

Conformal-11

1. If the root of the equations  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  and  $x^2 + 2x + \beta = 0$  is common. Then the value of  $\frac{q - \beta}{\alpha - p}$  will (where  $p \neq \alpha$  and  $q \neq \beta$ ) be

(1)  $\frac{q - \beta}{\alpha - p}$

(2)  $\frac{p\beta - \alpha q}{q - \beta}$

(3)  $\frac{q - \beta}{\alpha - p}$  or  $\frac{p\beta - \alpha q}{q - \beta}$  (4) None of these

Sol<sup>n</sup> :  $\therefore x^2 + px + q = 0$  and  $x^2 + 2x + \beta = 0$  has a common roots. Let  $k$  be a common roots of both of equation

$\therefore$  They must satisfy the equations

$$k^2 + pk + q = 0$$

$$k^2 + 2k + \beta = 0$$

By Cross multiplication,

$$\frac{k^2}{p\beta - q\alpha} = \frac{k}{q - \beta} = \frac{1}{\alpha - p}$$

(i) (ii) (iii)

from (i) and (ii)  $k = \frac{p\beta - q\alpha}{q - \beta}$

from (ii) and (iii)  $k = \frac{q-p}{r-p}$

Hence, roots are either  $\frac{pB - qd}{q-p}$  or  $\frac{q-p}{r-p}$

2. If the two equations  $x^2 - cx + d = 0$  and  $x^2 - ax + b = 0$  have a common root and the second has equal roots, then

$2(b+d) =$

(1) 0                      (2)  $a+c$

(3)  $ac$                     (4)  $-ac$

Soln. Since  $x^2 - ax + b = 0$  has equal roots

$\therefore$  If  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has equal roots, then

$D=0$  and roots are  $-\frac{b}{2a}$

$\therefore$  roots of equation  $x^2 - ax + b = 0$  is  $\frac{a}{2}$  and  $a^2 = 4b$  — (1)

Since  $\frac{a}{2}$  is common root of both the equation. Hence, it satisfy equation

$x^2 - cx + d = 0$

$\therefore \frac{a^2}{4} - \frac{ac}{2} + d = 0 \Rightarrow a^2 - 2ac + 4d = 0$  — (ii)

from (i)  $4b - 2ac + 4d = 0$   
 $2(b+d) = ac$  Ans.

3. If  $x^2 - hx - 21 = 0$ ,  $x^2 - 3hx + 35 = 0$  ( $h > 0$ ) has a common root, then the value of  $h$  is equal to

- (1) 1      (2) 2      (3) 3      (4) 4

Soln Since both the equations has a common roots, on solving,

$$x^2 - hx - 21 = x^2 - 3hx + 35$$

$$2hx = 56 \Rightarrow x = \frac{28}{h} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$\therefore$  from  $x^2 - hx - 21 = 0$

$$\frac{(28)^2}{h^2} - 28 - 21 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{28 \times 28}{h^2} = 49 \Rightarrow h^2 = \frac{4 \times 4 \times 28 \times 28}{49}$$

$\therefore h = 4$  Ans.

4. If every pair of equations  $x^2 + px + q = 0$ ,  $x^2 + qx + r = 0$ ,  $x^2 + rx + p = 0$  have a common root, then the sum of three common root is

(1)  $-\frac{(p+q+r)}{2}$       (2)  $-\frac{p+q+r}{2}$

(3)  $-(p+q+r)$       (4)  $-p+q+r$

Soln: Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of equation

$$x^2 + px + q = 0$$

$$\alpha + \beta = -p \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$\beta, \gamma$  be the roots of equation  $x^2 + qx + rp = 0$

$$\therefore \beta + \gamma = -q \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

and  $\alpha, \gamma$  be the roots of equation  $x^2 + rx + pq = 0$

$$\therefore \gamma + \alpha = -r \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Adding (i), (ii) and (iii), we get

$$\alpha + \beta + \beta + \gamma + \alpha + \gamma = -p - q - r$$

$$2(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) = -(p + q + r)$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\left(\frac{p + q + r}{2}\right)$$

ie Sum of three common roots =  $-\frac{(p + q + r)}{2}$

5. If  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $bx^2 + cx + a = 0$  have a common root  $\alpha \neq 0$  then

