- 1. Since each cycle of the Ferris wheel is  $100\pi$  ft, the Ferris wheel has radius 50 ft. To be 75 ft above the ground for the first time, the Ferris wheel needs to rotate  $120^\circ$ , or  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a cycle, from its original position. Each cycle takes 6 minutes, so  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a cycle takes 2 minutes, or 120 seconds.
- 2. It is not possible to number a cube with the integers from 1 to 6 without having at least one pair of adjacent sides with consecutive integers. So the probability sought is 0.
- 3. Rearrange the product as  $15^2 \cdot 25^2 \cdot 35^2 \cdot 45^2$ . Compute the square of any two digit integer ending in 5 using

$$A5^2 = A(A+1) \cdot 100 + 25,$$

where *A* stands in for the tens digit. As seen in the formula, the tens digit and units digit of such a square will always be 2 and 5 respectively. Thus, the product will be of the form

$$w25 \cdot x25 \cdot y25 \cdot z25$$
,

where the letters represent the number above the tens digit. Any such product will have a 2 and 5 in the tens and units digit respectively, so 2 + 5 = 7.

- 4. The equation  $(r, \theta) = (a \cdot sin(\theta), \theta)$  in the polar coordinates represents a circle of radius  $\frac{a}{2}$  for the given range of  $\theta$ . To get a circle of area 25, we need a radius of  $\frac{a}{2} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{\pi}}$ , and  $a = \frac{10}{\sqrt{\pi}}$
- 5. The key is recognizing that assigning negative integer values to x and y yields the greatest possible product. We can rearrange the given equation as

$$xy = 6 - 2x.$$

Clearly, minimizing x will maximize xy. Since x has to divide 6 for y to be an integer, the minimum x is -6. In that case,  $xy = 6 - 2(-6) = \blacksquare B$ .

- 6. If x, y, and z satisfy the given conditions, then x = 4, y = 6, and z = 7. Thus, x + y + z = 4 + 6 + 7 = 17.
- 7. The angular frequency,  $\omega$ , of a sum of trigonometric functions is the GCD of the constituent angular frequencies in this case,  $4\pi$ . Thus, the period is

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{2\pi}{4\pi} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

8. Using the double-angle formula for sine,

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{16}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{16}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{8}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$=\frac{1}{4}\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$=\frac{1}{8}\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

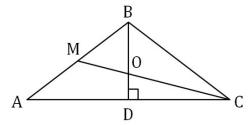
$$=\frac{1}{8}.$$

9. We can systematically make a list of all such numbers:

2311, 2317, 2319, 2371, 2379, 2971, and 2973

The sum is 17641.

10. Point *O* is the centroid of triangle *ABC*, the point where the three medians intersect. Thus, *O* divides *BD* in a 2:1 ratio such that  $\frac{BO}{OD} = 2$ .



11. Let AC = x. By the triangle inequality,  $1 \le x \le 7$ . We can use the law of cosines to determine  $\angle B$ , where  $\theta = \angle B$ .

$$x^{2} = 5^{2} + 3^{2} - 2(3)(5)\cos(\theta)$$
$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{5^{2} + 3^{2} - x^{2}}{2(3)(5)} = \frac{34 - x^{2}}{30}$$

If  $\angle B$  is obtuse,  $\cos(\theta) < 0$ , so x must be 6 or 7. The sum:  $6 + 7 = \boxed{13}$ .

12. There are  $\binom{25}{2} = 300$  pairs of distinct primes less than 100. If the product leaves a remainder of 1 when divided by 5, the units digit of the product must be either 1 or 6. We can divide the primes less than 100 into six different sets based on their units digits as follows.

$$S_1 = \{11, 31, 41, 61, 71\}$$
  
 $S_2 = \{2\}$ 

$$S_3 = \{3, 13, 23, 43, 53, 73, 83\}$$

$$S_5 = \{5\}$$

$$S_7 = \{7, 17, 37, 47, 67, 97\}$$

$$S_9 = \{19, 29, 59, 79, 89\}$$

The product of any two elements of  $S_1$ , any two elements of  $S_9$ , or any element of  $S_3$  with any element of  $S_7$  results in a units digit of 1. This is a total of  $\binom{5}{2} + \binom{5}{2} + 7 \cdot 6 = 10 + 10 + 42 = 62$  combinations. The product of any element in  $S_2$  and any element of  $S_3$  gives a units digit of 6. This adds  $1 \cdot 7 = 7$  more combinations for a total of 62 + 7 = 69 combinations. The probability is therefore  $\boxed{\frac{69}{300} = \frac{23}{100}}$ .

