21 22	1	291	2	4	3	281	4	$\frac{1}{10}$	5	16
21-22 Papar 1	6	34	7	7	8	4	9	12.5	10	123
Paper 1	11	$\frac{1}{6}$	12	6431205	13	23	14	120	15	$\frac{8}{15}$
21-22	1	2022	2	112	3	19	4	$\frac{1}{3}$	5	33
Paper 2	6	120	7	$\frac{25}{4}$	8	$\frac{1}{1011}$				

## Paper 1

1. α 及 β 是方程 
$$x^2 - 100x + k = 0$$
 的實根。若  $\alpha - 7 = 30\beta$ ,求 k 的值。

 $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the real roots of the equation  $x^2 - 100x + k = 0$ . If  $\alpha - 7 = 30\beta$ , find the value of k.

$$\alpha + \beta = 100 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot (1), \alpha\beta = k \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot (2)$$

$$\alpha + \beta - 7 = 31\beta$$

$$100 - 7 = 31\beta$$

$$\beta = 3$$

Put 
$$\beta = 3$$
 into  $x^2 - 100x + k = 0$ 

$$3^2 - 100 \times 3 + k = 0$$

$$k = 291$$

2. 在圖一中,ACD 是一個三角形。B 是CD 上的一點使 C

$$AB = AC = 2$$
 及  $AD = 4$  。

若
$$BC:BD=1:3$$
,求  $CD$  的長。

In Figure 1, ACD is a triangle. B is a point on CD such that

$$AB = AC = 2$$
 and  $AD = 4$ .

If BC : BD = 1 : 3, find the length of CD.

Let 
$$BC = k$$
,  $BD = 3k$ ,  $\angle ADB = \alpha$ 

Apply cosine formula on  $\triangle ABD$  and  $\triangle ACD$ 

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{4^2 + (3k)^2 - 2^2}{2(4)(3k)} = \frac{4^2 + (4k)^2 - 2^2}{2(4)(4k)}$$

$$\frac{12+9k^2}{24k} = \frac{12+16k^2}{32k}$$

$$4 + 3k^2 = 3 + 4k^2$$

$$k = 1$$
,  $CD = 4k = 4$ 

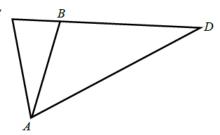


Figure 1 圖一

**Method 2** Let BC = k, BD = 3k.

Produce AB to E so that BE = 6, join ED.

$$\angle ABC = \angle DBE$$
 (vert. opp.  $\angle$ s)

$$\frac{EB}{AB} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$
,  $\frac{BD}{BC} = \frac{3k}{k} = 3$ 

 $\therefore \Delta BDE \sim \Delta BCA$  (ratio of 2 sides, included  $\angle$ s)

$$\therefore \frac{ED}{AC} = 3 \implies ED = 6$$

$$\angle BAD = \angle DAE$$
 (common  $\angle$ s)

$$\frac{AE}{AD} = \frac{2+6}{4} = 2$$
,  $\frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{4}{2} = 2$ 

 $\therefore \triangle ADE \sim \triangle ABD$  (ratio of 2 sides, included  $\angle$ s)

$$\therefore \frac{DE}{BD} = \frac{6}{3k} = 2 \implies k = 1$$

$$CD = 4k = 4$$



In Figure 2, ABCD is a rectangle. E is a point on AC such that AE = 25 and CE = 144. If p = AD + DE + CD, find the value

Let 
$$\angle ADE = \alpha$$
,  $\angle CDE = 90^{\circ} - \alpha$ 

$$\angle DAE = 90^{\circ} - \alpha$$
,  $\angle DCE = \alpha$  ( $\angle$  sum of  $\Delta$ )

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{DE}{144} = \frac{25}{DE}$$

$$DE = 60$$

$$AD = \sqrt{25^2 + 60^2} = 65$$
 (Pythagoras' theorem on  $\triangle ADE$ )

$$CD = \sqrt{60^2 + 144^2} = 156$$
 (Pythagoras' theorem on  $\triangle CDE$ )

$$p = 65 + 60 + 156 = 281$$

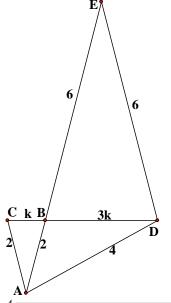
4. 設 
$$x \cdot y$$
 及  $z$  是非零數。若  $2^{x} = 3^{y} = 18^{z}$ ,求  $\frac{xz}{5y(x-z)}$ 的值。

