

Ch.3 Quadratic Equations in One Unknown

Multiple Choice Question

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1. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #5]

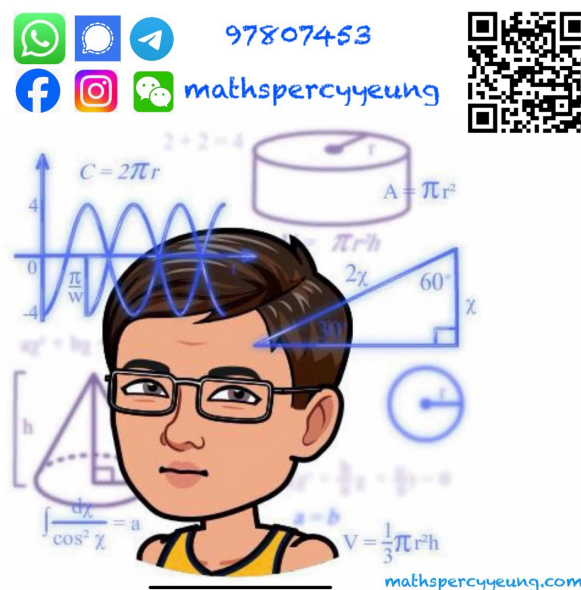
A car travels for x hours at a constant speed of $(4x - 4)$ km/h. If the distance travelled is 80 km, find the value of x .

- A. 5
- B. 4
- C. 2
- D. 1

2. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #7]

Solve $(2x + 5)(x - 2) = (2x + 5)(4 - x)$.

- A. $x = -\frac{5}{2}$
- B. $x = 3$
- C. $x = -\frac{5}{2}$ or $x = 3$
- D. $x = \frac{5}{2}$ or $x = 3$



3. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #8]

If the equation $x^2 - 2x + 8 = -k$ has real roots, where k is an integer, find the maximum possible value of k .

- A. -8
- B. -7
- C. 7
- D. 8

4. [19-20 Mid-year, #8]

If the equation $2x^2 - 3x + k = 0$ has no real roots, find the range of values of k .

- A. $k > -\frac{9}{8}$
- B. $k < -\frac{9}{8}$
- C. $k < \frac{9}{8}$
- D. $k > \frac{9}{8}$

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5. [19-20 Mid-year, #11]

Solve $(x+2)(x-2) = 2-x$.

- A. $x = -3$ B. $x = -2$
C. $x = -3$ or $x = 2$ D. $x = -2$ or $x = 2$

6. [19-20 Mid-year, #12]

If $a^2 - 4b^2 = 0$ and $ab < 0$, then $\frac{a}{b} =$

- A. -2 . B. -0.5 .
C. 0.5 . D. 2 .

7. [19-20 Mid-year, #14]

If α and β are the roots of the equation $x^2 - ax + b = 0$, which of the following equation whose roots are -2α and -2β ?

- A. $x^2 + 2ax - 4b = 0$ B. $x^2 + 2ax + 4b = 0$
C. $4x^2 + 2ax - b = 0$ D. $4x^2 + 2ax + b = 0$

8. [19-20 Mid-year, #17]

A stone is thrown vertically upwards. After t seconds, its height (h m) above the ground is given by $h = 6t - t^2 + 7$. Which of the following statements is/are true?

- I. The initial height of the stone from the ground is 7 m.
II. The maximum height that the stone can reach is 6 m.
III. After 7 seconds, the stone will reach the ground.

- A. I only B. I and II only
C. I and III only D. II and III only

9. [19-20 Mid-year, #19]

Consider the quadratic equation $bx^2 + ax - b = 0$, where a and b are real numbers. The equation must have

- A. two distinct rational roots. B. two distinct real roots.
C. two repeated real roots when $a = 2b$. D. no real roots.

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10. [20-21 Mid-year, #3]

Solve $5(x - 2) = (x - 2)^2$.

- A. $x = 2$
- B. $x = 7$
- C. $x = 2$ or 3
- D. $x = 2$ or 7

11. [20-21 Mid-year, #4]

If the graph of $y = -2x^2 - 3x - k$ has two x-intercepts, find the range of the values of k .

- A. $k > -\frac{9}{8}$
- B. $k < -\frac{9}{8}$
- C. $k > \frac{9}{8}$
- D. $k < \frac{9}{8}$

12. [20-21 Mid-year, #8]

The quadratic equation $x^2 - 3x + 6 - 2k = -kx$ has one double real root. Find the value(s) of k .

