MOAA 2024 Accuracy Round Solutions

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A1. Compute

$$\frac{2024\times2025-2021\times2022}{2}$$

Proposed by: Anthony Yang Answer: $\boxed{6069}$ Solution: Recall that $1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$. We have $\frac{2024 \times 2025 - 2021 \times 2022}{2} = \frac{2024 \times 2025}{2} - \frac{2021 \times 2022}{2}$ $= (1 + 2 + \dots + 2024) - (1 + 2 + \dots + 2021)$ = 2022 + 2023 + 2024 $= \boxed{6069}$

A2. Every morning, Anthony walks at a constant speed from his dorm to the Russian School of Math for class. If he walks twice as fast as usual, he gets there 7 minutes earlier. If he walks 1 km/h slower than usual, he gets there 3.5 minutes later. To the nearest integer, how many meters is the Russian School of Math from Anthony's dorm?

Proposed by: Anthony Yang

Answer: | 1167 |

Solution: First, we convert km/h to meters per minute to get 1 km/h = $\frac{50}{3}$ m/min. Let the usual speed and time be v and t, respectively, and let d be the distance traveled. Then, we have the following system of equations:

$$v \cdot t = d$$
$$2v \cdot (t - 7) = d$$
$$(v - \frac{50}{3}) \cdot (t + \frac{7}{2}) = d$$

Dividing the second equation by the first equation, we get $2 \cdot \frac{t-7}{t} = 1$ which means t = 14. Plugging this into the second and third equations gives:

$$14v = d
\frac{35}{2}(v - \frac{50}{3}) = d$$

Equating the LHS expressions gives $v = \frac{250}{3}$ so

$$d = vt = \frac{250}{3} \cdot 14 = \frac{3500}{3} \approx \boxed{1167}$$

A3. The 9-digit number $\overline{20240MOAA}$ is divisible by the five smallest primes, where M, O, A are (not necessarily distinct) digits. Find the 4-digit number \overline{MOAA} .

Proposed by: Anthony Yang

Answer: | 2200 |

Solution: The five smallest primes are 2, 3, 5, 7, and 11. Notice that our number must be divisible by 10, so A = 0. By the divisibility rule of 11, the following expression must be divisible by 11:

$$(2+2+0+O+A) - (0+4+M+A) = (4+O) - (4+M) = O - M$$

Clearly, since O and M are digits, we can only have O - M = 0 so O = M. By the divisibility rule of 3, the sum of the digits must be divisible by 3, or

2 + 0 + 2 + 4 + 0 + M + O + A + A = 8 + 2M

Checking possibilities, M can only be 2, 5, or 8. Checking M = 2, we find that 202402200 is divisible by 7, so $\overline{MOAA} = \boxed{2200}$.

A4. A non-decreasing geometric sequence of positive integers with first term a and integer common ratio r is called *n*-aligned if $a, r \leq n$ and all terms of the sequence yield the same remainder when divided by n. How many 12-aligned sequences exist?

Proposed by: Anthony Yang

Answer: $|4\overline{0}|$

Solution: Note that if x and y leave the same reminder when divided by a number n, then x - y must be divisible by n. The first two terms of our sequence are a and ar, so we must have

$$ar - a \equiv a(r - 1) \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$$

We can proceed with casework on gcd(a, 12). Notice that if gcd(a, 12) = n, then gcd(r-1, 12) must be divisible by $\frac{12}{n}$. For example, if gcd(a, 12) = 1, then 12 must divide gcd(r-1, 12) so there are four solutions for a and one solution for r, yielding $4 \cdot 1 = 4$ possibilities. Checking each of the six values for gcd(a, 12) and summing, we get

$$4 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 6 + 1 \cdot 12 = |40|$$

A5. Find the number of ordered triples of positive integers (a, b, c) that satisfy

abc + 6a + 3b + 2c = 3ab + bc + 2ca + 2024

Proposed by: Harry Kim

Answer: 11

Solution: Rearranging and subtracting 6 from both sides gives

abc - 3ab - bc - 2ca + 6a + 3b + 2c - 6 = 2018

Notice that this can be factored into

 $(a-1)(b-2)(c-3) = 2018 = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1009$

