2 > c^2 - d^2$. Since the difference of two perfect squares cannot be $2 \pmod{4}$, we have $(a^2 - b^2, c^2 - d^2) = (72, 1), (24, 3), (8, 9)$. Clearly, $(72, 1)$ has no solutions, as $c^2 - d^2 = 1 \implies c = 1, d = 0$. For $(24, 3)$, we have $c^2 - d^2 = 3 \implies c = 2, d = 1$

and $a^2 - b^2 = 24 \implies (a-b)(a+b) = 24$. This means $(a-b, a+b) = (2, 12), (4, 6) \implies (a, b) = (7, 5), (5, 1)$. Finally, for $(8, 9)$, we have $c^2 - d^2 = 9 \implies c = 5, d = 4$ and $a^2 - b^2 = 8 \implies a = 3, b = 1$. This gives $(a, b, c, d) = (7, 5, 2, 1), (5, 1, 2, 1), (3, 1, 5, 4)$. It is easy to verify that all three of these possibilities work, giving an answer of

$$(7+5+2+1)+(5+1+2+1)+(3+1+5+4) = 15+9+13 = \boxed{37}.$$

TR 11: Let S denote the set of positive divisors of 5400. Let

$$S_i = \{d \mid d \in S, d \equiv i4\}$$

and let s_i denote the sum of all elements of S_i . Find the value of

$$s_0^2 + s_1^2 + s_2^2 + s_3^2 - 2s_0s_2 - 2s_1s_3.$$

Answer: 13020

Solution: Note that $5400 = 2^3 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^2$. Firstly, we have

$$s_0^2 + s_1^2 + s_2^2 + s_3^2 - 2s_0s_2 - 2s_1s_3 = (s_0 - s_2)^2 + (s_1 - s_3)^2. Now, let s(n) denote the sum of positive divisors of n. We have s_2 = (8+4-2)s(3^3 \cdot 5^2) = 10s(3^3 \cdot 5^2) = 10s(3^3)s(5^2) = 400s(5^2). In addition, s_3 - s_1 = (27-9+3-1)s(5^2) = 20s(5^2). It is easy to compute s(5^2) = 31. So, our answer is 420s(5^2) = \boxed{13020}.$$

TR 12: What is the smallest positive integer n with 3 positive prime factors such that for all integers k , $k^n \equiv k \pmod{n}$?

Answer: 561

Solution: Let the prime factors of n be p, q , and r . For this to be true, note that $p-1|n-1$ and similarly with q and r . Obviously n has to be squarefree, so $n = pqr$. WLOG let $p < q < r$. It is easy to see that if $p = 2$ is one of the factors we have a contradiction. We can arrive at similar contradictions with pairs of factors such as $(3, 7), (3, 13), (3, 19)$ and $(5, 11)$. This eliminates most possibilities, so we can manually check triples now. $(3, 5, 17)$ does not work, and neither does $(5, 7, 13)$. Finally, we note that $(3, 11, 17)$ does indeed work, and our answer is $n = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 17 = \boxed{561}$.

TR 13: In a deck of 54 cards (2 identical jokers, 4 identical cards with $1, 2, 3, \dots, 13$), each card is dealt to one of 3 people, each having a $\frac{1}{3}$ chance of receiving each card. The expected sum of the number of unique cards the three of them have can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m+n$.

Answer: 917

Solution: Let $E(\text{rank})$ denote the expected number of people that have the rank rank for $\text{rank} \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 13\}$. Consider the cards distinguishable for probability calculation

purposes. There are 3 ways for one person to have it, $3! \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot \binom{4}{2}$ ways for two people to have it (3/1 or 2/2 split), and $4 \cdot 3 \cdot 3$ ways for three people to have it. There are 81 total (equally likely) distributions of rank among the 3 people, so $\mathbb{E}(\text{rank})$ is simply

$$\frac{3 \cdot 1 + (24 + 18) \cdot 2 + (36) \cdot 3}{81} = \frac{65}{27}.$$

For rank = joker, using a similar counting process, we have $\mathbb{E}(\text{rank}) = \frac{3 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 2}{9} = \frac{5}{3}$. So, our answer is

$$\frac{5}{3} + 13 \cdot \frac{65}{27} = \frac{890}{27} \implies 890 + 27 = \boxed{917}.$$