- A. $k = \frac{15}{8}$
- B. $k = -15$ or $k = 1$
- C. $k = -5$ or $k = 3$
- D. $k = 3 \pm 2\sqrt{6}$

13. [20-21 Mid-year, #9]

If $\alpha \neq \beta$ and $\begin{cases} \alpha^2 - 3\alpha - 2 = 0 \\ \beta^2 - 3\beta - 2 = 0 \end{cases}$, then $\alpha + \beta =$

- A. -3 .
- B. -2 .
- C. 2 .
- D. 3 .

14. [20-21 Mid-year, #10]

The hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle is $(23 - 2x)$ cm. The other two sides of the triangle are $(x + 12)$ cm and 8 cm respectively. Find the value(s) of x .

A. $x = 1$

B. $x = 3$

C. $x = \frac{107}{3}$

D. $x = 3$ or $\frac{107}{3}$

15. [20-21 Final Exam, #4]

Solve the equation $(x + 2)x = 5(x + 2)$.

A. $x = -2$

B. $x = -2$ or 5

C. $x = 5$

D. $x = 2$ or 5

16. [20-21 Final Exam, #5]

The graph of $y = x^2 - 6x + (k - 2)$ has no x -intercepts. Find the range of values of k .

A. $k > 7$

B. $k < 7$

C. $k > 11$

D. $k < 11$

17. [20-21 Final Exam, #9]

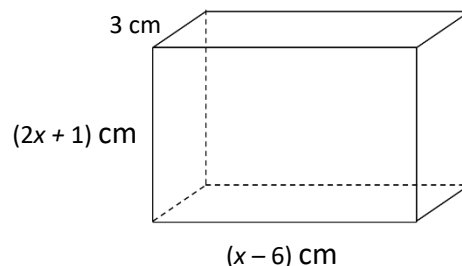
The figure shows a solid metallic cuboid. If the volume of the cuboid is 102 cm^3 , find the value of x .

A. $x = 8.06$

B. $x = 8.06$ or -2.23

C. $x = 8$

D. $x = 8$ or -2.5

**18. [20-21 Final Exam, #19]**

It is given that -4 is a root of the quadratic equation $(x + k)^2 + x - 5 = 0$, where k is a constant. Find k .

A. -1 or 1

B. -1 or 5

C. 1 or 5

D. 1 or 7

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19. [20-21 S.5 Final Exam, #5]

If $a = 2b$ where a and b are non-zero real constants, find the number of real roots of the equation $x^2 - 2bx + a^2 = 0$.

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3

20. [20-21 S.5 Final Exam, #6]

Let a be a constant. Solve the equation $(x - a)^2 = a - x$.

- A. $x = a - 1$
- B. $x = a$
- C. $x = a$ or $x = a - 1$
- D. $x = a$ or $x = a + 1$

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21. [21-22 Mid-year, #6]

Solve $(x+1)(x-8) = x+1$.

- A. $x = 8$
- B. $x = 9$
- C. $x = -1$ or 8
- D. $x = -1$ or 9

22. [21-22 Mid-year, #7]

Solve the equation $2x(x+4) = 3 - x$.

- A. $x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{57}}{4}$
- B. $x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{57}}{2}$
- C. $x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{105}}{4}$
- D. $x = \frac{-9 \pm \sqrt{105}}{2}$

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23. [21-22 Mid-year, #8]

If k is a constant such that the equation $2x^2 + 2x + 8 - k = 0$ has equal roots, find the value of k .

- A. $-\frac{17}{2}$
- B. $-\frac{15}{2}$
- C. $\frac{15}{2}$
- D. $\frac{17}{2}$

24. [21-22 Mid-year, #9]

Which of the following quadratic equations can be formed by the roots $(k+1)$ and $(k-1)$, where $k \neq 0$?

- A. $x^2 + 2kx - (k^2 - 1) = 0$
- B. $x^2 - 2kx + (k^2 - 1) = 0$
- C. $x^2 - 2kx + (k^2 + 1) = 0$
- D. $x^2 + 2kx - (k^2 + 1) = 0$

25. [21-22 Mid-year, #16]

It is given that the area of a right-angled triangle is 60 cm^2 . If the base is 7 cm longer than the height. Find the perimeter of the right-angled triangle.

- A. 30 cm
- B. 35 cm
- C. 40 cm
- D. 45 cm

26. [21-22 Mid-year, #17]

Determine the nature of the roots of the equation $(k+1)x^2 + 3kx - k - 3 = 0$ where k is a positive constant.