Let x, y and z are non-zero numbers. If  $2^x = 3^y = 18^z$ , find the value of  $\frac{xz}{5y(x-z)}$ .

$$2^x = 3^y = 18^z \Rightarrow x \log 2 = y \log 3 = z \log 18 = k$$

$$x = \frac{k}{\log 2}$$
,  $y = \frac{k}{\log 3}$ ,  $z = \frac{k}{\log 18}$ 

$$\frac{xz}{5y(x-z)} = \frac{\frac{k}{\log 2} \cdot \frac{k}{\log 18}}{\frac{5k}{\log 3} \left(\frac{k}{\log 2} - \frac{k}{\log 18}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{\log 3}{5(\log 18 - \log 2)}$$
$$= \frac{\log 3}{5\log 9} = \frac{\log 3}{5 \times 2\log 3}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\log 18}$$



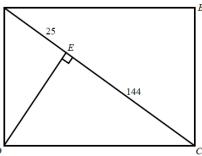


Figure 2 圖二

設 N = 24x + 216y, 其中x及y均為正整數。若N為完全立方數, 求 x + y 的最小值。 5. Let N = 24x + 216y, where both x and y are positive integers.

If N is a cube number, find the minimum value of x + y.

 $N = 24(x + 9y) = 2<sup>3</sup> \times 3(x + 9y) = m<sup>3</sup>$ , where m is a positive integer.

 $3(x + 9y) = k^3$ , where k is a positive integer

For the least value of x and y,  $x + 9y = 9n^3$ , where n is a positive integer

$$x = 9, 1 + v = n^3$$

n = 1, no positive integral solution for y

$$n = 2, v = 7$$

The minimum value of x + y = 9 + 7 = 16

6.

$$\begin{cases} ax + by = -16 \\ cx + 20y = -224 \end{cases}$$
, 其中  $a$ ,  $b$  及 $c$  是實數。

怎料小馬抄錯 c 的數值,得出答案 x=12 及 y=-13。求原題中  $a^2+b^2+c^2$  的值。

John participated in a mathematics competition, in which one of the questions was to solve

$$\begin{cases} ax + by = -16 \\ cx + 20y = -224 \end{cases}$$
, where a, b and c are real numbers.

The correct answer to the question was x = 8 and y = -10.

However, John copied a wrong value for c and then gave an answer of x = 12 and y = -13. Find the value of  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$  in the original question.

Put 
$$x = 8$$
 and  $y = -10$  into 
$$\begin{cases} ax + by = -16 \\ cx + 20y = -224 \end{cases}$$
$$\begin{cases} 8a - 10b = -16 \cdots (1) \\ 8c - 200 = -224 \cdots (2) \end{cases} \Rightarrow c = -3$$

$$\begin{cases} 8a - 10b = -16 \cdot \dots \cdot (1) \\ 8c - 200 = -224 \cdot \dots \cdot (2) \end{cases} \Rightarrow c = -3$$

Let the wrongly copied c be c'.

Put 
$$x = 12$$
 and  $y = -13$  into 
$$\begin{cases} ax + by = -16 \\ c'x + 20y = -224 \end{cases}$$
.

$$\begin{cases} 12a - 13b = -16 \cdot \dots \cdot (3) \\ 12c' - 260 = -224 \cdot \dots \cdot (4) \end{cases} \Rightarrow c' = 3$$

$$(1)\times 13: 104a - 130b = -208 \cdots (5)$$

$$(3) \times 10: 120a - 130b = -160 \cdots (6)$$

$$(6) - (5)$$
:  $16a = 48$ 

a = 3

Sub. a=3 into (1):  $8\times 3 - 10b = -16$ 

b = 4

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 + 3^2 = 34$$

已知  $459 + x^3 = 3^y$ , 其中 x 及 y 均為正整數。求 y 的 最小值。 7.

