

Chapter 5

Quadratic Equations

Solutions (Set-1)

Very Short Answer Type Questions :

1. $(x - 3)(x + 2) = 0$ then find the value of x .

Sol. $(x - 3)(x + 2) = 0$

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

$$x = 3$$

$$x = -2$$

$$x = 3, -2$$

2. If α, β are the roots of the equation $x^2 + 5x - 7 = 0$ then find the value of $\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta}$.

Sol. $x^2 + 5x - 7 = 0$

$$\alpha + \beta = -5$$

$$\alpha\beta = -7$$

$$\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{5}{7}$$

3. Write the number of real roots of the equation $(x + 2)^2 + (x - 3)^2 + (x - 4)^2 = 0$.

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

$$x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad x - 4 = 0$$

$$x = -2$$

$$x = 3$$

$$x = 4$$

\Rightarrow No solution.

4. If $2 + \sqrt{3}$ is a root of the equation $x^2 + px + q = 0$, then write the value of p and q .

Sol. $p = -[2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3}] = -4$

$$q = (2 + \sqrt{3})(2 - \sqrt{3}) = 1$$

5. If a and b are roots of the equation $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$, then write the value of $a^2 + b^2$.

Sol. $(a^2 + b^2) = (a + b)^2 - 2ab = 1 - 2(1) = -1$

Short Answer Type Questions :

6. Solve the quadratic equation $25x^2 - 30x + 11 = 0$.

Sol. $25x^2 - 30x + 11 = 0$

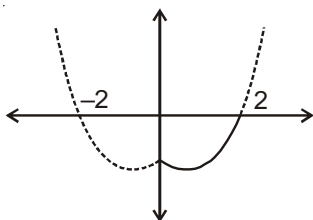
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Here, } b^2 - 4ac &= (-30)^2 - 4(25)(11) \\ &= 900 - 1100 \\ &= -200\end{aligned}$$

\therefore The solutions of the equation $25x^2 - 30x + 11 = 0$ are given by

$$= \frac{-(-30) \pm \sqrt{-200}}{50} = \frac{30 \pm \sqrt{200}i}{50} = \frac{30 \pm 10\sqrt{2}i}{50} = \frac{3}{5} \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{5}i$$

7. For the equation $|x|^2 + |x| - 6 = 0$, find the sum of real roots.

Sol. Sum of roots = $2 - 2 = 0$



8. Find the values of k for which the quadratic equation $x^2 - kx + k + 2 = 0$ has equal roots.

Sol. $D = 0$

$$k^2 - 4(k + 2) = 0$$

$$k = 2 \pm \sqrt{12}$$

9. Find the total number of solutions of $x^2 + |x - 1| = 1$.

Sol. 0

Long Answer Type Questions :

10. Solve the quadratic equation $x^2 - (3\sqrt{2} - 2i)x - 6\sqrt{2}i = 0$, $x \in \mathbb{C}$.

Sol. $x^2 - (3\sqrt{2} - 2i)x - 6\sqrt{2}i = 0$

$$\text{Here, } b^2 - 4ac = (3\sqrt{2} - 2i)^2 - 4(1)(-6\sqrt{2}i)$$

$$= 18 + 4i^2 - 12\sqrt{2}i + 24\sqrt{2}i$$

$$= 18 + 14i^2 + 12\sqrt{2}i$$

$$= (3\sqrt{2})^2 + (2i)^2 + 2(3\sqrt{2})(2i)$$

$$= (3\sqrt{2} + 2i)^2$$

∴ The solution of the equation $x^2 - (3\sqrt{2} - 2i)x - 6\sqrt{2}i = 0$ are

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(3\sqrt{2} - 2i) + \sqrt{(3\sqrt{2} + 2i)^2}}{2} \text{ and } \frac{(3\sqrt{2} - 2i) - \sqrt{(3\sqrt{2} + 2i)^2}}{2} \\ &= \frac{(3\sqrt{2} - 2i) + (3\sqrt{2} + 2i)}{2} \text{ and } \frac{(3\sqrt{2} - 2i) - (3\sqrt{2} + 2i)}{2} \\ &= 3\sqrt{2} \text{ and } -2i \end{aligned}$$

