

EXERCISE- 5 (A)**Question 1:**

Solve each of the following equations by factorization:

$$x^2 - 10x - 24 = 0$$

Solution 1:

$$x^2 - 10x - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 12x + 2x - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 12) + 2(x - 12) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 12)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x - 12 = 0 \text{ Or } x + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 12 \text{ Or } x = -2$$

Question 3:

$$2x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x = 0$$

Solution 3:

$$2x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(2x - \frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x = 0 \text{ Or } 2x - \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 0 \text{ Or } x = \frac{1}{4}$$

Question 4:

$$x(x - 5) = 24$$

Solution 4:

$$x(x - 5) = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 3x - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 8) + 3(x - 8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 8)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x - 8 = 0 \text{ Or } x + 3 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 8 \text{ Or } x = -3$$

Question 5:

$$\frac{9}{2}x = 5 + x^2$$

Solution 5:

$$\frac{9}{2}x = 5 + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x = 10 + 2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 9x + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 5x - 4x + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(2x - 5) - 2(2x - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - 5)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } 2x - 5 = 0 \text{ Or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{5}{2} \text{ Or } x = 2$$

Question 6:

$$\frac{6}{x} = 1 + x$$

Solution 6:

$$\frac{6}{x} = 1 + x$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 = x + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x+3) - 2(x+3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+3)(x-2) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x + 3 = 0 \text{ Or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = -3 \text{ Or } x = 2$$

Question 7:

$$x = \frac{3x+1}{4x}$$

Solution 7:

$$x = \frac{3x+1}{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 = 3x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 3x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 4x + x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x(x-1) + 1(x-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)(4x+1) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x - 1 = 0 \text{ Or } 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 1 \text{ Or } x = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Question 8:

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 2.5$$

Solution 8:

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 2.5$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2 = 5x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4x - x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x - 2) - 1(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 2)(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x - 2 = 0 \text{ Or } 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 2 \text{ Or } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Question 9:

$$(2x - 3)^2 = 49$$

Solution 9:

$$(2x - 3)^2 = 49$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$2x - 3 = \pm 7$$

$$\text{When } 2x - 3 = 7 \Rightarrow 2x = 10 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

$$\text{And, when } 2x - 3 = -7 \Rightarrow 2x = -4 \Rightarrow x = -2$$

Question 10:

$$2(x^2 - 6) = 3(x - 4)$$

Solution 10:

$$2(x^2 - 6) = 3(x - 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 12 = 3x - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 3x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(2x - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x = 0 \text{ Or } 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 0 \text{ Or } x = \frac{3}{2}$$

Question 11:

$$(x + 1) (2x + 8) = (x+7) (x+3)$$

Solution 11:

$$(x + 1) (2x + 8) = (x+7) (x+3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 8x + 2x + 8 = x^2 + 3x + 7x + 21$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 10x + 8 = x^2 + 10x + 21$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 13 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (\sqrt{13})^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + \sqrt{13}) (x - \sqrt{13}) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x + \sqrt{13} = 0 \quad \text{Or } x - \sqrt{13} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\sqrt{13} \quad \text{Or } x = \sqrt{13}$$

Question 12:

$$x^2 - (a + b) x + ab = 0$$

Solution 12:

$$x^2 - (a + b) x + ab = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - ax - bx + ab = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - a) - b(x - a) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - a) (x - b) = 0$$

$$\text{Since } x - a = 0 \quad \text{Or } x - b = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = a \quad \text{Or } x = b$$

Question 13:

$$(x + 3)^2 - 4(x + 3) - 5 = 0$$

Solution 13:

$$(x + 3)^2 - 4(x + 3) - 5 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x + 3 = y$$

$$\text{Then } y^2 - 4y - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 5y + y - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y - 5) + 1(y - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 5)(y + 1) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y - 5 = 0 \quad \text{Or } y + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = 5 \quad \text{Or } y = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 3 = 5 \quad \text{or } x + 3 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 \quad \text{or } x = -4$$

Question 14:

$$4(2x - 3)^2 - (2x - 3) - 14 = 0$$

Solution 14:

$$4(2x - 3)^2 - (2x - 3) - 14 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } 2x - 3 = y$$

$$\text{Then } 4y^2 - y - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 - 8y + 7y - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y(y - 2) + 7(y - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 2)(4y + 7) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y - 2 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad 4y + 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad y = \frac{-7}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 3 = 2 \quad \text{Or} \quad 2x - 3 = \frac{-7}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 5 \quad \text{Or} \quad 2x = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{2} \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{5}{8}$$

Question 15:

$$\frac{3x - 2}{2x - 3} = \frac{3x - 8}{x + 4}$$

Solution 15:

$$\frac{3x - 2}{2x - 3} = \frac{3x - 8}{x + 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x - 2)(x + 4) = (2x - 3)(3x - 8)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 12x - 2x - 8 = 6x^2 - 16x - 9x + 24$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 10x - 8 = 6x^2 - 25x + 24$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 35x + 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 32x - 3x + 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(3x - 32) - 1(3x - 32) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 1)(3x - 32) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad 3x - 32 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{32}{3} = 10 \frac{2}{3}$$

Question 16:

$$\frac{100}{x} - \frac{100}{x + 5} = 1$$

Solution 16:

$$\frac{100}{x} - \frac{100}{x + 5} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{100(x+5) - 100x}{x(x+5)} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{500}{x^2 + 5x} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 5x &= 500 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 5x - 500 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 25x - 20(x+25) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x(x+25) - 20(x+25) &= 0 \\ \text{If } x+25 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x-20 = 0 \\ \text{Then } x = -25 \quad \text{Or } x = 20 \end{aligned}$$

Question 17:

$$\frac{x-3}{x+3} + \frac{x+3}{x-3} = 2\frac{1}{2}$$

Solution 17:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x-3}{x+3} + \frac{x+3}{x-3} &= 2\frac{1}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{(x-3)^2 + (x+3)^2}{(x+3)(x-3)} &= \frac{5}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 6x + 9 + x^2 + 6x + 9}{(x^2 - 9)} &= \frac{5}{2} \\ \Rightarrow 2(2x^2 + 18) &= 5(x^2 - 9) \\ \Rightarrow 4x^2 + 36 &= 5x^2 - 45 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 81 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 9^2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x+9)(x-9) &= 0 \\ \text{If } x+9 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x-9 = 0 \\ \text{Then } x = -9 \quad \text{Or } x = 9 \end{aligned}$$

