

# Lecture 6

# Module 21

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - x - 4$ , find the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} - \alpha\beta$ .

**Sol.**  $f(x) = 1x^2 - 1x - 4$

Here  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -1$ ,  $c = -4$

$\therefore \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of  $f(x)$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-1)}{1} = 1$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{-4}{1} = -4$$

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} - \alpha\beta = \frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha\beta} - \alpha\beta$$

$$= \frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha\beta} - \alpha\beta$$

$$= \frac{1}{-4} - (-4) = \frac{-1}{4} + 4 = \frac{-1 + 16}{4} = \frac{15}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{15}{4}$$

# Module 22

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(t) = t^2 - 4t + 3$ , find the value of  $\alpha^4\beta^3 + \alpha^3\beta^4$ .

**Sol.**  $f(t) = 1t^2 - 4t + 3$

Here  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -4$ ,  $c = 3$

$\therefore \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of  $f(t)$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-4)}{1} = 4$$

$$\text{and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

$$\alpha^4\beta^3 + \alpha^3\beta^4 = \alpha^3\beta^3(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$= (\alpha\beta)^3(\alpha + \beta) = (3)^3 \times 4$$

$$= 27 \times 4 = 108$$

$$\therefore \alpha^4\beta^3 + \alpha^3\beta^4 = 108$$

Q. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $p(s) = 3s^2 - 6s + 4$ , find the value of  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 2\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right) + 3\alpha\beta$ .

Sol.  $p(s) = 3s^2 - 6s + 4$

Here  $a = 3$ ,  $b = -6$ ,  $c = 4$

$\therefore \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of  $p(s)$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-6)}{3} = 2$$

$$\text{and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 2\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right) + 3\alpha\beta$$

$$= \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\beta\alpha} + 2\left[\frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha\beta}\right] + 3\alpha\beta$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}{\beta\alpha} + 2\left[\frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha\beta}\right] + 3\alpha\beta$$

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

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

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

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

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $p(s) = 3s^2 - 6s + 4$ , find the value of  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 2\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right) + 3\alpha\beta$ .

**Sol.**  $p(s) = 3s^2 - 6s + 4$

$$\alpha + \beta = 2 \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}{\alpha\beta} + 2\left[\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta}\right] + 3\alpha\beta$$

$$= \frac{(2)^2 - 2\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)}{\frac{4}{3}} + 2\left[2 \div \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right] + 3\left[\frac{4}{3}\right]$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{1} \times \frac{8}{3}}{\frac{4}{3}} + 2\left[2 \times \frac{3}{4}\right] + 4$$

$$= \left[\frac{12 - 8}{3} \div \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\right] + 3 + 4$$

$$= \left[\frac{4}{3} \times \frac{3}{4}\right] + 7$$

$$= 1 + 7$$

$$= 8$$

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 2\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right) + 3\alpha\beta = 8$$

# Module 23



**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - px + q$ ,  
 Prove that  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^2} = \frac{p^4}{q^2} - \frac{4p^4}{q} + 2$

**Sol.**  $f(x) = 1x^2 - px + q$

Here  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -p$ ,  $c = q$

$\therefore \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of  $f(x)$

$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-p)}{1} = p$

and  $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{q}{1} = q$

L.H.S. =  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^2} = \frac{(\alpha^2)^2 + (\beta^2)^2}{\alpha^2 \beta^2}$

=  $\frac{[(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^2 - 2\alpha^2\beta^2]}{\alpha^2\beta^2}$

=  $\frac{[(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta]^2 - 2(\alpha\beta)^2}{(\alpha\beta)^2}$

✓  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$   
 $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 = (\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)$   
 $\alpha^3 - \beta^3 = (\alpha - \beta)^3 + 3\alpha\beta(\alpha - \beta)$   
 $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^2} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}{(\alpha - \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta}$   
 $\therefore (\alpha^2)^2 + (\beta^2)^2 = (\alpha^2 + \beta^2)^2 - 2\alpha^2\beta^2$

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - px + q$ ,  
 Prove that  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^2} = \frac{p^4}{q^2} - \frac{4p^4}{q} + 2$

**Sol.**  $f(x) = x^2 - px + q$

$$\alpha + \beta = p \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha\beta = q$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= \frac{[\{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta\}^2 - 2(\alpha\beta)^2]}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \\ &= \frac{\{(p)^2 - 2q\}^2 - 2(q)^2}{(q)^2} \\ &= \frac{(p^2)^2 - 2(p)^2(2q) + (2q)^2 - 2(q)^2}{(q)^2} \\ &= \frac{p^4 - 4p^2q + 4q^2 - 2q^2}{(q)^2} \\ &= \frac{p^4 - 4p^2q + 2q^2}{q^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{p^4}{q^2} - \frac{4p^2q}{q^2} + \frac{2q^2}{q^2} \\ &= \frac{p^4}{q^2} - \frac{4p^2}{q} + 2 = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha^2} = \frac{p^4}{q^2} - \frac{4p^2}{q} + 2$$

# Module 24

**Q.** If one zero of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = 4x^2 - 8kx - 9$  is negative of the other, find the value of  $k$ .

