



Exercise 3.4



1. Prove that $a : b = c : d$, if

(i)
$$\frac{4a+5b}{4a-5b} = \frac{4c+5d}{4c-5d}$$

Solution:
$$\frac{4a+5b}{4a-5b} = \frac{4c+5d}{4c-5d}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{(4a+5b)+(4a-5b)}{(4a+5b)-(4a-5b)} = \frac{(4c+5d)+(4c-5d)}{(4c+5d)-(4c-5d)}$$

$$\frac{4a+5b+4a-5b}{4a+5b-4a+5b} = \frac{4c+5d+4c-5d}{4c+5d-4c+5d}$$

$$\frac{8a}{10b} = \frac{8c}{10d}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(ii)
$$\frac{2a+9b}{2a-9b} = \frac{2c+9d}{2c-9d}$$

Solution:
$$\frac{2a+9b}{2a-9b} = \frac{2c+9d}{2c-9d}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{(2a+9b)+(2a-9b)}{(2a+9b)-(2a-9b)} = \frac{(2c+9d)+(2c-9d)}{(2c+9d)-(2c-9d)}$$

$$\frac{2a+9b+2a-9b}{2a+9b-2a+9b} = \frac{2c+9d+2c-9d}{2c+9d-2c+9d}$$

$$\frac{4a}{18b} = \frac{4c}{18d}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(iii)
$$\frac{ac^2+bd^2}{ac^2-bd^2} = \frac{c^3+d^3}{c^3-d^3}$$

Solution:
$$\frac{ac^2+bd^2}{ac^2-bd^2} = \frac{c^3+d^3}{c^3-d^3}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{(ac^2+bd^2)+(ac^2-bd^2)}{(ac^2+bd^2)-(ac^2-bd^2)} = \frac{(c^3+d^3)+(c^3-d^3)}{(c^3+d^3)-(c^3-d^3)}$$



$$\frac{ac^2+bd^2+ac^2-bd^2}{ac^2+bd^2-ac^2} = \frac{c^3+d^3+c^3-d^3}{c^3+d^3-c^3+d^3}$$

$$\frac{2ac^2}{2bd^2} = \frac{2c^3}{2d^3} \quad (\text{Multiplying by } \frac{d^2}{c^2})$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(iv) $\frac{a^2c+b^2d}{a^2c-b^2d} = \frac{ac^2+bd^2}{ac^2-bd^2}$

Solution: $\frac{a^2c+b^2d}{a^2c-b^2d} = \frac{ac^2+bd^2}{ac^2-bd^2}$

By componendo - dividendo theorem

$$\frac{(a^2c+b^2d)+(a^2c-b^2d)}{(a^2c+b^2d)-(a^2c-b^2d)} = \frac{(ac^2+bd^2)+(ac^2-bd^2)}{(ac^2+bd^2)-(ac^2-bd^2)}$$

$$\frac{a^2c+b^2d+a^2c-b^2d}{a^2c+b^2d-a^2c+b^2d} = \frac{a^2c+bd^2+ac^2-bd^2}{ac^2+bd^2-ac^2+bd^2}$$

$$\frac{2a^2c}{2b^2d} = \frac{2ac^2}{2bd^2}$$

$$\frac{a^2c}{b^2d} = \frac{ac^2}{bd^2}$$

$$\frac{a \times ac}{b \times bd} = \frac{(ac)c}{(bd)d}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(v) $pa + qb : pa - qb = pc + qd : pc - qd$

Solution: $pa + qb : pa - qb = pc + qd : pc - qd$

$$\frac{pa + pb}{pa - pb} = \frac{pc + qd}{pc - qd}$$

By componendo - dividendo theorem

$$\frac{(pa+qb)+(pa-qb)}{(pa+qb)-(pa-qb)} = \frac{(pc+qd)+(pc-qb)}{(pc+qd)-(pc-qb)}$$

$$\frac{pa+qb+pa-qb}{pa+qb-pa+qb} = \frac{pc+qd+pc-qb}{pc+qd-pc+qb}$$

$$\frac{2pa}{2qb} = \frac{2pc}{2qd}$$

$$\frac{pa}{qb} = \frac{pc}{qd}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(vi)
$$\frac{a+b+c+d}{a+b-c-d} = \frac{a-b+c-d}{a-b-c+d}$$