11. Solve the quadratic equation $2x^2 - (3 + 7i)x - (3 - 9i) = 0$, $x \in \mathbb{C}$.

Sol. $2x^2 - (3 + 7i)x - (3 - 9i) = 0$

$$\text{Here, } b^2 - 4ac = (3 + 7i)^2 + 4(2)(3 - 9i)$$

$$= 9 + 49i^2 + 42i + 24 - 72i$$

$$= 9 - 49 + 24 + 42i - 72i$$

$$= -16 - 30i$$

∴ The solutions of the equation are given by

$$\alpha = \frac{(3 + 7i) + \sqrt{-16 - 30i}}{4} \text{ and } \beta = \frac{(3 + 7i) - \sqrt{-16 - 30i}}{4}$$

Firstly, we find $\sqrt{-16 - 30i}$

$$\text{Let } x + iy = \sqrt{-16 - 30i}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + iy)^2 = -16 - 30i$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - y^2) + 2ixy = -16 - 30i$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - y^2 = -16 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } 2xy = -30 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } (x^2 + y^2)^2 &= (x^2 - y^2)^2 + (2xy)^2 \\ &= (-16)^2 + (-30)^2 = 256 + 900 = 1156 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = \sqrt{1156}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 34 \quad \dots(iii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$x = \pm 3$$

from (ii),

When $x = 3$, $y = -5$ and when $x = -3$, $y = 5$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{-16 - 30i} = 3 - 5i \text{ or } -3 + 5i$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{(3+7i)+(3-5i)}{4} \text{ and } \beta = \frac{(3+7i)-(3-5i)}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{6+2i}{4} \text{ and } \beta = \frac{12i}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{i}{2} \text{ and } \beta = 3i$$

Hence the roots of the given equation are $\frac{3}{2} + \frac{i}{2}$ and $3i$



Chapter 5

Quadratic Equations

Solutions (Set-2)

1. If the difference of the roots of the equation $x^2 - px + q = 0$ is unity,

(1) $p^2 + 4q = 1$

(2) $p^2 - 4q = 1$

(3) $p^2 - 4q^2 = (1 + 2q)^2$

(4) $4p^2 + q^2 = (1 + 2p)^2$

Sol. Answer (2)

$$x^2 - px + q = 0$$

Let α, β be roots

$$(\alpha - \beta) = 1$$

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2 = 1$$

$$(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta = 1$$

$$p^2 - 4q = 1$$

2. If α and β are the roots of the equation $x^2 - px + 16 = 0$, such that $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 9$, then the value of p is

(1) $\pm\sqrt{6}$

(2) $\pm\sqrt{41}$

(3) ± 8

(4) ± 7

Sol. Answer (2)

$$x^2 - px + 16 = 0$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$$

$$9 = p^2 - 32$$

$$p^2 = 41$$

$$p = \pm\sqrt{41}$$

3. Let α and β are the roots of the equation $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ then

(1) $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 4$

(2) $(\alpha - \beta)^2 = 3$

(3) $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 = 2$

(4) $\alpha^4 + \beta^4 = 1$

Sol. Answer (3)

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

$$\alpha + \beta = -1$$

$$\alpha\beta = -1$$

$$(1) \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$$

$$= (-1)^2 - 2(1)$$

$$= 1 - 2 = -1$$

$$(2) (\alpha - \beta)^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta$$

$$= (-1)^2 - 4 \times 1 = -3$$

$$(3) \alpha^3 + \beta^3 = (\alpha + \beta)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \alpha\beta)$$

$$= (\alpha + \beta)((\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta - \alpha\beta)$$

$$= (\alpha + \beta)((\alpha + \beta)^2 - 3\alpha\beta)$$

$$= (-1)((-1)^2 - 3 \times 1)$$

$$= (-1)(1 - 3) = 2$$

Alternative

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

$$x = \omega, \omega^2 \text{ (complex root of unity)}$$

$$\therefore \omega^3 + (\omega^2)^3 = 2$$

$$(4) \alpha^4 + \beta^2 = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^2 - 2\alpha^2\beta^2$$

$$= (-1)^2 - 2 \cdot 1$$

$$= 1 - 2$$

$$= -1$$

4. If the ratio of the roots of $lx^2 - nx + n = 0$ is $p : q$, then

$$(1) \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{l}} = 0 \quad (2) \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} - \sqrt{\frac{n}{l}} = 0 \quad (3) \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} + \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{l}{n}} = 1 \quad (4) \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} + \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{l}{n}} = 0$$

