

**HKCEE 1992**  
**Mathematics II**

- 92 1.  $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} =$
- A.  $\frac{a+b}{ab}$   
 B.  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$   
 C.  $\frac{1}{ab}$   
 D.  $\frac{2}{a+b}$   
 E.  $\frac{1}{a+b}$
- 92 2. If  $a = 1 - \frac{1}{1-b}$ , then  $b =$
- A.  $1 - \frac{1}{1-a}$   
 B.  $1 - \frac{1}{1+a}$   
 C.  $1 + \frac{1}{1-a}$   
 D.  $1 + \frac{1}{1+a}$   
 E.  $-1 + \frac{1}{1+a}$
- 92 3. For what value(s) of  $x$  does the equality  $\frac{(x+1)(x-2)}{x-2} = x+1$  hold?
- A. -1 only  
 B. 2 only  
 C. Any value  
 D. Any value except -1  
 E. Any value except 2
- 92 4.  $\frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1} - \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1} =$
- A. 0  
 B.  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 C. 3  
 D.  $\sqrt{5}$   
 E.  $\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{5}$
- 92 5. If  $\log_{10} b = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \log_{10} a$ , then  $b =$
- A.  $10\sqrt{a}$   
 B.  $10 + \sqrt{a}$   
 C.  $5a$   
 D.  $\frac{a}{2}$   
 E.  $1 + \frac{a}{2}$
- 92 6. Which of the following is a factor of  $4(a+b)^2 - 9(a-b)^2$ ?
- A.  $5b - a$   
 B.  $5b + a$   
 C.  $-a - b$   
 D.  $13b - 5a$   
 E.  $13a - 5b$
- 92 7. If  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = k$  and  $a, b, c, d$  are positive, then which of the following must be true?
- A.  $\frac{a+c}{b+d} = k$   
 B.  $ab = cd = k$   
 C.  $ac = bd = k$   
 D.  $a = c = k$   
 E.  $\frac{ac}{bd} = k$

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Simplify  $\frac{\overbrace{n \times n \times \dots \times n}^{n \text{ times}}}{\underbrace{n + n + \dots + n}_{n \text{ terms}}}$ .

- A.  $n^{n-2}$
- B.  $\frac{n}{n^2}$
- C.  $n - 2$
- D.  $\frac{n}{2}$
- E. 1

92 If a and b are greater than 1, which of  
9. the following statements is/are true?

- I.  $\sqrt{a+b} = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$
- II.  $(a^{-1} + b^{-1})^{-1} = a + b$
- III.  $a^2 b^3 = (ab)^6$

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only
- D. I and II only
- E. None of them

92 If  $a : b = 2 : 3$ ,  $a : c = 3 : 4$  and  $b : d =$   
10.  $5 : 2$ , find  $c : d$ .

- A. 1 : 5
- B. 16 : 45
- C. 10 : 3
- D. 20 : 9
- E. 5 : 1

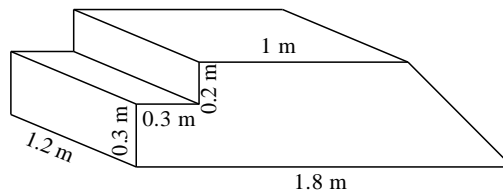
92 Suppose  $x$  varies directly as  $y^2$  and  
11. inversely as  $z$ . Find the percentage increase of  $x$  when  $y$  is increased by 20% and  $z$  is decreased by 20%.

- A. 15.2%
- B. 20%
- C. 50%
- D. 72.8%
- E. 80%

92 A sum of \$ 10 000 is deposited at 4%  
12. p.a., compounded yearly. Find the interest earned *in the second year*.

- A. \$16
- B. \$400
- C. \$416
- D. \$800
- E. \$816

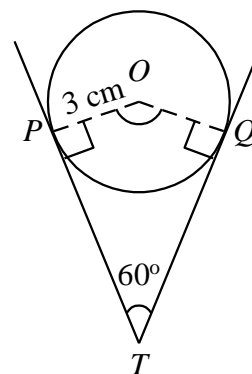
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The figure shows a solid platform with steps on one side and a slope on the other. Find its volume.

