

Algebra

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$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 5^3 - 3 \times 5$$

125 - 15

(110)

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = a$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = a^2 - 2$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = a^3 - 3a$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = a$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = a^2 + 2$$

$$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = a^3 + 3a$$

Low power to High power

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 3^2 - 2 \\ = 7$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 7^2 - 2 \\ = 47$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 5^2 - 2 \\ = 23$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 23^2 - 2 \\ = 529 - 2 \\ = 527$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 3^2 - 2 = 7$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 7^2 - 2 = 47$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8} &= 47^2 - 2 \\ &= 2209 - 2 \\ &= 2207 \end{aligned}$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1^2 + 2 = 3$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 3^2 - 2 = 7$$

$$x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8} = 7^2 - 2 = 47$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{16} + \frac{1}{x^{16}} &= 47^2 - 2 \\ &= 2207 \end{aligned}$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = 2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 2^2 + 2 = 6$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 6^2 - 2 = 34$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8} &= 34^2 - 2 \\ &= 1156 - 2 \\ &= 1154 \end{aligned}$$

$$x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = 9$$

$$x^{7.5} - \frac{1}{x^{7.5}} = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{10} + \frac{1}{x^{10}} &= 9^2 - 2 \\ &= 81 - 2 \\ &= 79 \end{aligned}$$

$$x^{15} + \frac{1}{x^{15}} = 5^2 + 2 = 27$$

$$x^{1.25} + \frac{1}{x^{1.25}} = 15$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{2.5} + \frac{1}{x^{2.5}} &= 15^2 - 2 \\ &= 225 - 2 \\ &= 223 \end{aligned}$$

Highest power to lowest power

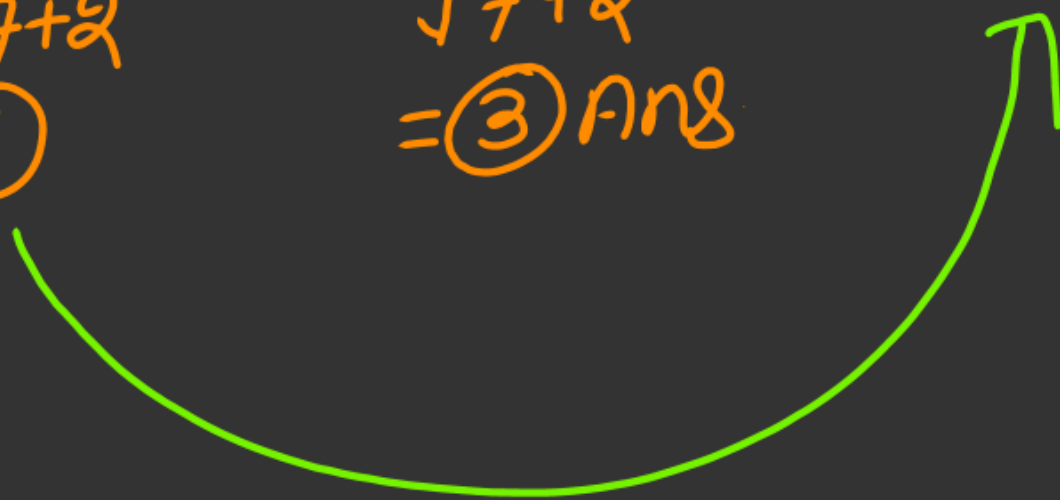
$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 47$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}$$
$$47$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$
$$\sqrt{47+2}$$
$$= \textcircled{7}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x}$$
$$\sqrt{7+2}$$
$$= \textcircled{3} \text{ Ans}$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x}$$
$$\frac{\sqrt{7-2}}{\sqrt{5}}$$



$$x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8} = 2207$$

$$x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8}$$

$$2207$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$\sqrt{2207+2}$$

$$\sqrt{2209}$$

$$= 47$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\sqrt{47+2}$$

$$= 7$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} \mid x - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\sqrt{7+2}$$

$$= 3$$

$$\sqrt{7-2}$$

$$= \sqrt{5}$$

$$x^{16} + \frac{1}{x^{16}} = 23$$

$$x^8 - \frac{1}{x^8} = \sqrt{23-2}$$

$$= \sqrt{21}$$

$$\textcircled{i} x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\textcircled{ii} x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$x^{27} + \frac{1}{x^{27}} = 47$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{13.5} - \frac{1}{x^{13.5}} &= \sqrt{47-2} \\ &= \sqrt{45} \\ &= \boxed{3\sqrt{5}} \end{aligned}$$

Same power

$$\textcircled{i} \quad x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = A$$

$$x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = \sqrt{A^2 - 4}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 7$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} &= \sqrt{7^2 - 4} \\ &= \sqrt{45} \\ &= 3\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad x^n - \frac{1}{x^n} = A$$

$$x^n + \frac{1}{x^n} = \sqrt{A^2 + 4}$$

$$x^{19} - \frac{1}{x^{19}} = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{19} + \frac{1}{x^{19}} &= \sqrt{5^2 + 4} \\ &= \sqrt{29} \end{aligned}$$

$$x^{729} - \frac{1}{x^{729}} = 8$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{729} + \frac{1}{x^{729}} &= \sqrt{8^2 + 4} \\ &= \sqrt{68} \\ &= 2\sqrt{17} \end{aligned}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3^2 - 4} = \sqrt{5}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 3^2 - 2 = 7$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} &= \sqrt{7^2 - 4} \\ &= \sqrt{45} \\ &= 3\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$= 3 \times \sqrt{5}$$

$$= \textcircled{3 \times \sqrt{5}}$$



$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\textcircled{i} \quad x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} \right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$18 \times 7 \quad - 3$
 $126 - 3 = 123 \text{ Ans}$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 3^2 - 2$$

$= 7$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 3^3 - 3 \times 3$$

$= 27 - 9$
 $= 18$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 7^2 - 2$$

$= 47$

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad x^7 + \frac{1}{x^7} = \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} \right) \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} \right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$47 \times 18 - 3$$

$$846 - 3$$

$$843 \text{ Ans}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 4$$

$$x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$52 \times 14 - 4$$

$$728 - 4 = 724 \text{ Ans}$$

$$\textcircled{i} \quad x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 4^2 - 2$$

$$= 14$$

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 4^3 - 3 \times 4$$

$$= 64 - 12$$

$$= 52$$

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$$\textcircled{i} \quad x^5 - \frac{1}{x^5}$$

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad x^7 - \frac{1}{x^7}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$$

$$x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$110 \times 23 - 5$$

$$= 2525$$

$$(i) \quad x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \quad \checkmark$$

$$(ii) \quad x^7 + \frac{1}{x^7} = \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) \left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \quad \checkmark$$

$$(iii) \quad x^{11} + \frac{1}{x^{11}} = \left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right) \left(x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$(iv) \quad x^{13} + \frac{1}{x^{13}} = \left(x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}\right) \left(x^7 + \frac{1}{x^7}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$x^5 + \cancel{\frac{1}{x}} + \cancel{x} + \frac{1}{x^5} - \cancel{x} - \cancel{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$\circ x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}$