If (a - 1, b - 2, c - 3) is equivalent to (1, 2, 1009) in some order, there are six possibilities for (a, b, c). If (a - 1, b - 2, c - 3) is equivalent to (1, 1, 2018) in some order, there are three possibilities for (a, b, c). However, notice that we can also have (a - 1, b - 2, c - 3) equivalent to (2018, -1, -1) or (1009, -1, -2), yielding two more solutions. Summing gives 3 + 6 + 2 = 11.

A6. Two circles ω_1 and ω_2 are defined such that ω_1 is smaller than ω_2 . Let X and Y be the intersections of the two circles. Let P be the intersection of their common external tangents, and let W be the intersection of PX and ω_1 . The common external tangent closer to X touches ω_1 and ω_2 at A and B respectively, so that PA = 75 and AB = 33. Given that the quantity WX can be expressed as $\frac{m}{n}$ where m and n are relatively prime positive integers, find m + n.

Proposed by: Brandon Xu

Answer: 57

Solution: Since PA is tangent to ω_1 at A, we have that $\angle PAW = \angle AXW = \angle AXP$. Then, we have that $\triangle PAW \sim \triangle PXA$. Notice that the dilation centered at P which sends A to B, also sends W to X. Then, we have that $AW \parallel BX$, so we have that $\triangle PAW \sim \triangle PBX$ as well. Hence, we have $\triangle PXA \sim \triangle PBX$. By similarity ratios, we have:

$$\frac{PA}{PX} = \frac{PX}{PB} \implies \frac{75}{PX} = \frac{PX}{75+33}$$

Thus, we have PX = 90. Notice that by Power of a Point, we have that

$$75^{2} = PA^{2} = PW \cdot PX = (PX - WX) \cdot PX = 90(90 - WX)$$

Solving for WX gives

$$WX = \frac{90^2 - 75^2}{90} = \frac{55}{2}$$

Hence, our answer is 55 + 2 = 57

A7. Eric is randomly labeling each cell of a rectangular 8×10 grid with the numbers $1, 2, \ldots, 80$ such that each number is used once. A cell is called a *pit* if its number is smaller than all adjacent cells (two cells are adjacent if they share an edge). If the expected number of *pits* can be expressed as $\frac{a}{b}$ where *a* and *b* are relatively prime positive integers, find a + b.

Proposed by: Eric Wang

Answer: 284

Solution: We will compute the expected number of *pits* for each type of cell. A corner cell borders two cells, so by symmetry there is a $\frac{1}{3}$ chance that the corner cell is a *pit*. Similarly, an edge cell borders three cells, meaning there is a $\frac{1}{4}$ chance that the edge cell is a *pit*, and an interior cell borders four cells, meaning there is a $\frac{1}{5}$ chance that the interior cells is a *pit*. There are 4 corner cells, 28 edge cells, and 48 interior cells, so the expected number of pits is

$$4 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 28 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 48 \cdot \frac{1}{5} = \frac{269}{15}$$

Thus, our answer is 269 + 15 = 284.

A8. In an equilateral triangle $\triangle ABC$ with area 5, let D be a point on segment AC and E be the point on ray \overrightarrow{BC} not on the segment BC such that $\angle CBD = \angle CDE$ and BD = 3ED. The area of $\triangle CDE$ can be expressed as $\frac{a}{b}$ where a and b are relatively prime positive integers. Find a + b.