Solution:
$$\frac{a+b+c+d}{a+b-c-d} = \frac{a-b+c-d}{a-b-c+d}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

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

$$\frac{a+b+c+d+a+b-c-d}{a+b+c+d-a-b+c+d} = \frac{a-b+c-d+a-b-c+d}{a-b+c-d-a+b+c-d}$$

$$\frac{2a+2b}{2c+2d} = \frac{2a-2b}{2c-2d}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{c+d} = \frac{a-b}{c-d}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{a+b+a-b}{a+b-a+b} = \frac{c+d+c-d}{c+d-c+d}$$

$$\frac{2a}{2b} = \frac{2c}{2d}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(vii)
$$\frac{2a+3b+2c+3d}{2a+3b-2c-3d} = \frac{2a-3b+2c-3d}{2a-3b-2c+3d}$$

Solution:
$$\frac{2a+3b+2c+3d}{2a+3b-2c-3d} = \frac{2a-3b+2c-3d}{2a-3b-2c+3d}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{2a+3b+2c+3d+2a+3b-2c-3d}{2a+3d+2c+3d-2a-3b+2c-3d} = \frac{2a-3b+2c-3d+2a-3b-2c+3d}{2a-3b+2c-3d-2a+3b-2c-3d}$$

$$\frac{4a + 6b}{4c + 6d} = \frac{4a - 6b}{4c - 6d}$$

$$\frac{2(2a + 3b)}{2(2c + 3d)} = \frac{2(2a - 3b)}{2(2c - 3d)}$$

$$\frac{2a + 3b}{2c + 3d} = \frac{2a - 3b}{2c - 3d}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{2a + 3b + 2a - 3b}{2a + 3b - 2a + 3b} = \frac{2c + 3d + 2c - 3d}{2c + 3d - 2c + 3d}$$

$$\frac{4a}{4c} = \frac{4c}{6d}$$

$$\frac{6b}{6d} = \frac{4c}{6d}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

(viii) $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 - b^2} = \frac{ac + bd}{ac - bd}$

Solution: $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 - b^2} = \frac{ac + bd}{ac - bd}$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2 - a^2 + b^2} = \frac{ac + bd + ac - bd}{ac + bd - ac + bd}$$

$$\frac{2a^2}{2b^2} = \frac{2ac}{2bd}$$

$$\frac{a^2}{b^2} = \frac{ac}{bd}$$

$$\frac{a \times a}{b \times b} = \frac{a \times c}{b \times d}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence $a : b = c : d$ proved

2. Using theorem of componendo-dividendo.

(i) Find the value of $\frac{x + 2y}{x - 2y} + \frac{x + 2z}{x - 2z}$, if $x = \frac{4yz}{y + z}$

Solution: $x = \frac{4yz}{y + z}$

$$x = \frac{2y(2z)}{y + z}$$



$$\frac{x}{2y} = \frac{2z}{y+z}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+2y}{x-2y} &= \frac{2z+y+z}{2z-y-z} \\ \frac{x+2y}{x-2y} &= \frac{3z+y}{z-y} \dots\dots\dots (i) \end{aligned}$$

Now $x = \frac{4zy}{y+z}$

$$x = \frac{2z(2y)}{y+z}$$

$$\frac{x}{2z} = \frac{2y}{y+z}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+2z}{x-2z} &= \frac{2y+y+z}{2y-y-z} \\ \frac{x+2y}{x-2y} &= \frac{3y+z}{y-z} \dots\dots\dots (ii) \end{aligned}$$

By adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+2y}{x-2y} + \frac{x+2y}{x-2y} &= \frac{3z+y}{z-y} + \frac{3y+z}{y-z} \\ &= \frac{3z+y}{z-y} - \frac{3y+z}{z-y} \\ &= \frac{3z+y-3y-z}{z-y} \\ &= \frac{2z-2y}{z-y} \\ &= \frac{2(z-y)}{(z-y)} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Find the value of $\frac{m+5n}{m-5n} + \frac{m+5p}{m-5p}$, if $m = \frac{10np}{n+p}$