Question 18:

$$\frac{4}{x+2} - \frac{1}{x+3} = \frac{4}{2x+1}$$

Solution 18:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4}{x+2} - \frac{1}{x+3} &= \frac{4}{2x+1} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{4(x+3) - 1(x+2)}{(x+2)(x+3)} &= \frac{4}{2x+1} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{4x+12-x-2}{x^2+2x+3x+6} &= \frac{4}{2x+1} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3x+10}{x^2+5x+6} &= \frac{4}{2x+1} \\ \Rightarrow (3x+10)(2x+1) &= 4(x^2+5x+6) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 3x + 20x + 10 = 4x^2 + 20x + 24$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 3x - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 7x - 4x - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(2x + 7) - 2(2x + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x + 7)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\text{If } 2x + 7 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{-7}{2} \quad \text{Or } x = 2$$

Question 19:

$$\frac{5}{x-2} - \frac{3}{x+6} = \frac{4}{x}$$

Solution 19:

$$\frac{5}{x-2} - \frac{3}{x+6} = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5(x+6) - 3(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+6)} = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5x + 30 - 3x + 6}{x^2 + 6x - 2x - 12} = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x + 36}{x^2 + 4x - 12} = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 16x - 48 = 2x^2 + 36x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 20x - 48 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 10x - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 12x + 2x - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 12) + 2(x - 12) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 12)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x - 12 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 12 \quad \text{Or } x = -2$$

Question 20:

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{x+1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{x-1}\right) = \frac{7}{8}$$

Solution 20:

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{x+1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{x-1}\right) = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x+1+1}{x+1}\right) \left(\frac{x-1-1}{x-1}\right) = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x+2}{x+1}\right) \left(\frac{x-2}{x-1}\right) = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^2 - 32 = 7x^2 - 7$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 5$$

Question 21:

Find the quadratic equation, whose solution set is:

(i) $\{3, 5\}$

(ii) $\{-2, 3\}$

(iii) $\{5, -4\}$

(iv) $\{-3, \frac{-2}{5}\}$

Solution 21:

(i) Since solution set is $\{3, 5\}$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \quad \text{Or } x = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x - 3x + 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 8x + 15 = 0 \quad \text{Which is the required equation.}$$

(ii) Since solution set is $\{-2, 3\}$

$$\Rightarrow x = -2 \quad \text{Or } x = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 2)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 2x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 6 = 0 \quad \text{Which is the required equation.}$$

(iii) Since solution set is $\{5, -4\}$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5 \quad \text{Or } x = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 5 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 5)(x + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 5x + 4x - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - x - 20 = 0 \quad \text{Which is the required equation.}$$

(iv) Since solution set is $\{-3, \frac{-2}{5}\}$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3 \quad \text{Or } x = \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 3)(5x + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x^2 + 2x + 15x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x^2 + 17x + 6 = 0 \quad \text{Which is the required equation.}$$

Question 22:

Find the value of x , if $a+1=0$ and $x^2 + ax - 6 = 0$

Solution 22:

If $a + 1 = 0$, then $a = -1$

Put this value in the given equation $x^2 + ax - 6 = 0$

$$x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 2x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 3) + 2(x - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x + 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 3 \quad \text{Or } x = -2.$$

Question 23:

Find the value of x , if $a + 1 = 0$ and $x^2 + ax - 6 = 0$

Solution 23:

If $a + 7 = 0$, then $a = -7$

and $b + 10 = 0$, then $b = -10$

Put these values of a and b in the given equation

$$12x^2 = (-7)x - (-10)$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 + 7x - 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x^2 + 15x - 8x - 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(4x + 5) - 2(4x + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (4x + 5)(3x - 2) = 0$$

$$\text{If } 4x + 5 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 3x - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{-5}{4} \quad \text{Or } x = \frac{2}{3}$$

Question 24:

Use the substitution $y = 2x + 3$ to solve for x , if $4(2x + 3)^2 - (2x + 3) - 14 = 0$

Solution 24:

$$4(2x+3)^2 - (2x + 3) - 14 = 0$$

$$\text{Put } 2x + 3 = y$$

$$4y^2 - y - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 - 8y + 7y - 14 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y(y - 2) + 7(y - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 2)(4y + 7) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y - 2 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 4y + 7 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } 2x + 3 - 2 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 4(2x + 3) + 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = -1 \quad \text{Or } 8x = -19$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-1}{2} \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{-19}{8}$$

Question 25:

Without solving the quadratic equation $6x^2 - x - 2 = 0$, find whether $x = \frac{2}{3}$ is a solution of this equation or not.

Solution 25:

Consider the equation, $6x^2 - x - 2 = 0$

Put $x = \frac{2}{3}$ in L.H.S

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S} &= 6 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - 2 \\ &= \frac{24}{9} - \frac{2}{3} - 2 \\ &= \frac{24 - 6 - 18}{9} = 0 = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

Since L.H.S = R.H.S, then $x = \frac{2}{3}$ is a solution of the given equation.

Question 26:

Determine whether $x = -1$ is a root of the equation $x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$ or not.

Solution 26:

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$$

Put $x = -1$ in L.H.S.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (-1)^2 - 3(-1) + 2 \\ &= 1 + 3 + 2 = 6 \neq \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

Then $x = -1$ is not the solution of the given equation.

Question 27:

If $x = \frac{2}{3}$ is a solution of the quadratic equation $7x^2 + mx - 3 = 0$; find the value of m .

Solution 27:

$$7x^2 + mx - 3 = 0$$

Given $x = \frac{2}{3}$ is the solution of the given equation.

Put given value of x in the given equation

$$\begin{aligned} 7 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + m \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - 3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{28}{9} + \frac{2m}{3} - 3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 28 + 6m - 27 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 6m &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{-1}{6}$$

Question 28:

If $x = -3$ and $x = \frac{2}{3}$ are solution of quadratic equation $mx^2 + 7x + n = 0$, find the values of m and n .

Solution 28:

$$mx^2 + 7x + n = 0$$

Put $x = -3$ in given equation

$$m(-3)^2 + 7(-3) + n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9m - 21 + n = 0$$

$$9m + n = 21 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

Put $x = \frac{2}{3}$ in given equation

$$m\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + 7\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4m}{9} + \frac{14}{3} + n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m + 9n = -42 \text{ -----(2)}$$

Solving these equations we get

$$m = 3 \text{ and } n = -6$$

Question 29:

If quadratic equation $x^2 - (m + 1)x + 6 = 0$ has one root as $x = 3$; find the value of m and the other root of the equation.