Given that  $459 + x^3 = 3^y$ , where both x and y are positive integers. Find the least value of y.

$$3^5 = 243 < 459 < 3^6 = 729$$

Try 
$$y = 6$$
,  $459 + x^3 = 729$ 

 $x^3 = 270$ , no solution

Try 
$$y = 7$$
,  $459 + x^3 = 2187$ 

$$x^3 = 1728$$

$$x = 12$$

$$\therefore y = 7$$

8. 在圖三中,D 為四邊形ABCE 內的一點使得 AD // BC , $AB \perp AD$  , $CD \perp DE$  ,CD = ED ,AD = 4 cm 及 BC = 6 cm 。若  $\Delta ADE$  的面積為 P cm² ,求 P 的值。 In Figure 3, D is a point inside the quadrilateral ABCE such A that AD // BC,  $AB \perp AD$ ,  $CD \perp DE$ , CD = ED, AD = 4 cm and BC = 6 cm . If P cm² is the area of  $\Delta ADE$ , find the value of P .

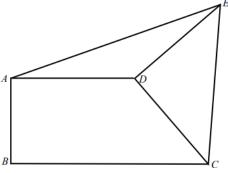


Figure 3 圖三

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Let the foot of perpendicular from D to BC be E. Join DE.

 $DE \perp BC$ ,  $AD \perp DE$ . Let AB = DE = h cm,  $\angle CDE = \theta$ .

AD = BE = 4 cm (opp. sides of rectangle)

CE = BC - BE = (6 - 4) cm = 2 cm

In 
$$\triangle CDE$$
,  $\sin \theta = \frac{2}{CD}$ 

$$\angle ADE + 90^{\circ} + 90^{\circ} + \theta = 360^{\circ}$$
 (\(\angle \text{s at a point}\)

$$\angle ADE = 180^{\circ} - \theta$$

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4 \times DE \sin(180^{\circ} - \theta)$$

$$= 2 \times CD \sin \theta = 2 \times CD \times \frac{2}{CD} = 4$$

9. ABCD 是一個圓內接四邊形,其中AB = 7, BC = 15, CD = 20 and DA = 24。求圓ABCD 的半徑。

ABCD is a cyclic quadrilateral with AB = 7, BC = 15, CD = 20 and DA = 24. Find the radius of the circle ABCD.

Let 
$$BD = x$$
,  $\angle BAD = \theta$ ,  $\angle BCD = 180^{\circ} - \theta$  (opp.  $\angle$ s cyclic quad.)

Apply cosine rules on  $\triangle ABD$  and  $\triangle CBD$ :

$$x^2 = 7^2 + 24^2 - 2 \times 7 \times 24 \cos \theta = 15^2 + 20^2 - 2 \times 15 \times 20 \cos(180^\circ - \theta)$$

$$625 - 336 \cos \theta = 625 + 600 \cos \theta$$

$$\cos \theta = 0, \theta = 90^{\circ}$$

*BD* is the diameter (converse,  $\angle$  in semi-circle)

$$BD^2 = 7^2 + 24^2$$
 (Pythagoras' theorem)

$$BD = 25$$

Radius = 12.5

10. 已知  $a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 7$  , 其中 a > 0 。若  $b = a^5 + \frac{1}{a^5}$  ,求 b 的值。

Given that  $a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 7$ , where a > 0. If  $b = a^5 + \frac{1}{a^5}$ , find the value of b.

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 2 = 7 + 2 = 9$$

$$\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 3^2 \implies \because a > 0 \therefore a + \frac{1}{a} = 3$$

$$\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)\left(a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2}\right) = 3 \times 7 = 21 \Rightarrow a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + a + \frac{1}{a} = 21 \Rightarrow a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 21 - 3 = 18$$

$$\left(a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2}\right)\left(a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3}\right) = 7 \times 18 = 126 \Rightarrow a^5 + \frac{1}{a^5} + a + \frac{1}{a} = 126 \Rightarrow a^5 + \frac{1}{a^5} = 126 - 3 = 123$$

11.  $x_1$  及  $x_2$  是方程  $(\log 2x)(\log 3x) = a$  的實根,其中 a 為實數。求  $x_1x_2$  的值。  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are the real roots of the equation  $(\log 2x)(\log 3x) = a^2$ , where a is a real number. Find the value of  $x_1x_2$ .

$$(\log 2 + \log x)(\log 3 + \log x) = a$$

$$(\log x)^2 + (\log 2 + \log 3) \log x + (\log 2)(\log 3) - a = 0$$

$$(\log x)^2 + (\log 6) \log x + (\log 2)(\log 3) - a = 0$$

$$\log x_1 + \log x_2 = -\log 6$$

$$\log(x_1 x_2) = \log \frac{1}{6}$$

$$x_1x_2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

12. 由數字 0,1,2,3,4,5,6 組成一個沒有重複數字的 7 位數。若這個數可以被 55 整 除,求這個數的最大值。

A 7-digit number is formed by putting the numerals 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 together without repetition. If this number is divisible by 55, find its largest possible value.

