

1. Find the discriminant of the following given quadratic equation.

(i) $2x^2 + 3x - 1$

Solution:

$$2x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$$

compare it with
 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = 2, b = 3, c = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc.} &= b^2 - 4ac \\ &= (3)^2 - 4(2)(-1) \\ &= 9 + 8 \\ &= 17 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $6x^3 - 8x + 3 = 0$

Solution:

$$6x^3 - 8x + 3 = 0$$

Compare it with
 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = 6, b = -8, c = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc.} &= b^2 - 4ac \\ &= (-8)^2 - 4(6)(3) \\ &= 64 - 72 \\ &= -8 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) $9x^2 - 30x + 25 = 0$

Solution:

$$9x^2 - 30x + 25 = 0$$

Compare it with
 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = 9, b = -30, c = 25$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc.} &= b^2 - 4ac \\ &= (-30)^2 - 4(9)(25) \\ &= 900 - 900 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(iv) $4x^2 - 7x - 2 = 0$

Solution:

$$4x^2 - 7x - 2 = 0$$

Compare it with
 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = 4, b = -7, c = -2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc.} &= b^2 - 4ac \\ &= (-7)^2 - 4(4)(-2) \\ &= 49 + 32 \\ &= 81 \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the nature of the roots of the follow given quadratic and verify the result by solving equations:

(i) $x^2 + 23x + 120 = 0$

Solution:

$$x^2 + 23x + 120 = 0$$

Compare it with

$$\begin{aligned} &= 49 \\ &= (7)^2 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

As the disc.is possible and is perfect square. Therefore the roots are rational (real) and unequal, verification by solving the equation.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 - 23x + 120 &= 0 \\ x^2 - 15x - 8x + 120 &= 0 \\ x(x - 15) - 8(x - 15) &= 0 \\ (x - 15)(x - 8) &= 0 \\ \text{Either } x - 8 = 0 \text{ or } x - 15 = 0 \\ x = 8 \quad x = 15 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the roots are rational (real) and unequal.

(ii) $2x^2 + 3x + 7 = 0$

Solution:

$$2x^2 + 3x + 7 = 0$$

Compare it with

$\Rightarrow a = 2, b = 3, c = 7$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc.} &= b^2 - 4ac \\ &= (3)^2 - 4(2)(7) \\ &= 9 - 56 \\ &= -47 < 0 \end{aligned}$$

As the Disc. is negative.

Therefore the roots are imaginary and unequal.

Verification by solving the equation.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 + 3x + 7 &= 0 \\ \text{Using quadratic formula} \\ x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{(3)^2 - 4(2)(7)}}{2 \cdot 2} \\ &= \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 56}}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the roots are imaginary and unequal

(iii) $16x^2 - 24x + 9 = 0$

Solution:

$$16x^2 - 24x + 9 = 0$$

Compare it with
 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$\Rightarrow a = 16, b = -24, c = 9$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Disc.} &= b^2 - 4ac \\ &= (-24)^2 - 4(16)(9) \\ &= 576 - 576 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

As the Disc. is zero

Therefore the roots of the equation are real and equal.

Verification by solving the equations.

$$16x^2 - 24x + 9 = 0$$

using quadratic formula

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1, b = -23, c = 120$$

$$\text{Disc.} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (-23)^2 - 4(1)(120)$$

$$= 529 - 480$$

$$= \frac{24 \pm \sqrt{576 - 576}}{2(16)}$$

$$= \frac{32}{24 \pm \sqrt{0}}$$

$$= \frac{32}{24} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Thus the roots are real and unequal.

iv) $3x^2 + 7x - 13 = 0$

Solution:

$$3x^2 + 7x - 13 = 0$$

Compare it with

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3, b = 7, c = -13$$

$$\text{Disc.} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (7)^2 - 4(3)(-13)$$

$$= 49 + 156$$

$$= 205 > 0$$

As the Disc. Is positive and is not perfect square. Therefore the roots are irrational (real) and unequal.

Verification by solving the equation.

$$3x^2 + 7x - 13 = 0$$

Using quadratic formula

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{(7)^2 - 4(3)(-13)}}{2(3)}$$

$$= \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{49 + 156}}{6}$$

$$= \frac{-7 \pm \sqrt{205}}{6}$$

Thus, the roots are irrational (real) and unequal.

3. For what value of A, the expression

$k^2x^2 + 2(k + 1)x + 4$ is square.

Solution:

$$k^2x^2 + 2(k + 1)x + 4 = 0$$

Compare it with

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = k^2, b = 2(k + 1), c = 4$$

$$\text{Disc.} = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (2(k + 1))^2 - 4(k^2)(4)$$

$$= 4(k^2 + 2k + 1) - 16k^2$$

$$= 4k^2 + 8k + 4 - 16k^2$$

$$= -12k^2 - 8k + 4 = 0$$

As the disc. Of the given expression is a perfect square. Therefore the roots are rational and equal.

