

$$1. \quad x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = a^{2/3} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} x^{-1/3} x_1 + \frac{2}{3} y^{-1/3} = 0 \Rightarrow x^{-1/3} x_1 + y^{-1/3} = 0 \Rightarrow -x_1 = \frac{y^{-1/3}}{x^{-1/3}} = \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{x^{1/3}}{\sin \theta} = \frac{y^{1/3}}{\cos \theta} = \sqrt{x^{2/3} + y^{2/3}} = \sqrt{a^{2/3}} = a^{1/3}$$

$$x = a \sin^3 \theta; \quad y = a \cos^3 \theta$$

$$y - a \cos^3 \theta = \tan \theta (x - a \sin^3 \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \cos \theta - a \cos^4 \theta = \sin \theta (x - a \sin^3 \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow y \cos \theta - x \sin \theta = a (\cos^5 \theta + \sin^5 \theta) (\cos^3 \theta - \sin^3 \theta) = a \cos 2\theta$$

2. a) Then a and b are the roots of the quadratic with rational coefficients $x^2 - (a+b)x + ab = 0$ thus $a = \frac{a+b}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{\Delta}}{2}$

$$\text{where } \Delta = (a-b)^2$$

clearly, $(a-b)^2 \neq c^2$ for any rational c , since that would lead to $a \in \mathbb{Q}$

b) i) If $a = r + \sqrt{s}$ is a quadratic surd, take $1 + r + \sqrt{s}$ then $a + x = 1 + 2r \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$\text{and } ax = (r + (r^2 - s)) + \sqrt{s} \notin \mathbb{Q}$$

If a is not a surd, take $x = -a$

ii) take $y = 0$

3. Here n must be odd $n = 2k + 1$ (let)

$$\text{now, } n^4 + 4^n = n^4 + 4 \cdot 4^{2k} = n^4 + 4 \cdot (2^k)^4$$

$$\text{from Sophie Germain inequality } (a^4 + 4b^4) = (a^2 + 2b^2 + 2ab)(a^2 + 2b^2 - 2ab)$$

we are done

4. In $\triangle BCE$ and $\triangle ABE$

$$BE^2 = EC^2 + BC^2 - 2EC \cdot BC \cos \angle BCE$$

$$BE^2 = AE^2 + AB^2 - 2AE \cdot AB \cos \angle ABE$$

$AB = EC$ because E is the midpoint

$$\angle BCE = \angle ABE$$

subtracting,

$$BC^2 - AB^2 = 2EC \cos \angle BCE (BC - AB)$$

$$BC + AB = 2EC \cos \angle BCE$$

In ACDE,

$$BC + AB = 2CD$$

$$\Rightarrow BD + CD + AB = 2CD$$

$$\Rightarrow BD + AB = l_1 + l_2$$

Method 2:

let A' be on CB extended, such that $AB = A'B$

EB bisects $\angle ABA'$

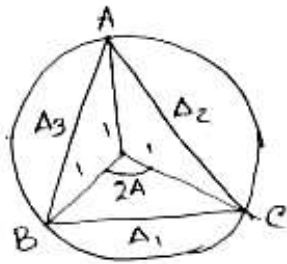
$$EA = EA' = EC$$

D is midpoint of $A'D$

Then $AB + BD = A'B + BD$

$$= A'D = \frac{1}{2} A'C = DC$$

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$$a) \Delta_1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \sin 2A$$

$$\Delta_2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \sin 2B$$

$$\Delta_3 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \sin 2C$$

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} (\sin 2A + \sin 2B + \sin 2C)$$

$$b) A + B + C = \pi \Rightarrow \Delta = \frac{1}{2} (\sin 2A + \sin 2B - \sin 2(A+B))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\Delta}{dA} = \cos 2A - \cos 2(A+B) = 0$$

$$\cos 2A = \cos 2(A+B)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A = 2\pi - (2A + 2B)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2A + B = \pi$$

again we know $A + B + C = \pi$

$$\therefore A = C$$

c) consider isosceles and then prove $c = a$ by calculus

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$$7. \text{ Part 1 : } \frac{\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \dots + \binom{n}{n}}{n} > \frac{\left(\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \dots + \binom{n}{n}\right)^2}{n}$$

$$\binom{2n}{n} > \frac{(2^n)^2}{n} > 2^n$$

$$\text{Part 2 : } \binom{2n}{n} = \frac{2^n (1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1))}{n!} < \frac{2^n \cdot n^n}{n!} = \frac{2^n}{n! / n^n} = \frac{2^n}{\prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (1 - \frac{i}{n})}$$

method 2:

$$(n+1) < 2n; (n+2) < 2n; \dots$$

$$\therefore \binom{2n}{n} = \frac{(n+1)(n+2) \dots (n+n)}{n!} < \frac{(2n)^n}{n!} = \frac{(2n)^n}{(n-0)(n-1) \dots (n-n)}$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{\left(\frac{n-0}{n}\right) \dots \left(\frac{n-n+1}{n}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{\prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(1 - \frac{i}{n}\right)}$$

8. The point where the tangent to $f(x) = \log_2 x$ passes through $(0,0)$ is $x=e$ and the tangent is the $\frac{1}{e \ln 2}$.

so, the equation $\log_2 x = cx$ has

one solution for $c \leq 0$

two solutions for $c \in (0, \frac{1}{e \ln 2})$

one solution for $c = \frac{1}{e \ln 2}$

no solution for $c > \frac{1}{e \ln 2}$

hence the answer: $c \in (-\infty, 0] \cup \left\{ \frac{1}{e \ln 2} \right\}$

$$9. N = 1000a + 100b + 10c + d$$

$$M = 1000d + 100c + 10b + a$$

now, M and N are both 4 digit number. hence, $M \leq 2499$

again

$$1000a + 100b + 10c + d = 4(1000d + 100c + 10b + a)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1333d + 130c - 20b - 332a = 0$$

$$\text{now, } M \leq 2499 \quad d=1,2 \quad c=1,2,3,4$$

now put $d=2$,

$$1333 \times 2 + 130 \times c = 20b + 332a$$

$$\Rightarrow 2666 + 130c = 20b + 332a$$

$$\text{now, } 2666 + 130c - 332a = 20b$$

RHS is a factor of 20 hence LHS must be a factor of 20 and less than 200

$$\text{then, taking } c=1, 2666 + 130 - 332a = 20b$$

$$\Rightarrow 2796 - 332a = 20b$$

now, for LHS to be a factor of 20 and value to be less than 200, $a=8$

$$2796 - 332a = 20b \Rightarrow 2796 - 2656 = 20b$$

$$\Rightarrow b=7$$

$$\therefore N=8712, M=2178$$

$$10. f(n) + f(n-1) = n f(n-1) + (n-1) f(n-2)$$

$$f(n) - n f(n-1) = (-1) f(n-1) + f(n-1) f(n-2)$$

$$= (-1) (f(n-1) - f(n-1)(n-2))$$

$$= (-1)^2 (f(n-2) - f(n-2)(n-3))$$

$$= (-1)^{n-1} (f(1) - f(0)) = (-1)^{n-1} (0-1) = (-1)^n$$

$$\frac{f(n)}{n!} - \frac{f(n-1)}{(n-1)!} = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \left[f(k) - \frac{f(k-1)}{(k-1)!} \right] = \sum_{n=1}^n \frac{(-1)^n}{n!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(n)}{n!} - \frac{f(0)}{0!} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(n)}{n!} = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(n) = n! \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!}$$