

Solutions of Exercise 20.4 Class 10 Math Sindh Board

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Question 1

If α, β are the roots of a quadratic equation. Express the following symmetric functions in terms of $(\alpha + \beta)$ and $\alpha\beta$.

(i) $(\alpha - \beta)^2$

Recall that $(\alpha - \beta)^2 = \alpha^2 - 2\alpha\beta + \beta^2$. Adding and subtracting $2\alpha\beta$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \alpha^2 + 2\alpha\beta + \beta^2 - 4\alpha\beta \\ &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $(\alpha^3 + \beta^3)$

Using the identity $a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\alpha + \beta)(\alpha^2 - \alpha\beta + \beta^2) \\ &= (\alpha + \beta)[(\alpha^2 + 2\alpha\beta + \beta^2) - 3\alpha\beta] \\ &= (\alpha + \beta)[(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 3\alpha\beta] \\ &= (\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta) \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $\alpha^2\beta^{-1} + \beta^2\alpha^{-1}$

Rewriting with positive exponents:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} \\ &= \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{\alpha\beta} \\ &= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)}{\alpha\beta} \end{aligned}$$

(iv) $\alpha^3\beta + \alpha\beta^3$

Factor out the common term $\alpha\beta$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \alpha\beta(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) \\ &= \alpha\beta[(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta] \end{aligned}$$

(v) $\frac{1}{\alpha^3} + \frac{1}{\beta^3}$

Taking the LCM:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\beta^3 + \alpha^3}{\alpha^3\beta^3} \\ &= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)}{(\alpha\beta)^3} \end{aligned}$$

(vi) $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2$

Simplify inside the bracket:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(\frac{\beta - \alpha}{\alpha\beta}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{(\alpha - \beta)^2}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \\ &= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2

If α, β are the roots of the equation $2x^2 - 3x + 7 = 0$, find the value of following symmetric functions.

From the given equation:

$$a = 2, b = -3, c = 7.$$

Sum of roots:

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = \frac{3}{2}$$

and Product of roots: $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{7}{2}$. We will use these values of Sum and Products of roots

(i) $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3/2}{7/2}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{49} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $\frac{\alpha}{\beta^2} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \\ &= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \\ &= \frac{(3/2)^3 - 3(7/2)(3/2)}{(7/2)^2} \\ &= \frac{\frac{27}{8} - \frac{63}{4}}{\frac{49}{4}} = \frac{\frac{27-126}{8}}{\frac{49}{4}} \\ &= \frac{-99}{8} \times \frac{4}{49} = -\frac{99}{98} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2 (iii)

Find the value of $\frac{1}{a\alpha+1} + \frac{1}{a\beta+1}$ for the equation $2x^2 - 3x + 7 = 0$.

Solution: First, find the common denominator:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{(a\beta + 1) + (a\alpha + 1)}{(a\alpha + 1)(a\beta + 1)} \\ &= \frac{a(\alpha + \beta) + 2}{a^2(\alpha\beta) + a(\alpha + \beta) + 1} \end{aligned}$$

From the equation $2x^2 - 3x + 7 = 0$, we have: Sum $(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{3}{2}$ and Product $(\alpha\beta) = \frac{7}{2}$.

Substitute these into our expression:

$$= \frac{a(\frac{3}{2}) + 2}{a^2(\frac{7}{2}) + a(\frac{3}{2}) + 1}$$

Multiply numerator and denominator by 2 to clear fractions:

$$= \frac{3a + 4}{7a^2 + 3a + 2}$$

Question 3

If α, β are roots of $px^2 + qx + q = 0$, find $\sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} + \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{\alpha}}$.

Solution: Sum of roots: $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{q}{p}$

Product of roots: $\alpha\beta = \frac{q}{p}$

Express the function with a common denominator:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} + \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{\alpha}} &= \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{\sqrt{\beta}} + \frac{\sqrt{\beta}}{\sqrt{\alpha}} \\ &= \frac{(\sqrt{\alpha})^2 + (\sqrt{\beta})^2}{\sqrt{\alpha}\sqrt{\beta}} \\ &= \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\sqrt{\alpha\beta}} \end{aligned}$$

Now, substitute the values of sum and product:

$$= \frac{-q/p}{\sqrt{q/p}}$$

Since any number x divided by its square root is \sqrt{x} (i.e., $\frac{x}{\sqrt{x}} = \sqrt{x}$), let $x = q/p$:

$$= -\left(\frac{q/p}{\sqrt{q/p}}\right) = -\sqrt{\frac{q}{p}}$$

Question 4

Represent symmetric equation $\alpha + \beta = 8$ graphically when α and β are roots of a quadratic equation and also plot the graph.

Solution:

- $\alpha + \beta = 8$ is a **linear equation**. It represents a straight line.
- $\alpha\beta = \text{constant}$ represents a **hyperbola**.