Let the 7-digit number be abcdefg

$$55 = 5 \times 11$$
, the units digit = 0 or 5.  $g = 0$  or 5

This number is divisible by  $11 \Rightarrow a + c + e + g - (b + d + f) = 11m$ , where m is an integer To maximize the number, let a = 6.

If 
$$g = 0$$
,  $b = 5$ , then  $6 + c + e + 0 - (5 + d + f) = 11m$ 

$$1 + c + e - (d + f) = 11m$$
, where c, d, e,  $f = 1, 2, 3, 4$ 

$$c + d + e + f = 10$$

$$1 + c + e - [10 - (c + d)] = 11m$$

$$2(c+d) = 11m + 9$$

L.H.S. is even, R.H.S. is odd, which is a contradiction

If 
$$g = 5$$
,  $b = 4$ , then  $6 + c + e + 5 - (4 + d + f) = 11m$ 

$$c + e - (d + f) = 11(m - 1) + 4$$
, where c, e, d,  $f = 0, 1, 2, 3$ 

By trial and error, 
$$c = 3$$
,  $e = 2$ ,  $d = 1$ ,  $f = 0$ 

$$3+2-(1+0)=4$$
, which satisfies the equation

The largest possible 7-digit number is 6431205.

13. 已知  $a^{2x} - b^{2y} = 1672$ , 其中  $a \cdot b \cdot x$  及 y 為正整數。求 ax + by 的最小值。

Given that  $a^{2x} - b^{2y} = 1672$ , where a, b, x and y are positive integers.

Find the minimum value of ax + by.

$$(a^x - b^y)(a^x + b^y) = 2^3 \times 11 \times 19 = m \times n$$
, where  $m < n$  are integers

To minimize ax - by, m, n must be as close as possible

Let 
$$m = 2 \times 19 = 38$$
,  $n = 2^2 \times 11 = 44$ 

$$a^{x} - b^{y} = 38 \cdots (1)$$

$$a^{x} + b^{y} = 44 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot (2)$$

$$[(1) + (2)] \div 2$$
  $a^x = 41$ , no integral solution

Let 
$$m = 2 \times 11 = 22$$
,  $n = 2^2 \times 19 = 76$ 

$$a^x - b^y = 22 \cdot \cdots \cdot (3)$$

$$a^{x} + b^{y} = 76 \cdot \cdots \cdot (4)$$

$$[(3) + (4)] \div 2$$
  $a^x = 49$ 

$$a = 7, x = 2$$

$$[(4) - (3)] \div 2$$
  $b^y = 27$ 

$$b = 3, y = 3$$

The minimum value of  $ax + by = 7 \times 2 + 3 \times 3 = 23$ .

## 14. 設 $a \cdot b$ 及 c 為非零數字。有多少個三位數 abc 使得 ab < bc < ca?

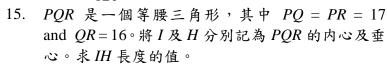
Let a, b and c are non-zero digits. How many three digit numbers abc are there such that  $\overline{ab} < \overline{bc} < \overline{ca}$ ?

$$abc = 112, 113, \dots, 119 (8)$$

$$123, 124, \cdots, 129 (7)$$

289 (1)

Total = 
$$(8 + 7 + 6 + \dots + 1) + (7 + 6 + \dots + 1) + (6 + 5 + \dots + 1) + \dots + 1$$
  
=  $36 + 28 + 21 + 15 + 10 + 6 + 3 + 1$   
=  $120$ 



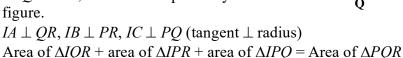
PQR is an isosceles triangle with PQ = PR = 17 and QR = 16. Denote the in-centre and the orthocentre of PQR by I and H respectively.

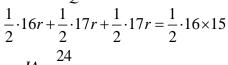
Find the length of *HI*.

Let *A* be the mid-point of *QR*. QA = AR = 8.  $PA \perp QR$ 

$$PA = \sqrt{17^2 - 8^2} = 15$$
 (Pythagoras' theorem)

I and H lies on PA (altitude of the isosceles triangle) Draw the inscribed circle with radius r, touching  $\Delta PQR$  at A, B and C respectively as shown in the figure.





$$r = IA = \frac{24}{5}$$

Join *QH* and produce it to cut *PR* at *D*.  $QD \perp PR$ .