- A.  $0.75 \text{ m}^3$
- B.  $0.84 \text{ m}^3$
- C.  $0.858 \text{ m}^3$
- D.  $1.008 \text{ m}^3$
- E.  $1.608 \text{ m}^3$

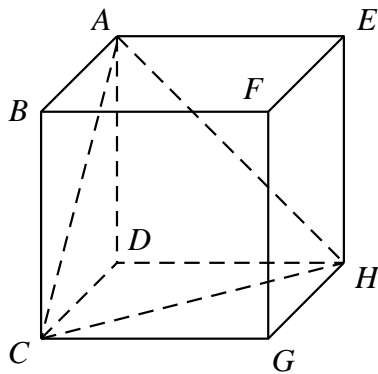
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In the figure, TP and TQ are tangent to the circle of radius 3 cm. Find the length of the minor arc PQ.

- A.  $3\pi \text{ cm}$
- B.  $2\pi \text{ cm}$
- C.  $\frac{3\pi}{2} \text{ cm}$
- D.  $\pi \text{ cm}$
- E.  $\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ cm}$

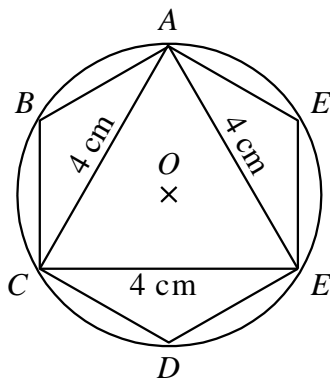
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Find the ratio of the volume of the tetrahedron  $ACHD$  to the volume of the cube  $ABCDEFGH$  in the figure.

- A. 1 : 8
- B. 1 : 6
- C. 1 : 4
- D. 1 : 3
- E. 1 : 2

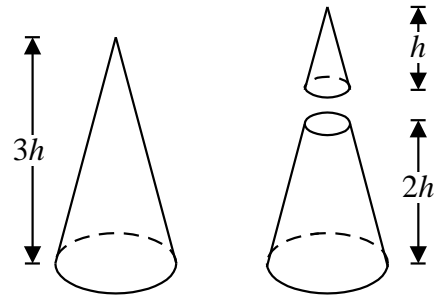
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In the figure, the equilateral triangle  $ACE$  of side 4 cm is inscribed in the circle. Find the area of the inscribed regular hexagon  $ABCDEF$ .

- A.  $8\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$
- B.  $8\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}^2$
- C.  $4\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$
- D.  $4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}^2$
- E.  $16 \text{ cm}^2$

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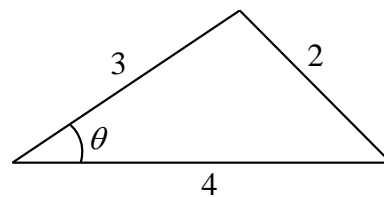
In the figure, a cone of height  $3h$  is cut by a plane parallel to its base into a smaller cone of height  $h$  and a frustum. Find the ratio of the volume of the smaller cone to the volume of the frustum.

- A. 1 : 27
- B. 1 : 26
- C. 1 : 9
- D. 1 : 8
- E. 1 : 7

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18. The greatest value of  $1 - 2\sin \theta$  is

- A. 5 .
- B. 3 .
- C. 1 .
- D. 0 .
- E. -1 .

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In the figure, find  $\cos \theta$ .

- A.  $-\frac{1}{4}$
- B.  $\frac{11}{16}$
- C.  $\frac{3}{4}$
- D.  $\frac{7}{8}$

E.  $\frac{\sqrt{77}}{9}$

92 In which two quadrants will the solution(s) of  $\sin \theta \cos \theta < 0$  lie?

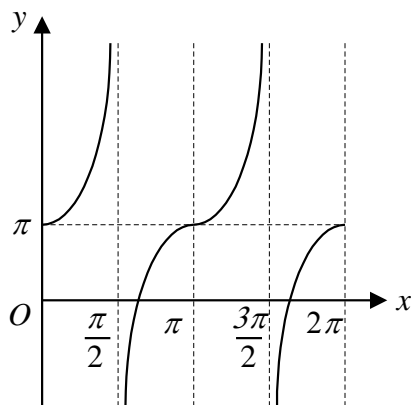
- A. In quadrants I and II only
- B. In quadrants I and III only
- C. In quadrants II and III only
- D. In quadrants II and IV only
- E. In quadrants III and IV only

92 If  $A + B + C = 180^\circ$ , then

21.  $1 + \cos A \cos (B + C) =$

- A. 0.
- B.  $\sin^2 A$ .
- C.  $1 + \cos^2 A$ .
- D.  $1 + \sin A \cos A$ .
- E.  $1 - \sin A \cos A$ .