Proposed by: Harry Kim

Answer: 53

Solution: Let F be the point on segment BC such that ΔCDF is an equilateral triangle. Notice that $\angle DFB = \angle DCE = 120^{\circ}$, so we have $\Delta DFB \sim \Delta ECD$. By similarity ratios, we find that

$$\frac{CD}{FB} = \frac{DE}{BD} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Since ΔCDF is equilateral, we have CD = CF so

$$BC = CF + BF = CF + 3CF = 4CF$$

Now, notice that

$$\frac{[\Delta CDF]}{[\Delta ABC]} = \left(\frac{CF}{BC}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{16}$$

where $[\Delta ABC]$ represents the area of ΔABC . Further, observe that since ΔCDE and ΔCDF share the same height, their area ratio is given by

$$\frac{[\Delta CDE]}{[\Delta CDF]} = \frac{CE}{CF}$$

Recall that CF = FD and $\Delta DFB \sim \Delta ECD$. By similarity ratios, we have

$$\frac{CE}{CF} = \frac{CE}{FD} = \frac{CD}{FB} = \frac{1}{3}$$

so $\frac{[\Delta CDE]}{[\Delta CDF]} = \frac{1}{3}$. We find that

$$\frac{[\Delta CDE]}{[\Delta ABC]} = \frac{[\Delta CDE]}{[\Delta CDF]} \cdot \frac{[\Delta CDF]}{[\Delta ABC]} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{48}$$

Thus, we get

$$[\Delta CDE] = \frac{1}{48} \cdot [\Delta ABC] = \frac{5}{48}$$

so our answer is 5 + 48 = 53.

A9. Suppose positive real numbers x, y satisfy

$$x\sqrt{2024 - y^2} + y\sqrt{2024 - x^2} = 2024.$$

If the maximum value of x + 7y can be expressed as $a\sqrt{b}$ where a and b are positive integers and b is square-free, find a + b.

Proposed by: Harry Kim

Solution: From the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we have

$$(x^{2} + y^{2})\left((2024 - y^{2}) + (2024 - x^{2})\right) \ge \left(x\sqrt{2024 - y^{2}} + y\sqrt{2024 - x^{2}}\right)^{2} = 2024^{2}$$

Let $A = x^2 + y^2$. We have that

$$A(4048 - A) \ge 2024^2 \implies x^2 + y^2 = 2024$$

We can use Cauchy-Schwarz inequality again to find the maximum of (x + 7y). We have that

$$(x+7y)^2 \le (1^2+7^2)(x^2+y^2) = 50 \cdot 2024 \implies x+7y \le 20\sqrt{253}$$

so our answer is 20 + 253 = |273|.

Remark: this bound is attainable by setting $(x, y) = \left(\sqrt{\frac{2024}{50}}, 7\sqrt{\frac{2024}{50}}\right)$

A10. While doing Math Kangaroo homework, Angeline is painting a 7×7 grid where all of the squares are initially white. For every square on the grid, there is a $\frac{1}{4}$ probability that Angeline paints the square blue, a $\frac{1}{4}$ probability that she paints the square red, a $\frac{1}{4}$ probability that she paints the square purple, and a $\frac{1}{4}$ probability she leaves it white. Let P be the probability that there are more red squares than blue squares. Find the remainder when $2^{100} \cdot P$ is divided by 1000.

Proposed by: Harry Kim

Answer: 488

Solution: We can convert this problem to having two white 7×7 grids where each square on grid 1 is painted red with $\frac{1}{2}$ probability and each square on grid 2 is painted blue with $\frac{1}{2}$ probability. The two grids can be "combined" so that if a square is colored both red and blue, it turns purple. Then P is equal to the probability that there are more red squares in grid 1 than blue squares in grid 2. Let P' be the probability that there are an equal number of red squares in grid 1 and blue squares in grid 2. Then $P = \frac{1-P'}{2}$ by symmetry. Notice that

$$P' = \sum_{i=0}^{49} \frac{\binom{49}{i}^2}{2^{98}}.$$

Using the identity $\sum_{i=0}^{n} {n \choose i}^2 = {2n \choose n}$, we find

$$P' = \frac{\binom{98}{49}}{2^{98}}.$$

Thus,

$$2^{100} \cdot P = 2^{99} - 2 \cdot \binom{98}{49} \equiv \boxed{488} \pmod{1000}.$$