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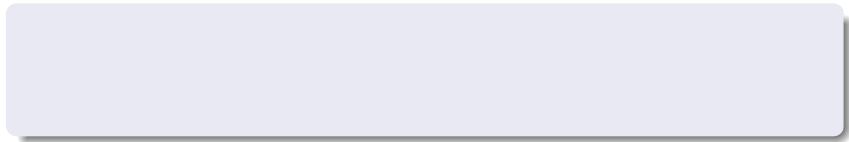
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in a couple of hours we got the following list:

n	#(summands)	$R_n := \int \sigma_2^{2n} \cap [G(4, 4 + n)]$	execution time
0	1	1	0,082s
1	13	0	0,242s
2	56	1	0,614s
3	142	5	1,449s
4	331	126	3,340s
5	641	3396	6,434s
6	1191	114675	12,081s
7	1981	4430712	20,053s
8	3221	190720530	32,755s
9	4866	8942188632	50,085s
10	7256	449551230102	1m 20s
11	10268	23948593282950	2m 55s
12	14418	1339757254689348	2m 44s
13	19466	78153481093195800	4m 02s
14	26156	4727142898098368085	5m 2s
15	34086	295116442188446065635	9m 9s
16	44286	18945322608397492982250	10m 46s
17	56141	1246718376589846006057200	11m 52s
18	71031	83878801924226511500933250	16m 37s
19	88071	5756860011979383129907915050	19m 55s
20	109061	402290757162008042628235950300	25m 53s
21	132783	28575935656515287427874861725000	34m 37s
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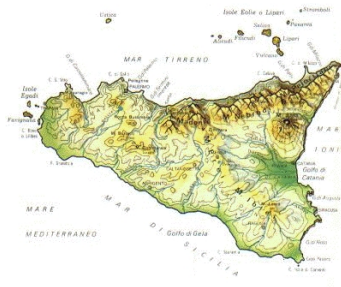
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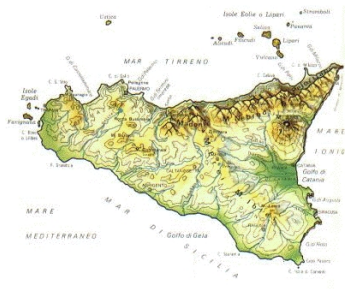
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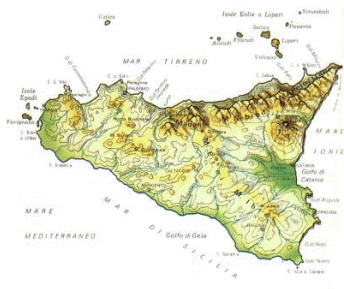
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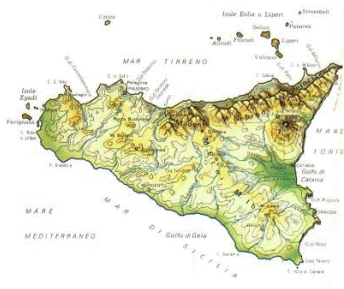


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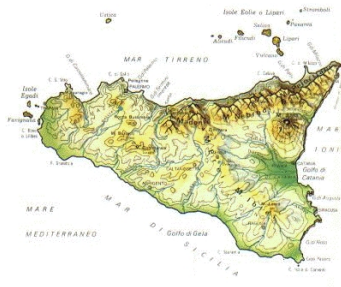


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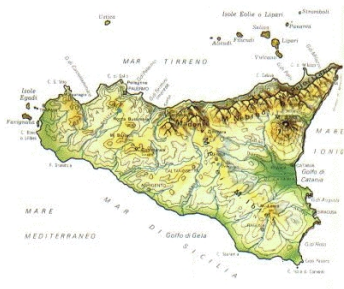


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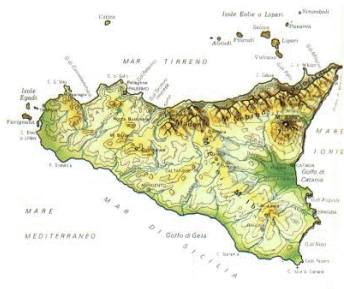


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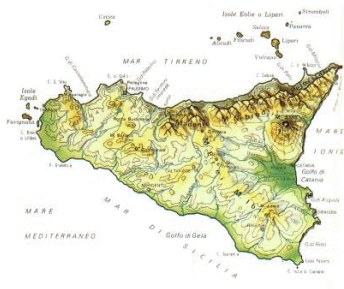


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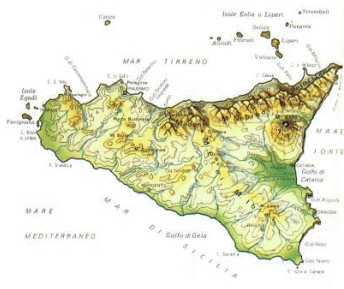