- A. No real roots
- B. One double real root
- C. Two unequal real roots
- D. It cannot be determined

27. [21-22 Mid-year, #18]

It is given that α and β are the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 - 8x + 2 - m = 0$. If the square of the product of roots is two times the sum of roots, then $m =$

- A. -2 or 6 .
- B. 0 or 4 .
- C. -6 or 2 .
- D. 6

28. [21-22 Final Exam, #6]

If the sum and the product of two numbers are -7 and 12 respectively, the smaller number is

- A. -4 .
- B. -3 .
- C. 3 .
- D. 4 .

29. [21-22 S.5 Final Exam, #7]

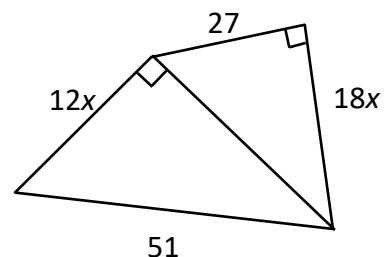
If k is an integer such that the quadratic equation $x^2 + 2x + 2k - 1 = 0$ has two distinct real roots, find the largest value of k .

- A. 1
- B. 0
- C. -1
- D. -2

30. [21-22 S.6 Standardized Test, #8]

In the figure, find the value of x .

- A. 2
- B. 4
- C. 8
- D. 16



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31. [21-22 S.6 Mock, #6]

If k is a constant such that the quadratic equation $4x^2 + 2kx + k + 8 = 0$ has equal roots, then $k =$

- A. -4 .
- B. 8 .
- C. -4 or 8 .
- D. -2 or 1 .

32. [21-22 S.6 Mock, #33]

If $m \neq n$ and $3m^2 + 2m = 3n^2 + 2n = 9$, then $9m^2 + mn - 6n =$

- A. 19 .
- B. 26 .
- C. 28 .
- D. 34 .

33. [21-22 S.6 Final, #5]

If α is a root of the equation $2x^2 - 6x + 15 = 0$, then $10 - 6\alpha^2 + 18\alpha =$

- A. -35 .
- B. 5 .
- C. 15 .
- D. 55 .

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34. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year, #2]

$$(2a+b)^2 - (a-2b)^2 =$$

- A. $(a+b)(3a-b)$.
- B. $(a-b)(3a+b)$.
- C. $(a+3b)(3a-b)$.
- D. $(a-3b)(3a+b)$.

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35. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#8]

Solve the equation $(x-3)(x-4) = x-3$.

- A. $x = 4$
- B. $x = 3$
- C. $x = 3$ or $x = 4$
- D. $x = 3$ or $x = 5$

36. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#13]

The sum of the square of two consecutive positive integers is 1985. Find the sum of these two numbers.

- A. 61
- B. 63
- C. 65
- D. 67

37. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#14]

Let k be a constant. If the quadratic equation $2kx^2 - kx = 2x - 1$ has equal roots, then $k =$

- A. 2.
- B. 1.
- C. -1.
- D. -2.

38. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#17]

If $p \neq q$ and $2p^2 - 3p = 2q^2 - 3q = -4$, then $(p-4)(q-4) =$

- A. 2 .
- B. 12 .
- C. 14 .
- D. 24 .

39. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#18]

If α is a root of the equation $3x^2 + 4x - 5 = 0$, then $15 - 8\alpha - 6\alpha^2 =$

- A. 5 .
- B. 10 .
- C. 15 .
- D. 20 .

40. [S.4 22-23 Standardized Test,#6]

Solve $4x + 11\sqrt{x} - 3 = 0$.

- A. $x = \frac{1}{16}$
- B. $x = \frac{1}{2}$
- C. $x = 9$
- D. $x = 9$ or $x = \frac{1}{16}$

41. [S.4 22-23 Final,#6]

Let a be a constant. Solve the equation $(x - 2a)(x + 3a) = (x + 3a)(4a - x)$.

- A. $x = a$
- B. $x = 3a$
- C. $x = -a$ or $x = 3a$
- D. $x = -3a$ or $x = 3a$

42. [S.4 22-23 Final,#7]

Find the range of values of h such that the quadratic equation $x^2 + 4x = 3 - h$ has two distinct real roots.

- A. $h > -7$
- B. $h \geq -7$
- C. $h < 7$
- D. $h \leq 7$

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43. [S.4 22-23 Final,#10]

If the simultaneous equations $\begin{cases} y = -x^2 + 10x - k \\ y = 2x + k \end{cases}$ have only one solution, then $k =$

- A. -25.
- B. -8.
- C. 8.
- D. 25.