ADPQ is a cyclic quadrilateral (converse,  $\angle$ s in the same segment)

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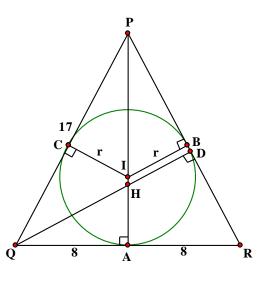
Let  $\angle AOH = \theta$ , then  $\angle APR = \theta$  ( $\angle$ s in the same segment)

In  $\triangle AHQ$ ,  $HA = 8 \tan \theta$ 

In 
$$\triangle APR$$
,  $\tan \theta = \frac{8}{15}$ 

:. 
$$HA = 8 \times \frac{8}{15} = \frac{64}{15}$$

$$IH = IA - HA = \frac{24}{5} - \frac{64}{15} = \frac{8}{15}$$



## Paper 2

1. 該 
$$\frac{A}{2022} = \frac{1}{1+1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022} + \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022}}$$
 。 求  $A$  的值。

Let  $\frac{A}{2022} = \frac{1}{1+1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022} + \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022}}$ . Find the value of  $A$ . 
$$\frac{A}{2022} = \frac{1}{1+1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022} + \frac{1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022}{1+1\times2\times3\times\cdots\times2022} = 1$$
  $A = 2022$ 

2.  $\overline{AB}$  和  $\overline{CB}$  均為兩位正整數,其中  $A \cdot B$  和 C 是不同的數字。設  $d = \overline{AB} + \overline{CB}$ 。 若  $\overline{AB} \times \overline{CB} = \overline{BCBB}$  是四位數,求 d 的值。

Both  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{CB}$  are two-digit positive integers, where A, B and C are different digits. Let  $d = \overline{AB} + \overline{CB}$ . If  $\overline{AB} \times \overline{CB} = \overline{BCBB}$  is a four-digit number, find the value of d.  $B \neq 0$ ,  $1^2 = 1$ ,  $2^2 = 4$ ,  $3^2 = 9$ ,  $4^2 = 16$ ,  $5^2 = 25$ ,  $6^2 = 36$ ,  $7^2 = 49$ ,  $8^2 = 64$ ,  $9^2 = 81$   $\therefore B = 1$ , 5 or 6

$$\begin{array}{lll}
B \neq 0, 1 = 1, 2 = 4, 3 = 9, 4 = 10, 3 = 23, 0 = 30, 7 = 49, 8 = 04, 9 = 81 ... B = 1, 3 \text{ of } 0 = 100 \\
(10A + B)(10C + B) &= 1000B + 100C + 10B + B \\
100AC + 10(A + C)B + B^2 &= 1000B + 100C + 10B + B \\
100(A - 1)C &= [1011 - 10(A + C) - B]B
\end{array}$$

L.H.S. is multiple of  $100 \Rightarrow 1011 - 10(A + C) - B$  is a multiple of  $100 \Rightarrow B = 1$ 

$$100(A-1)C = 1011 - 10(A+C) - 1 = 10(101 - A - C)$$

$$10(A-1)C = 101 - A - C$$

$$A - 9C + 10AC = 101$$

$$A(1+10C) - 9C = 101$$

$$10A(1+10C) - 90C = 1010$$

$$10A(1+10C) - 9(1+10C) = 1001 = 7 \times 11 \times 13$$

$$(10A - 9)(10C + 1) = 7 \times 11 \times 13$$

$$(10A - 9, 10C + 1) = (11, 91) \Rightarrow A = 2, C = 9$$

$$(10A - 9, 10C + 1) = (91, 11) \Rightarrow A = 10, C = 1$$
 (rejected)  
 $d = 21 + 91 = 112$ 

3. 假設方程  $x^2y-2x^2-3y-13=0$  只有一對正整數解  $(x_0,y_0)$ 。若  $a=y_0-x_0$ ,求 a 的值。 Suppose the equation  $x^2y-2x^2-3y-13=0$  has only one pair of positive integral solution  $(x_0,y_0)$ . If  $a=y_0-x_0$ , find the value of a.  $x^2y-2x^2-3y-13=0$ 

$$x^{2}(y-2) - 3(y-2) = 19$$

$$(x^{2} - 3)(y-2) = 19$$

$$\begin{cases} x^{2} - 3 = 1 \\ y - 2 = 19 \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} x^{2} - 3 = 19 \\ y - 2 = 1 \end{cases}$$