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{abc} =$$

(1) 1

(2) 2

(3) 3

(4) None of these

Soln: Let  $\alpha$  be the common root of both the equation, Hence it must satisfy

$$a\alpha^2 + b\alpha + c = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$b\alpha^2 + c\alpha + a = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{ab-c^2} = \frac{\alpha}{bc-a^2} = \frac{1}{ac-b^2}$$

(i)                      (ii)                      (iii)

$\therefore$  from (ii) and (iii)  $\alpha = \frac{bc-a^2}{ac-b^2}$

from (i) and (iii)  $\alpha^2 = \frac{ab-c^2}{ac-b^2}$

$$\therefore \left( \frac{bc-a^2}{ac-b^2} \right)^2 = \frac{ab-c^2}{ac-b^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (bc-a^2)^2 = (ab-c^2)(ac-b^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{b^2c^2} + a^4 - 2a^2bc = a^2bc - ab^3 - ac^3 + \cancel{b^2c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 + ab^3 + ac^3 = 3a^2bc$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^3 + b^3 + c^3) \alpha = (3abc) \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{abc} = 3 \quad \text{Ans.}$$

6. If the equation  $x^2 + px + q = 0$  and  $x^2 + qx + p = 0$  have a common root, then  $p + q + 1 =$

- (1) 0      (2) 1      (3) 2      (4) -1

Soln. on solving both the equation

$$\cancel{x^2} + px + q = \cancel{x^2} + qx + p$$

$$(p - q)x - (p - q) = 0$$

$$(p - q)(x - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1$$

( $\because p \neq q$ )

$\therefore x = 1$  is a common root, hence it satisfies both the equation

$$\therefore x = 1 \text{ in } x^2 + px + q = 0$$

$$1 + p + q = 0 \quad \underline{\underline{Ans}}$$

7. If  $x^2 + ax + 10 = 0$  and  $x^2 + bx - 10 = 0$  have a common root, then  $a^2 - b^2$  is equal to

- (1) 10      (2) 20      (3) 30      (4) 40

Soln. Solving as above

$$\cancel{x^2} + ax + 10 = \cancel{x^2} + bx - 10$$

$$(b-a)x = 20 \therefore x = \frac{20}{b-a} \text{---(1)}$$

$\therefore$  it must satisfy the eq<sup>n</sup>  $x^2 + ax + 10 = 0$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{20}{b-a}\right)^2 + a\left(\frac{20}{b-a}\right) + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 400 + 20a(b-a) + 10(b-a)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 40 + 2a(b-a) + (b-a)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 40 + \cancel{2ab} - 2a^2 + b^2 - \cancel{2ab} + a^2 = 0$$
$$a^2 - b^2 = 40 \text{ Ans.}$$

8.  $x^2 - 11x + a$  and  $x^2 - 14x + 2a$  will have a common factor, if  $a =$

- (1) 24    (2) 0, 24    (3) 3, 24    (4) 0, 3

Soln: If both the eq<sup>n</sup> has a common factor then both the equation must have a common root.

$\therefore$  Solving both the equation

$$x^2 - 11x + a = x^2 - 14x + 2a$$

$$3x = a \Rightarrow x = \frac{a}{3}$$

which must satisfy the equation

$$x^2 - 11x + 9 = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2}{9} - \frac{11a}{3} + a = 0 \Rightarrow a^2 - 33a + 9a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 24a = 0 \Rightarrow a(a - 24) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0, 24 \text{ Ans.}$$

9. If  $x^2 - 3x + 2$  be a factor of  $x^4 - px^2 + q$ ,  
then  $(p, q) =$

(1) (3, 4)      (2) (4, 5)      (3) (4, 3)      (4) (5, 4)

Soln. If  $x^2 - 3x + 2$  be a factor of

$x^4 - px^2 + q$  then the roots of

eq<sup>n</sup>  $x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$  i.e.  $(x-2)(x-1) = 0$

i.e.  $x = 1, 2$  must satisfy the

equation  $x^4 - px^2 + q = 0$

$$\therefore (1)^4 - p(1)^2 + q = 0 \Rightarrow p = q + 1 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

and  $(2)^4 - p(2)^2 + q = 0$

$$16 - 4p + q = 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$16 - 4(q+1) + q = 0$$

$$12 - 3q = 0 \Rightarrow q = 4$$

$p = 5$  } Ans



10. If  $x$  is real, then the maximum and minimum values of expression

$$\frac{x^2 + 14x + 9}{x^2 + 2x + 3} \text{ will be}$$

(1) 4, -5      (2) 5, -4

(3) -4, 5      (4) -4, -5

Soln. let  $y = \frac{x^2 + 14x + 9}{x^2 + 2x + 3}$ .