Sol. Answer (2)

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \alpha + \beta = +\frac{n}{l}, \alpha\beta = \frac{n}{l}$$

$$\text{Now, } \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} + \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{\alpha}} = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\sqrt{\alpha\beta}} = \frac{+\frac{n}{l}}{\sqrt{\frac{n}{l}}} = +\sqrt{\frac{n}{l}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} = +\sqrt{\frac{n}{l}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} - \sqrt{\frac{n}{l}} = 0$$

5. For the equation $|x^2| + |x| - 6 = 0$, the roots are

- (1) Real and equal (2) Real with sum 0 (3) Real with sum 1 (4) Real with product 0

Sol. Answer (2)

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm 2$$

Two roots are real, with sum 0.

6. If the minimum value of $x^2 + 2x + 3$ is m and maximum value of $-x^2 + 4x + 6$ is M then the value of $m + M$ is

- (1) 10 (2) 11 (3) 12 (4) 13

Sol. Answer (3)

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

$$-x^2 + 4x + 6 = -x^2 + 4x + 4 - 4 + 6$$

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

$$= 10 - (x^2 - 4x + 4)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow M = 10$$

$$m + M = 2 + 10 = 12$$

7. The values of a , for which the quadratic equation $3x^2 + 2(a^2 + 1)x + (a^2 - 3a + 2) = 0$ possesses roots of opposite sign, are

- (1) $1 < a < 2$ (2) $a \in (2, \infty)$ (3) $1 < a < 3$ (4) $-1 < a < 0$

Sol. Answer (1)

For roots of opposite sign, product < 0

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 - 3a + 2}{3} < 0 \Rightarrow (a - 2)(a - 1) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 < a < 2$$

8. If 1, 2, 3 are the roots of the equation $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, then

- (1) $a = 1, b = 2, c = 3$ (2) $a = -6, b = 11, c = -6$
(3) $a = 6, b = 11, c = 6$ (4) $a = 6, b = 6, c = 6$

Sol. Answer (2)

If 1, 2, 3 are roots of equation then

$$x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + 2 + 3 = -a \Rightarrow a = -6$$

$$1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 3 = b \Rightarrow b = 11$$

$$1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = -c \Rightarrow c = -6$$

9. If $x^2 + px + q$ is an integer for every integral x , then
- (1) p is always an integer but q need not be an integer
 - (2) q is always an integer but p need not be an integer
 - (3) $(p + q)$ are always integers
 - (4) p and q are always integers

Sol. Answer (4)

Let $f(x) = x^2 + px + q$; $x f(x) \in \text{Integers}$

As $f(0) = q \Rightarrow q \in I$

Also $f(1) = (1 + p + q)$ is an integer

$\Rightarrow p \in I$ as $q \in I$

Therefore $p, q \in I$

10. If $a + b + c = 0$ and a, b, c are rational, then the roots of the equation $(b + c - a)x^2 + (c + a - b)x + (a + b - c) = 0$ are
- (1) Rational
 - (2) Irrational
 - (3) Imaginary
 - (4) Equal

Sol. Answer (1)

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

Put $x = 1$, $b + c - a + c + a - b + a + b - c = a + b + c = 0$

$\therefore 1$ is the root of the equation.

\therefore Roots are rational.