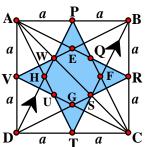
x = 2, y = 21 or no positive integral solution a = 21 - 2 = 19

圖一所示為一正方形。每一條邊的中點都連接對邊的兩端點, 4. 由此形成一個四角星(著色部分)。求 四角星的面積 的值。

Figure 1 shows a square. The mid-point of each side is joined to the two end points of the opposite side and a four-pointed star is thus formed

(the shaded part). Find the value of Area of the four point star

Area of the square



Using the notations in the figure, the square ABCD has length = 2a.

Area = 
$$(2a)^2 = 4a^2$$

$$\angle VAW = 45^{\circ}$$
 (Property of a square)

$$\angle ADC = 90^{\circ}$$
 (Property of a square)

$$AC = 2\sqrt{2}a$$
 (Pythagoras' theorem)

$$\Delta TDP \cong \Delta CTB$$
 (S.A.S.)

$$\angle TDP = \angle CTB$$
 (corr.  $\angle s$ ,  $\cong \Delta s$ )

$$PD // BT$$
 (corr.  $\angle$ s eq.)

$$AW = WS = SC = \frac{2\sqrt{2}a}{3}$$
 (Intercept theorem)

Area of the star = 
$$4a^2 - 8 \times$$
 area of  $\triangle AVW$ 

$$=4a^{2}-8\times\frac{1}{2}a\cdot\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}a\sin 45^{\circ}$$
$$4a^{2}$$

$$=\frac{4a^2}{3}$$

Area of the four point star 
$$\frac{4a^2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$
Area of the square

VABC 為一個錐體,其中 VA = VB = VC 及 AB = BC = CA = a m。設它的高為 h m 5. 及它的總表面積及體積相等。若 a 和 h 均為正整數,求 h 的可能值之和。 VABC is a right pyramid with VA = VB = VC and AB = BC = CA = a m. Let its height be h m and its total surface area and volume are the same. If a and h are both positive integers, find the sum of all possible values of h.

The base  $\triangle ABC$  is an equilateral triangle with area =  $\frac{1}{2}a^2 \sin 60^\circ \text{ m}^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}a^2 \text{ m}^2$ 

Let the projection of V on ABC be O, thewn O is the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ .

$$\angle AOB = \angle BOC = \angle COA = 120^{\circ}$$
 ( $\angle$ s at a point)

$$OA = OB = OC = \frac{\frac{a}{2}}{\cos 30^{\circ}} = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}$$

 $VO \perp$  the base  $\triangle ABC$ .

In 
$$\triangle VOA$$
,  $\angle AOV = 90^{\circ}$ ,  $OA^2 + VO^2 = VA^2$  (Pythagoras' theorem)

$$VA^2 = \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 + h^2 = \frac{a^2}{3} + h^2$$

Let *M* be the mid-point of *AB*.  $AM = MB = \frac{a}{2}$ ,  $VM \perp AB$ .

In 
$$\Delta VAM$$
,  $VM^2 + AM^2 = VA^2$  (Pythagoras' theorem)

$$VM^2 + \frac{a^2}{4} = \frac{a^2}{3} + h^2$$

$$VM = \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{12} + h^2}$$

Area of a lateral face = 
$$\frac{1}{2}AB \times VM = \frac{1}{2}a \times \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{12} + h^2}$$

Total surface area = volume

$$\frac{3}{2}a \times \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{12} + h^2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}a^2 = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}a^2h$$

$$18 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{12} + h^2} + 3\sqrt{3}a = \sqrt{3}ah$$

$$18 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{a^2}{12} + h^2} = \sqrt{3} (h-3) a$$

$$108\left(\frac{a^2}{12} + h^2\right) = (h-3)^2 a^2$$

$$9a^2 + 108h^2 = (h^2 - 6h + 9)a^2$$

$$a^2h^2 - 6a^2h - 108h^2 = 0$$

$$a^2h - 6a^2 - 108h = 0 \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot (*)$$

$$a^2(h-6) = 108h$$

$$a^2 = \frac{108h}{h-6} \quad \dots \quad (1) \Rightarrow h > 6$$

When h = 7, no integral solution for a

When h = 8, no integral solution for a

When 
$$h = 9$$
,  $a^2 = \frac{108 \times 9}{9 - 6} \Rightarrow a = 18$ 

(\*) can be rearranged as 
$$h = \frac{6a^2}{a^2 - 108} \cdots (2) \Rightarrow a > 10$$

$$h \ge 9 \Rightarrow 6a^2 \ge 9(a^2 - 108)$$

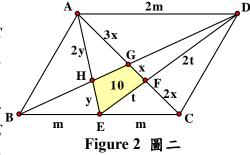
$$9 \times 36 \ge a^2 \Rightarrow 18 \ge a > 10$$