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The figure shows the graph of the function

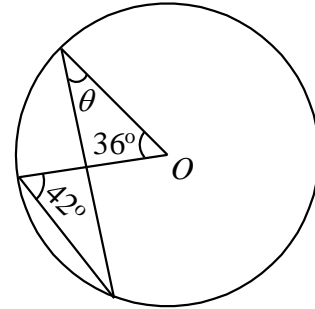
- A.  $\tan(x + \pi)$ .
- B.  $\tan(x - \pi)$ .
- C.  $\pi \tan x$ .
- D.  $\pi + \tan x$ .
- E.  $\pi - \tan x$ .

92 Which of the following equations  
23. has/have solutions?

- I.  $2 \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = 1$
- II.  $2 \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = 2$
- III.  $2 \cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta = 1$

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only
- D. I and II only
- E. II and III only

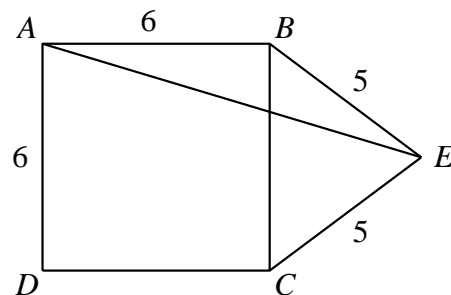
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In the figure, O is the centre of the circle. Find  $\theta$ .

- A.  $42^\circ$
- B.  $36^\circ$
- C.  $24^\circ$
- D.  $21^\circ$
- E.  $18^\circ$

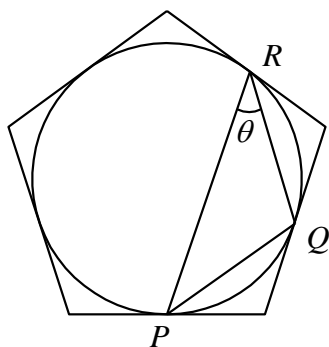
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In the figure,  $ABCD$  is a square with side 6. If  $BE = CE = 5$ , find  $AE$ .

- A.  $\sqrt{61}$
- B. 9
- C. 10
- D.  $6\sqrt{3}$
- E.  $\sqrt{109}$

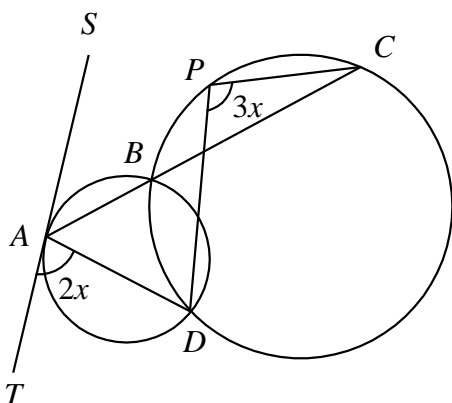
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In the figure, the circle is inscribed in a regular pentagon.  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  are points of contact. Find  $\theta$ .

- A.  $30^\circ$
- B.  $32^\circ$
- C.  $35^\circ$
- D.  $36^\circ$
- E.  $45^\circ$

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In the figure,  $ST$  is a tangent to the smaller circle.  $ABC$  is a straight line. If  $\angle TAD = 2x$  and  $\angle DPC = 3x$ , find  $x$ .

- A.  $30^\circ$
- B.  $36^\circ$
- C.  $40^\circ$
- D.  $42^\circ$
- E.  $45^\circ$

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28. If the two lines  $2x - y + 1 = 0$  and  $ax + 3y - 1 = 0$  do not intersect, then  $a =$

- A.  $-6$ .
- B.  $-2$ .

- C.  $2$ .
- D.  $3$ .
- E.  $6$ .

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29. If  $0 < k < h$ , which of the following circles intersect(s) the  $y$ -axis?

- I.  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = k^2$
- II.  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = h^2$
- III.  $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = h^2 + k^2$

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only
- D. I and II only
- E. II and III only

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30. If the line  $y = mx + 3$  divides the circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 2y - 5 = 0$  into two equal parts, find  $m$ .

- A.  $-\frac{1}{4}$
- B.  $-1$
- C.  $0$
- D.  $\frac{5}{4}$
- E.  $2$

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31. The mid-points of the sides of a triangle are  $(3, 4)$ ,  $(2, 0)$  and  $(4, 2)$ . Which of the following points is a vertex of the triangle?

