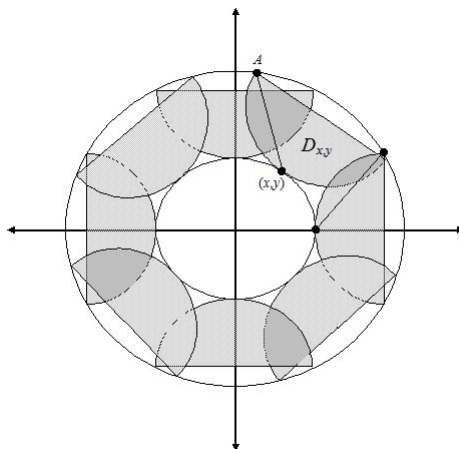


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Geometry Subject Test

1. [1025] Let  $D_{x,y}$  denote the half-disk of radius 1 with its curved boundary externally tangent to the unit circle at the point  $(x, y)$ , such that the straight boundary of the disk is parallel to the tangent line (so the point of tangency is the middle of the curved boundary). Find the area of the union of the  $D_{x,y}$  over all  $(x, y)$  with  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  (that is,  $(x, y)$  is on the unit circle).

**Answer:**  $\boxed{4\pi}$  Given any point of tangency  $(x, y)$ , the points on the circle farthest away are the two diametrically opposite points on the straight boundary. The length of the segment connecting  $(x, y)$  and either of these two points (pick one and call it  $A$ ) is  $\sqrt{2}$  because the half-disk has radius 1; the line segment can be viewed as the hypotenuse of the right triangle spanned by two radii of  $D_{x,y}$ .



As the union of the  $D_{x,y}$  sweep around the unit circle, the segment from  $(x, y)$  to  $A$  sweeps out an annulus of width  $\sqrt{2}$ ; that is, it sweeps out a large circle of radius  $\sqrt{5}$  with an inner circle of radius 1 removed. Hence the area of the remaining region is difference between the areas of the two circles:  $5\pi - \pi = 4\pi$ .

2. [1026] Let circle  $O$  have radius 5 with diameter  $\overline{AE}$ . Point  $F$  is outside circle  $O$  such that lines  $AF$  and  $EF$  intersect circle  $O$  at points  $B$ , and  $D$ , respectively. If  $AF = 10$  and  $m\angle FAE = 30^\circ$ , then the perimeter of quadrilateral  $ABDE$  can be expressed as  $a + b\sqrt{2} + c\sqrt{3} + d\sqrt{6}$ , where  $a, b, c, d$  are rational. Find  $a + b + c + d$ .

**Answer:**  $\boxed{15}$  After some angle chasing, we find that  $m\angle DBF = m\angle DFB = 75^\circ$ , which implies that  $DF = DB$ . Hence the desired perimeter is equal to  $AF - BF + AE + FE = 20 - BF + FE$ . By the Law of Sines,

$$\frac{FE}{\sin 30^\circ} = \frac{10}{\sin 75^\circ} \Rightarrow FE = \frac{5}{\frac{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}}{4}} = 5\sqrt{6} - 5\sqrt{2}.$$

Now, to find  $BF$  draw the altitude from  $O$  to  $AB$  intersecting  $AB$  at  $P$ . This forms a  $30 - 60 - 90$  triangle, so we can see that

$$AP = 5 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{10 - BF}{2} \Rightarrow BF = 10 - 5\sqrt{3}.$$

Hence the answer is  $20 + (5\sqrt{6} - 5\sqrt{2}) - (10 - 5\sqrt{3}) = 10 - 5\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{6}$ , so the desired sum is  $10 - 5 + 5 + 5 = 15$ .

