

- 6-1. Factoring the numerator of the right side, we get that 2017! 2016! = 2016!(2017 1) = 2016!(2016). Divide this by 2016, the denominator of the right side, to get 2016!. Therefore, n! = 2016!, so n = 2016!.
- 6-2. If a positive integer has 2 positive divisors, then it must be a prime. We have 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, and 47, a total of 15 numbers. If a positive integer has 3 positive divisors, then it must be the square of a prime. We have 4, 9, 25, and 49, a total of 4 numbers. If a positive integer has 5 positive divisors, then it must be the fourth power of a prime. We have 32, a total of 1 number. If a positive integer has 7 positive divisors, then it must be the sixth power of a prime. Since 2⁶ = 64 > 50, there is no number that satisfies the requirement. Together, we have a total of 15 + 4 + 1 = 20 numbers.
- 6-3. Clearly, *n* is a positive integer. Since $1.125n = \frac{9}{8}n$ and $1.44n = \frac{36}{25}n$, we want to "clear" the denominators. Therefore, *n* is the least common multiple of 8 and 25, which is 200.
- 6-4. Let *j*, *s*, and *d* be the speeds of Jerry, Steve, and Dan in laps/min, respectively. We have 20j = 20s + 1 and 30j = 30d + 1. Multiplying the first equation by 3 and the second by 2, we get 60j = 60s + 3 and 60j = 60d + 2. Subtracting the second equation from the first, we get 0 = 60s 60d + 1, from which 60d 60s = 1 = 60(d s). Therefore, in 60 minutes Dan will be 1 lap ahead of Steve. That's 30 minutes after the moment Jerry outpaces Dan by 1 lap.
- 6-5. Let $P(x) = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + Cx + D$. We get P(0) = D = 5, P(1) = A + B + C + D, P(-1) = -A + B C + D, P(2) = 8A + 4B + 2C + D, and P(-2) = -8A + 4B 2C + D. We have P(1) + P(-1) = 2B + 2D = 32. Since D = 5, we conclude that B = 11. Therefore, P(2) + P(-2) = 8B + 2D = 8(11) + 2(5) = 98.
- 6-6. Clearing fractions, we get c(b+c) + a(a+b) = (a+b)(b+c), for which $c^2 + a^2 ac = b^2$. By the Law of Cosines, we have $\cos B = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac} = \frac{1}{2}$. Therefore, $m \angle B = \boxed{60 \text{ or } 60^\circ}$.