44. [S.4 22-23 Final,#14]

If $\sqrt{16-5x} = 2-x$, then $x =$

- A. -4.
- B. 3.
- C. -3 or 4.
- D. -4 or 3.

45. [S.4 22-23 Final,#24]

If α and β are the roots of the equation $5x^2 - kx - 1 = 0$, where k is a constant, then $5\alpha^2 + k\beta =$

- A. 1.
- B. $\frac{k^2}{5}$.
- C. $\frac{5-k^2}{5}$.
- D. $\frac{k^2+5}{5}$.

46. [S.5 22-23 Mid-year,#8]

Let m be a constant. If the quadratic equation $x^2 - mx + 22 = 2x + m$ has equal roots, then $m =$

- A. -14 or 6.
- B. -12 or 8.
- C. -8 or 12.
- D. -6 or 14.

47. [S.5 22-23 Final,#3]

If $x^2 - 8x + 3 \equiv (-x + a)^2 + b$, then $a + b =$

- A. -23.
- B. -17.
- C. -9.
- D. 3.

48. [S.5 22-23 Final,#5]

Let $f(x) = -x^2 + 5x - 2k$, where k is a constant. If the equation $f(x) = 0$ has no real roots, find the smallest integral value of k .

- A. 2
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 8

49. [S.5 22-23 Final,#6]

If \square is a root of the equation $x^2 - 2x + 5 = 0$, then $-2\alpha^2 + 4\alpha + 5 =$

- A. -2.
- B. 0.
- C. 5.
- D. 15.

50. [S.6 22-23 Timed Practice 4,#8]

If k is a constant such that the quadratic equation $x^2 - 6x = k(x - 8)$ has equal roots, then $k =$

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| A. 2 or 18. | B. -6 or 8. |
| C. -6 or 2. | D. -6 or 0. |

51. [S.6 22-23 Timed Practice 6,#6]

If β is a root of $3x^2 - 8x + 2 = 0$, then $3 + 16\beta - 6\beta^2 =$

- A. -1.
- B. 1.
- C. 5.
- D. 7.

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52. [S.6 22-23 Timed Practice 6,#33]

If k is a constant and $\alpha \neq \beta$ such that $\begin{cases} 16^\alpha - 4^{\alpha+2} = -k \\ 16^\beta - 4^{\beta+2} = -k \end{cases}$, then $\alpha + \beta =$

- A. $2k$.
- B. k .
- C. $\log_4 2k$.
- D. $\log_4 k$.

53. [22-23 S6 Mock,#6]

If α is a root of the equation $(4x - 3)x = 2$, then $6\alpha - 8\alpha^2 + 5 =$

- A. -9 .
- B. -1 .
- C. 1 .
- D. 9 .

54. [22-23 S6 Mock,#33]

If $p \neq q$ and $p^2 + p = q^2 + q = -5$, then $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} =$

- A. -5 .
- B. $-\frac{1}{5}$.
- C. $\frac{1}{5}$.
- D. 5 .

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55. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#9]

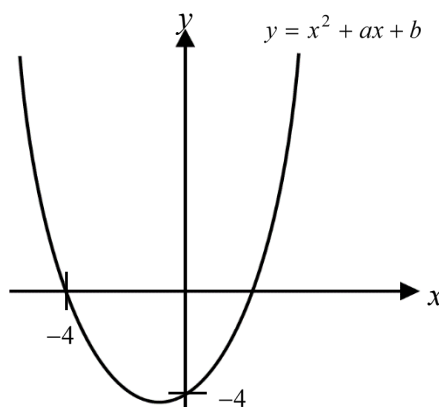
Solve $(t + 3)(2t - 5) = -2(t + 3)$.

- A. $t = -3$
- B. $t = \frac{3}{2}$
- C. $t = -\frac{3}{2}$ or 3
- D. $t = \frac{3}{2}$ or -3

56. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#10]

The figure shows the graph of $y = x^2 + ax + b$, where a and b are constants. Find the value of a .

- A. -4 .
- B. -3 .
- C. 2 .
- D. 3 .

**57. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#11]**

If the quadratic equation $x^2 - 5x - k - 3 = 0$ has real roots, then the range of values of k is

- A. $k > -\frac{37}{4}$.
- B. $k \geq -\frac{37}{4}$.
- C. $k < \frac{13}{4}$.
- D. $k \leq \frac{13}{4}$.

58. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#13]

If the sum of the squares of two consecutive positive numbers is less than the square of the sum of that two numbers by 24, then the smaller number is

- A. 1 .
- B. 2 .
- C. 3 .
- D. 4 .

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59. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#16]

Let $f(x) = ax^2 + 2x - 3a^2$, where $a > 0$. The graph of $y = f(x)$ cuts the x -axis at point A and B . It passes through $(-1, -4)$ and cuts the y -axis at point C . The area of $\triangle ABC$ is

- A. 5 square units.
- B. 6 square units.
- C. 10 square units.
- D. 12 square units.

60. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#17]

If $\alpha \neq \beta$ and $\begin{cases} \alpha^2 - 8 = 3\alpha \\ \beta^2 - 8 = 3\beta \end{cases}$, then $\alpha\beta =$

- A. -8.
- B. -3.
- C. 3.
- D. 5.

61. [S.4 23-24 Final,#19]

If $g \neq h$ and $g^2 + 5g = h^2 + 5h = 8$, then $g^2 + h^2 =$

- A. -9.
- B. 9.
- C. 41.
- D. 64.

62. [S.5 23-24 mid-year,#7]

Let k be a constant. Solve the equation $(x+k)(x-k) = x-k$.

- A. $x = -k$ or $x = 1+k$
- B. $x = -k$ or $x = 1-k$
- C. $x = k$ or $x = 1+k$
- D. $x = k$ or $x = 1-k$

63. [S.5 23-24 mid-year,#26]

If $\alpha \neq \beta$ and $\begin{cases} \alpha^2 + 4\alpha = k \\ \beta^2 + 4\beta = k \end{cases}$, where k is a constant, then $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 =$

- A. $16 - k$.
- B. $16 + k$.
- C. $16 - 2k$.
- D. $16 + 2k$.

64. [S.5 23-24 Final,#5]

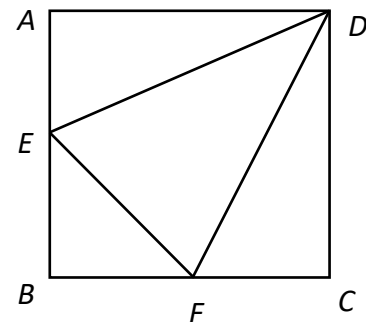
Let k be a constant. Solve the equation $(x + k)(x - 5k) = (x - 5k)(4k - x)$.

- A. $x = -k$
- B. $x = 5k$
- C. $x = -k$ or $x = 4k$
- D. $x = \frac{3k}{2}$ or $x = 5k$

65. [S.5 23-24 Final,#19]

In the figure, the area of the square $ABCD$ is 100 cm^2 . If $BE = BF$ and the area of $\triangle DEF$ is 42 cm^2 , then $BE =$

- A. 5 cm.
- B. 6 cm.
- C. 7 cm.
- D. 8 cm.



66. [S.6 23-24 Timed Practice 4,#29]

If the equation $x^2 - 6x + 9 = kx$ has real roots, then

- A. $k \geq -12$.
- B. $k > 0$.
- C. $-12 \leq k \leq 0$.
- D. $k \leq -12$ or $k \geq 0$.

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67. [S.6 23-24 Timed Practice 4,#32]

If $\alpha \neq \beta$ and $\begin{cases} \alpha^2 - 3\alpha + 5 = 0 \\ \beta^2 - 3\beta + 5 = 0 \end{cases}$, then $\alpha^3 + \beta^3 =$

- A. -18 .
- B. -9 .
- C. 12 .
- D. 72 .

68. [S.6 23-24 Timed Practice 6,#4]

If $(x-5)(x-6) = (c-5)(c-6)$, find x .

- A. 5 or 6
- B. c or 5
- C. c or 6
- D. c or $11-c$

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Conventional Questions

[19-20]

1. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #2]

It is given that $5x^2 + 6x - 4p = 0$ has no real roots. Find the range of values of p . **(3 marks)**

2. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #5]

It is given that $\triangle ABC$ is a right angled triangle where the length of the hypotenuse is $5 - 2x$ and the lengths of the other two sides are $9 + x$ and 12 respectively. Find the value(s) of x . **(2 marks)**

3. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #6]

It is given that α and β are the roots of the equation $2x^2 - 8x + 1 = 0$.