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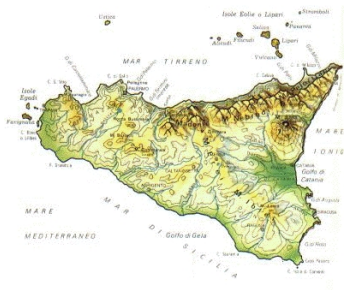


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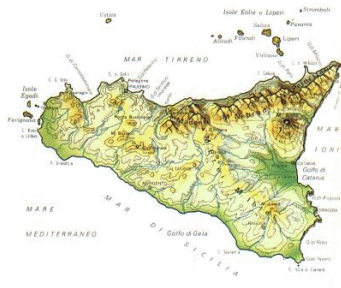


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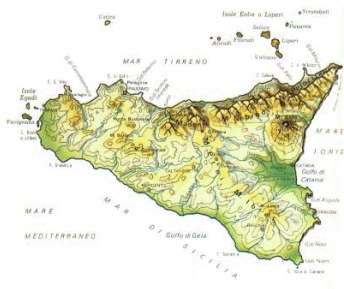


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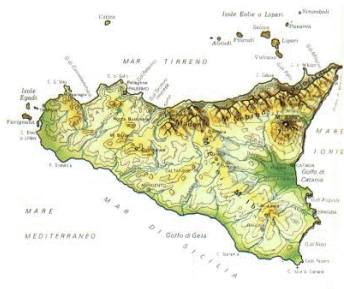


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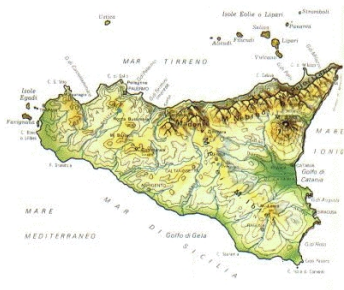


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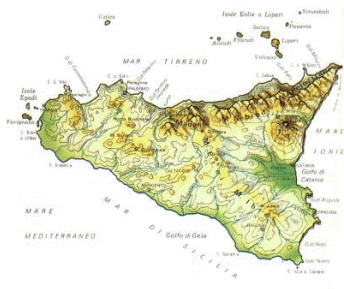


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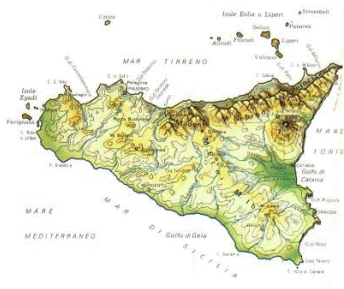


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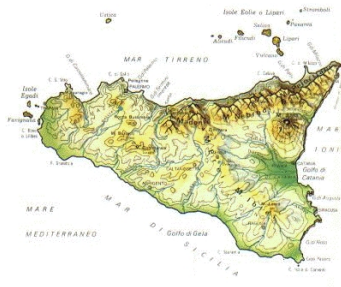


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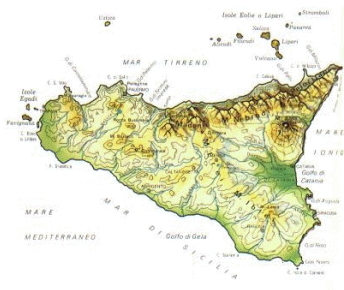


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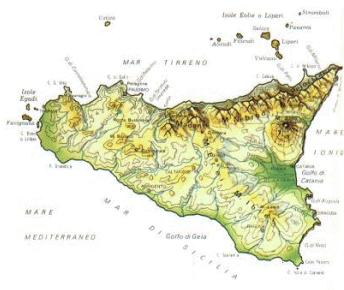


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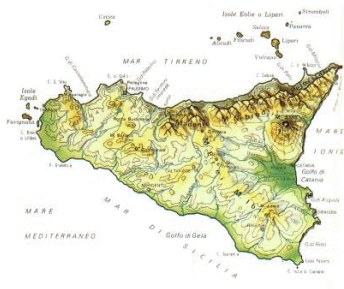


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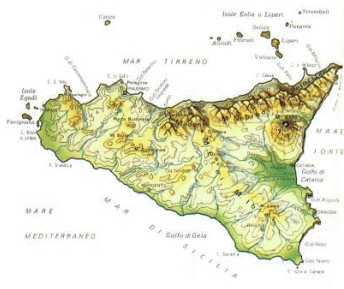


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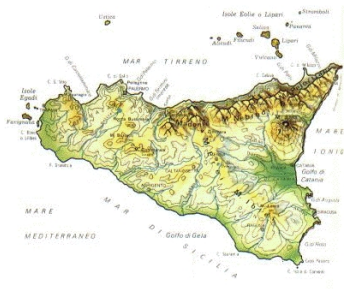


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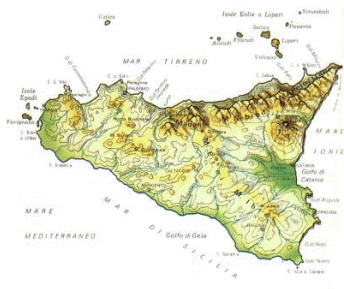


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