13. Integers a, b, c can be chosen in  $6^3 = 216$  different ways. In order for vector < b, c > with integer dimensions to be parallel to < 1, a >, it must be an integer multiple of the second. Thus,

$$< b, c > = k < 1, a > = < k, ak >$$

for some positive integer k. From the problem,  $0 < ak \le 6$ , so

$$k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6$$
 when  $a = 1$ ,  
 $k = 1, 2, or 3$  when  $a = 2$ ,  
 $k = 1$  or 2 when  $a = 3$ ,  
 $k = 4$  when  $a = 4$ ,  
 $k = 5$  when  $a = 5$ , and  
 $k = 6$  when  $a = 6$ .

This is a total of 14 possibilities to yield a probability of  $\frac{14}{216} = \frac{7}{108}$ 

14. Let *O* be the origin. Since line *m* bisects the 30° angle made by  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ ,  $\angle AOB = 15^\circ$  and  $\angle AOC = 75^\circ$ . Thus,

$$AB + AC = 5\sin(15^{\circ}) + 5\sin(75^{\circ}) = 5[\sin(15^{\circ}) + \sin(75^{\circ})]$$

$$= 5[\sin\left(\frac{90 - 60}{2}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{90 + 60}{2}\right)]$$

$$= 5 \cdot 2\sin\left(\frac{90}{2}\right)\cos\left(\frac{60}{2}\right)$$

$$= 10\sin(45)\cos(30)$$

$$= 10 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{2}.$$

15. The roots of the equation are  $2\cos(\theta)\pm\sqrt{4\cos^2(\theta)-\sin^2(2\theta)}$ 

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$$= \cos(\theta) \pm \frac{\sqrt{4\cos^2(\theta) - 4\sin^2(\theta)\cos^2(\theta)}}{2}$$

$$= \cos(\theta) \pm \sqrt{\cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta)\cos^2(\theta)}$$

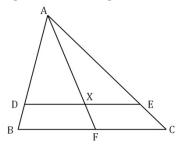
$$= \cos(\theta) \pm \sqrt{\cos^2(\theta)(1 - \sin^2(\theta))}$$

$$= \cos(\theta) \pm \sqrt{\cos^4(\theta)}$$

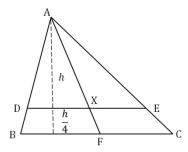
$$= \cos(\theta) \pm \cos^2(\theta).$$

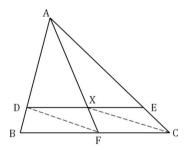
The greatest root is maximized for  $\frac{\pi}{6} \le \theta \le \pi/2$  when  $\cos(\theta)$  is maximized, or when  $= \frac{\pi}{6}$ . The maximum possible root is  $\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + \cos^2\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}+3}{4}$ .

16. First, notice the similar triangles in the diagram.



 $\triangle ADE$  is similar to  $\triangle ABC$ , with a ratio of 4:5, and  $\triangle AXE$  is similar to  $\triangle AFC$ , also with a ratio of 4:5. We can then draw the altitude from A to DX as having height h.