$$\Rightarrow (y-1)x^2 + 2(y-7)x + 3(y-3) = 0$$

for real  $x$ ,  $D \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow [2(y-7)]^2 - 4 \times (y-1) \times 3(y-3) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(y-7)^2 - 4 \times 3(y^2 - 4y + 3) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y^2 - 14y + 49) - 3y^2 + 12y - 9 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2y^2 - 2y + 40 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + y - 20 \leq 0 \Rightarrow (y+5)(y-4) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -5 \leq y \leq 4$$

i.e maximum value = 4

minimum value = -5

11. If  $x$  is real, the expression  $\frac{x+2}{2x^2+3x+6}$

takes all value in the interval

(1)  $(\frac{1}{13}, \frac{1}{3})$

(2)  $[-\frac{1}{13}, \frac{1}{3}]$

(3)  $(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$

(4) None of these

Soln. Let  $y = \frac{x+2}{2x^2+3x+6}$

$$\Rightarrow 2y x^2 + 3y x + 6y = x + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2y x^2 + (3y-1)x + 2(3y-1) = 0$$

for real  $x$ ,  $D \geq 0$

$$(3y-1)^2 - 4 \times 2y \times 2(3y-1) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 9y^2 - 6y + 1 - 48y^2 + 16y \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 39y^2 - 10y - 1 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 39y^2 - 13y + 3y - 1 \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 13y(3y-1) + 1(3y-1) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3y-1)(13y+1) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - \frac{1}{3})(y + \frac{1}{13}) \leq 0$$

$$\therefore -\frac{1}{13} \leq y \leq \frac{1}{3} \quad \therefore \text{Ans } [-\frac{1}{13}, \frac{1}{3}]$$

12. If  $x^2 + px + 1$  is a factor of the expression  $ax^3 + bx + c$ , then

(1)  $a^2 + c^2 = -ab$       (2)  $a^2 - c^2 = -ab$

(3)  $a^2 - c^2 = ab$       (4) None of these

Soln  $\because x^2 + px + 1$  is a factor of the expression  $ax^3 + bx + c$ , then for some value of  $k$  (constant)

$$\begin{aligned} ax^3 + bx + c &= (x^2 + px + 1)(ax + k) \\ &= ax^3 + (ap + k)x^2 + (kp + a)x + k \end{aligned}$$

On Comparing,

$$ap + k = 0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$a + pk = b \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$c = k \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

from (i) and (iii)

$$ap + c = 0 \Rightarrow p = -\frac{c}{a}$$

from (ii)  $a - \frac{c^2}{a} = b$

$$a^2 - c^2 = ab \quad \text{Ans (3)}$$

13. If  $x$  is real, then the maximum and minimum values of the expression  $\frac{x^2 - 3x + 4}{x^2 + 3x + 4}$  will be

(1) 2, 1

(2) 5,  $\frac{1}{5}$

(3) 7,  $\frac{1}{7}$

(4) None of these

Soln. Let  $y = \frac{x^2 - 3x + 4}{x^2 + 3x + 4}$

$$\Rightarrow (y-1)x^2 + 3(y+1)x + 4(y-1) = 0$$

$\therefore$  for real  $x$ ,  $D \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow 9(y+1)^2 - [4(y-1)]^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [3(y+1) + 4(y-1)][3(y+1) - 4(y-1)] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [7y-1][-y+7] \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - \frac{1}{7})(y-7) \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{7} \leq y \leq 7 \quad \text{Ans } 7, \frac{1}{7}$$

14. If  $x$  is real, then the value of  $x^2 - 6x + 13$  will not be less than

- (1) 4      (2) 6      (3) 7      (4) 8

Soln.  $x^2 - 6x + 13 = x^2 - 6x + 9 + 4$   
 $= (x-3)^2 + 4$

Clearly, the minimum value of expression is 4.

