

## Quadratic Equation

# Question Bank - Quadratic Equation

### LEVEL – I

1. Solve the following for real values of  $x$  :

(a)  $3|x^2 - 4x + 2| = 5x - 4$

(b)  $|x^2 + 4x + 3| + 2x + 5 = 0$

(c)  $(x + 3)|x + 2| + |2x + 3| + 1 = 0$

(d)  $(x - 1)|x^2 - 4x + 3| + 2x^2 + 3x - 5 = 0$

(e)  $|(x + 3)(x + 1)| + |2x + 5| = 0$

(f)  $|x^3 + 1| + x^2 - x - 2 = 0$

(g)  $2^{|x+2|} - |2^{x+1} - 1| = 2^{x+1} + 1$

2. Solve the following equations / inequations for real  $x$  :

(a)  $3^x \cdot 8^{x/(x+2)} = 6.$

(b)  $\log_{[(x+6)/3]} [\log_2 \{(x-1)/(2+x)\}] > 0$

(c)  $\frac{1}{\log_4 [(x+1)/(x+2)]} < \frac{1}{\log_4 (x+3)}$

(d)  $x^{1/\log_{10} x} \cdot \log_{10} x < 1$

(e)  $\log_{1/2}(x+1) > \log_2(2-x).$

(f)  $\log_x 2 \cdot \log_{2x} 2 \cdot \log_2 4x > 1.$

(g)  $\log_{1/2} x + \log_3 x > 1.$

(h)  $\log_x \frac{4x+5}{6-5x} < -1.$

(i)  $(\log_{|x+6|} 2) \log_2 (x^2 - x - 2) \geq 1.$

(j)  $\frac{\log_5 (x^2 - 4x + 11)^2 - \log_{11} (x^2 - 4x - 11)^3}{\sqrt{2-5x-3x^2}} \geq 0$

3. Solve the equations for  $a^2 - b = 1$  :

(i)  $(a + \sqrt{b})^x + (a - \sqrt{b})^x = 2a$

(ii)  $(a + \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} + (a - \sqrt{b})^{x^2-15} = 2a.$

4. (a) If  $\alpha$  be a root of the equation  $4x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$  then prove that  $4\alpha^3 - 3\alpha$  is the other root

(b) If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2x + 3 = 0$  obtain the equation whose roots are  $\alpha^3 - 3\alpha^2 + 5\alpha - 2, \beta^3 - \beta^2 + \beta + 5.$

5. (a) If  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation,  $\lambda^2(x^2 - x) + 2\lambda x + 3 = 0$  and  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  be the two values of  $\lambda$  for which  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are connected by the relation,  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{4}{3}$ , then find the quadratic equation whose roots are  $\frac{\lambda_1^2}{\lambda_2}$  and  $\frac{\lambda_2^2}{\lambda_1}.$

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- (b) If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  &  $\alpha', -\beta$  are the roots of  $a'x^2 + b'x + c' = 0$ , show that  $\alpha, \alpha'$  are the roots of  $\left[\frac{b}{a} + \frac{b'}{a'}\right]^{-1} x^2 + x + \left[\frac{b}{c} + \frac{b'}{c'}\right]^{-1} = 0$ .
6. Find the range of values of  $a$ , such that  $f(x) = \frac{ax^2 + 2(a+1)x + 9a + 4}{x^2 - 8x + 32}$  is always negative.
7. (a) If the ratio of the roots of  $\ell x^2 + nx + n = 0$  is  $p : q$ , then prove that  $\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} - \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} = 0$ , where  $\ell, n, p, q \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .
- (b) If the roots of the equation  $[1/(x+p)] + [1/(x+q)] = 1/r$  are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign, show that  $p + q = 2r$  and that the product of the roots is equal to  $(-1/2)(p^2 + q^2)$ .
- (c) Show that if  $p, q, r$  and  $s$  are real numbers and  $pr = 2(q + s)$ , then at least one of the equations  $x^2 + px + q = 0, x^2 + rx + s = 0$  has real roots.
- (d) If by eliminating  $x$  between the equation  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$  and  $xy + \ell(x + y) + m = 0$ , a quadratic in  $y$  is formed whose roots are the same as those of the original quadratic in  $x$ . Then prove either  $a = 2\ell$  and  $b = m$  or  $b + m = a\ell$ .
- (e) Prove that if both roots of the equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  are positive then the roots of the equation  $qy^2 + (p - 2rq)y + 1 - pr = 0$  are positive for all  $r \geq 0$ . Discuss the case when  $r < 0$ .
8. If  $x_1, x_2$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 3x + A = 0$  &  $x_3, x_4$  be those of the equation  $x^2 - 12x + B = 0$  and  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$  are in G.P. Find  $A$  and  $B$ .
9. Show that the function  $z = 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 - 2x + 2y + 2$  is not smaller than  $-3, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .
10. (a) Prove that the function  $y = (x^2 + x + 1)/(x^2 + 1)$  cannot have values greater than  $3/2$  and values smaller than  $1/2$  for  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (b) Find the least value of  $(6x^2 - 22x + 21)/(5x^2 - 18x + 17)$  for all real values of  $x$ , using the theory of quadratic equations.
- (c) Find the minimum value of the expression  $2 \cdot \log_{10} x - \log_x 0.01$ ; where  $x > 1$ .
- (d) Find the values of ' $a$ ' for which  $-3 < [(x^2 + ax - 2)/(x^2 + x + 1)] < 2$  is valid for all real  $x$ .
11. (a) If the quadratic equation  $x^2 + bx + ac = 0$  and  $x^2 + cx + ab = 0$  have a common root, prove that the equation containing their other roots is  $x^2 + ax + bc = 0$ , where  $a \neq 0$ .
- (b) If  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$  and  $a_1x^2 + 2b_1x + c_1 = 0$  have a common root and  $a/a_1, b/b_1, c/c_1$  are in AP, show that  $a, b, c$  are in G.P.

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- (c) If the equations  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$  and  $a_1x^2 + 2b_1x + c_1 = 0$  with rational coefficients have one and only one root in common then prove that  $b^2 - ac$  and  $b_1^2 - a_1c_1$  will be both perfect squares.
12. If  $(ax^2 + bx + c)y + a'x^2 + b'x + c' = 0$ , find the condition that  $x$  may be a rational function of  $y$ .
13.  $x^2 - (a - 5)x + 4a = 0$  ( $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ) be a quadratic equation. Find the value of 'a' for which
- both roots are real and distinct
  - both roots are equal
  - roots are not real
  - roots are opposite in sign
  - roots are equal in magnitude but opposite in sign
  - both roots are positive
  - both roots are negative
  - atleast one root is positive
  - one root is smaller than 2, the other root is greater than 2
  - both roots are greater than 2
  - both roots are smaller than 2
  - exactly one of the roots lie in the interval  $(1, 2)$
  - both roots lie in the interval  $(1, 2)$
  - atleast one root lie in the interval  $(1, 2)$
  - one root is greater than 2, the other roots is smaller than 1
  - atleast one root is greater than 2.
14. (a) If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the two distinct roots of  $x^2 + 2(k - 3) \cdot x + 9 = 0$ , then find the values of  $k$  such that  $\alpha, \beta \in (-6, 1)$ .
- (b) For what real values of 'a' the equation  $ax^2 + x + a - 1 = 0$  posses two distinct real roots  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  satisfying the inequality  $\left| \frac{1}{\alpha} - \frac{1}{\beta} \right| > 1$ .