Without solving for the values of α and β ,

(a) write down the value of $\alpha + \beta$ and $\alpha\beta$, **(1 mark)**

(b) form a quadratic equation in x such that its roots are $\frac{2}{\alpha^2}$ and $\frac{2}{\beta^2}$. **(3 marks)**

4. [19-20 Standardized test 1, #7]

In **Figure 1**, $ABCD$ is a rectangle. E is a point on BC such that $\triangle ABE \sim \triangle ECD$. If $AB = k$, $CE = 4$ and $AD = k + 9$, where k is a non-zero constant, find the value(s) of k . Give your answer(s) in surd form if necessary. **(3 marks) (Lv 3)**

It is given that α and β are the roots of the quadratic equation $3x^2 + 9x - 2 = 0$.

5. [19-20 Mid-year, #11]

(a) Without solving the quadratic equation, find the values of

(i) $\left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$, and

(ii) $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$. **(5 marks)**

(b) Form a quadratic equation in x with roots $\left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$ and $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$. **(2 marks)**

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6. [19-20 Mid-year, #14]

(a) Solve $2x^2 + \sqrt{12}x - 3 = 0$ and express the answers in surd form. (2 marks)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve $2\left(\frac{y-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \sqrt{12}\left(\frac{y-\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) - 3 = 0$. (2 marks)

7. [19-20 Mid-year, #15]

Let $f(x) = 3x^2 + (6 - 6k)x + 4k^2 - 6k + 5$, where k is a real constant.

(a) Does the graph of $y = f(x)$ touch the x -axis? Explain your answer. (3 marks)

(b) Using the method of completing the square, express the coordinates of the vertex of the graph of $y = f(x)$ in terms of k . (3 marks)

8. [19-20 Mid-year, #16]

Solve $x^2 + nx + x = 2n^2 + n$, where n is a constant. Express your answers in terms of n . (3 marks)

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9. [20-21 Mid-year, #2]

Solve $2(3x - 1) = 3(x + 1)$. Leave your answer in surd form if necessary. (3 marks)

10. [20-21 Mid-year, #4]

α and β are roots of quadratic equation $2x^2 + 3x + 7 = 0$.

(a) Write down the values of $\alpha + \beta$ and $\alpha\beta$. (1 mark)

(b) Form a quadratic equation in x with roots $\frac{1}{2\alpha}$ and $\frac{1}{2\beta}$. (3 marks)

11. [20-21 Mid-year, #6]

In **Figure 2**, $ABCD$ is a rectangle, with $AB = 6$ cm and $BC = 8$ cm. $\triangle DEF$ is cut away from the rectangle, where $ED = (x + 1)$ cm and $DF = x$ cm. If the area of $ABCFE$ is 43.625 cm², find the value of x . (3 marks)

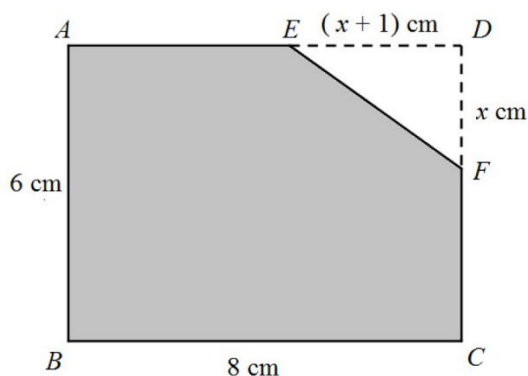


Figure 2

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12. [20-21 Final Exam, #10]

If $\frac{1}{\alpha}$ and $\frac{1}{\beta}$ are the roots of the quadratic equation $3x^2 - 6x - 1 = 0$,

(a) find the values of $\alpha\beta$ and $\alpha + \beta$, and (3 marks)

(b) form a quadratic equation in x whose roots are $4\alpha^2$ and $4\beta^2$. (3 marks)

[21-22]

13. [21-22 Mid-year, #5]

It is given that -5 is a root of the equation $2x^2 + 7x + k = 0$, where k is a constant.

(a) Find the value of k . (2 marks)

(b) Find the other root of the equation. (1 marks)

14. [21-22 Mid year, #8]

It is given that the quadratic equation $(x - 1)(x - 3) + k = 0$, where k is a constant, has two distinct real roots.

(a) Find the range of values of k . (3 marks)

(b) Hence, find the roots of the equation for the largest integral value of k in (a). (2 marks)

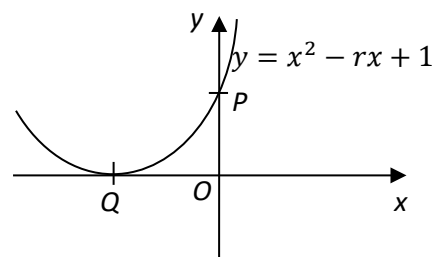
15. [21-22 Mid-year, #13]

Figure 3 shows the graph of $y = x^2 - rx + 1$, where r is a constant.