11. If the equation $x^2 + px + p = 0$, $p \in I$ has both the roots integers, then $(p^2 - 4p)$ can attain
- (1) No integral value
 - (2) One integral value
 - (3) Two integral values
 - (4) Three integral values

Sol. Answer (2)

Let $p^2 - 4p = m^2$ as $x = \frac{-p \pm \sqrt{p^2 - 4p}}{2}$ is an integer

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

$$\Rightarrow p = 2 \pm \sqrt{4 + m^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{4 + m^2} \text{ is an integer}$$

Let $4 + m^2 = \lambda^2$ where $\lambda \in I$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - m^2 = 4 \Rightarrow \lambda = \pm 2, m = 0$$

It follows that $p^2 - 4p = 0 \Rightarrow p(p - 4) = 0$ for $p = 0, 4$

12. The number of positive integers n for which $n^2 + 96$ is a perfect square, is
- (1) One
 - (2) Two
 - (3) Four
 - (4) Infinite

Sol. Answer (3)

Let $n^2 + 96 = \lambda^2$, $\lambda \in I^+$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - n^2 = 96 \Rightarrow (\lambda + n)(\lambda - n) = 96$$

$\lambda + n$ and $\lambda - n$ must both be even.

Now, $96 = 2 \times 48, 4 \times 24, 6 \times 16, 8 \times 12$

So, the number of solutions = 4

13. The set of value of λ for which the equation $x^3 - 3x + \lambda = 0$ has three distinct real roots, is

- (1) R (2) $(-2, 2)$ (3) $(-1, 2)$ (4) $(-3, 1)$

Sol. Answer (2)

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x^3 - 3x + \lambda, f'(x) = 3x^2 - 3, f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1, 1$$

$$\text{Now, } f(-1)f(1) < 0 \Rightarrow (-1 + 3 + \lambda)(1 - 3 + \lambda) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda + 2)(\lambda - 2) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 < \lambda < 2$$

14. If the equation $y = \lambda x + a\sqrt{1 + \lambda^2}$, regarded as a quadratic in λ , will have equal roots, then $x^2 + y^2$ is equal to

- (1) $-a^2$ (2) a^2 (3) 0 (4) -1

Sol. Answer (2)

$$y = \lambda x + a\sqrt{1 + \lambda^2} \Rightarrow y - \lambda x = a\sqrt{1 + \lambda^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - \lambda x)^2 = a^2(1 + \lambda^2) \Rightarrow \lambda^2(x^2 - a^2) - 2\lambda yx + y^2 - a^2 = 0$$

$$\text{For equal roots, } 4y^2x^2 - 4(x^2 - a^2)(y^2 - a^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2(x^2 + y^2) - a^4 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = a^2$$

15. If $\sec\alpha, \tan\alpha$ are roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, then

- (1) $a^4 - b^4 + 4ab^2c = 0$ (2) $a^4 + b^4 - 4ab^2c = 0$ (3) $a^2 - b^2 = 4ac$ (4) $a^2 + b^2 = ac$

Sol. Answer (1)

We know

$$\sec^2\alpha - \tan^2\alpha = 1$$

$$(\sec\alpha - \tan\alpha)(\sec\alpha + \tan\alpha) = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{a}\right)\left(-\frac{b}{a}\right) = -1$$

Squaring both side

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

$$a^4 - b^4 + 4ab^2c = 0$$

16. If α, β are roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, then the equation $ax^2 - bx(x-1) + c(x-1)^2 = 0$ has roots

- (1) $\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}, \frac{\beta}{1-\beta}$ (2) $\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}, \frac{1-\beta}{\beta}$ (3) $\frac{\alpha}{1+\alpha}, \frac{\beta}{1+\beta}$ (4) $\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha}, \frac{1+\beta}{\beta}$

Sol. Answer (3)

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0,$$

$$\text{Given equation is } ax^2 - bx(x-1) + c(x-1)^2 = 0$$

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

$$\text{Now, Replacing } x \text{ by } \alpha = -\frac{x}{x-1}$$

$$\frac{ax^2}{(x-1)^2} - \frac{bx}{x-1} + c = 0 \Rightarrow ax^2 - bx(x-1) + c(x-1)^2 = 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{-x}{x-1} \Rightarrow x = \frac{\alpha}{1+\alpha} \text{ is the root of the above equation.}$$

17. The equation $\frac{a(x-b)(x-c)}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{b(x-c)(x-a)}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{c(x-a)(x-b)}{(c-a)(c-b)} = x$ is satisfied by

- (1) No value of x (2) Exactly two values of x
(3) Exactly three values of x (4) All values of x

Sol. Answer (4)

$$\frac{a(x-b)(x-c)}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{b(x-c)(x-a)}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{c(x-a)(x-b)}{(c-a)(c-b)} = x$$

is satisfied by $x = a, x = b, x = c$.