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- 15.** If  $\alpha$  is a root of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  $\beta$  is a root of  $-ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , where  $0 < \alpha < \beta$ , show that the equation  $ax^2 + 2bx + 2c = 0$  has a root  $\gamma$  satisfying  $0 < \alpha < \gamma < \beta$ .
- 16.** If the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has real roots, of opposite signs in the interval  $(-2, 2)$  then prove that  $1 + \frac{c}{4a} - \left| \frac{b}{2a} \right| > 0$ .
- 17.** (a) If  $(x - 3a)(x - a - 3) < 0$  for all  $x \in [1, 3]$  find  $a$ .  
 (b) Find all numbers  $a$  for each for which the least value of quadratic trinomial  $4x^2 - 4ax + a^2 - 2a + 2$  on the interval  $0 \leq x \leq 2$  is equal to 3.
- 18.** (a) Find the set of values of  $p$  for which the equation  $p \cdot 2^{\cos^2 x} + p \cdot 2^{-\cos^2 x} - 2 = 0$  has real roots.  
 (b) Solve the equation  $9^{-|x-2|} - 4 \cdot 3^{-|x-2|} - a = 0$  for every real number  $a$ .
- 19.** (a) The quadratic equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers has rational roots. Prove that the roots are all integral.  
 (b) If the coefficients of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  are odd integers then prove that the roots of the equation cannot be rational number.  
 (c) If  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{I}$  and  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has an irrational root. Prove that  $|f(\lambda)| \geq \frac{1}{q^2}$ , where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Q} = \frac{p}{q}$  and  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ .  
 (d) Let  $a, b$  and  $c$  be integers with  $a > 1$  and let  $p$  be a prime number. Show that if  $ax^2 + bx + c$  is equal to ' $p$ ' for two distinct integral values of  $x$ , then it can't be equal to ' $2p$ ' for any integral value of  $x$ .
- 20.** (a) How many roots does the equation  $\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - \frac{5}{3}}} = x$  posses ? Find the them.  
 (b) Find the  $a < 0$  for which the inequalities  $2\sqrt{ax} < 3a - x$  and  $x - \sqrt{\frac{x}{a}} > \frac{6}{a}$  have solutions in common.

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### LEVEL – II

1. Find the values of  $a$  for which the equation  $x^4 + (1 - 2a)x^2 + a^2 - 1 = 0$ 
  - (a) has no solutions
  - (b) has one solution
  - (c) has two solutions
  - (d) has three solutions.
  - (e) has four distinct real solutions
  
2. Find all real values of  $a$  for which the equation  $x^4 + (a - 1)x^3 + x^2 + (a - 1)x + 1 = 0$  possesses at least two distinct negative roots.
  
3. Find the real values of ' $m$ ' for which the equation,  $\left(\frac{x}{1+x^2}\right)^2 - (m-3)\left(\frac{x}{1+x^2}\right) + m = 0$  has real roots ?
  
4. Find all values of ' $a$ ' for which the equation  $(x^2 + x + 2)^2 - (a - 3)(x^2 + x + 2)(x^2 + x + 1) + (a - 4)(x^2 + x + 1)^2 = 0$  has at least one real roots.
  
5. If the equation  $x(x+1)(x+a)(x+1+a) = a^2$  has four real roots, prove that  $a \in (-\infty, -\sqrt{5}-2] \cup [-\sqrt{5}+2, \sqrt{5}-2] \cup [\sqrt{5}+2, +\infty)$ .
  
6. Prove that the minimum value of  $\frac{[(a+x)(b+x)]}{(c+x)}, x > -c$  is  $(\sqrt{a-c} + \sqrt{b-c})^2 \cdot \forall a > c$  and  $b > c$ .
  
7. Find all values of  $k$  for which the inequality  $\frac{x^2+k^2}{k(6+x)} \geq 1$  is satisfied for all  $x$  such that  $-1 < x < 1$ .
  
8. For what real value of ' $a$ ' do the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2x - a^2 + 1 = 0$  lie between the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2(a+1)x + a(a-1) = 0$  ?
  
9. A quadratic trinomial  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is such that the equation  $f(x) = x$  has no real roots. Prove that in this case the equation  $f(f(x)) = x$  has no real roots either.
  
10. Find all real values of  $a$  for each of which the equation  $\sqrt{x-a}(x^2 + (1+2a^2)x + 2a^2) = 0$  has only two distinct roots. Write the roots.
  
11.
  - (a) If  $3x^2 - 5x + 9 = y^2$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$ , show that  $x = \frac{6m+5}{3-m^2}, m \in \mathbb{Q}$ .
  - (b) Find all nonnegative integral solutions of  $y^2 + 6xy - 8x = 0$ . Does it contain a positive integral solution which is a multiple of 3 ?
  
12.
  - (a) If the equation  $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$  has two distinct real roots between 1 and 2, where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ , show that  $a \geq 5$  and  $b \geq 11$ .
  - (b) If  $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$  have two distinct roots lying in the interval  $(0, 1)$ , where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$  then prove that  $\log_3 abc \geq 2$ .

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- 13.** (a) Find the integral values of 'a' for which  $(a + 2)x^2 + 2(a + 1)x + a = 0$  will have both roots integers.
- (b) Find the integral values of 'm' for which the roots of the equation  $mx^2 + (2m - 1)x + m - 2 = 0$  are rational.
- (c) Find the values of a so that  $x^2 - x - a = 0$  has integral roots, where  $a \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $6 \leq a \leq 100$ .
- (d) If a, b - 1 and c are odd prime numbers and  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has rational roots then, prove that one root of the equation will be independent of a, b and c.
- (e) Show that the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 7x - 14(q^2 + 1) = 0$ , where q is an integer, has no integral roots.
- (f) Let  $x^2 - px + q = 0$  and  $x^2 - qx + p = 0$  both have unequal integral roots, where  $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that the possible number of solutions of the ordered point (p, q) is 2. Find them.
- 14.** Find the integral values of x and y satisfying the system of inequalities  $y - |x^2 - 2x| + (1/2) > 0$  &  $y + |x - 1| < 2$ .
- 15.** (a) Find the value of a for which inequality  $ax^2 + 4x + 10 \leq 0$  has atleast one real solution and every solution of the inequality  $x^2 - x - 2 < 0$  is larger than any solution of the inequality  $ax^2 + 4x + 10 \leq 0$ .
- (b) Find all values of the parameter 'k' for which the solution set of the inequation  $x^2 + 3k^2 - 1 \geq 2k(2x - 1)$  is a subset of the solution set of the inequation  $x^2 - (2x - 1)k + k^2 \geq 0$ .
- (c) Find all values of k for which there is at least one common solution of the inequalities  $x^2 + 4kx + 3k^2 > 1 + 2k$  and  $x^2 + 2kx \leq 3k^2 - 8k + 4$ .
- (d) Find all values of 'k' for which any real x is a solution of at least one of the inequalities  $x^2 + 5k^2 + 8k > 2(3kx + 2)$  and  $x^2 + 4k^2 \geq k(4x + 1)$ .
- 16.** (a) Find all the value's of the parameters c for which the inequality has at least one solution  $1 + \log_2 \left( 2x^2 + 2x + \frac{7}{2} \right) \geq \log_2 (cx^2 + c)$ .
- (b) Find the value of 'b' for which the equation  $2 \log_{\frac{1}{25}} (bx + 28) = -\log_5 (12 - 4x - x^2)$  has
- (i) only one solution      (ii) two different solutions      (iii) no solution

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17. Solve the following for real values of  $x$  ( depending upon the real parameter if any )

(a)  $|x| < \frac{a}{x}$

(b)  $x + \sqrt{a + \sqrt{x}} = a$  .

(c)  $x^3 + 1 = 2\sqrt[3]{2x - 1}$  .

(d)  $x^2 - \sqrt{a - x} = a$  .

(e)  $x + \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} > \frac{35}{12}$  .

18. (a) Find the greatest value of function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2bx^2 - x^4 - 3b^2}$  on the interval  $[-2, 1]$  depending on the parameter  $b$ .

(b) Find the greatest value of the function  $f(x) = x^4 - 6bx^2 + b^2$  on the interval  $[-2, 1]$  depending on the parameter  $b$ .

19. (a) Find all the values of  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that the equality  $a^3 + a^2 |a + x| + |a^2x + 1| = 1$  has atleast four integer solutions for  $x$ .

(b) Find all the values of  $a \neq 0$  such that the inequality  $a^2 \left| a + \frac{x}{a^2} \right| + |1 + x| \leq 1 - a^3$  has atleast five integer solutions for  $x$ .

20. (a) For what real values of  $a$  does the range of the function  $y = \frac{x-1}{a-x^2+1}$  not contain any values belonging to the interval  $[-1, -1/3]$  ?

