

2007 OSU HIGH SCHOOL MATH CONTEST

PART II

1. A *graph* consists of a finite set V of vertices and a set E of edges joining different pairs of distinct vertices. The number of edges incident with a vertex is called the *degree* of the vertex.

For example, Figure 1 is a picture of a graph with four vertices A, B, C, and D and four edges (note that the point where the diagonals of the square intersect is not a vertex; the crossing edges are just an artifact of the pictorial representation of the graph.) Vertex A has degree 3, vertices B and D each have degree 2, and vertex C has degree 1.

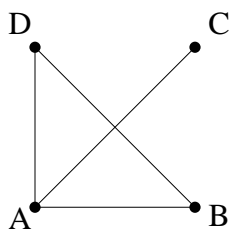


FIGURE 1

- (i) Show that the sum of the degrees of all vertices is equal to twice the number of edges in any graph.
- (ii) Show that the number of vertices of odd degree is even in any graph.

2. (i) Prove that $\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}} = 1 + \frac{1}{n(n+1)}$.
(ii) Compute

$$\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2}} + \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2}} + \cdots + \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{2006^2} + \frac{1}{2007^2}}.$$

3. For n an integer greater than or equal to 2, prove that the sum $1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + n$ of first n integers is a factor of the product $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdots n$ if and only if $n + 1$ is not prime.

4. Let C, D be points on the line segment AB such that $AC \cong CD \cong DB$. AC, CD and DB are diameters of the 3 circles shown in Figure 2. Let E be any point on the center circle other than C and D . Let α denote the angle $\angle AEC$ and let the β denote the angle $\angle BED$. Show that

$$4(\tan \alpha) \cdot (\tan \beta) = 1.$$

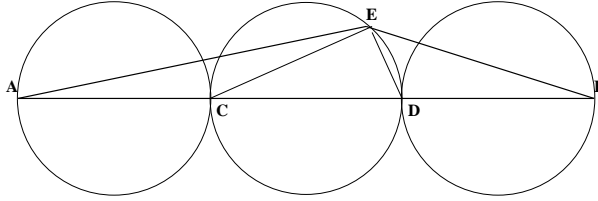


FIGURE 2

5. Let ABC be an isosceles triangle.

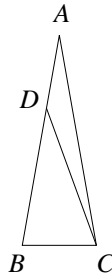


FIGURE 3

Given $AB \cong AC$ and $\angle BAC = 20^\circ$. Let D be a point on the side AB with $AD \cong BC$.

Find the angle $\angle BDC$. You must provide a correct mathematical argument to justify your answer.

Suggestion: Consider the following figure with $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle EAD$. You may find it helpful to make further additions to this figure.

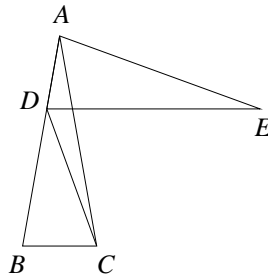


FIGURE 4