From (2), a must be a multiple of 6

Put 
$$a = 12$$
 into (2),  $h = \frac{6 \times 12^2}{12^2 - 108} = 24$ 

Sum of all possible values of h = 9 + 24 = 33

6. 圖二中,ABCD 是平行四邊形。E 為 BC 的中點,
AE 和 BD 相交於 H,AC 和 DE 相交於 F,AC
和 BD 相交於 G。若四邊形 EFGH 的面積及
ABCD 的面積分別為 10 cm² 及 k cm²,求k的值。
In Figure 2, ABCD is a parallelogram. E is the midpoint of BC, AE and BD intersect at H, AC and DE intersect at F, AC and BD intersect at G. If the area of the quadrilateral EFGH and ABCD are 10 cm² and



 $k \text{ cm}^2$  respectively, find the value of k.

E is the mid-point of BC. Let BE = m = EC, AD = 2m

 $\Delta ADH \sim \Delta EBH$  (equiangular)

AH: HE = AD: BE = 2:1 (corr. sides,  $\sim \Delta s$ )

Let AH = 2y, HE = y

 $\triangle ADF \sim \triangle CEF$  (equiangular)

AF: CF = DF: EF = 2:1 (corr. sides,  $\sim \Delta s$ )

Let AF = 4x, CF = 2x, DF = 2t, EF = t, AC = AF + FC = 6x

AG = GC = 3x, GF = GC - FC = x

Let S represents the area.  $\triangle ACD \cong \triangle CAB$  (S.S.S.)

$$S_{\Delta ACD} = S_{\Delta CAB} = \frac{k}{2}$$

 $\triangle ADG$ ,  $\triangle GDF$  and  $\triangle CDF$  have the same height but different bases AG, GF and FC.

 $S_{\triangle ADG}: S_{\triangle GDF}: S_{\triangle CDF} = AG: GF: FC = 3:1:2$ 

$$S_{\Delta ADG} = \frac{k}{2} \times \frac{3}{6} = \frac{k}{4}$$
,  $S_{\Delta GDF} = \frac{k}{2} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{k}{12}$ ,  $S_{\Delta CDF} = \frac{k}{2} \times \frac{2}{6} = \frac{k}{6}$ 

Height of  $\triangle ADE$  = height of //-gram ABCD and they have common base AD.

$$\therefore$$
 Area of  $\triangle ADE = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{ area of } //\text{-gram} = \frac{k}{2}$ 

 $\triangle ADH$  and  $\triangle DEH$  have the same height but different bases AH and HE.

$$S_{\Delta DEH} = \frac{k}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{k}{6}$$

 $S_{EFGH} = S_{\Delta DEH} - S_{\Delta GDF}$ 

$$10 = \frac{k}{6} - \frac{k}{12}$$

$$k = 120$$

## Method 2 (Newton's formulae for the sums of powers of the roots)

Let  $S_n = x^n + y^n + z^n$ , then  $S_0 = 3$ ,  $S_1 = 1$ ,  $S_2 = 2$ ,  $S_3 = 3$ 

Let x, y and z be the roots of  $t^3 + a_1t^2 + a_2t + a_3 = 0$ 

Let 
$$x$$
,  $y$  and  $z$  be the roots of  $t^3 + a_1t^2 + a_2t + a_3 =$   
Let  $f(t) = (t - x)(t - y)(t - z) = t^3 + a_1t^2 + a_2t + a_3$ 

$$\ln f(t) = \ln(t-x)(t-y)(t-z) = t + a_1t + a_2t + a_3$$

$$\ln f(t) = \ln(t-x) + \ln(t-y) + \ln(t-z) = \ln(t^3 + a_1t^2 + a_2t + a_3)$$

Differentiate both sides w.r.t. t:

$$\frac{f'(t)}{f(t)} = \frac{1}{t-x} + \frac{1}{t-y} + \frac{1}{t-z} = \frac{3t^2 + 2a_1t + a_2}{t^3 + a_1t^2 + a_2t + a_3}$$

