

Clearly, OA = R. Now AB is a straight line through the point of tangency of the circle and the semi-circle, so AB = R + r. Since the two smaller semi-circles are congruent,

and the circle is tangent to both of them, *B* lies on the vertical axis of symmetry of the larger semi-circle. Thus OB = 2R *r*.

Thus, by Pythagoras' theorem,

$$(R + r)^{2} = (2R r)^{2} + R^{2}$$
$$R^{2} + 2rR + r^{2} = 4R^{2} 4rR + R^{2} + R^{2}$$
$$6rR = 4R^{2}$$
$$3r = 2R$$

Hence R: r = 3: 2, as required.

- 4. Suppose we can place the numbers on a circle so that the condition holds. Let us call the integers from 26 to 75 *normal*, and all the others *extreme*. Two extreme integers cannot be consecutive (their di erence is either less than 25 or greater than 50). Note that the numbers of the extreme and normal integers are the same and therefore they must alternate. However the normal number 26 can be adjacent to only one extreme integer 76, which is a contradiction.
- 5. Let  $a = 10^{b}$ , then we can rewrite the inequality  $10 < a^{x} < 100$  as 1 < bx < 2. Similarly, if  $100 < a^{x} < 1000$ , then 2 < bx < 3. Suppose *n* is the smallest integral solution to the inequality, then since there are exactly 5 solutions, the largest solution must be n + 4. From this we can deduce b(n 1) < 1 < bn and b(n + 4)

Now, consider 4ABH. As AH is a diameter of the circle,  $\BA =$ 

 $fk_1; k_2; \ldots; k_ag$  and  $K_2fk_{a+1}; k_{a+2}; \ldots; k_ng$ , then we can change the anti-clockwise ordering of the seated knights into an clockwise ordering, by reversing the order of the knights in the set  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . To move  $k_1$  to  $s_a$ ,  $k_1$  must swap position with  $k_2$  then  $k_3$ and so on. It takes  $(a \ 1)$  swaps to move  $k_1$  to the seat  $s_a$ . Similarly, it takes  $(a \ 2)$ swaps to move  $k_2$  into  $s_{a-1}$ ,  $(a \ 3)$  swaps to move  $k_3$  to  $s_{a-2}$  and so on. Therefore, it takes  $1 + 2 + \ldots + (a \ 1)$  swaps to reverse the order of the set  $K_1$ . Similarly, it takes  $1 + 2 + \ldots + (n \ a$