**Sol.**  $f(x) = 4x^2 - 8kx - 9$

Here  $a = 4$ ,  $b = -8k$ ,  $c = -9$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the zeros of polynomial  $f(x)$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-8k)}{4} = 2k$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{-9}{4}$$

$\therefore$  One zero of the polynomial is negative of the other

$$\therefore \beta = -\alpha$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 2k$$

$$\therefore \alpha + (-\alpha) = 2k$$

$$\therefore \alpha - \alpha = 2k$$

$$\therefore 0k = 0k$$

$$\therefore k = 0$$

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - 5x + k$  such that  $\alpha - \beta = 1$ , find the value of  $k$ .

**Sol.** Since,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of polynomial

$$f(x) = x^2 - 5x + k$$

$$\text{Here } a = 1, b = -5, c = k$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-5)}{1} = 5$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{k}{1} = k$$

$$\alpha - \beta = 1 \quad [\text{Given}]$$

Squaring both sides, we get

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

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

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

$$\therefore (5)^2 - 4\alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\therefore 25 - 4\alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\therefore 25 - 1 = 4\alpha\beta$$

$$\therefore 4\alpha\beta = 24$$

$$\therefore \alpha\beta = \frac{24}{4}$$

$$\therefore \alpha\beta = 6$$

$$\therefore k = 6$$

Hence, the value of  $k$  is 6.

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

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

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = kx^2 + 4x + 4$  such that  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 24$ , find the value of  $k$ .

**Sol.** It is given that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of quadratic polynomial

$$f(x) = kx^2 + 4x + 4$$

$$\text{Here } a = k, b = 4, c = 4$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-4}{k}$$

$$\text{and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{4}{k}$$

$$\text{We have, } \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 24$$

$$\therefore (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = 24$$

$$\therefore \left(-\frac{4}{k}\right)^2 - 2 \times \frac{4}{k} = 24$$

$$\therefore \frac{16}{k^2} - \frac{8}{k} = 24$$

Multiplying throughout by  $k^2$ , we get

$$\therefore \cancel{k^2} \left( \frac{16}{\cancel{k^2}} \right) - \cancel{k^2} \left( \frac{8}{\cancel{k}} \right) = k^2(24)$$

$$\therefore 16 - 8k = 24k^2$$

$$\therefore 24k^2 + 8k - 16 = 0$$

Dividing throughout by 8, we get

$$\therefore 3k^2 + k - 2 = 0$$

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

**Q.** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = kx^2 + 4x + 4$  such that  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 24$ , find the value of  $k$ .

**Sol.**

$$\therefore 3k^2 + \textcircled{k} - 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{3k^2 + 3k} \textcircled{-} \underline{2k - 2} = 0$$

$$\therefore 3k \underline{(k + 1)} - 2 \underline{(k + 1)} = 0$$

$$\therefore (k + 1)(3k - 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore k + 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 3k - 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore k = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad 3k = 2$$

$$\therefore k = -1 \quad \text{or} \quad k = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \boxed{k = -1 \text{ or } k = \frac{2}{3}}$$

**Q.** If sum of the squares of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - 8x + k$  is 40, find the value of  $k$ .

**Sol.** Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of given polynomial

$$f(x) = x^2 - 8x + k$$

$$\text{Here } a = 1, b = -8, c = k$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-8)}{1} = 8$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{k}{1} = k$$

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 40 \quad [\text{Given}]$$

$$\therefore (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = 40$$

$$\therefore (8)^2 - 2(k) = 40$$

$$\therefore 64 - 2k = 40$$

$$\therefore 64 - 40 = 2k$$

$$\therefore 24 = 2k$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{24}{2}$$

$$\therefore k = 6$$

$$\therefore k = 6$$

Hence, the value of  $k$  is 6.

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^2 + \beta^2 &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta \\ \alpha^3 + \beta^3 &= (\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta) \\ \alpha^3 - \beta^3 &= (\alpha - \beta)^3 + 3\alpha\beta(\alpha - \beta) \\ (\alpha - \beta)^2 &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta \end{aligned}$$



**Thank You**