

ASSIGNMENT 1

CS21BTECH11053

Problem. 6c, ICSE Math Paper (2017):

If $\frac{7m+2n}{7m-2n} = \frac{5}{3}$ use properties of proportion to find:

- (i) $\frac{m}{n}$
- (ii) $\frac{m^2+n^2}{m^2-n^2}$

Solution:

We are given,

$$\frac{7m+2n}{7m-2n} = \frac{5}{3} \quad (1)$$

From componendo - dividendo, we know

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{a-b} = \frac{c+d}{c-d} \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(7m+2n) + (7m-2n)}{(7m+2n) - (7m-2n)} &= \frac{5+3}{5-3} \Rightarrow \frac{14m}{4n} = \frac{8}{2} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{7m}{2n} &= \frac{4}{1} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{m}{n} &= \frac{8}{7} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

From (3)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^2 &= \left(\frac{8}{7}\right)^2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{m^2}{n^2} &= \frac{8^2}{7^2} = \frac{64}{49} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

From (2) and (4)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m^2+n^2}{m^2-n^2} = \frac{64+49}{64-49} = \frac{113}{15} \quad (5)$$

$$\therefore \frac{m}{n} = \frac{8}{7} \text{ and } \frac{m^2+n^2}{m^2-n^2} = \frac{113}{15}$$