From properties of similar triangles, it follows that parallelogram DFCX has height  $\frac{h}{4}$ . Since DFCX is stated to be a parallelogram, it follows that DX = FC, and it also follows from similar triangles that  $XE = \frac{4}{5}FC$ . Then,

$$[ADE] = \frac{1}{2}h \cdot (DX + XE) = \frac{1}{2}h \cdot \frac{9}{5}DX,$$
$$[DFCX] = \frac{h}{4}DX, \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{[ADE]}{[DFCX]} = \frac{\frac{9}{10}h \cdot DX}{\frac{1}{4}h \cdot DX} = \frac{18}{5}.$$

17. Let  $(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $(b_1, b_2)$ ,  $(c_1, c_2)$ , and  $(d_1, d_2)$  be the coordinates of A, B, C, and D respectively. Since A, B, C, and D all lie on a circle of radius 25 centered at the origin,

$$\sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2} = 25,$$

$$\sqrt{b_1^2 + b_2^2} = 25,$$

$$\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2} = 25,$$

$$\sqrt{d_1^2 + d_2^2} = 25.$$

If A, B, C, and D are distinct points, then  $(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $(b_1, b_2)$ ,  $(c_1, c_2)$ , and  $(d_1, d_2)$  simply represent the legs of distinct Pythagorean triangles with hypotenuse 25. There are exactly four such pairs that do not lie on the x or y-axis:

These points form a trapezoid with height  $2\sqrt{2}$  and bases of length  $5\sqrt{2}$  and  $17\sqrt{2}$  for an area of  $2\sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{5\sqrt{2}+17\sqrt{2}}{2} = 44$ .

18. Let  $<\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}},\frac{4}{\sqrt{17}}>$  and  $<\frac{4}{\sqrt{17}},\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}>$  represent the unit direction vectors for the two lines. We can then make use of the property of the dot product:

$$<\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}},\frac{4}{\sqrt{17}}>\cdot<\frac{4}{\sqrt{17}},\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}>=1\cdot 1\cdot \cos(\theta)$$

so 
$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{8}{17}$$
 and  $\sin(\theta) = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2(\theta)} = \frac{15}{17}$ .

19. Given f(6) = f(7) = 2, we can determine the next few terms.

$$f(8) = \left\lfloor \frac{7}{8}f(7) \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{6}{8}f(6) \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{14}{8} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{12}{8} \right\rfloor = 2$$

$$f(9) = \left[\frac{8}{9}f(8)\right] + \left[\frac{7}{9}f(7)\right] = \left[\frac{16}{9}\right] + \left[\frac{14}{9}\right] = 2$$

We can actually determine that f(k) = 2 for all  $k \ge 4$ , so f(14) = 2.

20. Let  $\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)$ . Then,  $\sin(\theta) = \frac{1}{7}$  and  $\cos(\theta) = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2(\theta)} = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7}$ . Rearranging the given equation, we have

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) + \cos^{-1}(x) = \pi$$
$$\cos^{-1}(x) = \pi - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \pi - \theta$$

and finally

$$x = \cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos(\theta) = \frac{4\sqrt{3}}{7}.$$

21. Evaluating the expression, we have

$$(\sin(\theta_1) + \cos(\theta_1))(\sin(\theta_2) + \cos(\theta_2))$$

$$= \sin(\theta_1)\sin(\theta_2) + \sin(\theta_1)\cos(\theta_2) + \cos(\theta_1)\sin(\theta_2) + \cos(\theta_1)\cos(\theta_2)$$

$$= \sin(\theta_1)\cos(\theta_2) + \cos(\theta_1)\sin(\theta_2) + \cos(\theta_1)\cos(\theta_2) + \sin(\theta_1)\sin(\theta_2)$$

$$= \sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) + \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) = \frac{24}{25} + \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

We can maximize the cosine term in the final expression by letting  $\theta_1 = \theta_2$ , so the maximum is  $\frac{24}{25} + \cos(0) = \frac{49}{25}$ .

22. We can narrow the range of  $\theta$  with the first two parameters. For  $-180^o \le \theta \le 180^o$ ,

I. 
$$\sin(\theta) \le \cos(\theta)$$
 implies  $-135^{\circ} \le \theta \le 45^{\circ}$ .

II. 
$$\cot(\theta) \le \tan(\theta)$$
 implies  $-135^o \le \theta \le -90^o$  or  $-45^o \le \theta \le 0$  or  $45^o \le \theta \le 90^o$  or  $135^o \le \theta \le 180^o$ .

The intersection of the first two ranges is  $-135^o \le \theta \le -90^o$  and  $-45^o \le \theta \le 0$ . Upon inspection, we can also see that the range satisfies parameter III. Thus, the desired range is  $-135^o \le \theta \le -90^o$ .