TR 14: Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_7 be the roots of the polynomial

$$x^7 + 5x^6 + 9x^5 + x^4 + x^3 + 10x^2 + 5x + 1.$$

Find the value of

$$\left| \prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=n+1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1) \right|.$$

Answer: 12

Solution: Let $f(x)$ denote the polynomial. We have

$$\left(\prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=n+1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1) \right)^2 \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n^2 - 1) = \prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1),$$

since $1 \leq n \leq 7, n+1 \leq m \leq 7$ covers the $m > n$ case of $1 \leq m, n \leq 7$, (which is the domain of the RHS product) squaring the nested product doubles it, covering the symmetric $n > m$ case, and the third factor covers the $m = n$ case. Now, note that

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{m=1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1) &= -a_n^7 \prod_{m=1}^7 \left(\frac{1}{a_n} - a_m \right) \\ &= -a_n^7 f\left(\frac{1}{a_n}\right) \\ &= -a_n^7 - (5a_n^6 + 10a_n^5 + a_n^4 + a_n^3 + 9a_n^2 + 5a_n + 1) \\ &= (5a_n^6 + 9a_n^5 + a_n^4 + a_n^3 + 10a_n^2 + 5a_n + 1) - (5a_n^6 + 10a_n^5 + a_n^4 + a_n^3 + 9a_n^2 + 5a_n + 1) \\ &= -a_n^5 + a_n^2 \\ &= -(a_n)^2(a_n^3 - 1). \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1) &= \prod_{n=1}^7 (-(a_n)^2(a_n^3 - 1)) \\ &= - \left(\prod_{n=1}^7 a_n \right)^2 \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n - 1) \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n - e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}) \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n - e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}) \\ &= -(-1)^2 (-f(1)) \left(-f\left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}\right) \right) \left(-f\left(e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}\right) \right) \\ &= f(1) f\left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}\right) f\left(e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

For $\omega^3 = 1$ and $\omega \neq 1$, $f(\omega) = 19\omega^2 + 7\omega + 7 = 12\omega^2$. So,

$$f\left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}\right) = 12\left(\frac{-1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{-12-12i\sqrt{3}}{2} = -6-6i\sqrt{3} \text{ and}$$

$$f\left(e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}\right) = 12\left(\frac{-1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{-12+12i\sqrt{3}}{2} = -6+6i\sqrt{3} \implies$$

$$f\left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}\right)f\left(e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}\right) = (-6-6i\sqrt{3})(-6+6i\sqrt{3}) = 144.$$

Thus,

$$\prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1) = f(1)f\left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}\right)f\left(e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}\right) = 33 \cdot 144.$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n^2 - 1) &= \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n - 1) \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n + 1) \\ &= (-f(1))(-f(-1)) \\ &= f(1)f(-1) \\ &= 33 \cdot 1 = 33. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting this into

$$\left(\prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=n+1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1)\right)^2 \prod_{n=1}^7 (a_n^2 - 1) = \prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1), \text{ we have } \left(\prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=n+1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1)\right)^2 = \frac{33 \cdot 144}{33} = 144 \implies \left|\prod_{n=1}^7 \prod_{m=n+1}^7 (a_n a_m - 1)\right| = \sqrt{144} \implies [12].$$

TR 15: In triangle ABC inscribed in circle ω , let M be the midpoint of BC . Denote P as the intersection of AM with ω . If $BP = 9$, $CP = 13$, and $AM = 20$, find the perimeter of triangle ABC .