(b) For what real values of  $a$  does the range of the function  $y = \frac{x-1}{1-x^2-a}$  not contain any value from the interval  $[-1, 1]$  ?

(c) Let  $S$  be the range of the function  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2+a} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  . Find  $a$  so that

(i)  $[0, 1] \subset S$

(ii)  $[0, 1] \cap S = \emptyset$

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**(OBJECTIVE)**

**(A) Fill in the blanks :**

1. If  $2 + i\sqrt{3}$  is a root of the equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are real, then  $(p, q) = (---)$ .  
[IIT - 82]
2. If the product of the roots of the equation  $x^3 - 3kx + 2e^{2\ln k} - 1 = 0$  is 7, then the roots are real for  $k = \dots\dots\dots$   
[IIT - 84]
3. If the quadratic equations  $x^2 + ax + b = 0$  and  $x^2 + bx + a = 0$  ( $a \neq b$ ) have a common root, then the numerical value of  $a + b$  is.....  
[IIT - 86]
4. The sum of all the real roots of the equation  $|x - 2|^2 + |x - 2| - 2 = 0$  is.....  
[IIT - 97]

**(B) True or False :**

1. The equation  $2x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$  has an irrational root.  
[IIT - 83]
2. If  $a < b < c < d$ , then the roots of the equation  $(x - a)(x - c) + 2(x - b)(x - d) = 0$  are real and distinct.  
[IIT - 84]
3. If  $P(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  and  $Q(x) = -ax^2 + dx + c$ , where  $ac \neq 0$ , then  $P(x)Q(x) = 0$  has at least two real roots.  
[IIT - 85]

**(C) Multiple choice questions with one or more than one correct answer :**

1. the equation  $x^{3/4} (\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x - 5/4 = \sqrt{2}$  has  
[IIT - 91]  
 (A) at least one real solution                      (B) exactly three solutions  
 (C) exactly one irrational solution              (D) complex roots

**(D) Multiple choice questions with one correct answer :**

1. If  $\ell, m, n$  are real,  $\ell \neq m$ , then the roots by the equation  $(\ell - m)x^2 - 5(\ell + m)x - 2(\ell - m) = 0$  are  
 (A) real and equal                                      (B) complex  
 (C) real and unequal                                  (D) none of these  
 [IIT - 79]
2. The equation  $2\cos^2\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)\sin^2 x = x^2 + x^{-2}$ ,  $0 < x \leq \frac{\pi}{9}$  has  
 (A) no real solution                                      (B) one real solution  
 (C) more than one real solution                      (D) none of these  
 [IIT - 80]



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3. The equation  $x - \frac{2}{x-1} = 1 - \frac{2}{x-1}$  has **[IIT - 84]**  
 (A) no root (B) one root  
 (C) two equal roots (D) infinitely many roots
4. If  $a$  and  $b$  are the roots of  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  and  $\alpha^4, \beta^4$  are the roots of  $x^2 - rx + s = 0$ , then the equation  $x^2 - 4qx + 2q^2 - r = 0$  has always **[IIT - 89]**  
 (A) two real roots (B) two positive roots  
 (C) two negative roots (D) one positive and one negative roots
5. Let  $a, b, c$  be real number,  $a \neq 0$ . If  $\alpha$  is a root of  $a^2x^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  $\beta$  is the root of  $a^2x^2 - bx - 2c = 0$  and  $0 < \alpha < \beta$ , then the equation  $a^2x^2 + 2bx + 2c = 0$  has a root  $\gamma$  that always satisfies **[IIT - 89]**  
 (A)  $\gamma = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$  (B)  $\gamma = \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2}$  (C)  $\gamma = \alpha$  (D)  $\alpha < \gamma < \beta$
6. Let  $f(x)$  be a quadratic expression which is positive for all real values of  $x$ . If  $g(x) = f(x) + f'(x) + f''(x)$ , then for any real  $x$ , **[IIT - 90]**  
 (A)  $g(x) < 0$  (B)  $g(x) > 0$  (C)  $g(x) = 0$  (D)  $g(x) \geq 0$
7. The equation  $(\cos p - 1)x^2 + (\cos p)x + \sin p = 0$  in the variable  $x$ , has real roots. Then  $p$  can take any value in the interval **[IIT - 91]**  
 (A)  $(0, 2\pi)$  (B)  $(-\pi, 0)$  (C)  $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  (D)  $(0, \pi)$
8. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation  $(x - a)(x - b) = c, c \neq 0$ , then the roots of the equation  $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) + c = 0$  are **[IIT - 92]**  
 (A)  $a, c$  (B)  $b, c$  (C)  $a, b$  (D)  $a + c, b + c$
9. The equation  $\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x-1} = \sqrt{4x-1}$  has **[IIT - 97]**  
 (A) no solution (B) one solution  
 (C) two solutions (D) more than two solutions
10. In a triangle PQR,  $\angle R = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . If  $\tan\left(\frac{P}{2}\right)$  &  $\tan\left(\frac{Q}{2}\right)$  are the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  ( $a \neq 0$ ) then : **[IIT - 99]**  
 (A)  $a + b = c$  (B)  $b + c = a$  (C)  $a + c = b$  (D)  $b = c$

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- 11.** If the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + a - 3 = 0$  are real & less than 3 then [IIT - 99]  
 (A)  $a < 2$  (B)  $2 \leq a \leq 3$  (C)  $3 < a \leq 4$  (D)  $a > 4$
- 12.** For the equation,  $3x^2 + px + 3 = 0$ ,  $p > 0$  if one of the roots is square of the other, then p is equal to [IIT - 2000]  
 (A)  $1/3$  (B) 1 (C) 3 (D)  $2/3$
- 13.** If  $\alpha, \beta (\alpha < \beta)$ , are the roots of the equation,  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ , where  $c < 0 < b$ , then [IIT - 2000]  
 (A)  $0 < \alpha < \beta$  (B)  $\alpha < 0 < \beta < |\alpha|$  (C)  $\alpha < \beta < 0$  (D)  $\alpha < 0 < |\alpha| < \beta$
- 14.** If  $b > a$ , then the equation,  $(x - a)(x - b) - 1 = 0$  has :  
 (A) both roots in  $[a, b]$  (B) both roots in  $(-\infty, a)$   
 (C) both root in  $[b, \infty)$  (D) one root in  $(-\infty, a)$  & other in  $(b, +\infty)$
- 15.** The number of integer values of m, for which the x coordinate of the point of intersection of the lines  $3x + 4y = 9$  and  $y = mx + 1$  is also an integer, is [IIT - 2001]  
 (A) 2 (B) 0 (C) 4 (D) 1
- 16.** The set of all real numbers x for which  $x^2 - |x + 2| + x > 0$ , is [IIT - 2002]  
 (A)  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$  (B)  $(-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$   
 (C)  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$  (D)  $(\sqrt{2}, \infty)$
- 17.** Let  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ ,  $a \neq 0$  and  $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ . If  $\alpha + \beta$ ,  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$  and  $\alpha^3 + \beta^3$  are in GP., then [IIT - 2005]  
 (A)  $\Delta \neq 0$  (B)  $b\Delta = 0$  (C)  $c\Delta = 0$  (D)  $bc \neq 0$
- 18.** a, b, c are the sides of a triangle ABC such that  $x^2 - 2(a + b + c)x + 3\lambda(ab + bc + ca) = 0$  has real roots [IIT - 2006]  
 (A)  $\lambda < \frac{4}{3}$  (B)  $\lambda > \frac{5}{3}$  (C)  $\lambda \in \left(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{5}{3}\right)$  (D)  $\lambda \in \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{5}{3}\right)$
- 19.** Let  $\alpha, \beta$  the roots of the equation  $x^2 - px + r = 0$  and  $\frac{\alpha}{2}, 2\beta$  be the roots of the equation  $x^2 - qx + r = 0$ . Then the value of r is [IIT - 2007]  
 (A)  $\frac{2}{9}(p - q)(2q - p)$  (B)  $\frac{2}{9}(q - p)(2p - q)$   
 (C)  $\frac{2}{9}(q - 2p)(2q - p)$  (D)  $\frac{2}{9}(2p - q)(2q - p)$

## Quadratic Equation

### IIT JEE PROBLEMS

(SUBJECTIVE)

1. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  and  $r, \delta$  are the roots of the  $x^2 + rx + s = 0$ , evaluate  $(\alpha - \gamma)(\alpha - \delta)(\beta - \gamma)(\beta - \delta)$  in terms of  $p, q, r$  and  $s$ . Deduce the condition that the equations have a common root. [IIT - 79]
2. Show that the equation  $e^{\sin x} - e^{-\sin x} - 4 = 0$  has no real solution. [IIT - 82]
3. If one root of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  is equal to the  $n^{\text{th}}$  power of the other, then show that  $(ac^n)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} + (a^n c)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} + b = 0$ . [IIT - 83]
4. For  $a \leq 0$ , determine all real roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2a|x - a| - 3a^2 = 0$ . [IIT - 86]
5. Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2$  be the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $px^2 + qx + r = 0$  respectively. If the system of equation  $\alpha_1 y + \alpha_2 z = 0$  and  $\beta_1 y + \beta_2 z = 0$  has a nontrivial solution, then prove that  $\frac{b^2}{q^2} = \frac{ac}{pr}$ . [IIT - 87]
6. Solve  $|x^2 + 4x + 3| + 2x + 5 = 0$ . [IIT - 88]
7. Let  $p \geq 3$  be an integer and  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of  $x^2 - (p + 1)x + 1 = 0$ . Using mathematical induction show that  $\alpha^n + \beta^n$  (i) is a integer (ii) is not divisible by  $p$  [IIT - 92]
8. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 - px + q = 0$ , then find the quadratic equation the roots of which are  $(\alpha^2 - \beta^2)(\alpha^3 - \beta^3)$  &  $\alpha^3\beta^2 + \alpha^2\beta^3$ . [REE - 94]
9. Let  $a, b, c$  be real, If  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has two real roots  $\alpha$  &  $\beta$ , where  $\alpha < -1$  &  $\beta > 1$  then show that  $1 + c/a + |b/a| < 0$ . [IIT - 95]
10. Prove that the values of the function  $\frac{\sin x \cos 3x}{\sin 3x \cos x}$  do not lie between  $\frac{1}{3}$  &  $3$  for any real  $x$ . [IIT - 96]
11. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^2 - bx + c = 0$ , then find the equation whose roots are,  $(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)(\alpha^3 + \beta^3)$  and  $\alpha^5\beta^3 + \alpha^3\beta^5 - 2\alpha^4\beta^4$ . [REE - 98]

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- 12.** If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation,  $(x - a)(x - b) + c = 0$ , find the roots of the equation,  $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) = c$ . **[REE - 2000]**
- 13.** If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , ( $a \neq 0$ ) and  $\alpha + \delta, \beta + \delta$ , are the roots of,  $Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$ , ( $A \neq 0$ ) for some constant  $\delta$ , then prove that,  $\frac{b^2 - 4ac}{a^2} = \frac{B^2 - 4AC}{A^2}$ . **[IIT - 2000]**
- 14.** Let  $a, b, c$  be real numbers with  $a \neq 0$  and let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ . Express the roots of  $a^3x^2 + abcx + c^3 = 0$  in terms of  $\alpha, \beta$ . **[IIT - 2001]**
- 15.** If  $x^2 + (a - b)x + (1 - a - b) = 0$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  then find the values of 'a' which equation has unequal real roots for all values of 'b'. **[IIT - 2003]**

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### SET – I

1. The set of values of  $p$  for which the roots of the equation  $3x^2 + 2x + p(p-1) = 0$  are of opposite signs, is  
 (A)  $(-\infty, 0)$                       (B)  $(0, 1)$                       (C)  $(1, \infty)$                       (D)  $(0, \infty)$
2. If  $x^2 - 4x + \log_{1/2} a = 0$  does not have two distinct real roots, then maximum value of  $a$  is  
 (A)  $1/4$                       (B)  $1/16$                       (C)  $-1/4$                       (D) none of these
3. If  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  ( $a_1 > 0$ ) are in G.P. with common ratio  $r$ , then the value of  $r$ , for which the inequality  $9a_1 + 5a_3 > 14a_2$  holds, can not lie in the interval  
 (A)  $[1, \infty)$                       (B)  $[1, 9/5]$                       (C)  $[4/5, 1]$                       (D)  $[5/9, 1]$
4. If  $x^2 - 2x + \sin^2 \alpha = 0$ , then  
 (A)  $x \in [-1, 1]$                       (B)  $x \in [0, 2]$                       (C)  $x \in [-2, 2]$                       (D) None of these
5. Consider the equation  $x^2 + x - n = 0$ , where  $a$  is an integer lying between 1 to 100. Total number of different values of ' $n$ ' so that the equation has integral roots, is  
 (A) 6                      (B) 4                      (C) 9                      (D) None of these
6. Let  $p(x) = 0$  be a polynomial equation of least possible degree, with rational coefficients, having  $\sqrt[3]{7} + \sqrt[3]{49}$  as one of its roots. Then the product of all the roots of  $p(x) = 0$  is  
 (A) 7                      (B) 49                      (C) 56                      (D) 63
7. The least value of the expression  $x^2 + 4y^2 + 3z^2 - 2x - 12y - 6z + 14$  is  
 (A) 0                      (B) 1                      (C) no least value                      (D) none of these
8. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the equation  $2x^2 - 3x - 6 = 0$ , then the equation whose roots are  $\alpha^2 + 2, \beta^2 + 2$  is  
 (A)  $4x^2 + 49x + 118 = 0$                       (B)  $4x^2 - 49x + 118 = 0$   
 (C)  $4x^2 - 49x - 118 = 0$                       (D)  $x^2 - 49x + 118 = 0$
9. If the roots of the equation  $x^2 - px + q = 0$  differ by unity, then  
 (A)  $p^2 = 1 - 4q$                       (B)  $p^2 = 1 + 4q$                       (C)  $q^2 = 1 - 4p$                       (D)  $q^2 = 1 + 4p$
10. If  $a, b, c$  are in G. P, then the equations  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$  and  $dx^2 + 2ex + f = 0$  have a common root if  $\frac{d}{a}, \frac{e}{b}, \frac{f}{c}$  are in  
 (A) A.P.                      (B) G. P.                      (C) H.P.                      (D) none of these

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11. If the expression  $\left(mx - 1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)$  is non-negative for all positive real  $x$ , then the minimum value of  $m$  must be  
 (A)  $-1/2$  (B)  $0$  (C)  $1/4$  (D)  $1/2$
12. Number of positive integers  $n$  for which  $n^2 + 96$  is a perfect square is  
 (A)  $4$  (B)  $8$  (C)  $12$  (D) infinite
13. If both the roots of the equation  $x^2 - (p - 4)x + 2e^{2\ln p} - 4 = 0$  are negative then  $p$  belongs to  
 (A)  $(-\sqrt{2}, 4)$  (B)  $(\sqrt{2}, 4)$  (C)  $(-4, \sqrt{2})$  (D) none of these
14. The value of ' $p$ ' for which the sum of the square of the roots of  $2x^2 - 2(p - 2)x - p - 1 = 0$  is least, is  
 (A)  $1$  (B)  $3/2$  (C)  $2$  (D)  $-1$
15. The equations  $ax^2 + bx + a = 0$  and  $x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$  have two roots in common. Then  $a + b$  must be equal to  
 (A)  $1$  (B)  $-1$  (C)  $0$  (D) none of these
16. The value of the biquadratic expression,  $x^4 - 8x^3 + 18x^2 - 8x + 2$  when  $x = 2 + \sqrt{3}$  is  
 (A)  $1$  (B)  $2$  (C)  $0$  (D) none of these
17. If  $b > a$ , the equation  $(x - a)(x - b) + 1 = 0$ , has  
 (A) must be in  $(a, b)$  (B) must be in  $[a, b]$   
 (C) one root in  $(-\infty, a)$  and other in  $(b, \infty)$  (D) none of these
18. If  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a \neq 0$  and the quadratic equation  $ax^2 - bx + 1 = 0$  has imaginary roots then  $a + b + 1$  is  
 (A) positive (B) negative  
 (C) zero (D) depends on the sign  $b$
19. The equations  $x^3 + 5x^2 + px + q = 0$  and  $x^3 + 7x^2 + px + r = 0$  have two roots in common. If the third root of each equation is represented by  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  respectively, then the ordered pair  $(x_1, x_2)$  is  
 (A)  $(-5, -7)$  (B)  $(1, -1)$  (C)  $(-1, 1)$  (D)  $(5, 7)$
20. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the equation  $2x^2 + 4x - 5 = 0$ , the equation whose roots are the reciprocals of  $2\alpha - 3$  and  $2\beta - 3$  is  
 (A)  $x^2 + 10x - 11 = 0$  (B)  $x^2 + 10x + 11 = 0$   
 (C)  $11x^2 + 10x + 1 = 0$  (D)  $11x^2 - 10x + 1 = 0$
21. If  $x$  satisfies  $|x - 1| + |x + 2| + |x - 3| \geq 6$  then  
 (A)  $0 \leq x \leq 4$  (B)  $x \leq -2$  or  $x \geq 4$   
 (C)  $x \leq 0$  or  $x \geq 4$  (D)  $0 < x < 4$