15. If the roots of  $x^2 + x + a = 0$  exceeds  $a$ , then

(1)  $2 < a < 3$

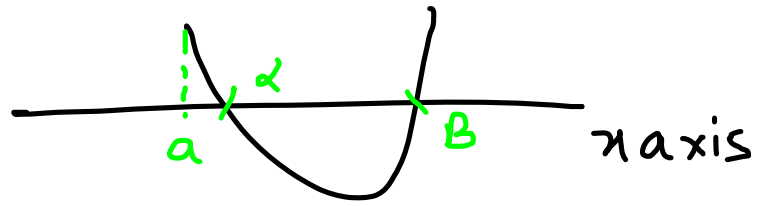
(2)  $a > 3$

(3)  $-3 < a < 3$

(4)  $a < -2$

Soln. ∴ Coefficient of  $x^2$  in  $x^2 + x + a$  is positive. Hence graph of it must be vertically upward

∴ both roots are exceeds  $a$ ,



∴  $f(a) > 0$ , where  $f(x) = x^2 + x + a$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + a + a > 0 \Rightarrow a^2 + 2a > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a+2) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a < -2 \text{ or } a > 0 \text{ --- (i)}$$

$$\text{and } D \geq 0 \Rightarrow (1)^2 - 4a \geq 0 \Rightarrow a \leq \frac{1}{4} \text{ --- (ii)}$$

from (i) and (ii),  $a < -2$

16. If the roots of the equation  $x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + a - 3 = 0$  are real and less than 3,

then

$$(1) a < 2$$

$$(2) 2 \leq a \leq 3$$

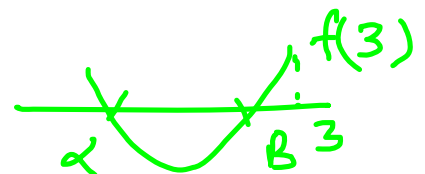
$$(3) 3 < a \leq 4$$

$$(4) a > 4$$

Soln.

from Graphs  $f(3) > 0$

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + a - 3$$



$$f(3) > 0 \Rightarrow 9 - 6a + a^2 + a - 3 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 5a + 6 > 0 \Rightarrow (a-2)(a-3) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a < 2 \text{ or } a > 3 \text{ --- (i)}$$

$$\text{and } D \geq 0 \Rightarrow (2a)^2 - 4 \times (a^2 + a - 3) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a^2 - 4a^2 - 4a + 12 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \leq 3 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

from (i) and (ii), we get  $a < 2$

17. If  $x$  be real, the least value of  $x^2 - 6x + 10$  is

- (1) 1      (2) 2      (3) 3      (4) 10

Soln.  $x^2 - 6x + 10 = x^2 - 6x + 9 + 1$   
 $= (x-3)^2 + 1$

$\therefore$  least value = 1

18. Let  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of  $x^2 + (3-\lambda)x - \lambda = 0$ . The value of  $\lambda$  for which  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$  is minimum, is

- (1) 0      (2) 1      (3) 2      (4) 3

Soln.  $\because \alpha, \beta$  are the roots of equation

$$\therefore \text{Sum of roots } \alpha + \beta = \lambda - 3$$

$$\alpha\beta = -\lambda$$

Now,  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta$   
 $= (\lambda - 3)^2 - 2(-\lambda)$   
 $= \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 9 + 2\lambda$   
 $= \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 4 + 5$   
 $= (\lambda - 2)^2 + 5$

$\therefore \lambda^2 + \beta^2$  is minimum when  $(\lambda - 2)^2 = 0$   
i.e.  $\lambda = 2$

19. Let  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 1$ , then

(1)  $f(x) > 0$ , for all  $x$

(2)  $f(x) > 1$ , when  $x > 0$

(3)  $f(x) \geq 1$ , when  $x \leq -4$

(4)  $f(x) = f(-x)$  for all  $x$ .

Soln.  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 1$

When  $f(x) \geq 1 \Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 1 \geq 1$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow x(x+4) \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow x \leq -4, x \geq 0$

$\therefore f(x) \geq 1$  when  $x \leq -4$  is true.

