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**1/3/16.** Given two integers  $x$  and  $y$ , let  $(x||y)$  denote the *concatenation* of  $x$  by  $y$ , which is obtained by appending the digits of  $y$  onto the end of  $x$ . For example, if  $x = 218$  and  $y = 392$ , then  $(x||y) = 218392$ .

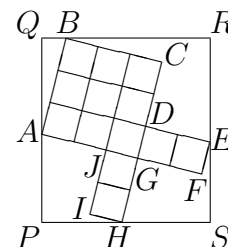
(a) Find 3-digit integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $6(x||y) = (y||x)$ .

(b) Find 9-digit integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $6(x||y) = (y||x)$ .

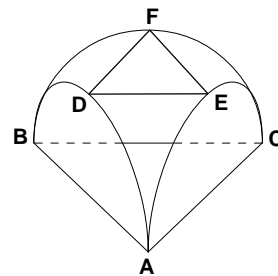
**2/3/16.** Find three isosceles triangles, no two of which are congruent, with integer sides, such that each triangle's area is numerically equal to 6 times its perimeter.

**3/3/16.** Define the recursive sequence  $1, 4, 13, \dots$  by  $s_1 = 1$  and  $s_{n+1} = 3s_n + 1$  for all positive integers  $n$ . The element  $s_{18} = 193710244$  ends in two identical digits. Prove that all the elements in the sequence that end in two or more identical digits come in groups of three consecutive elements that have the same number of identical digits at the end.

**4/3/16.** Region  $ABCDEFGH IJ$  consists of 13 equal squares and is inscribed in rectangle  $PQRS$  with  $A$  on  $\overline{PQ}$ ,  $B$  on  $\overline{QR}$ ,  $E$  on  $\overline{RS}$ , and  $H$  on  $\overline{SP}$ , as shown in the figure on the right. Given that  $PQ = 28$  and  $QR = 26$ , determine, with proof, the area of region  $ABCDEFGH IJ$ .



**5/3/16.** Consider an isosceles triangle  $ABC$  with side lengths  $AB = AC = 10\sqrt{2}$  and  $BC = 10\sqrt{3}$ . Construct semicircles  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and  $R$  with diameters  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ,  $BC$  respectively, such that the plane of each semicircle is perpendicular to the plane of  $ABC$ , and all semicircles are on the same side of plane  $ABC$  as shown. There exists a plane above triangle  $ABC$  that is tangent to all three semicircles  $P$ ,  $Q$ ,  $R$  at the points  $D$ ,  $E$ , and  $F$  respectively, as shown in the diagram. Calculate, with proof, the area of triangle  $DEF$ .



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