

2015-SE-01-EN Drawing stars

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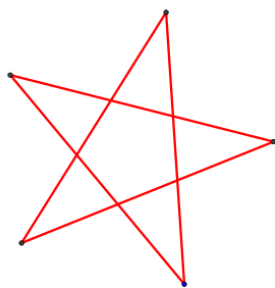
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Body

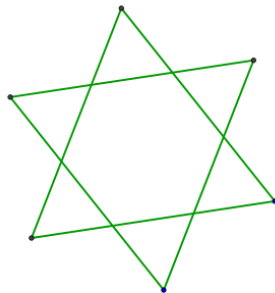
Stella Beaver loves to draw stars. She has devised a system for labeling her stars according to their shape. For that, she uses two numbers:

- A number of dots of the star.
- A number which indicates if a line from a dot is drawn to the nearest dot (the number is 1), the second closest dot (the number is 2), etc.

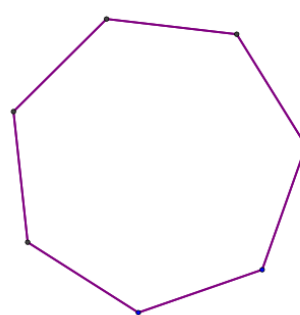
Here are four examples of Stella's labeling system:



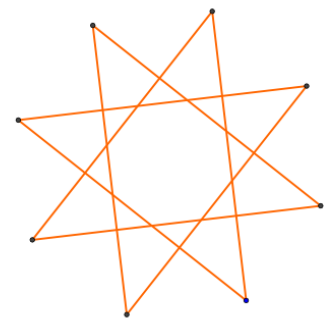
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6:2



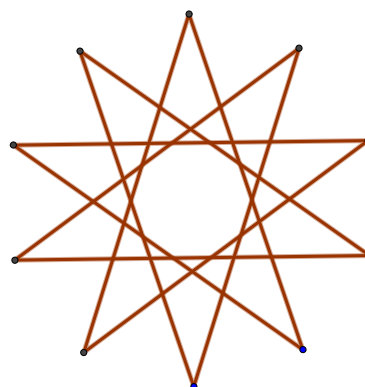
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8:3

Question

How would Stella label the following star?

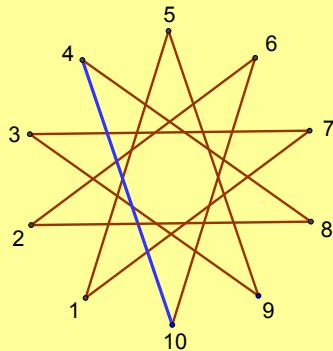


Answer

- 9:3
- 9:4
- 10:4
- 10:5

Explanation

10:4 is correct. The star has 10 dots and it is possible to draw a line to the fourth nearest dot.



It's informatics

Computers need simple representations of objects to be able to work with them. The fact that a complex and beautiful object such as a regular star polygon can be described by only two integers is an example of a simple representation.

Keywords

Regular star polygon, Schäfli symbol

Websites

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Star_polygon

Internal Use Wording

vertex, line, skip-factor

Comments

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Graphics

Images created by author.

Files

All additional files for this task (graphics, scripts, etc.)

2015-SE-01-EN.odt (this file)

star10-4explanation.svg

star10-4.svg,

star5-2.svg, star6-2.svg, star7-1.svg, star8-3.svg

stars.png (4 stars constellation)

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