Replace t by 
$$\frac{1}{u}$$
:  $\frac{u}{1-ux} + \frac{u}{1-uy} + \frac{u}{1-uz} = \frac{(3+2a_1u + a_2u^2)u}{1+a_1u + a_2u^2 + a_3u^3}$ 

$$\frac{1}{1-ux} + \frac{1}{1-uy} + \frac{1}{1-uz} = \frac{3+2a_1u + a_2u^2}{1+a_1u + a_2u^2 + a_2u^3}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (xu)^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (yu)^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (zu)^n = \frac{3 + 2a_1u + a_2u^2}{1 + a_1u + a_2u^2 + a_3u^3}$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n u^n = \frac{3 + 2a_1 u + a_2 u^2}{1 + a_1 u + a_2 u^2 + a_3 u^3}$$

$$\left(1 + a_1 u + a_2 u^2 + a_3 u^3\right) \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n u^n\right) = 3 + 2a_1 u + a_2 u^2$$

Compare coefficients of u:  $a_1S_0 + S_1 = 2a_1 \Rightarrow a_1 = -1$ 

Compare coefficients of  $u^2$ :  $a_2S_0 + a_1S_1 + S_2 = a_2 \Rightarrow 2a_2 - 1 + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow a_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$ 

Compare coefficients of  $u^3$ :  $a_3S_0 + a_2S_1 + a_1S_2 + S_3 = 0 \Rightarrow 3a_3 - \frac{1}{2} - 1 \times 2 + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow a_3 = -\frac{1}{6}$ 

Compare coefficients of  $u^4$ :  $a_3S_1 + a_2S_2 + a_1S_3 + S_4 = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{2} \times 2 - 1 \times 3 + S_4 = 0$$
$$\Rightarrow S_4 = \frac{25}{4}$$

8. 對所有正整數 n > 1,函數 f 定義如下:

$$f(1) = 2021 \ \mathcal{R} \ f(1) + f(2) + f(3) + \cdots + f(n) = n^2 f(n)$$

求 f(2021) 的值。

For all positive integers n > 1, a function f is defined as

$$f(1) = 2021$$
 and  $f(1) + f(2) + f(3) + \cdots + f(n) = n^2 f(n)$ .

Find the value of f(2021).

Reference: 2013 HG10, 2014 FG1.4

$$f(1) + f(2) + \dots + f(n) = n^2 f(n) \Rightarrow f(n) = \frac{f(1) + f(2) + \dots + f(n-1)}{n^2 - 1}$$

$$f(2) = \frac{f(1)}{3} = \frac{2021}{3}$$

$$f(3) = \frac{f(1) + f(2)}{8} = \frac{2021 + \frac{2021}{3}}{8} = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{3}}{8} \cdot 2021 = \frac{1}{6} \cdot 2021$$

$$f(4) = \frac{f(1) + f(2) + f(3)}{15} = \frac{2021 + \frac{2021}{3} + \frac{2021}{6}}{15} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{15} \cdot 2021 = \frac{1}{10} \cdot 2021$$

It is observed that the answer is 2021 divided by the  $n^{\text{th}}$  triangle number.

Claim: 
$$f(n) = \frac{2}{n(n+1)} \cdot 2021$$
 for  $n \ge 1$ 

n = 1, 2, 3, 4, proved above.

Suppose  $f(k) = \frac{2}{k(k+1)} \cdot 2021$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$  for some positive integer m.

$$f(m+1) = \frac{f(1) + f(2) + \dots + f(m)}{(m+1)^2 - 1} = \frac{\frac{2}{1 \times 2} + \frac{2}{2 \times 3} + \frac{2}{3 \times 4} + \frac{2}{4 \times 5} + \frac{2}{5 \times 6} + \dots + \frac{2}{m(m+1)}}{m(m+2)} \cdot 2021$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{m+1}\right)}{m(m+2)} \cdot 2021$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{1}{m+1}}{m(m+2)} \cdot 2021 = \frac{2}{(m+1)(m+2)} \cdot 2021$$

 $\therefore$  It is also true for m. By the principle of mathematical induction, the formula is true.

$$f(2021) = \frac{2}{2021 \times 2022} \cdot 2021 = \frac{1}{1011}$$