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## Name (Last, First) Solution

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1. [30 points] The cryptarithmetic problem shown below has multiple solutions. However, the problem has three special features that allow you to quickly deduce what the values of three of the unknowns must be. Describe each of these special features, and the conclusion to which it leads. (You do not have to determine a complete solution.)

Recall that each letter stands (consistently) for a different base-10 digit, and that there are no leading zeros.

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- 1: In the 10<sup>0</sup> column, we have that T + T + T equals either T or T + 10. Therefore, T must be either 0 or 5.
- 2: If T = 0, then in the 10<sup>1</sup> column we have A + A + A equals either A or A + 10; so if T = 0 then A must be either 0 (but that's impossible since T = 0 already) or A must be 5.

If T = 5, then in the same column we have A + A + A + 1 equals either A or A + 10; but, neither of those is possible since each would require A to not be a digit.

- So, we know that T = 0 and that A = 5.
- 3: The S in the 10<sup>3</sup> column must result from a carry out of the 10<sup>2</sup> column, and so S is either 1 or 2.

But, a closer look shows that in the  $10^2$  column we must get the sum C + R + B + 1, since we now know there's a carry from the  $10^1$  column, and that sum must equal either C + 10 or C + 20 (since we must have a carry out from the  $10^2$  column).

So, considering the cases, we have R + B + 1 equaling either 10 or 20; but the latter is impossible. So, the carry out from the 10<sup>2</sup> column must be 1.

So, we know that S = 1.

2. [20 points] Prove that among any group of five people, there must be at least two people who have the same number of acquaintances within the group. (Acquaintance is a symmetric relationship.)

Let's call the people P1 through P5, and let's call the number of acquaintances Pk has within the group A(Pk).

Then we seem to have 5 possible values for A(Pk): 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

But, if there's a k such that A(Pk) is 0, then there cannot be a j such that A(Pj) is 4; and vice versa.

So, there are really only 4 possible values for A(P1), A(P2), A(P3), A(P4) and A(P5).

By the Pigeonhole Principle, there must be two people, say Pk and Pj, such that A(Pk) equals A(Pj).

**3.** [20 points] A machine shop produces brass couplings, each of which must be marked with an integer serial number before being shipped. Serial numbers are assigned as consecutive integers, starting at 1. A serial number is marked onto a coupling by a worker who has ten steel dies that she can use to stamp a single digit onto the coupling. For example, to mark a coupling with the serial number 732, the worker would use the dies for the digits '7', '3' and '2', striking each with a hammer one time to emboss the corresponding digit on the coupling. When the worker finishes marking a shipment of couplings, she realizes that she has used her hammer exactly 399 times. What was the serial number that she marked on the last coupling? Externalize, and justify your conclusion.

Stamping 1-digit serial numbers on the first nine couplings ("1" through "9") would require 9 blows.

Stamping 2-digit serial numbers on the next ninety couplings ("10" through "99") would require 180 blows.

That gives us a total of 189 blows for 1- and 2-digit serial numbers; the rest must be for 3-digit serial numbers, since only 210 more blows occurred.

210 blows would account for 70 3-digit serial numbers, since each would require 3 blows.

So she must have stamped a total of 169 serial numbers, and the last one was "169".

4. [30 points] Molly traded in her old car for a one-year-old, high-end car that had a special keyless entry system, which allows her to use her key to unlock the doors and start the engine from a short distance. Everything about the car worked perfectly, with one exception:

When Molly would park the car, sometimes she would come out to find its motor running. In each instance, she had turned the motor off and taken the key out before leaving the car. This problem most often occurred at the Starbucks on Washtenaw Avenue, a major thoroughfare, but seldom at the Starbucks on Liberty Street, which was a more secluded street. It also occurred a couple of times at Dunkin Donuts on Stadium Street.

Even though the problem mainly occurred on Washtenaw, Molly did not want to stop going there because she enjoyed chatting with the police officers who frequented that location. The Liberty Street Starbucks seemed to have only an occasional police officer stop by. The problem arose during the midmorning hours but not over lunch or dinner time.

Carry out a K.T. problem analysis to determine the reason Molly's car is starting spontaneously. Recall that K.T. problem analysis is performed using a table like the one shown below. Of course, you must create your own, larger table. Don't be shy about using space; the next page is left blank intentionally.

	IS	IS NOT	Distinction	Probable cause
What?	spontaneous starting	other electro-	related to	short in system?
		mechanical issue;	keyless ignition	
		regular starting	system	spurious initiation
		mechanism		signal?
Where?	Starbucks and Dunkin	other locations	very specific	environmental
	Donuts shops		locale	effect?
	mostly at Starbucks	seldom at Starbucks	major street vs	??
	on Washtenaw	on Liberty	secluded street?	
			frequent police	police officers or
			presence vs less	vehicles effect
				system?
		seldom (?) at Dunkin	??	
		Donuts on Stadium		
When?	midmorning	lunch, dinner	snack time?	??
			police taking	
			morning break?	
	using new car	using old car	keyless ignition	
			system	
Extent?	occurs sometimes	occurring all the	intermittent	underlying cause is
		time	cause	not continuous
	locations frequented	locations where no	police activity	police-related
	by police	police are present		signals?

So, the common factors seem to point to police electronic devices that must use the same frequency as the keyless ignition system.