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22. If  $a, b, c$  are real numbers satisfying the condition  $a + b + c = 0$  then the roots of the quadratic equation  $3ax^2 + 5bx + 7c = 0$  are  
 (A) positive (B) negative (C) real and distinct (D) imaginary
23. The simultaneous equations,  $y = x + 2|x|$  and  $y = 4 + x - |x|$  have the solution set given by  
 (A)  $\left(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$  (B)  $\left(4, \frac{4}{3}\right)$  (C)  $\left(-\frac{4}{3}, \frac{4}{3}\right)$  (D) none of these
24. If the roots of the given equation,  $(\cos p - 1)x^2 + (\cos p)x + \sin p = 0$  are real if  
 (A)  $p \in (-\pi, 0)$  (B)  $p \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  (C)  $p \in (0, \pi)$  (D)  $p \in (0, 2\pi)$
25. If  $a$  and  $b$  are the odd integers, then the roots of the equation,  $2ax^2 + (2a + b)x + b = 0$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , will be  
 (A) rational (B) irrational (C) non-real (D) equal
26. The real values of ' $a$ ' for which the quadratic equation,  $2x^2 - (a^3 + 8a - 1)x + a^2 - 4a = 0$  possesses roots of opposite signs is given by  
 (A)  $a > 5$  (B)  $0 < a < 4$  (C)  $a > 0$  (D)  $a > 7$
27. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 - ax + b = 0$  and  $\alpha^n + \beta^n = V_n$ , then  
 (A)  $V_{n+1} = a V_n + b V_{n-1}$  (B)  $V_{n+1} = a V_n + a V_{n-1}$   
 (C)  $V_{n+1} = a V_n - b V_{n-1}$  (D)  $V_{n+1} = a V_{n-1} + b V_n$
28. The number of values of  $k$  for which the equation,  $x^2 - 3x + k = 0$  has two real and distinct roots lying in the interval  $(0, 1)$  are  
 (A) 0 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) infinitely many
29. The sum of the roots of a equation is 2 and sum of their cubes is 98, then the equation is  
 (A)  $x^2 + 2x + 15 = 0$  (B)  $x^2 + 15x + 2 = 0$   
 (C)  $15x^2 - 2x + 15 = 0$  (D)  $x^2 - 2x - 15 = 0$
30. If the roots of the equation,  $Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$  are  $\alpha, \beta$  and the roots of the equation,  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  are  $\alpha^2, \beta^2$ , then value of ' $p$ ' will be  
 (A)  $\frac{B^2 - 2AC}{A^2}$  (B)  $\frac{2AC - B^2}{A^2}$  (C)  $\frac{B^2 - 4AC}{A^2}$  (D) none of these

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**SET – II**

1. Sum of the real roots of the equation  $x^2 + 5|x| + 6 = 0$   
 (A) equals to 5                      (B) equals to 10                      (C) equals to -5                      (D) does not exist
2. If  $c > 0$  and  $4a + c < 2b$ , then  $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$  has a root in the interval  
 (A) (0, 2)                      (B) (2, 4)                      (C) (0, 1)                      (D) -2, 0)
3. If the equation  $(a - 5)x^2 + 2(a - 10)x + a + 10 = 0$  has real roots of the same sign, then  
 (A)  $a > 10$                       (B)  $-5 < a < 5$   
 (C)  $a < -10$  and  $5 < a \leq 6$                       (D) none of these
4. If the equation  $\frac{x^2}{3} - 4x + 13 = \sin \frac{a}{x}$  has a solution, then  $a$  is equal to ( $n \in \mathbb{I}$ )  
 (A)  $(2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$                       (B)  $3(4n+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$                       (C)  $3(1+4n)\pi$                       (D) none of these
5. The largest negative integer which satisfies  $\frac{x^2 - 1}{(x - 2)(x - 3)} > 0$ , is  
 (A) -4                      (B) -3                      (C) -1                      (D) -2
6. Equation  $x^2 + x + a = 0$  will have exactly one root in the interval  $(0, 1]$  if  
 (A)  $-2 \leq a < 0$                       (B)  $-2 < a < -1$                       (C)  $-1 \leq a < 0$                       (D)  $0 \leq a < 1$
7. The constant term of the quadratic expression  $\sum_{k=1}^n \left(x - \frac{1}{k+1}\right) \left(x - \frac{1}{k}\right)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  is  
 (A) -1                      (B) 0                      (C) 1                      (D) none of these
8. The set of values of 'a' for which  $x^2 - ax + \sin^{-1}(\sin 4) > 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$  is  
 (A)  $\mathbb{R}$                       (B)  $(-2, 2)$                       (C)  $\phi$                       (D) none of these
9. If the product of the roots of the equation  $2x^2 + ax + 4 \sin a = 0$  is 1, then roots will be imaginary, if  
 (A)  $a \in \mathbb{R}$                       (B)  $a \in \left\{-\frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{6}\right\}$                       (C)  $a \in \left\{-\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}\right\}$                       (D) none of these
10. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation,  $x^3 + P_0x^2 + P_1x + P_2 = 0$ , then  $(1 - \alpha^2)(1 - \beta^2)(1 - \gamma^2)$  is equal to  
 (A)  $(1 + P_1)^2 - (P_0 + P_2)^2$                       (B)  $(1 + P_1)^2 + (P_0 + P_2)^2$   
 (C)  $(1 - P_1)^2 - (P_0 - P_2)^2$                       (D) none of these



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11. If  $x = 2 + 2^{2/3} + 2^{1/3}$ , then the value of  $x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x$  is  
 (A) 3 (B) 2 (C) 1 (D) none of these
12. The solution set of the inequation,  $\log_{1/2}(2^{x+2} - 4^x) \geq -2$  is  
 (A)  $(-\infty, 2 - \sqrt{13})$  (B)  $(-\infty, 2 + \sqrt{13})$  (C)  $(-\infty, 2)$  (D) none of these
13. If  $\alpha, \beta$  are the roots of the quadratic equation  $6x^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$ , then  

$$\frac{1}{2}(a + b\alpha + c\alpha^2 + d\alpha^3) + \frac{1}{2}(a + b\beta + c\beta^2 + d\beta^3) =$$
  
 (A)  $\frac{12d + 6c + 4b + a}{12}$  (B)  $12a + 6b + 4c + 9d$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{12}(12a + 6b + 4c + 3d)$  (D) none of these
14. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation  $(x - a)(x - b) = c, c \neq 0$ . Then the roots of the equation  $(x - \alpha)(x - \beta) + c = 0$  are  
 (A)  $a, c$  (B)  $b, c$  (C)  $a, b$  (D)  $a + c, b + c$
15. If both the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + a - 3 = 0$  are less than 3, then  
 (A)  $a < 2$  (B)  $2 \leq a \leq 3$  (C)  $3 < a \leq 4$  (D)  $a > 4$
16. The equation  $\frac{a(x - b)(x - c)}{(a - b)(a - c)} + \frac{b(x - c)(x - a)}{(b - c)(b - a)} + \frac{c(x - a)(x - b)}{(c - a)(c - b)} = x$  is satisfied by  
 (A) no value of  $x$  (B) exactly two values of  $x$   
 (C) exactly three values of  $x$  (D) all values of  $x$
17. 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
18. If both roots of the quadratic equation  $(2 - x)(x + 1) = p$  are distinct and positive then  $p$  must lie in the interval  
 (A)  $p > 2$  (B)  $2 < p < \frac{9}{4}$  (C)  $p < -2$  (D)  $-\infty < p < \infty$
19. If  $x$  is real, the function,  $\frac{(x - a)(x - b)}{(x - c)}$  will assume all real values, provided  
 (A)  $a > b > c$  (B)  $a < b < c$  (C)  $a > c > b$  (D) none of these

