

10. (47%) If  $a < b$ , find the ordered pair of positive integers  $(a, b)$  that satisfies

$$\sqrt{10 + \sqrt{84}} = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{10} + \underline{\sqrt{84}} &= \underline{a} + \underline{2\sqrt{ab}} + \underline{b} & a+b &= 10 \\ & \downarrow & 4ab &= 84 \\ & \sqrt{4ab} & ab &= 21 \\ & & b=7, a &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

$(3, 7)$

16. (39%) If  $a > 0$ ,  $b > 0$ ,  $a \neq b$ , and  $\frac{a\sqrt{b} + b\sqrt{a}}{a\sqrt{b} + b\sqrt{a}} - \frac{a\sqrt{b} - b\sqrt{a}}{a\sqrt{b} + b\sqrt{a}} = \sqrt{ab}$ , write an equation expressing  $a$  explicitly in terms of  $b$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (x+y)^2 &= x^2 + 2xy + y^2 \\ (x-y)^2 &= x^2 - 2xy + y^2 \\ \hline & 4xy \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{(a\sqrt{b} + b\sqrt{a})^2}{a^2b - b^2a} - \frac{(a\sqrt{b} - b\sqrt{a})^2}{a^2b - b^2a} = \sqrt{ab}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{4ab}\sqrt{ab}}{\cancel{ab}(a-b)} = \sqrt{ab} \rightarrow \frac{4}{a-b} = 1$$

$$a-b=4$$

$$a=4+b$$

22. Find all ordered triples of real numbers  $(x, y, z)$  that satisfy  
(32%)

$$\begin{cases} \sqrt{x - y + z} = \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y} + \sqrt{z}, \\ x + y + z = 8, \text{ and} \\ x - y + z = 4. \end{cases}$$

$$2y = 4$$

$$y = 2$$

$$x + z = 6$$

$$2 = \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{z}$$

$$2 + \sqrt{2} = \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{z}$$

$$6 + 4\sqrt{2} = \underline{x + z} + 2\sqrt{xz}$$

$$(2, 2, 4)$$

$$(4, 2, 2)$$

$$2\sqrt{2} = \sqrt{xz}$$

$$8 = xz$$