Answer: 64

Solution: We will use barycentric coordinates with ABC as the reference triangle. Let $A = (1 : 0 : 0)$, $B = (0 : 1 : 0)$, $C(0 : 0 : 1)$. Note that the circumcircle of ABC can be represented as $a^2yx + b^2xz + c^2xy = 0$. Since P lies on cevian AM , with $M = (0 : \frac{1}{2} : \frac{1}{2})$, we have $P = (x_p : y_p : z_p)$, for $y_p = z_p$. Substituting into the equation for the circumcircle of ABC , we have

$$\begin{aligned} a^2y_pz_p + b^2x_pz_p + c^2x_py_p &= 0 \implies \\ a^2y_p^2 + b^2x_py_p + c^2x_py_p &= 0 \implies \\ a^2y_p &= -(b^2 + c^2)x_p \implies \\ y_p &= -\frac{b^2 + c^2}{a^2}x_p. \end{aligned}$$

From $x_p + y_p + z_p = 1$, we have

$$x_p + \left(-\frac{(b^2 + c^2)}{a^2}\right)x_p + \left(-\frac{(b^2 + c^2)}{a^2}\right)x_p = 1 \implies x_p = \frac{a^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}.$$

So, $P = \left(-\frac{a^2}{2b^2+2c^2-a^2} : \frac{b^2+c^2}{2b^2+2c^2-a^2} : \frac{b^2+c^2}{2b^2+2c^2-a^2} \right)$. Now, we have $\overrightarrow{PB} = (x_{pb} : y_{pb} : z_{pb}) = \left(\frac{a^2}{2b^2+2c^2-a^2} : \frac{b^2+c^2-a^2}{2b^2+2c^2-a^2} : -\frac{b^2+c^2}{2b^2+2c^2-a^2} \right)$. So,

$$\begin{aligned} PB^2 &= |a^2 y_{pb} z_{pb} + b^2 x_{pb} z_{pb} + c^2 x_{pb} y_{pb}| \\ &= \left| a^2 \left(\frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \right) \left(-\frac{b^2 + c^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + b^2 \left(\frac{a^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \right) \left(-\frac{b^2 + c^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + c^2 \left(\frac{a^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \right) \left(\frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \right) \right| \\ &= \frac{|a^4 b^2 - 2a^2 b^4 - 2a^2 b^2 c^2|}{(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{a^2 b^2 (2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)}{(2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{a^2 b^2}{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} \implies \\ PB &= \frac{ab}{\sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}} \end{aligned}$$

In the same manner, we have

$$PC = \frac{ac}{\sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}}.$$

So, we have

$$AM = 20 \implies \frac{\sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2}}{2} = 20 \implies \sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} = 40.$$

This means

$$ab = PB \sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} = 9 \cdot 40$$

and

$$ac = PC \sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} = 13 \cdot 40.$$

Solving for b and c , we have $b = \frac{9 \cdot 40}{a}$, $c = \frac{13 \cdot 40}{a}$. Substituting, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2} &= 40 \\ 2b^2 + 2c^2 - a^2 &= 40^2 \implies \\ 2 \left(\left(\frac{9 \cdot 40}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{13 \cdot 40}{a} \right)^2 \right) - a^2 &= 40^2 \implies \\ a^4 + 40^2 a^2 - 2((9 \cdot 40)^2 + (13 \cdot 40)^2) &= 0 \implies \\ a^2 &= \frac{-40^2 \pm \sqrt{40^4 + 8((9 \cdot 40)^2 + (13 \cdot 40)^2)}}{2} \\ &= (20) (\pm \sqrt{40^2 + 8(9^2 + 13^2)} - 40) \\ &= (20) (\pm 60 - 40) = 400, -2000 \implies \\ a &= 20. \end{aligned}$$

So, $b = \frac{9 \cdot 40}{a} = \frac{9 \cdot 40}{20} = 18$ and $c = \frac{13 \cdot 40}{20} = 26$. In conclusion, the perimeter of ABC is $20 + 18 + 26 = \boxed{64}$.