- A.  $(3.5, 3)$
- B.  $(3, 2)$
- C.  $(3, 1)$
- D.  $(1.5, 2)$
- E.  $(1, 2)$

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32. The table shows the mean marks of two classes of students in a

	Number of students	Mean mark
Class A	38	72
Class B	42	54

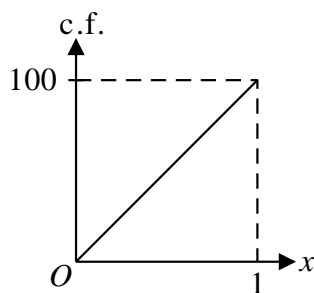
A student in Class A has scored 91 marks. It is found that his score was wrongly recorded as 19 in the calculation of the mean mark for Class A in the above table. Find the correct mean mark of the 80 students in the two classes.

- A. 61.65
- B. 62.55
- C. 63
- D. 63.45
- E. 63.9

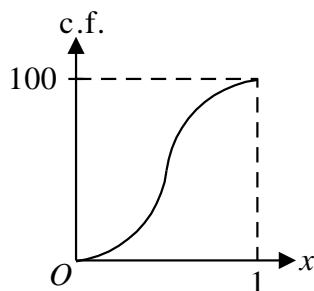
92 Two cards are drawn randomly from five cards *A, B, C, D* and *E*. Find the probability that card *A* is drawn while card *C* is not.

- A.  $\frac{3}{25}$
- B.  $\frac{3}{20}$
- C.  $\frac{4}{25}$
- D.  $\frac{6}{25}$
- E.  $\frac{3}{10}$

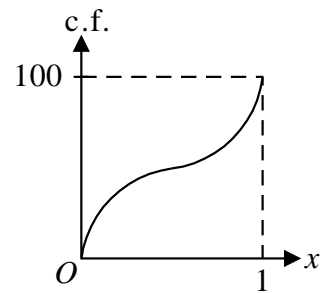
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The figure shows the cumulative frequency curves of three distributions. Arrange the three distributions in the order of their standard deviations, from the smallest to the largest.

- A. I, II, III
- B. I, III, II
- C. II, I, III
- D. II, III, I
- E. III, I, II

92 If the quadratic equation

35.  $ax^2 - 2bx + c = 0$  has two equal roots, which of the following is/are true?

- I.  $a, b, c$  form an arithmetic progression.
- II.  $a, b, c$  form a geometric progression.
- III. Both roots are  $\frac{b}{a}$ .

- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only
- D. I and II only
- E. II and III only

92 Which of the following intervals must contain a root of  $2x^3 - x^2 - x - 3 = 0$ ?

- I.  $-1 < x < 1$
- II.  $0 < x < 2$
- III.  $1 < x < 3$

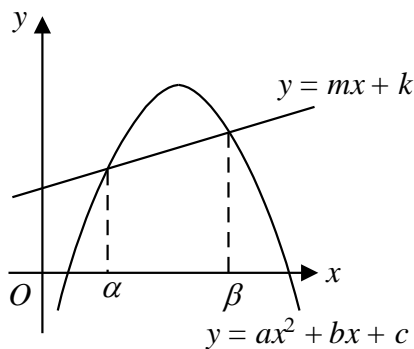
- A. I only
- B. II only
- C. III only

- D. I and II only  
E. II and III only

92 How many integers  $x$  satisfy the inequality  $6x^2 - 7x - 20 \leq 0$ ?

- A. 0  
B. 1  
C. 2  
D. 3  
E. 4

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From the figure, if  $\alpha \leq x \leq \beta$ , then

- A.  $ax^2 + (b - m)x + (c - k) \leq 0$ .  
B.  $ax^2 + (b - m)x + (c - k) < 0$ .  
C.  $ax^2 + (b - m)x + (c - k) = 0$ .  
D.  $ax^2 + (b - m)x + (c - k) > 0$ .  
E.  $ax^2 + (b - m)x + (c - k) \geq 0$ .

92 Under which of the following conditions *must* the mean of  $n$  consecutive positive integers also be an integer?

- A.  $n$  is any positive integer  
B.  $n$  is any positive odd integer  
C.  $n$  is any positive even integer  
D.  $n$  is any multiple of 3  
E.  $n$  is the square of any positive integer

92 The L.C.M. of  $P$  and  $Q$  is  $12ab^3c^2$ . The L.C.M. of  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  is  $30a^2b^3c$ . What is the L.C.M. of  $P, Q, X, Y$  and  $Z$ ?

