

Quadratic equations & inequations

[Class assignment, advance level]

Solution of quadratic equations

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- If $-1 \leq x < 0$, then solution of the equation $|x+1| - |x| + 3|x-1| |x-2| = x+2$ is
(a) 1, 5/3 (b) 5/3 (c) 1/3 (d) None of these
- The real roots of $|x|^3 - 3x^2 + 3|x| - 2 = 0$ are
(a) 0, 2 (b) ± 1 (c) ± 2 (d) 1, 2
- The number of real solutions of the equation $2^{x/2} + (\sqrt{2} + 1)^x = (5 + 2\sqrt{2})^{x/2}$ is
(a) One (b) Two (c) Four (d) Infinite
- The number of negative integral solutions of $x^2 \cdot 2^{x+1} + 2^{|x-3|+2} = x^2 \cdot 2^{|x-3|+4} + 2^{x-1}$ is
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 4
- The equation $e^x - x - 1 = 0$ has
(a) Only one real root $x = 0$
(b) At least two real roots
(c) Exactly two real roots
(d) Infinitely many real roots
- The number of real roots of the equation $e^{\sin x} - e^{-\sin x} - 4 = 0$ are
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) Infinite (d) None of these
- If a, b, c are positive real numbers, then the number of real roots of the equation $ax^2 + b|x| + c = 0$ is
(a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 0 (d) None of these
- The number of real solutions of equation $\log_{10}[98 + \sqrt{x^3 - x^2 - 12x + 36}] = 2$ are
(a) 4 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3
- The equation $x^{(3/4)(\log_2 x)^2 + (\log_2 x) - 5/4} = \sqrt{2}$ has
(a) At least one real solution

- Exactly three real solutions
- Exactly one irrational solution
- All the above

- The number of solutions of $|[x] - 2x| = 4$, where $[x]$ is the greatest integer $\leq x$, is
(a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 1 (d) Infinite

Nature of roots

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- Equation $\frac{a^2}{x-\alpha} + \frac{b^2}{x-\beta} + \frac{c^2}{x-\gamma} = m - n^2x$ ($a, b, c, m, n \in R$) has necessarily
(a) All the roots real
(b) All the roots imaginary
(c) Two real and two imaginary roots
(d) Two rational and two irrational roots
- If $\cos \theta, \sin \phi, \sin \theta$ are in G.P. then roots of $x^2 + 2 \cot \phi x + 1 = 0$ are always
(a) Equal (b) Real
(c) Imaginary (d) Greater than 1
- If $f(x)$ is a continuous function and attains only rational values and $f(0) = 3$, then roots of equation $f(1)x^2 + f(3)x + f(5) = 0$ are
(a) Imaginary (b) Rational
(c) Irrational (d) Real and equal
- The roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, where $a \neq 0$ and coefficients are real, are non-real complex and $a+c < b$. Then
(a) $4a+c > 2b$ (b) $4a+c < 2b$
(c) $4a+c = 2b$ (d) None of these
- The equation $(a+2)x^2 + (a-3)x = 2a-1, a \neq -2$ has roots rational for
(a) All rational values of a except $a = -2$
(b) All real values of a except $a = -2$
(c) Rational values of $a > \frac{1}{2}$
(d) None of these
- The quadratic equation $x^2 - 2x - \lambda = 0, \lambda \neq 0$
(a) Cannot have a real root if $\lambda < 1$

- (b) Can have a rational root if λ is a perfect square
 (c) Cannot have an integral root if $n^2 - 1 < \lambda < n^2 + 2n$ where $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$
 (d) None of these

17. If the roots of the equation $x^2 + px + q = 0$ are α and β and roots of the equation $x^2 - xr + s = 0$ are α^4, β^4 , then the roots of the equation $x^2 - 4qx + 2q^2 - r = 0$ will be
 (a) Both negative (b) Both positive
 (c) Both real (d) One -ve & one +ve

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18. If equation $a(b-c)x^2 + b(c-a)x + c(a-b) = 0$ has equal roots, $a, b, c > 0, n \in N$, then
 (a) $a^n + c^n \geq 2b^n$ (b) $a^n + c^n > 2b^n$
 (c) $a^n + c^n \leq 2b^n$ (d) $a^n + c^n < 2b^n$

19. If $\frac{\sum_{r=0}^{k-1} x^{2r}}{\sum_{r=0}^{k-1} x^r}$ is a polynomial in x for two values of p and q of k , then roots of equation $x^2 + px + q = 0$ cannot be
 (a) Real (b) Imaginary (c) Rational (d) Irrational

20. If $x > 0, f(x) = (a - x^n)^{1/n}, g(x) = x^2 + px + q, p, q \in R$ and equation $g(x) - x = 0$ has imaginary roots, then number of real roots of equation $g(g(x)) - f(f(x)) = 0$ is
 (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) None of these

Advance-level answer sheet:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
d	c	a	a	a	d	c	b	d	b
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
d	a	a	b	a	b	a	a,c	c	b