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8.4 Practice Problems

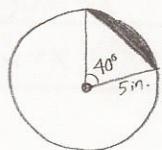
- 1) a. What is the formula for area of a SAS triangle?

$$\frac{1}{2}ab\sin C \text{ (or } \frac{1}{2}bc\sin A \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}ac\sin B)$$

- b. What is the formula for area of a SSS triangle?

$$\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)} \text{ where } s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$$

- 2) Find the area of the segment of a circle whose radius is 5 inches, formed by a central angle of 40° .



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area}_{\text{segment}} &= \text{Area}_{\text{sector}} - \text{Area}_{\text{triangle}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta - \frac{1}{2}ab\sin C \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(25)\left(\frac{2\pi}{9}\right) - \frac{1}{2}(25)\sin 40^\circ \\ &= \frac{25\pi}{9} - \frac{25}{2}\sin 40^\circ \approx 8.73 - 8.03 \\ &\approx 0.70 \text{ in}^2\end{aligned}$$

- 3) The dimensions of a triangular lot are 100 feet by 50 feet by 75 feet. If the price of such land is \$3 per square foot, how much does the lot cost?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Area} &= \sqrt{\frac{225}{2} \left(\frac{125}{2} \right) \left(\frac{75}{2} \right) \left(\frac{25}{2} \right)} \quad s = \frac{225}{2} \\ &= 1,815.5 \text{ ft}^2 \\ \text{COST} &= \$3(1,815.5 \text{ ft}) = \$5,446.50\end{aligned}$$
A diagram of a triangle with its three sides labeled: the top side is "50ft.", the left side is "75ft.", and the bottom side is "100ft.".

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4.5 Practice Problems

- 1) Find the real zeroes of each polynomial function and use them to factor f over the real numbers.

a. $f(x) = x^3 + 8x^2 + 11x - 20$

$p: \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 10, \pm 20$ $q: \pm 1$

$\frac{p}{q}: \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 5, \pm 10, \pm 20$

$f(1) = 1 + 8 + 11 - 20 = 0 \leftarrow 1 \text{ is a root!}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \mid 1 & 8 & 11 & -20 \\ & \downarrow & 1 & 9 & 20 \\ & 1 & 9 & 20 & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow x^2 + 9x + 20 = (x+4)(x+5)$

so $f(x) = (x-1)(x+4)(x+5)$

b. $f(x) = 3x^3 + 6x^2 - 15x - 30$

Factor by Grouping:
 $f(x) = 3(x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 10)$
 $f(x) = 3(x^2(x+2) - 5(x+2))$

$f(x) = 3(x+2)(x^2 - 5)$

$x^2 - 5 = 0$

$x^2 = 5$

$x = \pm\sqrt{5}$

so $f(x) = 3(x+2)(x-\sqrt{5})(x+\sqrt{5})$

- 2) Solve each equation in the real number system.

a. ~~$2x^3 - 3x^2 - 3x - 5 = 0$~~

$p: \pm 1, \pm 5$ $q: \pm 1, \pm 2$

$\frac{p}{q}: \pm 1, \pm 5, \pm \frac{1}{2}, \pm \frac{5}{2}$

$f(1) = 2 - 3 - 3 - 5 = -9 \neq 0$

$f(-1) = -2 - 3 + 3 - 5 = -7 \neq 0$

$f(5) = 250 - 75 - 15 - 5 = -70 \neq 0$

$f(-5) = -250 - 75 + 15 - 5 = -315 \neq 0$

$X = \{-\frac{5}{2}\}$

$f(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{2} - 5 = -7 \neq 0$

$f(-\frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{2} - 5 = -\frac{9}{2} \neq 0$

$f(\frac{5}{2}) = \frac{125}{4} - \frac{75}{4} - \frac{15}{2} - 5 = 0 \leftarrow \frac{5}{2} \text{ is a solution!}$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{5}{2} \mid 2 & -3 & -3 & -5 \\ & \downarrow & 5 & 5 & 5 \\ & 2 & 2 & 2 & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow 2x^2 + 2x + 2 = 2(x^2 + x + 1) = 0$

No Real solutions!

b. $2x^4 + x^3 - 24x^2 + 20x + 16 = 0$

$p: \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16$ $q: \pm 1, \pm 2$

$\frac{p}{q}: \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm 16, \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$f(1) = 2 + 1 - 24 + 20 + 16 = 15 \neq 0$

$f(-1) = 2 - 1 - 24 - 20 + 16 = -27 \neq 0$

$f(2) = 32 + 8 - 96 + 40 + 16 = 0 \leftarrow 2 \text{ is a solution!}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \mid 2 & 1 & -24 & 20 & 16 \\ & \downarrow & 4 & 10 & -28 & -16 \\ & 2 & 5 & -14 & -8 & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow 2x^3 + 5x^2 - 14x - 8$ $\frac{p}{q}: \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8$

$\frac{p}{q}: \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 8, \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$f(2) = 16 + 20 - 28 - 8 = 0 \leftarrow 2 \text{ is solution again!}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \mid 2 & 5 & -14 & -8 \\ & \downarrow & 4 & 18 & 8 \\ & 2 & 9 & 4 & \boxed{0} \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow 2x^2 + 9x + 4 = (2x+1)(x+4)$

$x = -\frac{1}{2}$ $x = -4$

$X = \{-4, -\frac{1}{2}, 2\}$