- 23. The parameters of the problem define an ellipse as the area Mark's dog can travel. The ellipse has major axis of length 10 and minor axis of length 8, so the area is  $\frac{10}{2} \cdot \frac{8}{2} \pi = \frac{10}{20\pi}$ .
- 24. In this problem, we are essentially asked to find the 7<sup>th</sup> smallest nonnegative solution to the equation given. We can first consider the solutions to  $|\sin(x) + 2\cos(x)| = 2$  for  $0 \le x < 2\pi$ . Clearly, x = 0 and  $x = \pi$  are solutions. When  $\sin(x) \ne 0$ , however,

$$|\sin(x) + 2\cos(x)| = 2$$

$$(\sin(x) + 2\cos(x))^2 = 4$$

$$\sin^2(x) + 4\sin(x)\cos(x) + 4\cos^2(x) = 4$$

$$\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) + 3\cos^2(x) + 4\sin(x)\cos(x) = 4$$

$$1 + 3(1 - \sin^2(x)) + 4\sin(x)\cos(x) = 4$$

$$1 + 3 - 3\sin^2(x) + 4\sin(x)\cos(x) = 4$$

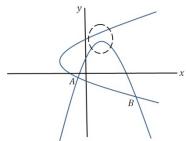
$$-3\sin^{2}(x) + 4\sin(x)\cos(x) = 0$$

$$4\sin(x)\cos(x) = 3\sin^{2}(x)$$

$$\tan(x) = \frac{4}{3}.$$

 $\tan(x) = \frac{4}{3}$  has two solutions for  $0 \le x < 2\pi$ , in the first and third quadrants of the coordinate plane, so there are four solutions to  $|\sin(x) + 2\cos(x)| = 2$  for  $0 \le x < 2\pi$ . The 5<sup>th</sup> smallest nonnegative solution would be  $2\pi$ , the 6<sup>th</sup> smallest would be  $2\pi + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$  (in the first quadrant), and the 7<sup>th</sup> smallest would be  $2\pi + \pi = 3\pi$ . Thus,  $\alpha = 3\pi$ .

25. A rough sketch of y and y' superimposed should show that the two graphs intersect at least twice, below the x-axis. We arbitrarily label these points A and B as shown.



We now need to determine whether y and y' intersect above the x-axis, in the location enclosed by the dotted oval. We can do this analytically, by realizing that each point (x, y) in the graph of y corresponds to the point (y, -x) in y'. We therefore make the appropriate substitution to arrive at the equation for y'.

$$(-x) = -(y)^2 + 2(y) + 2$$
$$-x = -y^2 + 2y + 2.$$

We can make the substitution  $y = -x^2 + 2x + 2$  to find the *x*-values of the points of intersection of *y* and *y'*. So

$$-x = -y^{2} + 2y + 2$$

$$x = y^{2} - 2y - 2$$

$$x = (-x^{2} + 2x + 2)^{2} - 2(-x^{2} + 2x + 2) - 2$$

$$0 = x^{4} - 4x^{3} + 8x + 4 + 2x^{2} - 4x - 4 - 2 - x$$

$$0 = x^{4} - 4x^{3} + 2x^{2} + 3x - 2$$

$$0 = (x - 1)(x^{3} - 3x^{2} - x + 2)$$

Since the resulting equation is quartic, there are at most four points of intersection, two of which we have already identified. Furthermore, we see that x=1 is a solution to the quartic. x=1 yields y=3, so the point (1,3) is another point of intersection, this time above the x-axis. Does a 4<sup>th</sup> point of intersection exist? The fourth solution cannot be complex, because we have already identified three real solutions to the quartic, and there cannot be an odd number of complex solutions. The fourth solution is also not a repeated root. Thus, the number of points of intersection for y and y' is 4.