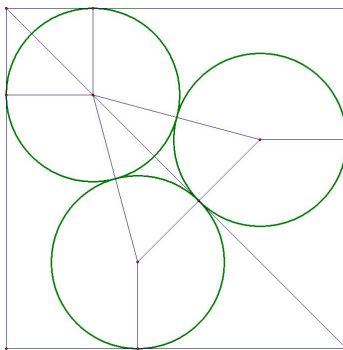
3. [1028] In a unit cube  $ABCD - EFGH$ , an equilateral triangle  $BDG$  cuts out a circle from the circumsphere of the cube. Find the area of the circle.

**Answer:**  $\boxed{\frac{\pi}{6}}$  Consider the cube of side length 2 and divide the answer by 4 later. Set the coordinates

of the vertices of the cube to be  $(\pm 1, \pm 1, \pm 1)$ . Then the plane going through an equilateral triangle can be described as  $x + y + z = 1$ . The distance to the plane from the origin is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ , as  $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$  is the foot of the perpendicular from  $(0, 0, 0)$ . Thus the radius of the circle is  $\sqrt{1 - (\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$ , so the area is  $\frac{2}{3}\pi$ . In the case of the unit cube we should divide it by 4 to get the answer  $\frac{\pi}{6}$ .

4. [1032] Compute the largest value of  $r$  such that three non-overlapping circles of radius  $r$  can be inscribed in a unit square.

**Answer:**  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{1 + 2\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}}$  The three circles will be inscribed in such a way that one altitude of the equilateral triangle formed by the centers of the three circles will coincide with a diagonal of the square, as in the figure below. Indeed, by the Pigeonhole Principle, one circle must lie tangent to two sides of the square, and in any orientation other than the one below, the circles can be dilated.



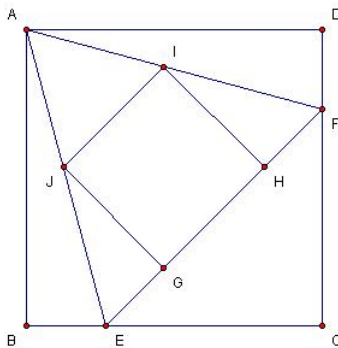
Label the square  $ABCD$  starting in the upper left and going clockwise. The line from the center of the top left circle to  $A$  has length  $\sqrt{2}r$ , and the equilateral triangle formed by the radii has height  $\sqrt{3}r$ . Then the line from the base of the equilateral triangle to  $C$  has length  $\sqrt{2} - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})r$ . Now, draw lines from the centers of the two lower circles to  $C$  to form four triangles. Observe that these triangles are identical, with angle  $\frac{\pi}{8}$  in the lower right. Then

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right) = \sqrt{2} - 1 = \frac{r}{\sqrt{2} - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})r}$$

and solving for  $r$  gives the desired answer, or some equivalent expression.

5. [1040] Let  $ABCD$  be a unit square. Point  $E$  is on  $BC$ , point  $F$  is on  $DC$ ,  $\triangle AEF$  is equilateral, and  $GHIJ$  is a square in  $\triangle AEF$  such that  $GH$  is on  $EF$ . Compute the area of square  $GHIJ$ .

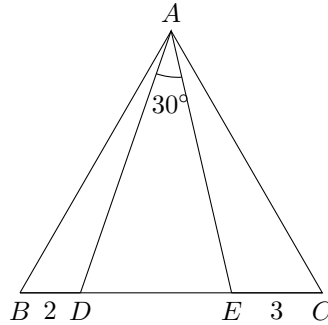
**Answer:**  $312 - 180\sqrt{3}$  The setup is as follows:



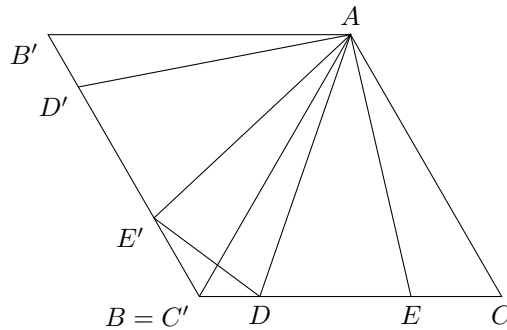
First let  $a$  be the length of  $AE$ . Then  $CE = a/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $BE = 1 - a/\sqrt{2}$  so  $AE^2 = a^2 = 1 + BE^2 = 2 - \sqrt{2}a + a^2/2$ . Solving it gives  $a^2 + 2\sqrt{2}a - 4 = 0$ ,  $(a + \sqrt{2})^2 = 6$  so  $a = \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}$ . Next let  $b$

be the length of  $IJ$ . Then  $AIJ$  is equilateral so  $AJ = b$ . Also  $JE = 2/\sqrt{3}b$ , so  $AE = a = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}b$ ,  $b = (2 - \sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}) = \sqrt{2}(9 - 5\sqrt{3})$ . Squaring it gives  $312 - 180\sqrt{3}$ .

6. [1056] Let  $\triangle ABC$  be equilateral. Two points  $D$  and  $E$  are on side  $BC$  (with order  $B, D, E, C$ ), and satisfy  $\angle DAE = 30^\circ$ . If  $BD = 2$  and  $CE = 3$ , what is  $BC$ ?

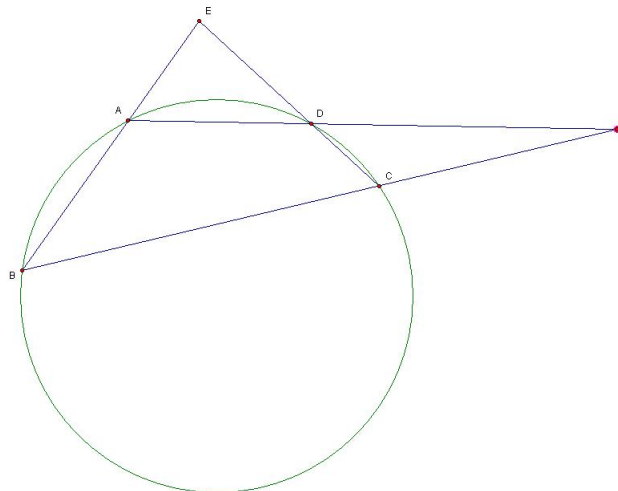


**Answer:**  $5 + \sqrt{19}$  Rotate the figure around  $A$  by  $60^\circ$  so that  $C$  comes at the place of  $B$ . Let  $B', C', D', E'$  be corresponding points of the moved figure. Since  $\angle E'AD = \angle E'AC' + \angle C'AD = \angle EAC + \angle BAD = 30^\circ = \angle EAD$ ,  $E'A = EA$  and  $DA = D'A$ , one has  $E'D = ED$ . So  $BC = BD + DE + EA$  can be found out if we know  $E'D$ . But  $E'D = \sqrt{E'B^2 + BD^2 - 2 \cdot E'B \cdot BD \cdot \cos 120^\circ} = \sqrt{19}$ , so  $BC = 2 + \sqrt{19} + 3 = 5 + \sqrt{19}$ .



7. [1088] Let  $ABCD$  be cyclic quadrilateral with  $AB = 6$ ,  $BC = 12$ ,  $CD = 3$ , and  $DA = 6$ . Let  $E, F$  be the intersection of lines  $AB$  and  $CD$ , lines  $AD$  and  $BC$ , respectively. Find  $EF$ .

**Answer:**  $10\sqrt{2}$  We have  $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle CBE$ , and ratio is  $AD : CB = 1 : 2$ . Let  $AE = p$  and  $DE = q$ , then we have  $AB = BE - AE = 2DE - AE = 2q - p$  and  $CD = 2p - q$ . Solving for  $p$  and  $q$  we have  $p = 4$  and  $q = 5$ . Similarly we have  $FC = 8$  and  $FD = 10$ .