Solution 29:

$$x^2 - (m + 1)x + 6 = 0$$

Put $x = 3$ in the given equation

$$(3)^2 - (m + 1)(3) + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 - 3m - 3 + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -3m = -12$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 4$$

Put this value of m in the given equation, we get

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x - 3) - 2(x - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = 3 \quad \text{Or } x = 2$$

$\therefore 2$ is the other root of the given equation

EXERCISE 7 (B)**Question 1:**

Solve each of the following equations using the formula:

- (i) $x^2 - 6x = 27$
(ii) $x^2 - 10x + 21 = 0$
(iii) $x^2 + 6x - 10 = 0$
(iv) $x^2 + 2x - 6 = 0$
(v) $3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$
(vi) $2x^2 + 7x + 5 = 0$
(vii) $\frac{2}{3}x = -\frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{1}{3}$
(viii) $\frac{1}{15}x^2 + \frac{5}{3} = \frac{2}{3}x$
(ix) $x^2 - 6 = 2\sqrt{2}x$
(x) $\frac{4}{x} - 3 = \frac{5}{2x+3}$
(xi) $\frac{2x+3}{x+3} = \frac{x+4}{x+2}$
(xii) $\sqrt{6x^2} - 4x - 2\sqrt{6} = 0$
(xiii) $\frac{2x}{x-4} + \frac{2x-5}{x-3} = 8\frac{1}{3}$
(xiv) $\frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x-3}{x-4} = 3\frac{1}{3}$

Solution 1:

(i) $x^2 - 6x = 27$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x - 27 = 0$$

Here $a = 1$, $b = -6$ and $c = -27$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4(1)(-27)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{6 \pm 12}{2} = \frac{6+12}{2} \text{ and } \frac{6-12}{2} = 9 \text{ and } -3\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $x^2 - 10x + 21 = 0$

Here $a = 1$, $b = -10$ and $c = 21$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(-10)^2 - 4(1)(21)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{10 \pm 4}{2} = \frac{10+4}{2} \text{ and } \frac{10-4}{2} = 7 \text{ and } 3\end{aligned}$$

(iii) $x^2 + 6x - 10 = 0$

Here $a = 1$, $b = 6$ and $c = -10$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{- (6) \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4 (1) (-10)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{- 6 \pm \sqrt{76}}{2} = \frac{- 6 \pm 2\sqrt{19}}{2} \text{ and } \frac{- 6 - 2\sqrt{19}}{2} = - 3 + \sqrt{19} \text{ and } - 3 - \sqrt{19}$$

(iv) $x^2 + 2x - 6 = 0$

Here $a = 1$, $b = 2$ and $c = - 6$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{- b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{- (2) \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4 (1) (-6)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{- 2 \pm \sqrt{28}}{2} = \frac{- 2 \pm 2\sqrt{7}}{2} = -1 \pm \sqrt{7}$$

(v) $3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$

Here $a = 3$, $b = 2$ and $c = -1$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{- b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{- (2) \pm \sqrt{(2)^2 - 4 (3) (-1)}}{2(3)}$$

$$= \frac{- 2 \pm 4}{6} = \frac{- 2 \pm 4}{6} \text{ and } \frac{-2-4}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } -1$$

(vi) $2x^2 + 7x + 5 = 0$

Here $a = 2$, $b = 7$ and $c = 5$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{- b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{- (7) \pm \sqrt{(7)^2 - 4 (2) (5)}}{2(2)}$$

$$= \frac{- 7 \pm 3}{4} = \frac{- 7 + 3}{4} \text{ and } \frac{-7-3}{4} = -1 \text{ and } -\frac{5}{2}$$

(vii) $\frac{2}{3}x = -\frac{1}{6}x^2 - \frac{1}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = -x^2 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 2 = 0$$

Here $a = 1$, $b = 4$ and $c = 2$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{- b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{- (4) \pm \sqrt{(4)^2 - 4 (1) (2)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= \frac{- 4 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2} = \frac{- 4 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2} = -2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

(viii) $\frac{1}{15}x^2 + \frac{5}{3} = \frac{2}{3}x$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 25 = 10x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 10x + 25 = 0$$

Here $a = 1$, $b = - 10$ and $c = 25$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(-10)^2 - 4(1)(25)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{0}}{2} = 5\end{aligned}$$

(ix) $x^2 - 6 = 2\sqrt{2}x$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2\sqrt{2}x - 6 = 0$$

Here $a = 1$, $b = -2\sqrt{2}$ and $c = -6$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-2\sqrt{2}) \pm \sqrt{(-2\sqrt{2})^2 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2} \pm \sqrt{32}}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2} \pm 4\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{2\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ and } \frac{2\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ &= \frac{6\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ and } \frac{-2\sqrt{2}}{2} = 3\sqrt{2} \text{ and } -\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

(x) $\frac{4}{x} - 3 = \frac{5}{2x+3}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4-3x}{x} = \frac{5}{2x+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (4-3x)(2x+3) = 5x$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x + 12 - 6x^2 - 9x = 5x$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 6x - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

Here $a = 1$, $b = 1$ and $c = -2$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(1) \pm \sqrt{(1)^2 - 4(1)(-2)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{9}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm 3}{2} = \frac{-1+3}{2} \text{ and } \frac{-1-3}{2} = 1 \text{ and } -2\end{aligned}$$

(xi) $\frac{2x+3}{x+3} = \frac{x+4}{x+2}$

$$\Rightarrow (2x+3)(x+2) = (x+3)(x+4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 4x + 3x + 6 = x^2 + 4x + 3x + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6 = 0$$

Here $a = 1$, $b = 0$ and $c = -6$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(0) \pm \sqrt{(0)^2 - 4(1)(-6)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{0 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2} = \frac{0 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{2} = -\sqrt{6} \text{ and } \sqrt{6}\end{aligned}$$

(xii) $\sqrt{6}x^2 - 4x - 2\sqrt{6} = 0$

Here $a = \sqrt{6}$, $b = -4$ and $c = -2\sqrt{6}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 - 4(\sqrt{6})(-2\sqrt{6})}}{2(\sqrt{6})} \\ &= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{64}}{2\sqrt{6}} = \frac{4 \pm 8}{2\sqrt{6}} = \frac{4+8}{2\sqrt{6}} \text{ and } \frac{4-8}{2\sqrt{6}} \\ &= \frac{6}{\sqrt{6}} \text{ and } \frac{-2}{\sqrt{6}} = \sqrt{6} \text{ and } \frac{-\sqrt{6}}{3}\end{aligned}$$