20. The figure shows the graph of

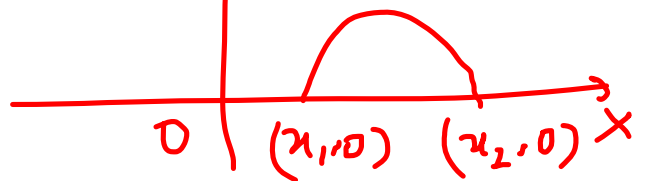
$y = ax^2 + bx + c$ , then  $y \uparrow$

(1)  $a < 0$

(2)  $b^2 < 4ac$

(3)  $c > 0$

(4) None of these



Soln. Since, graph is vertically downward  
 $\therefore$  Clearly,  $a < 0$

21. If  $\alpha, \beta$  be the roots of the equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  and  $k$  be a real number then the condition so that  $\alpha < k < \beta$  is given by

- (1)  $ac > 0$                       (2)  $ak^2 + bk + c = 0$   
 (3)  $ac < 0$                       (4)  $a^2k^2 + abk + ac < 0$

Sol<sup>n</sup>. Since  $k$  lies between roots of the equation. Therefore,  $a f(k) < 0$  — (i)  
 $D \geq 0$  — (ii)

Here  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

when  $a f(k) < 0 \Rightarrow a (ak^2 + bk + c) < 0$   
 $\Rightarrow a^2k^2 + abk + ac < 0$

22. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  ( $\alpha < \beta$ ) are the roots of the equation  $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ , where  $c < 0 < b$ , then

- (1)  $0 < \alpha < \beta$                       (2)  $\alpha < 0 < \beta < |\alpha|$   
 (3)  $\alpha < \beta < 0$                       (4)  $\alpha < 0 < |\alpha| < \beta$

Sol<sup>n</sup>.  $\because c < 0 < b$ , it means  $c$  and  $b$  are of opposite sign.

Sum of roots =  $-\frac{b}{a} < 0$

$\alpha + \beta = -b < 0$  ( $\because a = 1$ )  
 $b > 0$



$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta < 0$$

Product of roots  $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$   
 $\alpha\beta = c < 0$

$\therefore \alpha$  and  $\beta$  are of opposite sign.

But  $\alpha < \beta \therefore \alpha$  is negative  
and  $\beta$  is positive

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta < 0 \Rightarrow |\alpha| > \beta$$

$\therefore \alpha < 0 < \beta < |\alpha|$  is correct.

23. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$  are the roots of the equations  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$ ,  $2bx^2 + cx + a = 0$  and  $cx^2 + ax + 2b = 0$  respectively, where  $a, b$  and  $c$  are positive real numbers, then  $\alpha + \alpha^2 =$

(1)  $-1$     (2)  $0$     (3)  $abc$     (4)  $a + 2b + c$

Soln.  $\because \alpha$  is a root of  $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$  and

$$a\alpha^2 + 2b\alpha + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b\alpha + c = -a\alpha^2 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

and  $2b\alpha^2 + c\alpha + a = 0$

$$(2b\alpha + c)\alpha + a = 0$$

$$(-a\alpha^2)\alpha + a = 0$$

$$a - a\alpha^3 = 0$$

from (1)

$$\Rightarrow a(1 - \alpha^3) = 0 \Rightarrow a \neq 0,$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \alpha^3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (1 - \alpha)(1 + \alpha + \alpha^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 1$$

$$\text{and } 1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \omega, \omega^2$$

But  $\alpha \neq 1$  when  $\alpha = 1$

Then from (i)  $2b + c + a = 0$  which is not possible as  $a, b, c > 1$

$$\therefore \alpha = \omega, \omega^2$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \alpha^2 = \omega + \omega^2 = -1 \text{ Ans.}$$

24. The complete solution of the inequation

$$x^2 - 4x < 12 \text{ is}$$

$$(1) x < -2 \text{ or } x > 6 \quad (2) -6 < x < 2$$

$$(3) 2 < x < 6 \quad (4) -2 < x < 6$$

Soln.  $x^2 - 4x < 12$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - 12 < 0 \Rightarrow (x - 6)(x + 2) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -2 < x < 6 \text{ Ans.}$$

25 The set of all real value of  $x$  for which

$$x^2 - |x + 2| + x > 0 \text{ is}$$

$$(1) (-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$$

$$(2) (-\infty, -\sqrt{2}) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$$

$$(3) (-\infty, -1) \cup (1, \infty)$$

$$(4) (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$$

Soln Case I when  $x \geq -2 \Rightarrow |x+2| = x+2$

$$\therefore x^2 - |x+2| + x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (x+2) + x > 0 \Rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 + x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 > 2 \Rightarrow x < -\sqrt{2} \text{ or } x > \sqrt{2}$$

But  $x \geq -2 \therefore x \in (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$  — (i)

Case II when  $x < -2 \Rightarrow |x+2| = -(x+2)$

$$\therefore x^2 - |x+2| + x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x + 2 + x > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1 + 1 > 0 \Rightarrow (x+1)^2 + 1 > 0$$

which is true for all real no.