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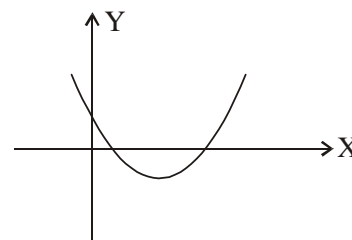
- 20.** The value of  $p$  for which both the roots of the quadratic equation,  $4x^2 - 20px + (25p^2 + 15p - 66)$  are less than 2 lies in  
 (A)  $(4/5, 2)$  (B)  $(2, \infty)$  (C)  $(-1, 4/5)$  (D)  $(-\infty, -1)$
- 21.** The number of real roots of  $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 + x + \frac{1}{x} = 0$  is  
 (A) 0 (B) 2 (C) 4 (D) 6
- 22.** If  $x = 2 + 2^{2/3} + 2^{1/3}$ , then  $x^3 - 6x^2 + 6x =$   
 (A) 3 (B) 2 (C) 1 (D) none of these
- 23.** The set of real value(s) of  $p$  for which the equation,  $|2x + 3| + |2x - 3| = px + 6$  has more than two solutions is  
 (A)  $[0, 4)$  (B)  $(-4, 4)$  (C)  $\mathbb{R} - \{4, -4, 0\}$  (D)  $\{0\}$
- 24.** Number of quadratic equations with real roots which remain unchanged even after squaring their roots, is  
 (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 4
- 25.** The quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has imaginary roots if  
 (A)  $a < -1, 0 < c < 1, b > 0$  (B)  $a < -1, -1 < c < 0, 0 < b < 1$   
 (C)  $a < -1, c < 0, b > 1$  (D) none of these
- 26.** If both the roots of the equation,  $(3a + 1)x^2 - (2a + 3b)x + 3 = 0$  are infinite then  
 (A)  $a = \infty; b = 0$  (B)  $a = 0; b = \infty$   
 (C)  $a = -1/3; b = 2/9$  (D)  $a = \infty; b = \infty$
- 27.** If  $p$  and  $q$  are the roots of the equation,  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  then  
 (A)  $p = 1$  (B)  $p = 1$  or  $0$  (C)  $p = -2$  (D)  $p = -2$  or  $0$
- 28.** If  $S$  is the set of all real  $x$  such that  $(2x - 1) / (2x^3 + 3x^2 + x)$  is positive, then  $S$  contains  
 (A)  $(-\infty, -3/2)$  (B)  $(-3/2, -1/4)$   
 (C)  $(-1/4, 1/2)$  (D) none of these
- 29.** The inequalities  $y(-1) \geq -4$ ,  $y(1) \leq 0$  and  $y(3) \geq 5$  are known to hold for  $y = ax^2 + bx + c$  then the least value of 'a' is  
 (A)  $-1/4$  (B)  $-1/3$  (C)  $1/4$  (D)  $1/8$
- 30.** The roots of the equation,  $(x - a)(x - b) = a^2 - 2b^2$  are real and distinct for  $a \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$  provided  
 (A)  $-1 \leq \frac{b}{a} < \frac{5}{7}$  (B)  $-1 < \frac{b}{a} < \frac{5}{7}$  (C)  $-1 < \frac{b}{a} \leq \frac{5}{7}$  (D)  $-2 < \frac{b}{a} < \frac{7}{5}$

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### SET III

**Multiple choice questions with one or more than one correct answers :**

1. If both the roots of equation  $ax^2 - 4x + 6 = 0$  lies between  $-2$  and  $0$ , then  $a$  can be  
 (A)  $a > 0$  &  $a \leq \frac{2}{3}$       (B)  $a = 1/2$       (C)  $a \geq \frac{2}{3}$       (D)  $a = \frac{1}{4}$
2. A quadratic equation with real roots is formed such that, its roots remain unchanged even after squaring them. The root can be  
 (A)  $0, 0$       (B)  $1, 0$       (C)  $1, 1$       (D)  $-1, -1$
3. A two digit number is 4 times the sum and three times the product of its digits. The number is  
 (A) 42      (B) 24      (C) 12      (D) 21
4. For  $a > 0, \neq 1$ , the roots of the equation  $\log_{ax}(A) + \log_x a^2 + \log_{a^2x} a^3 = 0$  are given by  
 (A)  $a^{-3/4}$       (B)  $a^{-4/3}$       (C)  $a^{-1/2}$       (D) none of these
5. The equation  $x^{\frac{3}{4}(\log_2 x)^2 + (\log_2 x) - \frac{5}{4}} = \sqrt{2}$  has  
 (A) at least one real solution      (B) exactly 3 real solutions  
 (C) exactly one irrational solutions      (D) complex roots
6. Values of  $m$  for which the expression  $2x^2 + mxy + 3y^2 - 5y - 2$  can be factorized into two linear factors  
 (A) 7      (B)  $-7$       (C)  $\frac{1}{7}$       (D)  $-\frac{1}{7}$
7. If roots of equation  $x^2 - (2n + 18)x - n - 11 = 0$  ( $n \in \mathbb{I}$ ) are rational, then  $n$  is  
 (A) 8      (B)  $-8$       (C) 10      (D)  $-11$
8. From the following graphs it can be interpreted that  
 (A)  $c > 0$       (B)  $c < 0$   
 (C)  $a > 0,$       (D)  $abc < 0$



9. If the difference of the roots of the equation  $x^2 + kx + 7 = 0$  is 6, then possible values of  $k$  are  
 (A) 4      (B)  $-4$       (C) 8      (D)  $-8$
10. If  $a < b < c < d$ , then for any real non-zero  $\lambda$ , the quadratic equation,  
 $(x - a)(x - c) + \lambda(x - b)(x - d) = 0$  has  
 (A) non-real roots      (B) one real root between  $a$  and  $c$   
 (C) one real root between  $b$  and  $d$       (D) irrational roots

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11. If  $a < 0$ , then roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2a|x - a| - 3a^2 = 0$  is  
 (A)  $a(-1 - \sqrt{6})$  (B)  $a(1 - \sqrt{2})$  (C)  $a(-1 + \sqrt{6})$  (D)  $a(1 + \sqrt{2})$
12. The roots of  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ . Where  $a \neq 0$  and coefficients are real, are nonreal complex and  $a + c < b$ . Then  
 (A)  $4a + c > 2b$  (B)  $4a + c < 2b$  (C)  $a + 4c > 2b$  (D)  $a + 4c < 2b$
13. Which of the following is correct for the quadratic equation  $x^2 + 2(a - 1)x + a + 5 = 0$   
 (A) the equation have positive roots, if  $a \in (-5, -1)$   
 (B) the equation have roots of opposite sign, if  $a \in (-\infty, -5)$   
 (C) the equation have negative roots, if  $a \in [4, \infty)$   
 (D) none of these
14. All solutions of the equations  $x^2 + y^2 - 8x - 8y = 20$  and  $xy + 4x + 4y = 40$  satisfy the following equation(s)  
 (A)  $x + y = 10$  (B)  $|x + y| = 10$  (C)  $|x - y| = 10$  (D) none of these
15. Which of the following statement(s) is/are false  
 (A) The only integral value of  $x$  for which  $x^2 + 19x + 92$ , is a perfect square is  $-8$ .  
 (B) The only integral value of  $x$  for which  $x^2 + 19x + 92$ , is a perfect square is  $-11$ .  
 (C) The number of integral values of  $x$  for which  $x^2 + 19x + 92$  is a perfect square are two.  
 (D) The number of integral values of  $x$  for which  $x^2 + 19x + 92$  is infinite.
16. Which of the following statement(s) is/are True  
 (A) The values of  $m$  for which the expression  $2x^2 + mxy + 3y^2 - 5y - 2$  be expressed as the product of two linear factors are  $\pm 1$ .  
 (B) If the expression  $ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2ayz + 2bzx + 2cxy$  can be resolved into rational factors, then  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 + 3abc = 0$ .  
 (C) If  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \neq -2$ , then the equation  $x^2 + a|x| + 1 = 0$  has either four real roots or no real root.  
 (D) The equation  $x^4 - 4x - 1 = 0$  has exactly two real roots