(xiii) $\frac{2x}{x-4} + \frac{2x-5}{x-3} = 8\frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{2x(x-3) + (x-4)(2x-5)}{(x-4)(x-3)} &= \frac{25}{3} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - 6x + 2x^2 - 5x - 8x + 20}{x^2 - 3x - 4x + 12} &= \frac{25}{3} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{4x^2 - 19x + 20}{x^2 - 7x + 12} &= \frac{25}{3} \\ \Rightarrow 25x^2 - 175x + 300 &= 12x^2 - 57x + 60 \\ \Rightarrow 13x^2 - 118x + 240 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Here $a = 13$, $b = -118$ and $c = 240$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-118) \pm \sqrt{(-118)^2 - 4(13)(240)}}{2(13)} \\ &= \frac{118 \pm \sqrt{1444}}{26} = \frac{118 \pm 38}{26} \\ &= \frac{118+38}{26} \text{ and } \frac{118-38}{26} \text{ and } \frac{40}{13}\end{aligned}$$

(xiv) $\frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x-3}{x-4} = 3\frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{(x-1)(x-4) + (x-2)(x-3)}{(x-2)(x-4)} &= \frac{10}{3} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 4x - x + 4 + x^2 - 3x - 2x + 6}{x^2 - 4x - 2x + 8} &= \frac{10}{3} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - 10x + 10}{x^2 - 6x + 8} &= \frac{10}{3} \\ \Rightarrow 10x^2 - 60x + 80 &= 6x^2 - 30x + 30 \\ \Rightarrow 4x^2 - 30x + 50 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2x^2 - 15x + 25 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Here $a = 2$, $b = -15$ and $c = 25$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Then } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\
 &= \frac{-(-15) \pm \sqrt{(-15)^2 - 4(2)(25)}}{2(2)} \\
 &= \frac{15 \pm \sqrt{25}}{4} = \frac{15 \pm 5}{4} \\
 &= \frac{15+5}{4} \text{ and } \frac{15-5}{4} = 5 \text{ and } \frac{5}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 2:

Without solving comment upon the nature of roots of each of the following equations:

- (i) $7x^2 - 9x + 2 = 0$
- (ii) $6x^2 - 13x + 4 = 0$
- (iii) $25x^2 - 10x + 1 = 0$
- (iv) $x^2 - ax - b^2 = 0$
- (v) $x^2 + 2\sqrt{3}x - 9 = 0$
- (vi) $2x^2 + 8x + 9 = 0$

Solution 2:**(i) $7x^2 - 9x + 2 = 0$**

$$a = 7, b = -9 \text{ and } c = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (-9)^2 - 4(7)(2)$$

$$= 81 - 56 = 25$$

Since $D > 0$, then equation has two real and unequal roots.

(ii) $6x^2 - 13x + 4 = 0$

$$a = 6, b = -13 \text{ and } c = 4$$

$$\therefore \text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (-13)^2 - 4(6)(4)$$

$$= 169 - 96 = 73$$

Since 73 is not a perfect square, roots are irrational

Since $D > 0$, then equation has two real and unequal roots.

(iii) $25x^2 - 10x + 1 = 0$

$$a = 25, b = -10 \text{ and } c = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (-10)^2 - 4(25)(1)$$

$$= 100 - 100 = 0$$

Since $D = 0$, then equation has two real and unequal roots.

(iv) $x^2 + 2\sqrt{3}x - 9 = 0$

$$a = 1, b = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ and } c = -9$$

$$\therefore \text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (2\sqrt{3})^2 - 4(1)(-9)$$

$$= 12 + 36 = 48$$

Since 48 is not a perfect square, roots are irrational

Since $D > 0$, then equation has two real and unequal roots.

(v) $x^2 - ax - b^2 = 0$

$$a = 1, b = -a \text{ and } c = -b^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (-a)^2 - 4(1)(-b^2)$$

$$= a^2 + 4b^2 = \text{a positive value}$$

Since $a^2 + 4b^2$ is not a perfect square, roots are irrational

Since $D > 0$, then equation has two real and unequal roots.

(vi) $2x^2 + 8x + 9 = 0$

$$a = 2, b = 8 \text{ and } c = 9$$

$$\therefore \text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (8)^2 - 4(2)(9)$$

$$= 64 - 72 = -18 = \text{a negative value}$$

Since $D > 0$, then equation has no real roots.

Question 3:

Find the value of 'p', if the following quadratic equations have equal roots:

$$4x^2 - (p - 2)x + 1 = 0$$

Solution 3:

$$4x^2 - (p - 2)x + 1 = 0$$

Here $a = 4$, $b = -(p - 2)$ and $c = 1$

Given: equation has equal roots

Then $d = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [-(p - 2)]^2 - 4(4)(1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 + 4 - 4p - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - 4p - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 - 6p + 2p - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p(p - 6) + (p - 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (p - 6)(p + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } p - 6 = 0 \quad \text{Or } p + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 6 \quad \text{Or } p = -2.$$

Question 4:

The equation $3x^2 - 12x + (n - 5) = 0$ has equal roots. Find the value of n.

Solution 4:

$$3x^2 - 12x + (n - 5) = 0$$

Here $a = 3$, $b = -12$ and $c = n - 5$

Given: equation has equal roots

$$\text{Then } D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [-12]^2 - 4(3)(n - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 144 - 12n + 60 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -12n = -204$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{-204}{-12} = 17$$

Question 5:

Find the value of 'm', if the following equation has equal roots:

$$(m - 2)x^2 - (5 + m)x + 16 = 0$$

Solution 5:

$$(m - 2)x^2 - (5 + m)x + 16 = 0$$

Here $a = m - 2$, $b = -(5 + m)$ and $c = 16$

Given : equation has equal roots

$$\text{Then } D = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [-(5 + m)]^2 - 4(m - 2)(16) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 25 + m^2 + 10m - 64m + 128 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 54m + 153 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 51m - 3m + 153 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m(m - 51) - 3(m - 51) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 51)(m - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } m - 51 = 0 \quad \text{Or } m - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 51 \quad \text{Or } m = 3$$

EXERCISE 7 (C)**Question 1:**

Solve each of the following equations for x and give, in each case, your answer correct to one decimal place:

(i) $x^2 - 8x + 5 = 0$

(ii) $5x^2 + 10x - 3 = 0$

Solution 1:

(i) $x^2 - 8x + 5 = 0$

Here $a = 1$, $b = -8$ and $c = 5$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-8) \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(1)(5)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{44}}{2} = \frac{8 \pm 2\sqrt{11}}{4} = 4 \pm \sqrt{11} = 4 \pm 3.3 = 7.3 \text{ and } 0.7\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $5x^2 + 10x - 3 = 0$

Here $a = 5$, $b = 10$ and $c = -3$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(10)^2 - 4(5)(-3)}}{2(5)} \\ &= \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{160}}{10} = \frac{-10 \pm 12.6}{10} \\ &= \frac{-10 + 12.6}{10} \text{ and } \frac{-10 - 12.6}{10} = 0.26 \text{ and } -2.26 = 0.3 \text{ and } -2.3\end{aligned}$$

Question 2:

Solve each of the following equations for x and give, in each case your answer correct to 2 decimal places:

(i) $2x^2 - 10x + 5 = 0$

(ii) $4x + \frac{6}{x} + 13 = 0$

(iii) $x^2 - 3x - 9 = 0$

(iv) $x^2 - 5x - 10 = 0$

Solution 2:

(i) $2x^2 - 10x + 5 = 0$

Here $a = 2$, $b = -10$ and $c = 5$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-(-10) \pm \sqrt{(10)^2 - 4(2)(5)}}{2(2)} \\ &= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{60}}{4} = \frac{10 \pm 7.75}{4} \\ &= \frac{10 + 7.75}{4} \text{ and } \frac{10 - 7.75}{4} = 4.44 \text{ and } 0.56\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $4x + \frac{6}{x} + 13 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 6 + 13x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 13x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Here } a = 4, b = 13 \text{ and } c = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\
 &= \frac{-(13) \pm \sqrt{(13)^2 - 4(4)(6)}}{2(4)} \\
 &= \frac{-13 \pm \sqrt{73}}{8} = \frac{-13 \pm 8.54}{8} \\
 &= \frac{-13 + 8.54}{8} \text{ and } \frac{-13 - 8.54}{8} = -0.56 \text{ and } -2.69
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $x^2 - 3x - 9 = 0$

\Rightarrow Here $a = 1$, $b = -3$ and $c = -9$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\
 &= \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(1)(-9)}}{2(1)} \\
 &= \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{45}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm 6.70}{2} \\
 &= \frac{3 + 6.70}{2} \text{ and } \frac{3 - 6.70}{2} = 4.85 \text{ and } -1.85
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3:

Solve each of the following equations for x , giving your answer correct to 3 decimal places:

(i) $3x^2 - 12x - 1 = 0$

(ii) $x^2 - 16x + 6 = 0$

(iii) $2x^2 + 11x + 4 = 0$

Solution 3:

(i) $3x^2 - 12x - 1 = 0$

\Rightarrow Here $a = 3$, $b = -12$ and $c = -1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\
 &= \frac{-(-12) \pm \sqrt{(-12)^2 - 4(3)(-1)}}{2(3)} \\
 &= \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{156}}{6} = \frac{12 \pm 12.489}{6} \\
 &= \frac{12 + 12.489}{6} \text{ and } \frac{12 - 12.489}{6} = 4.082 \text{ and } -0.082
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $x^2 - 16x + 6 = 0$

\Rightarrow Here $a = 1$, $b = -16$ and $c = 6$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{-(-16) \pm \sqrt{(-16)^2 - 4(1)(6)}}{2(1)} \\
 &= \frac{16 \pm \sqrt{232}}{2} = \frac{16 \pm 15.231}{2} \\
 &= \frac{16 + 15.231}{2} \text{ and } \frac{16 - 15.231}{2} = 15.616 \text{ and } 0.384
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $2x^2 + 11x + 4 = 0$

\Rightarrow Here $a = 2$, $b = 11$ and $c = 4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\
 &= \frac{(-11) \pm \sqrt{(11)^2 - 4(2)(4)}}{2(2)} \\
 &= \frac{-11 \pm \sqrt{89}}{4} = \frac{-11 \pm 9.433}{4} \\
 &= \frac{-11 + 9.433}{4} \text{ and } \frac{-11 - 9.433}{4} = -0.392 \text{ and } -5.108
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 4:

Solve:

(i) $x^4 - 2x^2 - 3 = 0$

(ii) $x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 = 0$

Solution 4:

(i) $x^4 - 2x^2 - 3 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 - 3x^2 + x^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2(x^2 - 3) + 1(x^2 - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 3)(x^2 + 3) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x^2 - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 3 \quad \text{Or } x^2 = -1 \text{ (reject)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{3}$$

(ii) $x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 - 9x^2 - x^2 + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2(x^2 - 9) - 1(x^2 - 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 9)(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x^2 - 9 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 9 \quad \text{Or } x^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 3 \quad \text{Or } x = \pm 1$$

Question 5:

Solve:

(i) $(x^2 - x)^2 + 5(x^2 - x) + 4 = 0$

(ii) $(x^2 - 3x)^2 - 16(x^2 - 3x) - 36 = 0$

Solution 5:

(i) $(x^2 - x)^2 + 5(x^2 - x) + 4 = 0$

Let $x^2 - x = y$

Then $y^2 + 5y + 4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow y^2 + 4y + y + 4 = 0$

$\Rightarrow y(y + 4) + 1(y + 4) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (y + 4)(y + 1) = 0$

If $y + 4 = 0$ Or $y + 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - x + 4 = 0$ Or $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(4)}}{2(1)}$ Or $\frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)}$

$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-15}}{2}$ (reject) Or $x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2}$ (reject)

 \therefore Given equation has no real solution

(ii) $(x^2 - 3x)^2 - 16(x^2 - 3x) - 36 = 0$

Let $x^2 - 3x = y$

Then $y^2 - 16y - 36 = 0$

$\Rightarrow y^2 - 18y + 2y - 36 = 0$

$\Rightarrow y(y - 18) + 2(y - 18) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (y - 18)(y + 2) = 0$

If $y - 18 = 0$ Or $y + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x - 18 = 0$ Or $x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 3x - 18 = 0$ Or $x^2 - 2x - x + 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x(x - 6) + 3(x - 6) = 0$ Or $x(x - 2) - 1(x - 2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (x - 6)(x + 3) = 0$ Or $(x - 2)(x - 1) = 0$