Let  $\angle B = \theta$ , then  $\angle FDE = \pi - \theta$ . Apply the cosine law to  $\triangle EBF$  to get

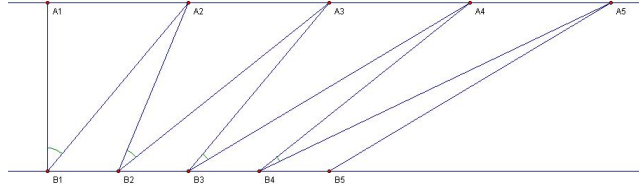
$$EF^2 = BE^2 + BF^2 - 2BE \cdot BF \cdot \cos \theta = 10^2 + 20^2 - 2 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 \cos \theta = 500 - 400 \cos \theta$$

and to  $\triangle EDF$  to get

$$EF^2 = DE^2 + DF^2 + 2 \cdot DE \cdot DF \cos \theta = 5^2 + 10^2 - 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 \cos \theta = 125 + 100 \cos \theta.$$

Solving for  $EF^2$  we get  $EF^2 = 200$ .

8. [1152] Two parallel lines  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$  are on a plane with distance  $d$ . On  $\ell_1$  there are infinitely many points  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots$  progressing in the same distance:  $A_n A_{n+1} = 2$  for all  $n$ . In addition, on  $\ell_2$  there are also infinitely many points  $B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots$  satisfying  $B_n B_{n+1} = 1$  for all  $n$ . Given that  $A_1 B_1$  is perpendicular to both  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$ , express the sum  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \angle A_i B_i A_{i+1}$  in terms of  $d$ .



**Answer:**  $\pi - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{d} \right)$  Construct points  $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots$  on  $\ell_1$  progressing in the same direction as the  $A_i$  such that  $C_1 = A_1$  and  $C_n C_{n+1} = 1$ . Thus we have  $C_1 = A_1, C_3 = A_2, C_5 = A_3$ , etc., with  $C_{2n-1} = A_n$  in general. We can write  $\angle A_i B_i A_{i+1} = \angle C_{2i-1} B_i C_{2i+1} = \angle C_i B_i C_{2i+1} - \angle C_i B_i C_{2i-1}$ . Observe that  $\triangle C_i B_i C_k$  (for any  $k$ ) is a right triangle with legs of length  $d$  and  $k - i$ , and  $\angle C_i B_i C_k = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{k-i}{d} \right)$ . So  $\angle C_i B_i C_{2i+1} - \angle C_i B_i C_{2i-1} = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{i+1}{d} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{i-1}{d} \right)$ . The whole sum is therefore

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{i+1}{d} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{i-1}{d} \right)$$

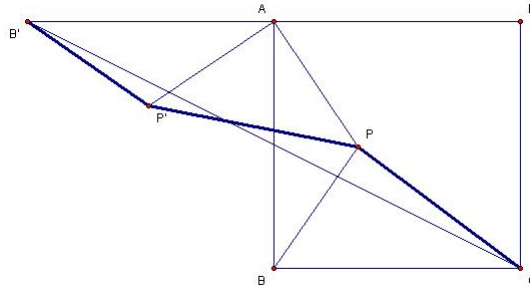
which has  $n$ th partial sum

$$\tan^{-1} \left( \frac{n+1}{d} \right) + \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{n}{d} \right) - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{d} \right)$$

so it converges to  $\pi - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{d} \right)$ .

9. [1280] In an unit square  $ABCD$ , find the minimum of  $\sqrt{2}AP + BP + CP$  when  $P$  is an arbitrary point in  $ABCD$ .