26. We first divide the sum into two parts:

$$S = \sum_{i=0}^{x} i + \sum_{i=0}^{x} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) \right]$$
$$= \frac{x(x+1)}{2} + \sum_{i=0}^{x} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) \right]$$

The second summation is periodic over 8 terms, so its value oscillates as evidenced in the table below.

x	$\sum_{i=0}^{x} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) \right]$	х	$\sum_{i=0}^{x} \left[ \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{4} i \right) + \cos \left( \frac{\pi}{4} i \right) \right]$
0	1	8	1
1	$1+\sqrt{2}$	9	$1+\sqrt{2}$
2	$2+\sqrt{2}$	10	$2+\sqrt{2}$
3	$2+\sqrt{2}$	11	$2+\sqrt{2}$
4	$1+\sqrt{2}$	12	$1+\sqrt{2}$
5	1	13	1
6	0	14	0
7	0	15	0

 $S \ge 350$  for a specific value of x, when  $\frac{x(x+1)}{2} + \sum_{i=0}^{x} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}i\right) \right] \ge 350$ , which in turn implies that

$$\frac{x(x+1)}{2} + (2 + \sqrt{2}) \ge 350$$
 and thus 
$$\frac{x(x+1)}{2} \ge 348 - \sqrt{2} \sim 346.6$$

26 is the least value of x such that this expression is true. In fact,  $\frac{26(27)}{2} = 351$ , so the condition is satisfied regardless of the second sum, and so x = 26.

27. We have  $f(x) = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \cdots$  for |x| < 1. We manipulate this as follows:

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \cdots$$

$$1 = (1 - 2x + x^2)(a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \cdots)$$

$$1 = a_0 + (a_1 - 2a_0)x + (a_2 - 2a_1 + a_0)x^2 + (a_3 - 2a_2 + a_1)x^3 + \cdots$$

In order for this equality to hold for all |x| < 1,  $a_0$  must equal 1, and every coefficient in the right hand side must equal zero. Thus,

$$a_0 = 1,$$
  
 $a_1 - 2a_0 = 0,$   
 $a_2 - 2a_1 + a_0 = 0,$   
 $a_3 - 2a_2 + a_1 = 0,$  and  
 $a_4 - 2a_3 + a_2 = 0.$ 

Solving gives  $a_4 = 5$ .

28. First, evaluate the given expression:

$$tan[arctan(u) + arctan(v) + arctan(w)]$$

$$= \frac{tan(arctan(u) + arctan(v)) + w}{1 - tan(arctan(u) + arctan(v))w}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{u+v}{1-uv} + w}{1-\frac{u+v}{1-uv} w} = \frac{u+v+w-uvw}{1-(uv+uw+vw)}.$$

From Vieta's formulas, we determine that

$$u + v + w = 4$$
,  
 $uv + uw + vw = -7$ , and  
 $uvw = -10$ ,

so 
$$tan[arctan(u) + arctan(v) + arctan(w)] = \frac{4+10}{1+7} = \frac{7}{4}$$

29. We can represent the problem in the following diagram:

$$o_T |a_1| a_2 |a_3| o_B$$

The four vertical lines (|) represent the position of the four Aces in the deck.  $o_T$  and  $o_B$  represent the number of cards above and below the top and bottom-most Aces respectively, while  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$  represent the number of cards between consecutive Aces. Finally, let

$$S_1 = a_1 + a_2 + 1$$
,  
 $S_2 = a_2 + a_3 + 1$ , and  
 $S_3 = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + 2$ .

It follows that the set  $\{x, 8, 12, 22, 26, 35\}$  corresponds in some manner to the set  $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, S_1, S_2, S_3\}$ . We next determine the correspondence.

Without loss of generality, we choose  $a_3 \ge a_1$  (We will see that  $o_T$  and  $o_B$  do not play a role in the problem). Then,

$$S_3 > S_2 \ge S_1 > a_1$$
,  
 $S_3 > S_2 \ge S_1 > a_2$ , and  
 $S_3 > S_2 > a_3$ .

We now consider the correspondence by cases.

Case 1, x > 35:

We show this to be impossible. In this case,  $S_3 = x$  and  $S_2 = 35$ . Since  $S_1 > a_1$ ,  $a_2$ ,  $S_1$  cannot be one of the two smaller numbers, 8 or 12. However,  $S_1$  does not necessarily equal 26, because  $a_3$  can be larger than  $S_1$ . If  $S_1 = 26$ , we can see that no assignment of  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  from  $\{8, 12, 22\}$  satisfies the equation

$$S_1 = a_1 + a_2 + 1.$$

Similarly, no assignment of  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  from {8, 12, 22} satisfies the above equation for  $S_1 = 22$ . This case yields no solutions to the problem.