- A.  $360a^3b^6c^3$   
B.  $60a^2b^3c^2$

- C.  $60ab^3c^2$   
D.  $6a^2b^3c$   
E.  $6ab^3c$

92 If a polynomial  $f(x)$  is divisible by  $x - 1$ , then  $f(x - 1)$  is divisible by

- A.  $x - 2$ .  
B.  $x + 2$ .  
C.  $x - 1$ .  
D.  $x + 2$ .  
E.  $x$ .

92 Find the  $(2n)$ th term of G.P.

42.  $-\frac{1}{2}, 1, -2, 4, \dots$

- A.  $2^{2n}$   
B.  $-2^{2n}$   
C.  $-2^{2n-3}$   
D.  $2^{2n-2}$   
E.  $-2^{2n-2}$

92 If the price of an orange rises by \$1, then 5 fewer oranges could be bought for \$100. Which of the following equations gives the original price \$ $x$  of an orange?

- A.  $\frac{100}{x+1} = 5$   
B.  $\frac{100}{x+1} - \frac{100}{x} = 5$   
C.  $\frac{100}{x} - \frac{100}{x+1} = 5$   
D.  $\frac{100}{x-1} - \frac{100}{x} = 5$   
E.  $\frac{100}{x} - \frac{100}{x-1} = 5$

92 By selling an article at 10% discount off the marked price, a shop still makes 20% profit. If the cost price of the article is \$19 800, then the marked price is

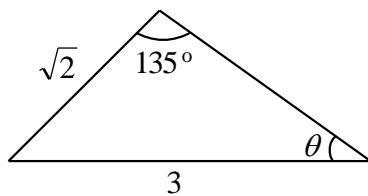
- A. \$21 600.

- B. \$26 136 .
- C. \$26 400 .
- D. \$27 225 .
- E. \$27 500 .

92 Coffee A and coffee B are mixed in the ratio  $x : y$  by weight. A costs \$50/kg and B costs \$40/kg. If the cost of A is increased by 10% which that of B is decreased by 15%, the cost of the mixture per kg remains unchanged. Find  $x : y$ .

- A. 2 : 3
- B. 5 : 6
- C. 6 : 5
- D. 3 : 2
- E. 55 : 34

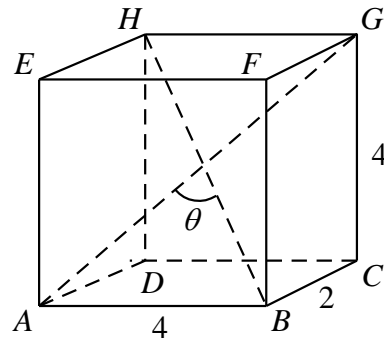
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In the figure, find  $\tan \theta$ .

- A.  $\frac{1}{3}$
- B.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{8}}$
- C.  $\frac{3}{8}$
- D.  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{7}}$
- E.  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

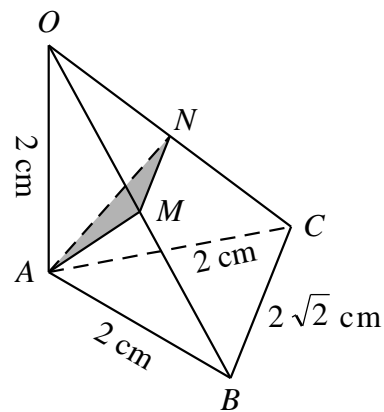
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In the figure, if  $\theta$  is the angle between the diagonals  $AG$  and  $BH$  of the cuboid, then

- A.  $\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{2}{3}$  .
- B.  $\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{3}{4}$  .
- C.  $\sin \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$  .
- D.  $\sin \theta = \frac{2}{3}$
- E.  $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{4}$

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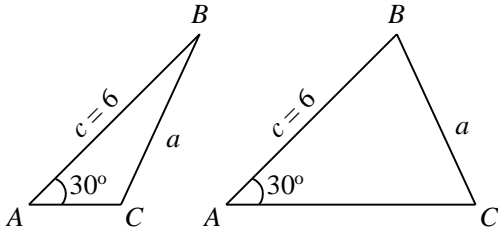
In the figure,  $OA$  is perpendicular to the plane  $ABC$ .  $OA = AB = AC = 2$  cm and  $BC = 2\sqrt{2}$  cm. If  $M$  and  $N$  are the mid-point of  $OB$  and  $OC$  respectively, find the area of  $\triangle AMN$ .