But  $x < -2 \therefore x < -2$  — (ii)

from (i) and (ii)  $x \in (-\infty, -2) \cup (\sqrt{2}, \infty)$

Ans (1)

26.  $x^2 + 2ax + 10 - 3a > 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$(1) -5 < a < 2$$

$$(2) a < -5$$

$$(3) a > 5$$

$$(4) 2 < a < 5$$

Soln. \*  $ax^2 + bx + c > 0$  if  $a > 0$  provided  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$$\therefore (2a)^2 - 4(10 - 3a) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a^2 - 4(10 - 3a) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 10 + 3a < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + 3a - 10 < 0 \Rightarrow (a + 5)(a - 2) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -5 < a < 2$$

27. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation  $x^3 + x + 1 = 0$ , then the value of  $\alpha^3 \beta^3 \gamma^3$

- (1) 0      (2) -3      (3) 3      (4) -1

Soln.  $\therefore \alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are roots of eq<sup>n</sup>.

$\therefore$  product of roots  $\alpha\beta\gamma = -1$

$$\therefore \alpha^3 \beta^3 \gamma^3 = -1 \quad \text{Ans}$$

\* If  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d = 0$  has root  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ , then:

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a}, \quad \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a}$$

28. The roots of the equation  $x^4 - 2x^3 + x = 380$  are

- (1)  $5, -4, \frac{1 \pm 5\sqrt{-3}}{2}$       (2)  $-5, 4, -\frac{1 \pm 5\sqrt{-3}}{2}$

$$(3) \quad 5, 4, \frac{-1 \pm 5\sqrt{-3}}{2}$$

$$(4) \quad -5, -4, \frac{1 \pm 5\sqrt{-3}}{2}$$

Soln: When  $x = 5$ ,  $x^4 - 2x^3 + x = 380$

$\therefore (x-5)$  is a factor of  $x^4 - 2x^3 + x - 380 = 0$

$$\therefore x^4 - 2x^3 + x - 380 = (x-5)(x^3 + 3x^2 + 15x + 76)$$

Now  $x^3 + 3x^2 + 15x + 76$  cannot be zero for any positive value of  $x$ .  $\therefore$  take  $x = -4$

$$-64 + 48 - 60 + 76 = 0$$

i.e.  $(x+4)$  is also factor

Two of the roots are 5 and -4

$\therefore$  Ans (1)

more explanation: - (To get other two roots)

$$x^4 - 2x^3 + x - 380 = (x-5)(x+4)(x^2 - x + 19)$$

$\therefore$  when  $x^2 - x + 19 = 0$

$$x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1-76}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm 5\sqrt{-3}}{2}$$

Hence roots are 5, -4,  $\frac{1 \pm 5\sqrt{-3}}{2}$

29. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of the equation

$$2x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x + 1 = 0 \text{ then}$$

$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2$  is equal to

$$(1) -\frac{15}{4}$$

$$(2) \frac{15}{4}$$

$$(3) \frac{9}{4}$$

$$(4) 4$$

Soln.  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \frac{3}{2}$  ,  $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma = 3$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 &= (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 - 2(\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma) \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 - 2 \times 3 = \frac{9}{4} - 6 = -\frac{15}{4} \end{aligned}$$

30. The solution set of the equation

$$pqx^2 - (p+q)^2x + (p+q)^2 = 0 \text{ is}$$

$$(1) \left\{ \frac{p}{q}, \frac{q}{p} \right\} \quad (2) \left\{ pq, \frac{p}{q} \right\}$$

$$(3) \left\{ \frac{q}{p}, pq \right\} \quad (4) \left\{ \frac{p+q}{p}, \frac{p+q}{q} \right\}$$

Soln. Ans (4)

Let solution set is  $\left\{ \frac{p+q}{p}, \frac{p+q}{q} \right\}$

$$\text{Then Sum of roots} = \frac{p+q}{p} + \frac{p+q}{q} = \frac{(p+q)^2}{pq}$$

$$\text{Product of roots} = \frac{p+q}{p} \times \frac{p+q}{q} = \frac{(p+q)^2}{pq}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Eq}^n \quad x^2 - (\text{Sum of roots})x + \text{Product of roots} &= 0 \\ x^2 - \frac{(p+q)^2}{pq}x + \frac{(p+q)^2}{pq} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$