Solution: $m = \frac{10np}{n+p}$

$$m = \frac{(5n)(2p)}{n+p}$$



$$\frac{m}{5n} = \frac{2p}{n+p}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{m+5n}{m-5n} = \frac{2p+n+p}{2p-n-p}$$

$$= \frac{3p+n}{p-n} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Now $m = \frac{10np}{n+p}$

$$m = \frac{(2n)(5p)}{n+p}$$

$$\frac{m}{5p} = \frac{n}{n+p}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{m+5p}{m-5p} = \frac{2n+n+p}{2n-n-p}$$

$$= \frac{3n+p}{n-p} \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

By adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m+5n}{m-5n} + \frac{m+5p}{m-5p} &= \frac{3p+n}{p-n} + \frac{3n+p}{3n-p} \\ &= \frac{3p+n}{p-n} - \frac{3p+n}{p-n} \\ &= \frac{3p+n-3n-p}{p-n} \\ &= \frac{2p-2n}{p-n} \\ &= \frac{2(p-n)}{(p-n)} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Find the value of $\frac{x-6a}{x+6a} - \frac{x+6b}{x-6b}$, if $x = \frac{12ab}{a-b}$

Solution: $x = \frac{12ab}{a-b}$

$$x = \frac{(6a)(2b)}{a-b}$$

$$\frac{x}{6a} = \frac{2b}{a-b}$$



By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{x-a}{x+6a} = \frac{2b-a+b}{2b+a-b}$$

$$= \frac{3b-a}{b+a} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Now, $x = \frac{12ab}{a-b}$

$$\frac{x}{6b} = \frac{2a}{a-b}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{x+6b}{x-6a} = \frac{2a+a-b}{2a-a+b}$$

$$= \frac{3a-b}{a+b} \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

By subtracting (ii) from (i), we get

$$\frac{x-6a}{x+6a} - \frac{x+6b}{x-6b} = \frac{3b-a}{b+a} - \frac{3a-b}{a+b}$$

$$= \frac{3b-a-3a+b}{a+b}$$

$$= \frac{4b-4a}{a+b}$$

$$\frac{x-6a}{x+6a} - \frac{x-6b}{x+6b} = \frac{4(b-a)}{a+b}$$

(iv) Find the value of $\frac{x-3y}{x+3y} - \frac{x+3z}{x-3z}$, if $x = \frac{3yz}{y-z}$

Solution: $x = \frac{3yz}{y-z}$

$$\frac{x}{3y} = \frac{z}{y-z}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{x-3y}{x+3y} = \frac{z-y+z}{z+y-z}$$

$$= \frac{2z-y}{y} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Now $x = \frac{3yz}{y-z}$

$$\frac{x}{3z} = \frac{y}{y-z}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+3z}{x-3y} &= \frac{y+y-z}{y-y+z} \\ &= \frac{2y-z}{z} \dots \dots \dots (ii) \end{aligned}$$

By subtracting (ii) from (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x-3y}{x+3y} - \frac{x+3z}{x-3z} &= \frac{2z-y}{y} - \frac{2y-z}{z} \\ &= \frac{z(2z-y) - y(2y-z)}{yz} \\ &= \frac{2z^2 - yz - 2y^2 + yz}{yz} \\ &= \frac{2z^2 - 2y^2}{yz} \\ &= \frac{2(z^2 - y^2)}{yz} \end{aligned}$$

(v) Find the value of $\frac{s-3p}{x+3p} + \frac{s+3q}{s-3q}$, if $s = \frac{6pq}{p-q}$.

Solution: $s = \frac{6pq}{p-q}$

$$s = \frac{(3p)(2q)}{p-q}$$

$$\frac{s}{3p} = \frac{2q}{p-q}$$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{s-3p}{s+3p} &= \frac{2q-p+q}{2q+p-q} \\ &= \frac{3q-p}{q+p} \dots \dots \dots (i) \end{aligned}$$

Now $s = \frac{6pq}{p-q}$

$$\frac{s}{3q} = \frac{2p}{p-q}$$

Again by componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{s+3q}{s-3q} &= \frac{2p+q-q}{2p-p+q} \\ &= \frac{3p-q}{p+q} \dots \dots \dots \text{(ii)} \end{aligned}$$

By adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{s-3p}{s+3p} + \frac{s+3p}{s-3p} &= \frac{3q-p}{q+p} + \frac{3p-q}{p+q} \\ &= \frac{3q-p+3p-q}{p+q} \\ &= \frac{2p+2q}{p+q} \\ &= \frac{2(p+q)}{(p+q)} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

