

MATHEMATICS ENRICHMENT CLUB.
Solution Sheet 4, June 4, 2018

1. Since x is an integer, x^2 is the product of even powers of 2 and 3, and hence y^3 is also a product of even powers of 2 and 3. Then y^3 can be $1, 2^6, 2^{12}, 3^6, 3^{12}, 2^6 \cdot 3^6, 2^6 \cdot 3^{12}, 2^{12} \cdot 3^6$ or $2^{12} \cdot 3^{12}$. For each of these y values, there is one value of x . Hence there are 3^{12} nine solutions altogether.

4. The sum of the digits $1; 2; 3; \dots; 9$ is 45 $[(1 + 9) + (2 + 8) + \dots + 5]$. Also recall if we have a sum like $\sum_{k=0}^n (a + k) = a(n + 1) + \sum_{k=0}^n k$, then the required sum is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{a=0}^n \sum_{b=0}^n \sum_{c=0}^n \sum_{d=0}^n (a + b + c + d) &= \sum_{a=0}^n \sum_{b=0}^n \sum_{c=0}^n 10(a + b + c) + \sum_{d=0}^n d \\
 &= \sum_{a=0}^n \sum_{b=0}^n \sum_{c=0}^n (45 + 10a + 10b + 10c) \\
 &= \sum_{a=0}^n \sum_{b=0}^n 10(45 + 10a + 10b) + \sum_{c=0}^n 10d \\
 &= \sum_{a=0}^n \sum_{b=0}^n (450 + 100a + 100b + 450) \\
 &= \sum_{a=0}^n 10(900 + 100a) + \sum_{b=0}^n 100d \\
 &= \sum_{a=0}^n (9000 + 1000a + 4500) \\
 &= 10 \cdot 13500 + 1000 \cdot 45 \\
 &= 180000
 \end{aligned}$$

Senior Questions

1. Firstly, we complete the square in a slightly unusual way.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 &= 9920 + 7.9701Tf + 42.65 + 14.946526 + 34.5ci6670 + Td \quad [(=0)]TJ/F19 + 11.9552Tf \\
 &= 10(a=0) \\
 & \quad c=0
 \end{aligned}$$

where x and y are integers. Thus

$$y^2 + 2(x - 10)y = x - 6$$

$$y^2 + 2xy - 20y = x - 6$$

$$y^2 - 20y + 6 = x(1 - 2y)$$

So

$$x = \frac{y^2 - 20y + 6}{1 - 2y}$$