A quadratic equation is satisfied by more than two values of x . So it is an identity. Hence it is satisfied by all values of x .

18. Select the false statement.

- (1) If '1' is the root of $8x^8 + 7x^7 + 6x^6 + 5x^5 + 4x^4 + 3x^3 + 2x^2 + x - k = 0$ then the value of k is 36
(2) The roots of the equation $x^2 + kx - 1 = 0, k \in R$, are real and distinct
(3) If $b^2 - 4ac$ is not a perfect square then the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ are both either irrational or rational
(4) If $a + b + c = 0$ then '1' is the root of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

Sol. Answer (3)

- (1) Put $x = -1$

$$8 + 7 + 6 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 - k = 0$$

$$k = \frac{8 \times 9}{2} = 36, \text{ True.}$$

- (2) $D = b^2 - 4ac = k^2 + 4 > 0$

Hence roots are real. True.

- (3) If $b^2 - 4ac$ is negative then roots may be imaginary. Hence statement is false.

- (4) If '1' is the root of the equation then

$$a(1)^2 + b(1) + c = 0$$

$$a + b + c = 0$$

19. If the equation $(k^2 - 3k + 2)x^2 + (k^2 - 5k + 4)x + (k^2 - 6k + 5) = 0$ is an identity then the value of k is

- (1) 1 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) 4

Sol. Answer (1)

For an identity

$$(k^2 - 3k + 2) = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow k = 1, k = 2$$

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

$$k = 1, 4$$

$$k^2 - 6k + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow (k - 5)(k - 1) = 0$$

$$k = 1, 5$$

Common value of $k = 1$.

20. If $0 < p < q < r$ and the roots α, β of the equation $px^2 + qx + r = 0$ are imaginary, then

- (1) $|\alpha| = |\beta|$ (2) $|\alpha| < 1$ (3) $|q| < 1$ (4) $|\alpha| \neq |\beta|$

Sol. Answer (1)

α, β are imaginary roots.

\therefore they are complex conjugate of each other.

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\alpha} = \beta \Rightarrow |\bar{\alpha}| = |\beta| \Rightarrow |\alpha| = |\beta|$$

21. If $a, b, c \in R$ and the equations $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ and $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ have a common root then $a : b : c$ is equal to

- (1) 1 : 1 : 1 (2) 1 : 2 : 3 (3) 2 : 3 : 1 (4) 3 : 2 : 1

Sol. Answer (1)

$$x^2 + x + 1 = 0 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Discriminant} = b^2 - 4ac = 1 - 4 \times 1 \times 1 = -3$$

Hence the roots of $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ are not real.

So roots will be in pair.

Also the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ will be non-real.

Clearly both roots of the equations are common.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{1} = \frac{b}{1} = \frac{c}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a : b : c = 1 : 1 : 1$$

22. Consider the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, where $a \neq 0, a, b, c \in R$ then

- (1) If one root is $\alpha + \sqrt{\beta}$, then other root is $\alpha - \sqrt{\beta}$
 (2) If $a = 1$ and b and c are integers, then root will be integer
 (3) If one root is $\alpha + i\beta$, then other root will be $\alpha - i\beta$
 (4) If roots are of opposite sign, then $b \neq 0$

Sol. Answer (3)(1) Root will be of the form $\alpha \pm \sqrt{\beta}$ of a, b, c are rational.(2) There is no information about $b^2 - 4ac$

Hence statement is false.