If $x - 6 = 0$ Or $x + 3 = 0$ Or $x - 2 = 0$ Or $x - 1 = 0$

Then $x = 6$ Or $x = -3$ Or $x = 2$ Or $x = 1$

Question 6:

(i) $\sqrt{\frac{x}{x-3}} + \sqrt{\frac{x-3}{x}} = \frac{5}{2}$

(ii) $\left(\frac{2x-3}{x-1}\right) - 4\left(\frac{x-1}{2x-3}\right) = 3$

(iii) $\left(\frac{3x+3}{x+1}\right) + \left(\frac{x+1}{3x+1}\right) = \frac{5}{2}$

(iv) $3\sqrt{\frac{x}{5}} + 3\sqrt{\frac{5}{x}} = 10$

Solution 6:

$$(i) \sqrt{\frac{x}{x-3}} + \sqrt{\frac{x-3}{x}} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Let } \sqrt{\frac{x}{x-3}} = y$$

$$\text{Then } y + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2+1}{y} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 + 2 = 5y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 5y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 4y - y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(y-2) - 1(y-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y-2)(2y-1) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y-2 = 0 \text{ Or } 2y-1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = 2 \text{ Or } y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{x}{x-3}} = 2 \text{ Or } \sqrt{\frac{x}{x-3}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{x-3} = 4 \text{ Or } \frac{x}{x-3} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ Or } x = -1$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{2x-3}{x-1}\right) - 4\left(\frac{x-1}{2x-3}\right) = 3$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{2x-3}{x-1} = y$$

$$\text{Then } y - \frac{4}{y} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2-4}{y} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4 = 3y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 3y - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4y + y - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y-4) + 1(y-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y-4)(y+1) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y-4 = 0 \text{ Or } y+1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = 4 \text{ Or } y = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-3}{x-1} = 4 \text{ Or } \frac{2x-3}{x-1} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x-4 = 2x-3 \text{ Or } 2x-3 = -x+1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 1 \text{ Or } 3x = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ Or } x = \frac{4}{3} = 1\frac{1}{3}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{3x+1}{x+1}\right) + \left(\frac{x+1}{3x+1}\right) = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{3x+1}{x+1} = y$$

$$\text{Then } y + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y^2 + 1}{y} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 + 2 = 5y$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 5y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 4y - y + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(y - 2) - 1(y - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 2)(2y - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y - 2 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad 2y - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = 2 \quad \text{Or} \quad y = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x+1}{x+1} = 2 \quad \text{Or} \quad \frac{3x+3}{x+1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x + 1 = 2x + 2 \quad \text{Or} \quad 6x + 2 = x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \quad \text{Or} \quad 5x = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \quad \text{Or} \quad x = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{(iv) } 3\sqrt{\frac{x}{5}} + 3\sqrt{\frac{5}{x}} = 10$$

$$\text{Let } \sqrt{\frac{x}{5}} = y$$

$$\text{Then } 3y + \frac{3}{y} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3y^2 + 3}{y} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 + 3 = 10y$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 - 10y + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y^2 - 9y - y + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y(y - 3) - 1(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 3)(3y - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{If } y - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad 3y - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = 3 \quad \text{Or} \quad y = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{x}{5}} = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{\frac{x}{5}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{5} = 9 \quad \text{Or} \quad \frac{x}{5} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 45 \quad \text{Or} \quad 9x = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 45 \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{5}{9}$$

Question 7:

Solve the equation $2x - \frac{1}{x} = 7$. Write your answer correct to two decimal places.

Solution 7:

$$2x - \frac{1}{x} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x^2 - 1}{x} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 1 = 7x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 7x - 1 = 0$$

Here $a = 2$, $b = -7$ and $c = -1$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(2)(-1)}}{2(2)}$$

$$= \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{57}}{4} = \frac{7 \pm 7.55}{4}$$

$$= \frac{7 + 7.55}{4} \text{ and } \frac{7 - 7.55}{4} = 3.64 \text{ and } -0.14$$

Question 8:

Solve the following equation and give your answer correct to 3 significant figures:

$$5x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$$

Solution 8:

Consider the given equation:

$$5x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$$

Using quadratic formula, we have

$$\therefore x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4 \times 5 \times (-4)}}{2 \times 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9+80}}{2 \times 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{89}}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3 \pm 9.434}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1.243 \text{ Or } x = -0.643$$

EXERCISE 7 (D)**Question 1:**

$$\frac{2x}{x-3} + \frac{1}{2x+3} + \frac{3x+9}{(x-3)(2x+3)} = 0; \quad x \neq 3, x \neq -\frac{3}{2}$$

Solution 1:

$$\frac{2x}{x-3} + \frac{1}{2x+3} + \frac{3x+9}{(x-3)(2x+3)} = 0; \quad x \neq 3, x \neq -\frac{3}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \frac{2x(2x+3) + 1(x-3) + 3x+9}{(x-3)(2x+3)} &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 6x + x - 3 + 3x + 9 &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 10x + 6 &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 4x + 6x + 6 &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow 4x(x+1) + 6(x+1) &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow (x+1)(4x+6) &= 0 \\
\Rightarrow x+1=0 \quad \text{Or} \quad 4x+6=0 \\
\Rightarrow x=-1 \quad \text{Or} \quad x=\frac{-6}{4}=\frac{-3}{2} \quad (\text{reject})
\end{aligned}$$

Question 2:

$$(2x+3)^2 = 81$$

Solution 2:

$$(2x+3)^2 = 81$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+3 = \pm 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x+3 = 9 \quad \text{and} \quad 2x+3 = -9$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = 6 \quad \text{and} \quad 2x = -12$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \quad \text{and} \quad x = -6$$

Question 3:

$$a^2x^2 - b^2 = 0$$

Solution 3:

$$a^2x^2 - b^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (ax)^2 - b^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (ax+b)(ax-b) = 0$$

$$\text{If } ax+b=0 \quad \text{and} \quad ax-b=0$$

$$\text{Then } x = \frac{-b}{a} \quad \text{and} \quad x = \frac{b}{a}$$

Question 4:

$$X^2 - \frac{11}{4}x + \frac{15}{8} = 0$$

Solution 4:

$$X^2 - \frac{11}{4}x + \frac{15}{8} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8x^2 - 22x + 15}{8} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^2 - 22x + 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^2 - 12x - 10x + 15 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow 4x(2x - 3) - 5(2x - 3) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (2x - 3)(4x - 5) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad 4x - 5 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{Or} \quad x = \frac{5}{4}\end{aligned}$$