### WI Read the passage and answer the questions from 17 to 21.

For a polynomial equation  $a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + a_2x^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = 0$  ( $a_0 \neq 0$ )

$$\text{Sum of roots} = -\frac{\text{Coeff. of } x^{n-1}}{\text{Coeff. of } x^n};$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = (-1)^n \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coeff. of } x^n}$$

17. If  $a, b$  are the roots of the equation  $\ell x^2 + mx + n = 0$  then equation whose roots are  $\frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ , is  
 (A)  $n\ell x^2 - (m^2 - 2n\ell)x + n\ell = 0$  (B)  $m\ell x^2 - (\ell^2 - 2m\ell)x + n\ell = 0$   
 (C)  $n\ell x^2 + (m^2 + 2n\ell)x + n\ell = 0$  (D) none of these

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18. The equation whose roots are  $2, -3, \frac{7}{5}$ , is  
 (A)  $5x^3 + 2x^2 + 37x + 42 = 0$  (B)  $5x^3 - 2x^2 - 37x - 42 = 0$   
 (C)  $5x^3 - 2x^2 - 37x + 42 = 0$  (D)  $-5x^3 - 2x^2 + 37x - 42 = 0$
19. The equation whose roots are  $0, \pm a, \frac{c}{b}$ , is  
 (A)  $bx^4 - cx^3 - a^2bx^2 + a^2cx = 0$  (B)  $bx^4 + cx^3 + a^2bx^2 + a^2cx = 0$   
 (C)  $bx^4 - cx^3 + a^2bx^2 + a^2cx = 0$  (D)  $-bx^4 - cx^3 - a^2bx^2 + a^2cx = 0$
20. The equation whose one root is  $2 + \sqrt{3}$ , is  
 (A)  $x^2 + 4x + 1 = 0$  (B)  $x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$  (C)  $x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$  (D) none of these
21. The equation whose roots are the squares of the sum and of the difference of the roots of  $2x^2 + 2(m+n)x + m^2 + n^2 = 0$   
 (A)  $x^2 + 4mnx + (m^2 - n^2)^2 = 0$  (B)  $x^2 - 4mnx - (m^2 - n^2)^2 = 0$   
 (C)  $x^2 - 4mnx + (m^2 - n^2)^2 = 0$  (D)  $x^2 + 4mnx - (m^2 - n^2)^2 = 0$

## W II Read the passage and answer the questions from 22 to 24.

Each question has a conditional statement followed by a result statements.

If condition  $\Rightarrow$  result, then condition is sufficient and

If result  $\Rightarrow$  condition, then condition is necessary

If condition is necessary as well as sufficient for the result,

**mark (A)**

If condition is necessary but not sufficient for the result,

**mark (B)**

If condition is sufficient but not necessary for the result,

**mark (C)**

If neither necessary nor sufficient for the result,

**mark (D)**

**Consider the following example :**

**Condition :**  $a > 0, b > 0$

**Result :**  $a + b > 0$

Here, if  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , then it always implies that  $a + b$  is positive but if  $a + b$  is positive, then  $a$  and  $b$  both need not to be positive. So condition  $\Rightarrow$  result but result does not always implies condition hence condition is sufficient but not necessary for the result to be hold. So answer is 'C'.

22. **Condition :** Let  $f(x) = x^2 + bx + c$ ,  $f(2) > 0$  and  $b^2 - 4c > 0$   
**Result :** Both roots of the quadratic equation  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  are distinct and more than 2
23. **Condition :**  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$  has integral roots  
**Result :** For the quadratic equation  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ ,  $b^2 - 4c$  is a perfect square of an integer and  $b, c \in \text{Integer}$
24. **Condition :** One of the root of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , ( $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ) is  $2 + \sqrt{3}$   
**Result :** Other root of the quadratic equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ , ( $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ ) is  $2 - \sqrt{3}$

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### W III Read the passage and answer the questions from 26 to 30

Let  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \neq 0$ , then  $f(x) \geq 0$ ,  $f(x) < 0$ ,  $f(x) \leq 0$ ,  $f(x) > 0$  are quadratic inequalities. The set of all real values of  $x$  which satisfy an equation is called its solution set.

(a) If  $(n - \alpha)(n - \beta) > 0$ , then  $x$  lies outside the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  i.e.  $x \in (-\infty, \alpha) \cup (\beta, \infty)$ .

(b) If  $(n - \alpha)(n - \beta) \geq 0$ , then  $x$  lies on end outside the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  i.e.  $(-\infty, \alpha] \cup [\beta, \infty)$ .

(c) If  $(n - \alpha)(n - \beta) < 0$ , then  $x$  lies inside the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  i.e.  $(\alpha, \beta)$ .

(d) If  $(n - \alpha)(n - \beta) \leq 0$ , then  $x$  lies inside the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  i.e.  $[\alpha, \beta]$ .

25. The values of 'a' for which the inequality  $a - x < x^2$  is satisfied by all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

- (A)  $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \infty\right)$       (B)  $\left(\frac{1}{4}, \infty\right)$       (C)  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$       (D)  $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{4}\right]$

26. The values of 'x' for which the inequality  $\frac{x+1}{(x-1)^2} < 1$  is

- (A)  $(-\infty, 0) \cup (3, \infty)$       (B)  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (0, \infty)$   
(C)  $(0, 3)$       (D) none of these

27. The values of 'x' for which the inequality  $\frac{x^2 - 7x + 12}{2x^2 + 4x + 5} > 0$  is

- (A)  $(-\infty, -4) \cup (-3, \infty)$       (B)  $(-\infty, 3) \cup (4, \infty)$   
(C)  $(3, 4)$       (D) none of these

28. The values of 'x' for which the inequality  $\frac{x^2 + 6x - 7}{x^2 + 1} \leq 2$  is

- (A)  $(-\infty, \infty)$       (B)  $(-\infty, 0)$       (C)  $(0, \infty)$       (D) none of these

29. The values of 'x' for which the inequality  $\frac{1+x^2}{x^2 - 5x + 6} < 0$  is

- (A)  $(1, 3)$       (B)  $(-\infty, 2) \cup (3, \infty)$       (C)  $(2, 3)$       (D) none of these

30. The solution set of the equation  $\frac{(x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^3 - 1)}{(x^2 - x)} \geq 0$ , is

- (A)  $\mathbb{R}$       (B)  $\mathbb{R} - \{0, 1\}$       (C)  $(0, 1) \cup (1, \infty)$       (D) none of these

