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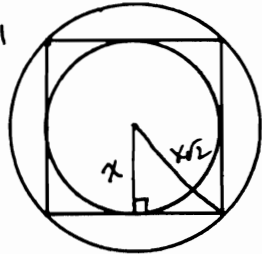
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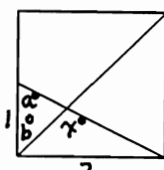
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Brief Contest Solutions #6

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6-1)  $\frac{\text{Area circumscribed}}{\text{Area incircle}} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{1}\right)^2 = \frac{2}{1}$, so area of the circumscribed = $2(60) = \boxed{120}$.

6-2) Avg digit = 3. Avg # = 33333. Since there are $5! = 120$ different such 5-digit numbers, their sum is $\boxed{120(33333)}$ or $\boxed{3999960}$.

6-3)  $\tan \alpha = 2$, $\tan \beta = 1$. Since $x^\circ = \alpha^\circ + \beta^\circ$, $\tan x^\circ = \frac{\tan(\alpha^\circ) + \tan(\beta^\circ)}{1 - \tan(\alpha^\circ)\tan(\beta^\circ)} = \frac{2+1}{1-2} = \boxed{-3}$.

6-4) These are the possibilities and their #

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Total # = $\boxed{90}$.

6-5) Since $3 \times 4 \times 5 = 60$ and $3 \times 2 \times 2 = 12$, at most 5 of the smaller blocks can fit into the space. Since the $3 \times 4 \times 5$ space has two odd dimensions, and $3 \times 2 \times 2$ has two even dimensions, some space cannot be used. It is easy to see how to fit $\boxed{4}$ blocks in the space.

6-6) Since $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{n+1}}{\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{n+1}} = \frac{\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{n+1}}{-1} = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}$
Thus, $\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{4} + \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5} + \dots + \sqrt{n-2} - \sqrt{n-1} + \sqrt{n-1} - \sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = 11$.
So, $\sqrt{n+1} - 2 = 11$, $\sqrt{n+1} = 13$, so $n = \boxed{168}$.