The graph intersects the y -axis at P and touches the x -axis at Q .

(a) Find the value of r . (2 marks)

(b) Find the area of $\triangle OPQ$. (2 marks)



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16. [21-22 Mid-year, #15]

Figure 4 shows the graph of $y = x^2 + 3kx + 27$. It cuts the x -axis at the points $A (\alpha, 0)$ and $B (\beta, 0)$. It is given that $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{8}{9}$.

- (a) Find the value of k . (3 marks)
- (b) A student claims that the roots of $x^2 + 3kx + 27 = 0$ are irrational. Do you agree? (2 marks)
Explain your answer.
- (c) Without using a calculator, find the value of $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$. (3 marks)

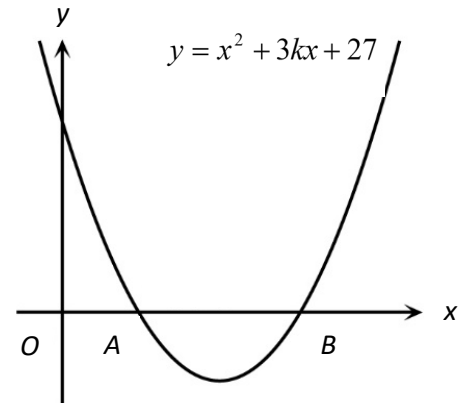


Figure 4

17. [21-22 Final, #9]

It is given that the graph of $y = 6x^2 + 5x + k$, where k is a real constant, cuts the x -axis at two distinct points P and Q .

- (a) Find the range of values of k . (3 marks)
- (b) **Figure 1** shows the graph of $y = 6x^2 + 5x + k$. The graph cuts the y -axis at R . Take the largest possible non-positive integral value of k , find the area of $\triangle PQR$. (2 marks)

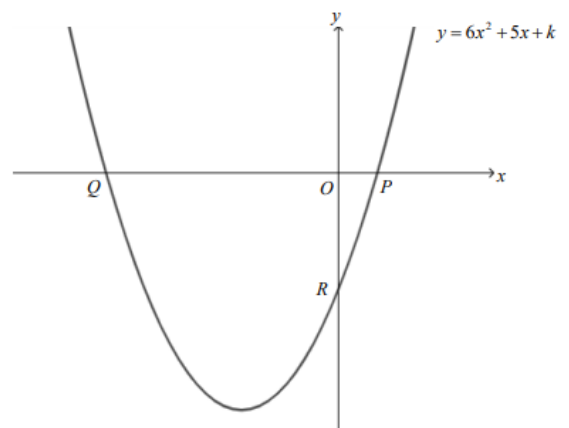


Figure 1

18. [21-22 S.5 Final Exam, #10]

It is given that $x^2 + 8x + 4k = 0$ has two equal roots.

- (a) Find the value of k . (3 marks)
- (b) By using the value of k in (a), find the value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ if α and β are roots of $2x^2 + kx + 9 = 0$. (3 marks)

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19. [21-22 Final, #11]

A wire of length 52 cm is bent into a rhombus $ABCD$. The diagonal AC and BD intersect at E . It is given that $AC = \frac{2}{x}$ cm and $BD = [\frac{8}{x} - 16]$ cm, where $x > 0$. Find the area of the rhombus.
(5 marks)

[22-23]

20. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#5]

In a right-angled triangle, the longest side is $(2s + 5)$ cm. The lengths of the other sides are $(9 - s)$ cm and 12 cm. Find s .
(3 marks)

21. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#6]

It is given that $f(x) = a(2x + 1)(2x - 1) + b$. If $f(0) = 2$ and $f(1) = 6$, find a and b .
(4 marks)

22. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#9]

Let k be a constant. It is given that the graph of $y = 2x^2 - 3x + k$ is always above the x -axis.

- (a) Find the range of values of k . (3 marks)
(b) Taking the minimum integral value of k found in (a), the graph of $y = 2x^2 - 3x + k - 4$ cuts the x -axis at A and B while it cuts the y -axis at C . Find the area of $\triangle ABC$. (3 marks)

23. [S.4 22-23 Mid-Year,#11]

It is given that $\alpha + 1$ and $\beta + 1$ are the roots of the equation $x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$.