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### ANSWER

### LEVEL-I

1. (a)  $x = 2$  or  $5$  (b)  $x = -4$  or  $-(1 + \sqrt{3})$  (c)  $x = \frac{(-7 - \sqrt{17})}{2}$   
 (d)  $x = 1$  (e)  $x = -2$  or  $-4$  or  $-(1 + \sqrt{3})$  (f)  $x = -1$  or  $1$   
 (g)  $x \geq -1$  or  $x = -3$
2. (a)  $x = 1$  or  $-2 \log_3 6$  (b)  $(-6, -5) \cup (-3, -2)$  (c)  $(-1, \infty)$   
 (d)  $(0, 1) \cup (1, 10^{1/10})$  (e)  $-1 < x < \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$  or  $\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} < x < 2$   
 (f)  $2^{-\sqrt{2}} < x < 2^{-1}$ ;  $1 < x < 2^{\sqrt{2}}$  (g)  $0 < x < 3^{1/1 - \log 3}$  (where base of log is 2)  
 (h)  $\frac{1}{2} < x < 1$  (i)  $x < -7$ ,  $-5 < x \leq -2$ ,  $x \geq 4$  (j)  $(-2, 2 - \sqrt{15})$
3. (i)  $x = \pm 1$  (ii)  $x = \pm 4, \pm \sqrt{14}$  4. (b)  $x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$
5. (a)  $3x^2 + 68x - 18 = 0$  6.  $a \in \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$
8.  $A = 2$  or  $-18$ ,  $B = 32$  or  $-288$  10. (b)  $1$  (c)  $4$  (d)  $-2 < a < 1$
12.  $(ac^1 - a^1c)^2 = (ab^1 - a^1b)(bc^1 - b^1c)$
13. (a)  $(-\infty, 1) \cup (25, \infty)$  (b)  $\{1, 25\}$  (c)  $(1, 25)$  (d)  $-\infty, 0$   
 (e)  $f$  (f)  $[25, \infty)$  (g)  $(0, 1]$   
 (h)  $(-\infty, 0] \cup [25, \infty)$  (i)  $(-\infty, -7)$  (j)  $[25, \infty)$  (k)  $(-7, 1]$   
 (l)  $(-7, -2)$  (m)  $f$  (n)  $(-7, -2)$   
 (o)  $(-\infty, -7) \cup [25, \infty)$  (p)  $(-\infty, -7) \cup [25, \infty)$
14. (a)  $\left(6, \frac{27}{4}\right)$  (b)  $a \in (0, 1) \cup (1, 6/5)$
17. (a)  $a \in (0, 1/3)$  (b)  $a = \{1 - \sqrt{2}, 5 + \sqrt{10}\}$
18. (a)  $\left[\frac{4}{5}, 1\right]$  (b)  $x_{1,2} = 2 \pm \log_3(2 - \sqrt{4 + a})$  where  $-3 \leq a < 0$
20. (a) one,  $x = -4/3$  (b)  $a \in (-2/3, 0)$

**LEVEL-II**

1. (a) for  $a \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (5/4, +\infty)$  (b) for  $a = -1$   
(c)  $a \in (-1, 1) \cup \{5/4\}$  (d) for  $a = 1$  (e)  $a \in [1, 5/4)$
2.  $a \in \left(\frac{5}{2}, \infty\right)$  3.  $\left[-\frac{7}{2}, \frac{5}{6}\right]$  4.  $a \in \left(5, \frac{19}{3}\right)$
7.  $k \in [7 + 3\sqrt{5})/2, \infty)$  8.  $(-1/4, 1)$
10.  $\{a, -1\}$  for  $a \in (-\infty, -1), \{a, -2a^2\}$  for  $a \in (-1/2, 0)$
11. (b)  $(x, y) = (0, 0)$ , No.
13. (a)  $a \in \{-4, -3, -1, 0\}$  (b)  $m = k(k+1)k \in I$   
(c)  $a \in \{6, 12, 20, 30, 42, 56, 72, 90\}$  (f)  $(5, 6), (6, 5)$
14.  $(0, 0); (1, 1); (2, 0)$
15. (a)  $a \in \left(0, \frac{2}{5}\right]$  (b)  $k \in [-1, \infty)$   
(c) all  $k \in (-\infty, 1/2) \cup (3/2, \infty)$  (d)  $k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup \{1\}$
16. (a)  $(0, 8]$  (b) (i)  $(-\infty, -14) \cup \{4\} \cup \left[\frac{14}{3}, \infty\right)$  (ii)  $\left(4, \frac{14}{3}\right)$  (iii)  $[-14, 4)$
17. (a)  $(-\sqrt{-a}, 0)$  for  $a < 0$ ,  $(0, \sqrt{a})$  for  $a > 0$ ,  $\phi$  for  $a = 0$   
(b)  $x \in \phi$  if  $a \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (0, 1)$ ;  $x = \{0\}$  if  $a = 0$ ;  $x = \left\{\left(2a - 1 - \sqrt{4a - 3}\right)/2\right\}$  if  $a \in [1, \infty)$   
(c)  $\left\{\left(-1 - \sqrt{5}\right)/2, \left(\sqrt{5} - 1\right)/2, 1\right\}$   
(d)  $x \in \phi$  if  $a \in (-\infty, -1/4)$ ,  $x = \left\{\left(-1 \pm \sqrt{4a + 1}\right)/2\right\}$  if  $a \in [-1/4, 0]$ ,  $x = \left\{\left(-1 - \sqrt{4a + 1}\right)/2\right\}$   
if  $a \in (0, 1)$ ,  $x = \left\{\left(-1 - \sqrt{4a + 1}\right)/2, \left(1 + \sqrt{4a - 3}\right)/2\right\}$  if  $a \in [1, \infty)$   
(e)  $\left(1, \frac{5}{4}\right) \cup \left(\frac{5}{3}, \infty\right)$



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18.(a)  $[-2, 1] \max f(x) = f(-2) = -1/(3b^2 - 8b + 16)$  for  $b \in (-\infty, 2]$ ,  $[-2, 1] \max f(x) = f(0) = -\frac{1}{3b^2}$  for  $b \in [2, \infty)$

(b)  $[-2, 1] \max f(x) = f(-2) = 16 - 24b + b^2$  for  $b \in (-\infty, 2/3]$ ;  $[-2, 1] \max f(x) = f(0) = b^2$  for  $b \in [2/3, \infty)$

19. (a)  $(-\infty, -3] \cup \left[-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}, \frac{1}{2}\right]$  (b)  $a \in (-\infty, -\sqrt[3]{4}] \cup [\sqrt[3]{5}, \infty)$

20. (a)  $a \in \left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$  (b)  $\phi$   
(c) (i)  $a \in (-\infty, -1) \cup (-1, 5/4]$  (ii) for no value of  $a$

## IIT JEE PROBLEMS

## (OBJECTIVE)

(A)

1.  $(-4, 7)$  2. 2 3.  $-1$  4. 4

(B)

1. F 2. T 3. T

(C)

1. ABC

(D)

1. C 2. A 3. A 4. A 5. D 6. B  
7. 8. C 9. A 10. A 11. A 12. C  
13. B 14. D 15. A 16. B 17. C 18. A 19. D

## IIT JEE PROBLEMS

## (SUBJECTIVE)

1.  $(s - q)^2 + q(r - q)^2 - p(s - q) \cdot (r - p)$ ,  $(q - s)^2 = (r - p) \cdot (ps - rq)$  4.  $(a \pm a\sqrt{2}, -a \pm a\sqrt{6})$

6.  $(-4, -1 - \sqrt{3})$  8.  $x^2 - p(p^4 - 5p^2q + 5q^2)x + p^2q^2(p^2 - q^2)(p^2 - q) = 0$

11.  $x^2 - (x_1 + x_2)x + x_1x_2 = 0$  where  $x_1 = (b^2 - 2c)(b^3 - 3cb)$ ;  $x^2 - c^3(b^2 - 4c)$

12. (a, b)

14.  $\gamma = \alpha^2\beta$  and  $\delta = \alpha\beta^2$  or  $\gamma = \alpha\beta^2$  and  $\delta = \alpha^2\beta$  15.  $a > 1$

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**SET- I**

1. B	2. B	3. B	4. B	5. C	6. C
7. B	8. B	9. B	10. A	11. C	12. A
13. D	14. B	15. C	16. A	17. D	18. A
19. A	20. C	21. C	22. C	23. C	24. C
25. A	26. B	27. C	28. A	29. D	30. B

**SET-II**

1. D	2. A	3. C	4. C	5. D	6. A
7. C	8. C	9. B	10. A	11. B	12. C
13. C	14. C	15. A	16. D	17. D	18. B
19. C	20. D	21. A	22. B	23. D	24. C
25. D	26. C	27. B	28. A	29. D	30. B

**SET-III**

1. AB	2. BC	3. B	4. BC	5. ABC	6. AB
7. BD	8. ACD	9. CD	10. BC	11. ABCD	12. B
13. AB	14. AB	15. ABD	16. CD	17. A	18. C
19. A	20. B	21. B	22. B	23. A	24. D
25. C	26. A	27. B	28. A	29. C	30. C