



PROBLEM OF THE WEEK #1  
(Spring 2021)

Let  $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ , and let  $S'$  denote  $U - S$ , the complement of  $S$  in  $U$ .  
In how many ways can we find subsets  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  of  $U$  with the following six properties?

$$A \cap B = \{4\}$$

$$A \cap C = \{3\}$$

$$B \cap C = \emptyset$$

$$A \cup C = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9\}$$

$$|A \cap B'| = 3$$

$$|(A \cup B \cup C)'| = 2$$

[Please fully explain your answer.]

Email your solution to [kwonmi@uwplatt.edu](mailto:kwonmi@uwplatt.edu) by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 3, 2020.

Every week, the best solution submitted earns a \$10 Platteville gift certificate; the top scorer each semester also wins a cash award. Good luck!

You can always see the Problem of the Week (and complete rules) online at:

<http://uwpmath.weebly.com/>