- (a) Find $\alpha + \beta$ and $\alpha\beta$. (2 marks)
(b) Let $f(x) = x^2 + px + q$ such that α^2 and β^2 are roots of $f(x) = 0$.
(i) Find the values of p and q .
(ii) Let r be a constant. If $f(x) = r$ has real roots, find the least value of r . (5 marks)

24. [S.4 22-23 Final,#4]

The quadratic equation $kx^2 - (k - 6)x - 8 = 0$ has two equal real roots.

- (a) Find the values of k .
(b) By using the smaller value of k in (a), write down the root of the equation. (4 marks)

25. [S.4 22-23 Final,#5]

If $f(x) = ax^2 + b$ and $6f(1) = f(2) = 18$,

- (a) find the values of a and b .
(b) Write down the product of roots of the equation $f(x) = 10x + 1$.

(4 marks)

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26. [S.4 22-23 Final,#10]

It is given that the difference between the two roots of the equation $4x^2 - 8x + k = 0$ is 5. Find

(a) the roots of the equation, and (2 marks)

(b) the value of k . (2 marks)

27. [S.5 22-23 Mid-year,#20]

Let $f(x) = (x + 9)^2 + h$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 8kx - 6x + 16k^2 + 26k + 8$, where h and k are constants.

On the same rectangular coordinate system, denote the vertex of the graph of $y = f(x)$ and the vertex of the graph of $y = g(x)$ by P and Q respectively.

(a) Using the method of completing the square, express, in terms of k , the coordinates of Q . (2 marks)

(b) If $PQ = 12$ units and P is vertically above Q , find the y -intercept of the graph of $y = f(x)$. (3 marks)

28. [S.5 22-23 Final,#10]

Let $p(x) = -x^2 + 4x + 6k$, where k is a constant. The equation $p(x) = 0$ has equal roots.

(a) Find k . (2 marks)

(b) Write down the y -intercept of the graph of $y = p(x)$. (1 mark)

(c) Find the x -intercept(s) of the graph of $y = p(x) + 16$. (3 marks)

[23-24]

29. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#9]

In **Figure 1**, $ABCD$ is a trapezium with $AD \parallel BC$, $\angle ADC = \angle BCD = 90^\circ$, $AB = (10 - x)$ cm, $BC = (6 - 2x)$ cm, $CD = (3 - 3x)$ cm and $AD = (10 + x)$ cm. If the area of trapezium $ABCD$ is 114 cm^2 , find the perimeter of the trapezium. (4 marks)

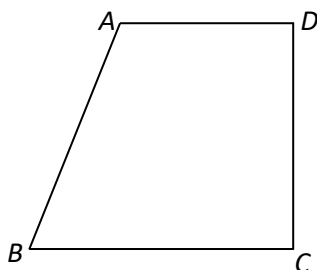


Figure 1

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30. [S.4 23-24 Mid-Year,#13]

Let h be a real constant. Suppose α and β are the roots of the quadratic equation $3x^2 + hx + 12 = 0$ such that $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{5}{12}$.

(a) Find the value of h .

(2 marks)

(b) Alvin claims that the quadratic equation $(\alpha^2 + \beta^2)x^2 + x - 3 = 0$ has no real roots. Do you agree? Explain your answer.

(3 marks)

31. [S.4 23-24 Final,#7]

Let k be a constant. It is given that the quadratic equation $x^2 + 3kx + 3k - 1 = 0$ has equal roots.

(a) Find the value of k .

(b) Solve $x^2 + 3kx + 3k - 1 = 0$.

(4 marks)

32. [S.5 23-24 Mid-year,#7]

Let $p(x) = 2x^2 - ax + 6 - a$, where $a > 0$. The equation $p(x) = 0$ has equal roots.

(a) Find the value of a ,

(b) Solve the equation $p(x) = ax - a$.

(5 marks)

33. [S.5 23-24 Mid-year,#18]

It is given that α and β are the roots of the equation $(2x - m)(x - 2) - 1 = 0$, where m is a constant.

(a) Express $\alpha + \beta$ in terms of m .

(2 marks)

(b) The 1st, 2nd and 3rd term of a geometric sequence are $3^{2\alpha}$, 9 and $3^{2\beta}$ respectively. Find the value of m .

(3 marks)

34. [S.6 23-24 Timed Practice 3,#9]

It is given that the length and the width of a rectangle are $(3k - 4)$ cm and $(2k - 3)$ cm respectively,

where k is an integer. If the area of the rectangle is less than 15 cm^2 . Find the maximum value of k .

(3 marks)

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