- A.  $\frac{1}{2}$  cm<sup>2</sup>
- B. 1 cm<sup>2</sup>



- C.  $\sqrt{2}$  cm<sup>2</sup>  
 D.  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  cm<sup>2</sup>  
 E.  $\sqrt{3}$  cm<sup>2</sup>

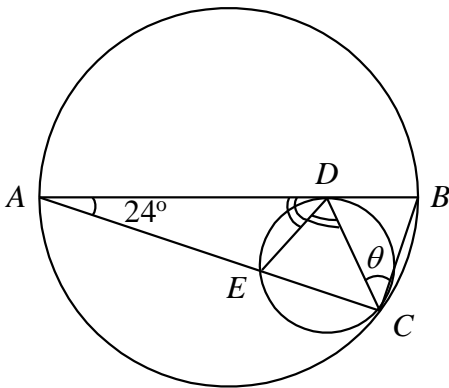
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In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A = 30^\circ$ ,  $c = 6$ . If it is possible to draw two distinct triangles as shown in the figure, find the range of values of  $a$ .

- A.  $0 < a < 3$   
 B.  $0 < a < 6$   
 C.  $3 < a < 6$   
 D.  $a > 3$   
 E.  $a > 6$

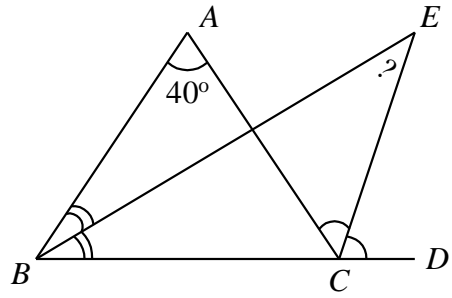
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In the figure, the two circles touch each other at  $C$ . The diameter  $AB$  of the bigger circle is tangent to the smaller circle at  $D$ . If  $DE$  bisects  $\angle ADC$ , find  $\theta$ .

- A.  $24^\circ$   
 B.  $38^\circ$   
 C.  $45^\circ$   
 D.  $52^\circ$   
 E.  $66^\circ$

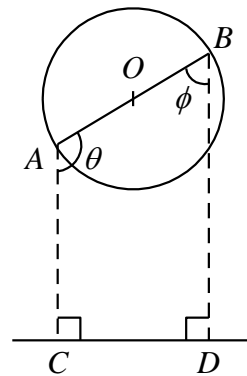
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In the figure,  $EB$  and  $EC$  are the angle bisectors of  $\angle ABC$  and  $\angle ACD$  respectively. If  $\angle A = 40^\circ$ , find  $\angle E$ .

- A.  $20^\circ$   
 B.  $25^\circ$   
 C.  $30^\circ$   
 D.  $35^\circ$   
 E.  $40^\circ$

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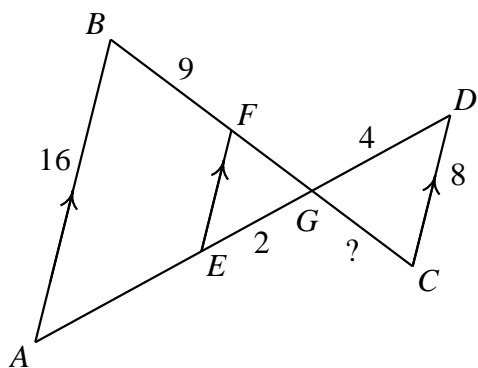


In the figure,  $O$  is the centre of the circle. If the diameter  $AOB$  rotates about  $O$ , which of the following is/are constant?

- I.  $\theta + \phi$   
 II.  $AC + BD$   
 III.  $AC \times BD$

- A. I only  
 B. II only  
 C. III only  
 D. I and II only  
 E. II and III only

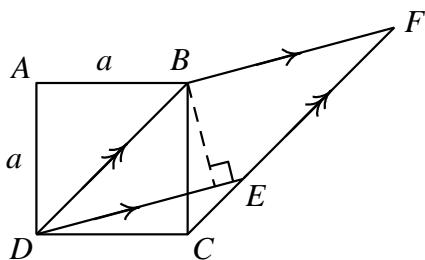
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In the figure,  $AB = 16$ ,  $CD = 8$ ,  $BF = 9$ ,  $GD = 4$ ,  $EG = 2$ . Find  $GC$ .

- A. 4.5
- B. 5
- C. 6
- D. 8
- E. 10

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In the figure,  $ABCD$  is a square of side  $a$  and  $BDEF$  is a rhombus.  $CEF$  is a straight line. Find the length of the perpendicular from  $B$  to  $DE$ .

- A.  $\frac{1}{2}a$
- B.  $\frac{2a}{\sqrt{3}}$
- C.  $\frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}$
- D.  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a$
- E.  $a$