Question 5:

$$x + \frac{4}{x} = -4; x \neq 0$$

Solution 5:

$$\begin{aligned}x + \frac{4}{x} &= -4 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 4}{x} &= -4 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 4 &= -4x \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 4 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x + 2)^2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x + 2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x &= -2\end{aligned}$$

Question 6:

$$2x^2 - 5x^2 + 3 = 0 \quad \text{Take } x^2 = y$$

Solution 6:

$$\begin{aligned}2x^2 - 5x^2 + 3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 2x^4 - 3x^2 - 2x^2 + 3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2(2x^2 - 3) - 1(x^2 - 1) &= 0 \\ (2x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 1) &= 0 \\ \text{If } 2x^2 - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad x^2 - 1 &= 0 \\ \text{Then } x^2 = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{Or} \quad x^2 &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \quad \text{Or} \quad x &= \pm 1\end{aligned}$$

Question 7:

$$X^4 - 2x^2 - 3 = 0$$

Solution 7:

$$\begin{aligned}X^4 - 2x^2 - 3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 - 3x^2 + x^2 - 3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2(x^2 - 3) + 1(x^2 - 3) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (x^2 - 3)(x^2 + 1) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{If } x^2 - 3 = 0 & \text{Or } x^2 + 1 = 0 \\ \text{Then } x^2 = 3 & \text{Or } x^2 = -1 \text{ (reject)} \\ \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{3} \end{array}$$

Question 8:

$$9 \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - 9 \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) - 52 = 0$$

Solution 8:

$$9 \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - 9 \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) - 52 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x + \frac{1}{x} = y$$

Squaring on both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 - 2$$

Putting these values in the given equation

$$9(y^2 - 2) - 9y - 52 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9y^2 - 18 - 9y - 52 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9y^2 - 9y - 70 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9y^2 - 30y + 21y - 70 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y(3y - 10) + 7(3y - 10) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3y - 10)(3y + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y - 10 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 3y + 7 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{10}{3} \quad \text{Or } y = \frac{-7}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{10}{3} \quad \text{Or } x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{-7}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = \frac{10}{3} \quad \text{Or } \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = \frac{-7}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 10x + 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 3x^2 + 7x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 9x - x + 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{(-7)^2 - 4(3)(3)}}{2(3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(x - 3) - 1(x - 3) = 0 \quad \text{Or } x = \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{13}}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(3x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ and } x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Question 9:

$$2 \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) = 11$$

Solution 9:

$$2 \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) = 11$$

$$\text{Let } x + \frac{1}{x} = y$$

Squaring on both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 - 2$$

Putting these values in the given equation

$$2(y^2 - 2) - y = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 4 - y - 11 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - y - 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y^2 - 6y + 5y - 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y(y - 3) + 5(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 3)(2y + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } y - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 2y + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 3 \quad \text{Or } y = \frac{-5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 \quad \text{Or } x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{-5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = 3 \quad \text{Or } \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = \frac{-5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0 \quad \text{Or } 2x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)} \quad \text{Or } 2x^2 + 4x + x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\text{Or } 2x(x + 2) + 1(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\text{Or } (x + 2)(2x + 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = -2 \quad \text{and } x = \frac{-1}{2}$$

Question 10:

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - 3 \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right) - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x - \frac{1}{x} = y \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 + 2$$

Solution 10:

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - 3 \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right) - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x - \frac{1}{x} = y$$

Squaring on both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 + 2$$

Putting these values in the given equation

$$(y^2 + 2) - 3y - 2 = 11$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 3y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Or } y - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{If } y = 0$$

$$\text{Or } y = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

$$\text{Or } x - \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 1}{x} = 0$$

$$\text{Or } \frac{x^2 - 1}{x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 1 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x^2 - 3x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 1)(x - 1) = 0 \quad \text{Or } \frac{-(-3) \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2(1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ and } x = 1 \quad \text{Or } x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}$$

Question 11:

$$(x^2 + 5x + 4)(x^2 + 5x + 6) = 120$$

$$\text{Take: } x^2 + 5x = y$$

Solution 11:

$$(x^2 + 5x + 4)(x^2 + 5x + 6) = 120$$

$$\text{Let } x^2 + 5x = y$$

$$\text{Then } (y + 4)(y + 6) = 120$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 6y + 4y + 24 - 120 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 10y - 96 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 16y - 6y - 96 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y + 16) - 6(y + 16) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 16)(y - 6) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = -16 \quad \text{Or } y = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 5x + 16 = 0 \quad \text{Or } x^2 + 5x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(5)^2 - 4(1)(16)}}{2(1)} \quad \text{Or } x^2 + 6x - x - 6 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{-39}}{2} \quad \text{Or } x(x + 6) - 1(x + 6) = 0$$

(reject)

$$\text{Or } (x + 6)(x - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = -6 \text{ and } x = 1$$

Question 12:

Solve each of the following equations, given answer up to two decimal places.

(i) $x^2 - 5x - 10 = 0$

(ii) $3x^2 - x - 7 = 0$

$$(i) x^2 - 5x - 10 = 0$$

Solution 12:

Here $a = 1$, $b = -5$ and $c = -10$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-(-5) \pm \sqrt{(-5)^2 - 4(1)(-10)}}{2(1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{65}}{2} = \frac{5 \pm 8.06}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{13.06}{2} \text{ and } \frac{-3.06}{2} = 6.53 \text{ and } -1.53$$

$$(ii) 3x^2 - x - 7 = 0$$

Here $a = 3$, $b = -1$ and $c = -7$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(3)(-7)}}{2(3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{85}}{6} = \frac{1 \pm 9.22}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{10.22}{6} \text{ and } \frac{-8.22}{2} = 1.70 \text{ and } -1.37$$

Question 13:

Solve: $\left(\frac{x}{x+2}\right)^2 - 7\left(\frac{x}{x+2}\right) + 12 = 0$; $x \neq -2$

Solution 13:

$$\left(\frac{x}{x+2}\right)^2 - 7\left(\frac{x}{x+2}\right) + 12 = 0; x \neq -2$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{x}{x+2} = y$$

$$\text{Then } y^2 - 7y + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4y - 3y + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y(y - 4) - 3(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 4)(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Then } y = 4 \text{ and } y = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{x+2} = 4 \text{ and } \frac{x}{x+2} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x + 8 = x \text{ and } 3x + 6 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{-8}{3} \text{ and } x = -3$$

Question 14:

Solve:

(i) $x^2 - 11x - 12 = 0$; when $x \in \mathbb{N}$

(ii) $x^2 - 4x - 12 = 0$; when $x \in \mathbb{I}$

(iii) $2x^2 - 9x + 10 = 0$; when $x \in \mathbb{Q}$

Solution 14:

(i) $x^2 - 11x - 12 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 12x + x - 12 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x(x - 12) + 1(x - 12) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (x - 12)(x + 1) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = 12 \text{ and } x = -1$

Since $x \in \mathbb{N}$, then $x = 12$

(ii) $x^2 - 4x - 12 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x^2 - 6x + 2x - 12 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x(x - 6) + 2(x - 6) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (x - 6)(x + 2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = 6 \text{ and } x = -2$

Since $x \in \mathbb{I}$, then $x = 6$ and -2

(iii) $2x^2 - 9x + 10 = 0$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 5x - 4x + 10 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x(2x - 5) - 2(2x - 5) = 0$

$\Rightarrow (2x - 5)(x - 2) = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5}{2} \text{ and } x = 2$

Since $x \in \mathbb{Q}$, then $x = \frac{5}{2}$ and 2 .**Question 15:**

Solve:

$(a + b)^2 x^2 - (a + b)x - 6 = 0$; $a + b \neq 0$

Take : $(a + b)x = y$

Solution 15:

$(a + b)^2 x^2 - (a + b)x - 6 = 0$; $a + b \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow (a + b)^2 x^2 - 3(a + b)x + 2(a + b)x - 6 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (a + b)x [(a + b)x - 3] + 2[(a + b)x - 3] = 0$

$\Rightarrow [(a + b)x - 3][(a + b)x - 2] = 0$

$\Rightarrow (a + b)x - 3 = 0 \text{ Or } (a + b)x - 2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{a + b} \text{ Or } x = \frac{2}{a + b}$

Question 16:

Solve: $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{x+p+q}$

Take : $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+p+q} = 0$

Solution 16:

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{x+p+q}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x+p+q} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{q+p}{pq} + \frac{x+p+q-x}{x(x+p+q)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{q+p}{pq} + \frac{p+q}{x(x+p+q)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (p+q) \left[\frac{1}{pq} + \frac{1}{x^2+px+qx} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (p+q) \left[\frac{x^2+px+qx+pq}{pq(x^2+px+qx)} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + px + qx + pq = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x+p) + q(x+p) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+p)(x+q) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -p \text{ and } x = -q$$

Question 17:

Solve:

(i) $x(x+1) + (x+2)(x+3) = 42$

(ii) $\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2}{x+2} = \frac{3}{x+3} - \frac{4}{x+4}$

Solution 17:

(i) $x(x+1) + (x+2)(x+3) = 42$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x + x^2 + 3x + 2x + 6 - 42 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 6x - 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 12x - 6x - 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x+6) - 6(x+6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+6)(2x-6) = 0$$

$$\text{If } x+6 = 0 \text{ Or } 2x-6 = 0$$

$$\text{Then } x = -6 \text{ Or } x = 3$$

(ii) $\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2}{x+2} = \frac{3}{x+3} - \frac{4}{x+4}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1(x+2) - 2(x+1)}{(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{3(x+4) - 4(x+3)}{(x+3)(x+4)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-x}{x^2+3x+2} = \frac{-x}{x^2+7x+12}$$

$$\Rightarrow -x [x^2 + 3x + 2 = x^2 + 7x + 12]$$

$$\Rightarrow -x [-4x = 10]$$

$$X = 0 \text{ and } x = \frac{-10}{4} = -2.5$$

Question 18:

For each equation, given below find the value of 'm' so that the equation has equal roots also, find the solution of each equation:

(i) $(m - 3)x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$

(ii) $3x^2 + 12x + (m + 7) = 0$

(iii) $x^2 - (m + 2)x + (m + 5) = 0$

Solution 18:

(i) $(m - 3)x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$

Here $a = (m - 3)$, $b = -4$ and $c = 1$

Given equation has equal roots

Then $D = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-4)^2 - 4(m - 3)(1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 - 4m + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -4m = -28$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 7$$

Put value of m in given equation

$$4x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \frac{1}{2}$$

(ii) $3x^2 + 12x + (m + 7) = 0$

Here $a = 3$, $b = 12$ and $c = m + 7$

Given equation has equal roots

Then $D = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (12)^2 - 4(3)(m + 7) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 144 - 12m - 84 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -12m = -60$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 5$$

Put value of m in given equation

$$3x^2 + 12x + 12 = 0$$

$$X^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 2)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X = -2$$

(iii) $x^2 - (m + 2)x + (m + 5) = 0$

Here $a = 1$, $b = -(m + 2)$ and $c = m + 5$

Given equation has equal roots

Then $D = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [-(m + 2)]^2 - 4(1)(m + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 + 4m + 4 - 4m - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \pm 4$$

Put value of m in given equation

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)^2 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad (x + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \quad \text{Or} \quad x = -1$$

Question 19:

Without solving the following quadratic equation, find the value of 'p' for which the roots are equal.

$$Px^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$

Solution 19:

$$Px^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$$

Here $a = p$, $b = -4$ and $c = 3$

Given equation has equal roots

Then $D = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [-4]^2 - 4(p)(3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 - 12p = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -12p = -16$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{-16}{-12} = \frac{4}{3}$$

Question 20:

Without solving the following quadratic equation, find the value of 'm' for which the given equation has real and equal roots.

$$X^2 + 2(m - 1)x + (m + 5) = 0$$

Solution 20:

Consider the given equation:

$$X^2 + 2(m - 1)x + (m + 5) = 0$$

The nature of the roots of a quadratic equation

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, depends entirely on the value of its discriminant $b^2 - 4ac$.

If a , b and c are real numbers and $a \neq 0$,

Then discriminant:

(i) $b^2 - 4ac = 0 \Rightarrow$ the roots are real and equal

(ii) $b^2 - 4ac > 0 \Rightarrow$ the roots are real and unequal.

(iii) $b^2 - 4ac < 0 \Rightarrow$ the roots are imaginary (not equal)

Since the roots of the given equation are real and equal,

We have,

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2(m - 1))^2 - 4 \times 1 \times (m + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(m^2 + 1 - 2m) - 4(m + 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m^2 + 4 - 8m - 4m - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4m^2 - 12m - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 3m - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 4m + m - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m(m - 4) + 1(m - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m + 1 = 0 \quad \text{Or} \quad m - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -1 \quad \text{Or} \quad m = 4$$