(3) As a, b, c are real and one root is $\alpha + i\beta$ then other root will be $\alpha - i\beta$.(4) If roots are of opposite sign then $\alpha\beta < 0 \Rightarrow \frac{c}{a} < 0$ 23. The least integral value of k for which the equation $x^2 - 2(k+2)x + 12 + k^2 = 0$ has two distinct real roots is

(1) 0

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) 4

Sol. Answer (3)The given equation is $x^2 - 2(k+2)x + 12 + k^2 = 0$ has distinct real roots when $D > 0$

$$\Rightarrow 4(k+2)^2 - 4(12 + k^2) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 + 4 + 4k - 12 - k^2 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4k - 8 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k > 2$$

So least integral value of k is 3.24. For all $x \in R$ if $mx^2 - 9mx + 5m + 1 > 0$, then m lies in the interval

(1) $\left(-\frac{61}{4}, 0\right)$

(2) $\left(\frac{4}{61}, \frac{61}{4}\right)$

(3) $\left[0, \frac{4}{61}\right)$

(4) $\left(\frac{-4}{61}, 0\right)$

Sol. Answer (3)

Let $y = mx^2 - 9mx + 5m + 1$

We need $y > 0$ \Rightarrow Upward parabola above x-axis.

$mx^2 - 9mx + 5m + 1 > 0, \forall x \in R.$

$\Rightarrow D < 0, a > 0$

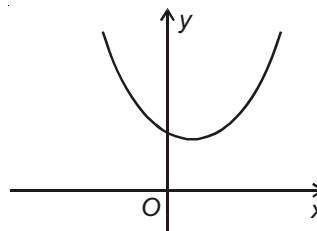
i.e., $81m^2 - 4(m)(5m+1) < 0$ and $m > 0$

$\Rightarrow m(61m-4) < 0$ and $m > 0 \Rightarrow 0 < m < \frac{4}{61}$

Also for $m = 0$,

$0x^2 - 9(0)x + 0 + 1 = 1 > 0, \forall x \in R$

$\therefore m \in \left[0, \frac{4}{61}\right)$



25. The roots of the equation $x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2 = 0$ are

(1) 1, 2, 3

(2) -1, 1, 2

(3) -1, 0, 1

(4) -1, -2, 3

Sol. Answer (2)

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

As $x = 1$ is the root of the equation

Hence we may write

$$x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2$$

$$= x^2(x - 1) - x(x - 1) - 2(x - 1)$$

$$= (x - 1)(x^2 - x - 2)$$

$$= (x - 1)(x - 2)(x + 1)$$

Roots = 1, -1, 2.

26. The number of roots of the equation $\sqrt{x-3}(x^2 - 7x + 10) = 0$ is

(1) 2

(2) 3

(3) Zero

(4) 1

Sol. Answer (1)

$$\sqrt{x-3}(x^2 - 7x + 10) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ and } x = 2, 5$$

But $x \geq 3$

\therefore Only two roots.

27. Consider the following statements

S_1 : The number of real roots of $\cos(e^x) = (2007)^x + (2007)^{-x}$ is zero.

S_2 : The number of real roots of $(x+1)^{2006} + (x+2)^{2006} + (x+3)^{2006} + \dots + (x+2007)^{2006}$ is zero.

S_3 : The number of real roots of $x^4 + x^2 + 1 = 0$ is zero.

Then the true statement(s) is/are

(1) S_1 only

(2) S_2 only

(3) S_1 & S_2 only

(4) S_1, S_2 & S_3

Sol. Answer (4)

$$S_1 : \cos x^x \in [-1, 1]$$

$$\text{And } (2007)^x + (2007)^{-x} > 2$$

Hence no solution exist.

S_2 : As L.H.S. $\neq 0$ at any x

Hence no solution exist.

S_3 : As $x^4 + x^2 + 1 > 0$ have no solution exist.

28. If $p + iq$ be one of the roots of the equation $x^3 + ax + b = 0$, then $2p$ is one of the roots of the equation

(1) $x^3 + ax + b = 0$

(2) $x^3 - ax - b = 0$

(3) $x^3 + ax - b = 0$

(4) $x^3 + bx + a = 0$

Sol. Answer (3) $p + iq$ is one root $\Rightarrow p - iq$ is other root.Let α be third root.