(vi) Solve $\frac{(x-2)^2 - (x-4)^2}{(x-2)^2 + (x-4)^2} = \frac{12}{13}$

Solution: By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(x-2)^2 - (x-4)^2 + (x-2)^2 + (x-4)^2}{(x-2)^2 - (x-4)^2 - (x-2)^2 - (x-4)^2} &= \frac{12+13}{12-13} \\ \frac{2(x-2)^2}{-2(x-4)^2} &= \frac{25}{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{(x-2)^2}{(x-4)^2} = 25$$

Taking square root on both sides, we get

$$\frac{x-2}{x-4} = \pm 5$$

when $\frac{x-2}{x-4} = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} x-2 &= 5x-20 \\ x-5x &= -20+20 \\ -4x &= -18 \\ x &= \frac{-18}{-4} \\ &= \frac{9}{2} \end{aligned}$$

when $\frac{x-2}{x-4} = -5$

$$\begin{aligned} x-2 &= -5x+20 \\ x+5x &= 20+2 \\ 6x &= 22 \\ x &= \frac{22}{6} \\ &= \frac{11}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Solution set} = \left\{ \frac{9}{2}, \frac{11}{3} \right\}$$

(vii) Solve $\frac{\sqrt{x^2+2} + \sqrt{x^2-2}}{\sqrt{x^2+2} - \sqrt{x^2-2}} = 2$

Solution: By componendo – dividendo theorem

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

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

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

$$\frac{x^2+2}{x^2-2} = 9 \quad (\text{by squaring})$$

$$x^2 + 2 = 9(x^2 - 2)$$

$$x^2 + 2 = 9x^2 - 18$$

$$x^2 + 2 = -18 - 2$$

$$-8x^2 = -20$$

$$x^2 = -\frac{20}{-8}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \quad (\text{extraneous root})$$

Hence solution set = $\{ \}$ or \emptyset

(viii) Solve $\frac{\sqrt{x^2+8p^2} - \sqrt{x^2-p^2}}{\sqrt{x^2+8p^2} + \sqrt{x^2-p^2}} = \frac{1}{3}$

By componendo – dividendo theorem

$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2+8p^2} - \sqrt{x^2-p^2} + \sqrt{x^2+8p^2} + \sqrt{x^2-p^2}}{\sqrt{x^2+8p^2} - \sqrt{x^2-p^2} - \sqrt{x^2+8p^2} - \sqrt{x^2-p^2}} = \frac{1+3}{1-3}$$

$$\frac{2\sqrt{x^2+8p^2}}{-2\sqrt{x^2-p^2}} = \frac{4}{-2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2+8p^2}}{\sqrt{x^2-p^2}} = 2 \quad (\text{by squaring})$$

$$\frac{x^2+8p^2}{x^2-p^2} = 4$$

$$x^2 + 8p^2 = 4(x^2 - p^2)$$

$$x^2 + 8p^2 = 4x^2 - 4p^2$$



$$x^2 - 4x^2 = -4p^2 - 8p^2$$

$$-3x^2 = -12p^2$$

$$x^2 = 4p^2$$

(Taking square root on both sides)

$$x = \pm 2p$$

Hence solution set = $\{2p, -2p\}$

(ix) Solve $\frac{(x+5)^3 - (x-3)^3}{(x+5)^3 + (x-3)^3} = \frac{13}{14}$

Solution: By componendo - dividendo theorem

$$\frac{(x+5)^3 - (x-3)^3 + (x+5)^3 + (x-3)^3}{(x+5)^3 - (x-3)^3 - (x+5)^3 + (x-3)^3} = \frac{13+14}{13-14}$$

$$\frac{2(x+5)^3}{-2(x-3)^3} = \frac{27}{1}$$

$$\frac{(x+5)^3}{(x-3)^3} = 27$$

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

Taking cube root on both sides

$$\frac{x+5}{x-3} = 3$$

$$x + 5 = 3(x - 3)$$

$$x + 5 = 3x - 9$$

$$x - 3x = -9 - 5$$

$$-2x = -14$$

$$x = \frac{-14}{-2}$$

$$x = 7$$

Hence solution set = $\{7\}$