**Answer:**  $\sqrt{5}$  Rotate the triangle  $APB$  around  $A$  by 90 degree as in the following figure.

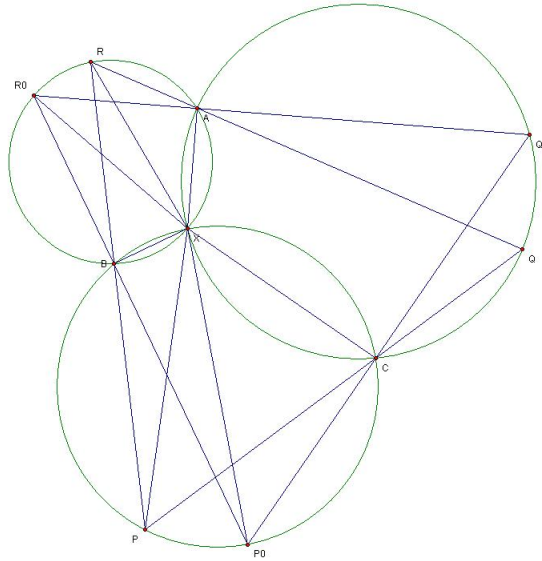


Let  $P'$  and  $B'$  be the rotated image of  $P$  and  $B$  respectively. Then we have  $B'P' = BP$ ,  $P'P = \sqrt{2}AP$  so

$$\sqrt{2}AP + BP + CP = CP = PP' + P'B' \leq CB' = \sqrt{5}.$$

10. [1536] Given a triangle  $ABC$  with side lengths  $a = 5$ ,  $b = 7$ ,  $c = 8$ , find the side length of largest equilateral triangle  $PQR$  such that  $A, B, C$  are on  $QR, RP, PQ$ , respectively.

**Answer**  $\boxed{2\sqrt{43}}$  We claim that in general, the answer is  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 4\sqrt{3}S)}$ , where  $S$  is the area of  $ABC$ . Suppose that  $PQR$  is an equilateral triangle satisfying the conditions. Then  $\angle BPC = \angle CQA = \angle ARB = 60^\circ$ . The locus of points satisfying  $\angle BXC = 60^\circ$  is an arc of a circle  $O_a$ . Draw  $O_b$  and  $O_c$  similarly. Three circles meet at a single point  $X$  inside the triangle, which is the unique point satisfying  $\angle BXC = \angle CXA = \angle AXB = 120^\circ$ . Then the choice of  $P$  on  $O_a$  determines  $Q$  and  $R$ : those two points should also be on  $O_b$  and  $O_c$  respectively, and  $PCQ$  and  $PBR$  should form the side of triangle. Now one should find the maximum of  $PQ$  under these conditions. Note that  $\angle BPX$  and  $\angle BRX$  does not depend on choice of  $P$ , so triangle  $PXR$  has same shape. Especially, the ratio of  $PX$  and  $PR$  is constant, so  $PR$  is maximized when  $PX$  is the diameter of  $O_a$ . This requires  $PQ, QR, RP$  to be perpendicular to  $XC, XA, XB$  respectively.



From this point there may be several ways to calculate the answer. One way is to observe  $PQ = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(AX + BX + CX)$  by considering  $(PQR) = (PXQ) + (QXR) + (RXP)$ .  $AX + BX + CX$  can be computed by the usual rotation trick for the Fermat point: rotate  $\triangle BXA$   $60^\circ$  around  $B$  to  $\triangle BX'A'$ . Observe that  $\triangle BXX'$  is equilateral, and so  $A', X', X$ , and  $C$  are collinear. Hence,  $A'C = AX + BX + CX$ , and we can apply the Law of Cosines to  $\triangle A'BC$  to get that

$$\begin{aligned} A'C^2 &= c^2 + a^2 - 2ac \cos(B + 60^\circ) = a^2 + c^2 + 2ac \sin 60^\circ \sin B - 2ac \cos 60^\circ \cos B \\ &= a^2 + c^2 + 2S\sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{2}(a^2 + c^2 - b^2) = \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{2} + 2S\sqrt{3} \\ \implies PQ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 4\sqrt{3}S)} \end{aligned}$$

(where  $S$  is again the area of  $ABC$ ). Plugging in our values for  $a, b$ , and  $c$ , and using Heron's formula to find  $S = \sqrt{10 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = 10\sqrt{3}$ , we can calculate  $PQ = 2\sqrt{43}$ .