Now sum =

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -2p$$

$$\alpha = -2p \text{ is root of } x^3 + ax + b = 0$$

$$\therefore 2p \text{ is root of } (-x)^3 - ax + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + ax - b = 0$$

29. If the sum of the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ ($a, b, c \neq 0$) is equal to sum of squares of their reciprocals, then $\frac{a}{c}, \frac{b}{a}, \frac{c}{b}$ are in

- (1) A.P. (2) G.P. (3) H.P. (4) None of these

Sol. Answer (3)

$$\text{Given, } \alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a}, \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\text{Also, } \alpha + \beta = \frac{1}{\alpha^2} + \frac{1}{\beta^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)(\alpha^2\beta^2) = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta \Rightarrow \left(-\frac{b}{a}\right)\left(\frac{c^2}{a^2}\right) = \frac{b^2}{a^2} - \frac{2c}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow -bc^2 = b^2a - 2ca^2 \Rightarrow 2ca^2 = bc^2 + b^2a$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{a} + \frac{b}{c} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{c}, \frac{b}{a}, \frac{c}{b} \text{ are in H.P.}$$

30. If a, b are real and unequal, then the roots of the quadratic equation $(a - b)x^2 - 5(a + b)x - 2(a - b) = 0$ are

- (1) Real and equal (2) Non-real complex (3) Real and unequal (4) None of these

Sol. Answer (3)

$$\text{The given quadratic equation is } (a - b)x^2 - 5(a + b)x - 2(a - b) = 0$$

The discriminant

$$\begin{aligned} D &= (-5(a + b))^2 + 8(a - b)(a - b) \\ &= 25(a + b)^2 + 8(a - b)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } D > 0 \forall a \text{ \& } b.$$

So, roots are real and unequal.

31. The roots x_1 and x_2 of the equation $x^2 + px + 12 = 0$ are such that their difference is 1. Then the positive value of p is

- (1) 1 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) 7

Sol. Answer (4)

$$\alpha - \beta = \frac{\sqrt{D}}{a} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{p^2 - 48} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \pm 7; \text{ but } p \text{ is positive, hence } p = 7.$$

32. The number of integral values of x satisfying the equation $2^x(4 - x) = 2x + 4$ is

(1) Zero

(2) 1

(3) 2

(4) 3

Sol. Answer (4)

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

$$\text{Here } 2^x > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2x+4}{4-x} > 0$$

$$\therefore x \in (-2, 4)$$

But only values of $x = 0, 1, 2$, satisfy the equation.33. Let α and β be the real roots of the equation $x^2 - x(\lambda - 2) + (\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 5) = 0$. The maximum value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is

(1) 18

(2) 20

(3) 27

(4) 19

Sol. Answer (1)

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \lambda - 2$$

$$\alpha \cdot \beta = \lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 5$$

$$\therefore \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4) - 2(\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 5) = 19 - (\lambda + 5)^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Maximum value of } \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 18$$

$$\therefore \text{Roots are real, } \therefore D \geq 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda \in \left[-4, -\frac{4}{3}\right]$$

34. If a and b are the non-zero roots of equation $x^2 + ax + b = 0$, then $(a + b)$ is equal to

(1) -1

(2) 2

(3) 1

(4) -2

Sol. Answer (1)

$$\therefore a, b \text{ are non-zero roots of } x^2 + ax + b = 0$$

$$\therefore a + b = -a$$

$$\text{and } ab = b$$

$$\therefore \text{Either } a = b = 0$$

$$\text{or } a = 1 \text{ and } b = -2$$

$$\therefore a + b = -1$$

35. (α_1, α_2) , (α_2, α_3) and (α_3, α_1) are respectively the roots of $x^2 - 2ax + 2 = 0$, $x^2 - 2bx + 3 = 0$ and $x^2 - 2cx + 6 = 0$. If $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbb{R}^+$, then the value of $a + b + c$ is equal to

(1) 2

(2) 3

(3) 6

(4) 12

Sol. Answer (3)

$$\alpha_1\alpha_2 = 2, \alpha_2\alpha_3 = 3, \alpha_3\alpha_1 = 6$$

$$\text{Thus } \alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 = 36 \Rightarrow \alpha_1 = 2, \alpha_2 = 1, \alpha_3 = 3$$

$$2a = 3, 2b = 4, 2c = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = 6$$

