

1995 AIME

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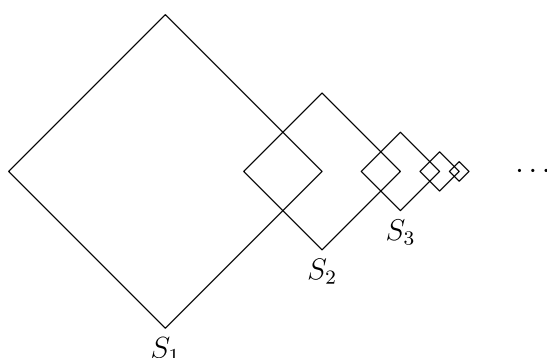
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1. Square S_1 is 1×1 . For $i \geq 1$, the lengths of the sides of square S_{i+1} are half the lengths of the sides of square S_i , two adjacent sides of square S_i are perpendicular bisectors of two adjacent sides of square S_{i+1} , and the other two sides of square S_{i+1} are the perpendicular bisectors of two adjacent sides of square S_{i+2} . The total area enclosed by at least one of S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4, S_5 can be written in the form $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. Find $m - n$.



2. Find the last three digits of the product of the positive roots of

$$\sqrt{1995} x^{\log_{1995} x} = x^2.$$

3. Starting at $(0, 0)$, an object moves in the coordinate plane via a sequence of steps, each of length one. Each step is left, right, up, or down, all four equally likely. Let p be the probability that the object reaches $(2, 2)$ in six or fewer steps. Given that p can be written in the form $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers, find $m + n$.

4. Circles of radius 3 and 6 are externally tangent to each other and are internally tangent to a circle of radius 9. The circle of radius 9 has a chord that is a common external tangent of the other two circles. Find the square of the length of this chord.

5. For certain real values of a, b, c , and d , the equation

$$x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$$

has four non-real roots. The product of two of these roots is $13 + i$ and the sum of the other two roots is $3 + 4i$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$. Find b .

6. Let $n = 2^{31}3^{19}$. How many positive integer divisors of n^2 are less than n but do not divide n ?

7. Given that

$$(1 + \sin t)(1 + \cos t) = \frac{5}{4}$$

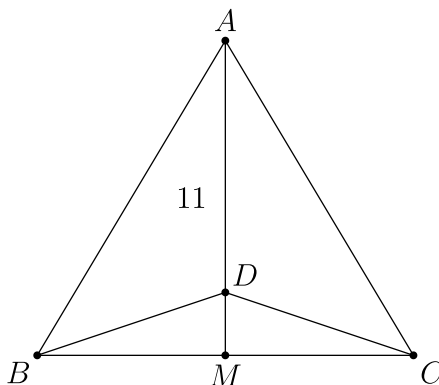
and

$$(1 - \sin t)(1 - \cos t) = \frac{m}{n} - \sqrt{k},$$

where k , m , and n are positive integers with m and n relatively prime, find $k + m + n$.

8. For how many ordered pairs of positive integers (x, y) , with $y < x \leq 100$, are both $\frac{x}{y}$ and $\frac{x+1}{y+1}$ integers?

9. Triangle ABC is isosceles, with $AB = AC$ and altitude $AM = 11$. Suppose that there is a point D on $\overline{AM}$ with $AD = 10$ and $\angle BDC = 3\angle BAC$. Then the perimeter of $\triangle ABC$ may be written in the form $a + \sqrt{b}$, where a and b are integers. Find $a + b$.



10. What is the largest positive integer that is not the sum of a positive integral multiple of 42 and a positive composite integer?
11. A right rectangular prism P (i.e., a rectangular parallelepiped) has sides of integral length a, b, c , with $a \leq b \leq c$. A plane parallel to one of the faces of P cuts P into two prisms, one of which is similar to P , and both of which have nonzero volume. Given that $b = 1995$, for how many ordered triples (a, b, c) does such a plane exist?

12. Pyramid $OABCD$ has square base $ABCD$, congruent edges $\overline{OA}$, $\overline{OB}$, $\overline{OC}$, and $\overline{OD}$, and $\angle AOB = 45^\circ$. Let θ be the measure of the dihedral angle formed by faces OAB and OBC . Given that $\cos \theta = m + \sqrt{n}$, where m and n are integers, find $m + n$.

13. Let $f(n)$ be the integer closest to $\sqrt[4]{n}$. Find

$$\sum_{k=1}^{1995} \frac{1}{f(k)}.$$

14. In a circle of radius 42, two chords of length 78 intersect at a point whose distance from the center is 18. The two chords divide the interior of the circle into four regions. Two of these regions are bordered by segments of unequal lengths, and the area of either of them can be expressed uniquely in the form $m\pi - n\sqrt{d}$, where m , n , and d are positive integers and d is not divisible by the square of any prime. Find $m + n + d$.

15. Let p be the probability that, in the process of repeatedly flipping a fair coin, one will encounter a run of 5 heads before one encounters a run of 2 tails. Given that p can be written in the form $\frac{m}{n}$, where m and n are relatively prime positive integers, find $m + n$.

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