

# Algebra

## Class 2

### Roots of Quadratic equations and Discriminants

Comment on the nature of the roots of the following equations:

- 1 (i)  $x^2-x-6=0$       (ii)  $x^2+10x+25=0$       (iii)  $x^2-4x+5=0$
- 2 If  $(b+1)x^2+bx+b+1=0$  has 2 equal real roots, find the values of  $b$ .
- 3 Show that  $x^2-3kx+(k^2-6)=0$  has real roots.
- 4 Prove that the equation  $(a-2)x^2+2x-a=0$  has real and distinct roots.
- 5 Prove that the roots of  $kx^2+(2k-1)x-2=0$  are real.
- 6 Find the values of  $a$  for which  $x^2+ax+16=0$  has real roots.
- 7  $(2p+1)x^2+(p+2)x+1=0$  has real roots. Find the range of values of  $p$ .
- 8 Show that  $4ax^2-4ax+a+c^2=0$  has no real roots,  $a \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- 9 Find the range of values of  $c$  if  $cx^2+4x-2=0$  has no real roots.

# Algebra Homework 5<sup>th</sup> Year

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- 1 If  $x^2+0x-t$  is a factor of  $x^3-px^2-qx+r$ , show that  $pq=r$ .
- 2  $f(x)=x^3-(h+2)x+2k$ ,  $p(x)=2x^3+hx^2-4x-k$ . Given that  $(x+3)$  is a common factor of  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ , Find the value of  $h$  and the value of  $k$ .
- 3 Show that the roots of the equation  $x^2-3x+2-c^2=0$  are real.
- 4 Show that the roots of  $px^2+(p+q)x+q=0$  are real.
- 5  $x^2+ax+b$  is a factor of  $x^3+qx^2+rx+s$ , prove that  $r-b=a(q-a)$  and  $s=b(q-a)$ .

①  $x^2+0x-t$  is a factor of  $x^3-px^2-qx+r$ , show  $pq=r$

$$x^2+0x-t \overline{) x^3-px^2-qx+r}$$

$$\text{let } (x+k)(x^2+0x-t) = x^3-px^2-qx+r$$

$$x^3+0x^2-tx+kx^2+0x-kt = x^3-px^2-qx+r$$

$$\underline{x^2}$$

$$0+k = -p$$

$$\underline{k = -p}$$

$$\underline{x}$$

$$-t+0 = -q$$

$$-t = -q$$

$$\underline{t = q}$$

constants

$$-kt = r$$

fill these in

So

$$-(-p)(q) = r$$

$$pq = r$$

Proven.

②  $x+3$  is a common factor of  $f(x)$  and  $p(x)$

$\therefore x = -3$  is a common root

fill in  $x = -3$  to both equations

$$\underline{f(x) = x^3 - (h+2)x + 2k}$$

$$f(-3) = (-3)^3 - (h+2)(-3) + 2k = 0$$

$$-27 + 3(h+2) + 2k = 0$$

$$-27 + 3h + 6 + 2k = 0$$

$$\boxed{3h + 2k - 21 = 0}$$

$$\underline{p(x) = 2x^3 + hx^2 - 4x - k}$$

$$p(-3) = 2(-3)^3 + h(-3)^2 - 4(-3) - k = 0$$

$$-54 + 9h + 12 - k = 0$$

$$\boxed{9h - k - 42 = 0}$$

Now Simultaneous Equations

$$3h + 2k - 21 = 0$$

$$9h - k - 42 = 0 \quad (\times 2)$$

$$3h + 2k - 21 = 0$$

$$18h - 2k - 84 = 0$$

$$\underline{21h - 105 = 0}$$

$$21h = 105$$

$$\boxed{h = 5}$$

$$\longrightarrow 3(5) + 2k - 21 = 0$$

$$2k = 6$$

$$\boxed{k = 3}$$



(4) Show that the roots of  $px^2 + (p+q)x + q = 0$  are real

ie. Prove  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$$a = p$$

$$b = p+q$$

$$c = q$$

$$(p+q)^2 - 4(p)(q) > 0$$

$$(p+q)(p+q) - 4pq > 0$$

$$p^2 + pq + pq + q^2 - 4pq > 0$$

$$p^2 - 2pq + q^2 > 0$$

$$(p - q)^2 > 0$$

Proven since anything squared is positive.

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$$x^2 + ax + b \overline{) x^3 + qx^2 + rx + s}$$

let  $x+k$  be the factor on top.

$$(x+k)(x^2 + ax + b) = x^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$$

$$x^3 + ax^2 + bx + kx^2 + akx + bk = x^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$$

now equal like things .....

<u><math>x^2</math></u>	<u><math>x</math></u>	<u>constants</u>
$a + k = q$	$b + ak = r$	$bk = s$
$\therefore k = q - a$	Fill in	

<u><math>x</math></u>	<u>constants</u>
$b + a(q - a) = r$	$b(q - a) = s$
$\therefore a(q - a) = r - b$	PROVEN
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