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find the 10th term.

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Find the sum of the infinite geometric

series: $6 + \sqrt{6} + 1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + \dots$

B = denominator after rationalizing

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$P(x)$ is an odd function such that $P(1) = 2$, $P(3) = 5$ and $P(-5) = -1$. What is the value of $P(P(P(-3)))$?

A = answer

Part 2

θ is in Quadrant II with $\cos \theta = -\frac{3}{5}$,
calculate $(\cos \theta + \sin \theta)^2$

B = answer

Part 3

Find the value for k that will make $x - 6$
a factor of the polynomial:

$$x^3 - kx^2 - 21x - 18$$

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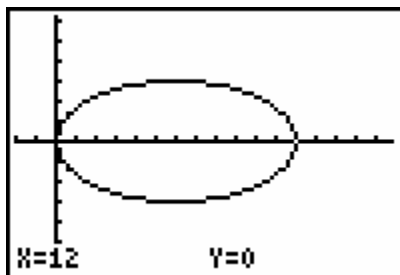
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Part 3

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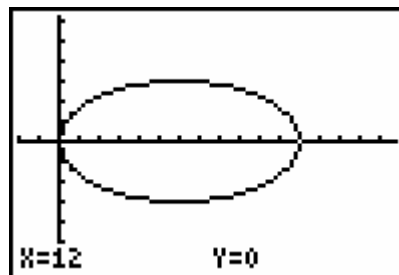
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Find the solutions for the system:

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6x + 8y - 9 = 0$$

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A = the product of all the coordinates

Part 2

Given $f(x) = x^3 + Ax^2 + Bx - 3,$
 $f(1) = 4, f(-1) = -6$

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Part 3

Find x , where $0 < x < 90^\circ$:

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Solve for x:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & x^2 & x \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = 8$$

A = integral answer

Part 2

Find the y-intercept of the graph of:

$$y = \frac{3}{4} \sin\left(2x - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right). \text{ Let } \beta \text{ be a QII}$$

angle and $\cot \beta =$ the value of the y-intercept you found in the first part of the problem.

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A = x

Part 2

What is the least value of y that satisfies the following inequality?

$$|4+x| + |5+y| \leq 100$$

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Part 3

Three friends each have a red, a white, a yellow, a blue and a green T-shirt. If each of them randomly chooses a T-shirt to wear, what is the probability that they all choose different colors?

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A = sum of the answers

Part 2

In the sequence,
..., a, b, c, d, 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, ...
each term is the sum of the two preceding terms. What is the value of a?

B = a

Part 3

The fraction below contains the nine digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Find the appropriate positions of the remaining digits.

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Part 2

$a + b + c + d = 72$, where a, b, c and d are four distinct numbers. If five is added to a , subtracted from b , multiplied by c and divided into d , the value of each resulting expression is the same. Find the four distinct numbers.

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How many integers x in $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 99, 100\}$ are there such that $x^2 + x^3$ is the square of an integer?

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A = number of days with no rain at all

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Given all X's are Y's, but only some Y's are Z's. Which of the following statements are true?

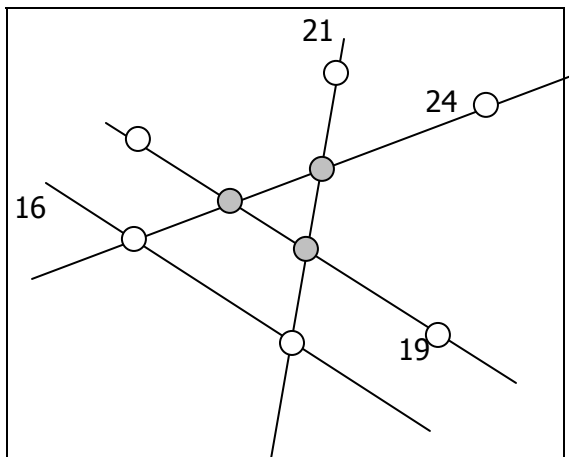
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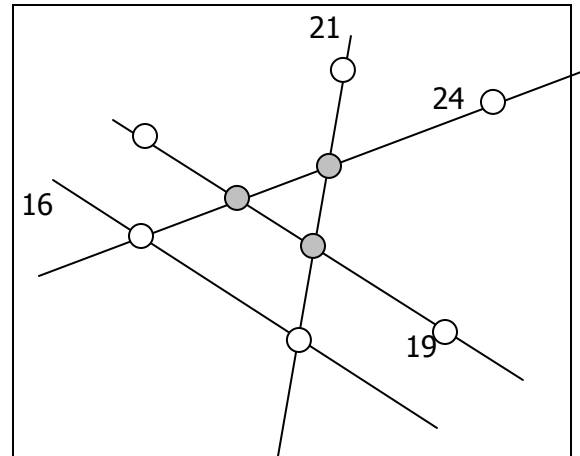
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Part 3

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