Case 2,  $x \le 35$ :

It follows that 
$$S_3 = 35 = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + 2$$
, so

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 33.$$

The sum cannot be satisfied if one of the a-values equals 26, so the three values must be chosen from the set  $\{x, 8, 12, 22\}$ . This is only possible when x = 3 or x = 13. We can verify that both x-values satisfy the problem conditions by explicitly constructing the correspondences.

$${a_1 = 8, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 22, S_1 = 12, S_2 = 26, S_3 = 35}$$
 and  ${a_1 = 8, a_2 = 13, a_3 = 12, S_1 = 22, S_2 = 26, S_3 = 35}$ 

The answer is therefore 3 + 13 = 16.

30. We wish to find how many values of x exist for  $0 \le x \le 4$  such that f(x) = g(x). We can consider this more abstractly by considering the cases for  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  for  $0 \le \theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  such that  $\sin(\theta_1) = \sin(\theta_2)$ . There are three such cases:

Case 1:

$$\theta_1 = \theta_2$$

In this case,  $\frac{\pi}{2}x = \frac{\pi}{2}x^2$ , which is true for x = 0, 1. We can verify that f(0) = g(0) and f(1) = g(1), for **2** solutions.

Case 2:

$$\theta_2 = (2n-1)\pi - \theta_1$$
 for  $n = 1, 2, 3, ...$ 

If x < 1,  $\frac{\pi}{2}x^2 < \frac{\pi}{2}x$ , so f(x) = g(x) is satisfied when

$$\frac{\pi}{2}x = (2n - 1)\pi - \frac{\pi}{2}x^2 \text{ or}$$

$$0 = x^2 + x + 4n - 2 \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

However, there are no real solutions of x for n = 1, 2, 3, ...

If  $x \ge 1$ ,  $\frac{\pi}{2}x \le \frac{\pi}{2}x^2$ , and the reverse is true:

$$\frac{\pi}{2}x^2 = (2n-1)\pi - \frac{\pi}{2}x \text{ or}$$

$$0 = x^2 + x + 2 - 4n \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, ...$$

Thus real-valued solutions to

$$0 = x^{2} + x - 2$$

$$0 = x^{2} + x - 6$$

$$0 = x^{2} + x - 10$$

$$0 = x^{2} + x - 14$$

$$0 = x^{2} + x - 18$$

are solutions to f(x) = g(x). There are no real-valued solutions of x for n > 5 when  $1 \le x \le 4$ . Since each quadratic equation yields one real-valued solution, this case yields 5 solutions. However, the solution to the first quadratic is x = 1, which we have already considered in case 1, so this case yields 4 new solutions.

Case 3:

$$\theta_2 = \theta_1 + 2\pi n \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, ...$$

Again, there are no real solutions for when x < 1. For  $x \ge 1$ , this case states that solutions to

$$\frac{\pi}{2}x^2 = \frac{\pi}{2}x + 2\pi n \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ or } 0 = x^2 - x - 4n \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

are solutions to f(x) = g(x). For  $1 \le x \le 4$ ,

$$0 = x^{2} - x - 4$$

$$0 = x^{2} - x - 8$$

$$0 = x^{2} - x - 12$$

Each equation yields one unique real-valued solution, so this case gives **3** solutions. In total, there are  $2 + 4 + 3 = \square$  solutions.

## Tiebreaker Question:

1. Let n be a semiprime less than 100. Then neither prime factor of n can be greater than 50. The primes less than 50 are  $\{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47\}$ . The prime factorization of n can be one of

$$(2, 2 \le p \le 47)$$
 [15 combinations] or  $(3, 3 \le p \le 31)$  [10 combinations] or  $(5, 5 \le p \le 19)$  [6 combinations] or  $(7, 7 \le p \le 13)$  [3 combinations],

where p is prime, for a total of 15 + 10 + 6 + 3 = 34 possible semiprimes less than 100.