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-24) \pm \sqrt{(-24)^2 - 4(16)(9)}}{2(16)}$$

$$(12k + 4k)(k - 1) = 0$$

Either $12k + 4 = 0$ or $k - 1 = 0$

$$12k = -4 \quad \text{or} \quad k = 1$$

$$k = -\frac{4}{12}$$

$$k = -\frac{1}{3}$$

4. Find the value of k, if the roots of the following equations are equal.

(i) $(2k + 1)x^2 + 3Kx + 3 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2k + 1, b = 3k, c = 3$$

As the roots are equal, So

$$\text{Disc.} = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$(3k^2) - 4(2k + 1)(3) = 0$$

$$9k^2 - 12(2k + 1) = 0$$

$$9k^2 - 24k - 12 = 0$$

$$3(3k^2 - 8k - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k^2 - 8k - 4 = 0$$

$$3k^2 - 6k - 2k + 4 = 0$$

$$3k(k - 2) - 2(k - 2) = 0$$

$$(3k - 2)(k - 2) = 0$$

Either $3k - 2 = 0$ or $k - 2 = 0$

$$3k = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad k = 2$$

$$k = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad k = 2$$

(ii) $x^3 + 2(k + 2)x + (3k + 4) = 0$

Solution:

$$x^3 + 2(k + 2)x + (3k + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1 \quad b = 2(k + 2) \quad c = 3k + 4$$

As the roots are equal

$$\text{Disc.} = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$[2(k + 2)]^2 - 4(1)(3k + 4) = 0$$

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

$$4(k^2 + 4k + 4) - 12k - 16 = 0$$

$$4k^2 + 4k + 4 - 12k - 16 = 0$$

$$4k^2 + 4k = 0$$

$$4k(k + 1) = 0$$

Either $4k = 0$ or $(k + 1) = 0$

$$k = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad k = -1$$

(iii) $(3k + 2)x^2 - 5(k + 1)x + (2k + 3) = 0$

Solution:

$$(3k + 2)x^2 - 5(k + 1)x + (2k + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3k + 2, \quad b = -5(k + 1), \quad c = (2k + 3)$$

As the roots are equal, So

$$\text{Disc.} = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$[-5(k + 1)]^2 - 4(3k + 2)(2k + 3) = 0$$

So, $Disc. = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} -12k^2 + 8k + 4 &= 0 \\ -(12k^2 + 8k + 4) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 12k^2 - 8k - 4 &= 0 \\ 12k^2 - 12k + 4k - 4 &= 0 \\ 12k(k - 1) + 4(k - 1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

5. Show that the equation $x^2 + (mx + c)^2 = a^2$ has a^2 has

Equal roots,

$$\text{if } c^2 = a^2(1 + m^2)$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + (mx + c)^2 &= a^2 \\ x^2 + m^2x^2 + 2mcx + c^2 &= a^2 \\ (1 + m^2)x^2 + 2mcx + c^2 - a^2 &= 0 \\ a = 1 + m^2, \quad b = 2mc, \quad c = c^2 = a^2 & \\ \text{As the roots are equal, So} & \\ \text{Disc.} = 0 & \\ b^2 - 4ac &= 0 \\ (2mc)^2 - 4(1 + m^2)(c^2 - a^2) &= 0 \\ 4m^2c^2 - 4(c^2 - a^2 + m^2c^2 - a^2m^2) &= 0 \\ 4m^2c^2 - 4c^2 + 4a^2 - 4m^2c^2 + 4a^2m^2 &= 0 \\ -4c^2 + 4a^2 + 4ac^2 + 4a^2m^2 &= 0 \\ -4(c^2 - a^2 - a^2m^2) &= 0 \\ c^2 - a^2 - a^2m^2 &= 0 \\ c^2 &= a^2 + a^2m^2 \\ c^2 &= a^2(a + m^2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

6. Find the condition that the roots of the equation $(my + c)^2 - 4ax = 0$ are equal.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} (my + c)^2 - 4ax &= 0 \\ m^2y^2 + 2mcy + c^2 - 4ax &= 0 \\ m^2y^2 + 2mcy - 4ax + c^2 &= 0 \\ m^2y^2 + 2(mc - 2a)y + c^2 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow a = m^2, \quad b = 2(mc - 2a), \quad c = c^2 & \\ \text{As the roots are equal} \quad \text{Disc.} = 0 & \\ b^2 - 4ac &= 0 \\ [2(mc - 2a)]^2 - 4(m^2)(c^2) &= 0 \\ 4(mc - 2a)^2 - 4m^2c^2 &= 0 \\ 4(m^2c^2 - 4amc + 4a^2) - 4m^2c^2 &= 0 \\ 4(m^2c^2 - 4amc + a^2 - m^2c^2) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4a^2 - 4amc &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4a(a - mc) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow a - mc &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow a &= mc \end{aligned}$$

Which is required condition.

7. If the roots of the equation $(c^2 - ab)x^2 - 2(a^2 - bc)x + (b^3 - ac) = 0$ are equal

, then $a = 0$ or $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} 25(k^2 + 2k + 1) - 4(6k^2 + 13k + 6) &= 0 \\ 25k^2 + 50k + 25 - 24k^2 - 52k - 24 &= 0 \\ k^2 - 2k + 1 &= 0 \\ (k - 1)^2 &= 0 \\ k - 1 = 0 &\Rightarrow k=1 \end{aligned}$$

$$a(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc) = 0$$

Either $a = 0$ or $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = 0$

Hence proved $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$

8. Show that the roots of the following equations are rational.

(i) $a(b - c)x^2 + b(c - a)x + c(a - b) = 0$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a = a(b - c), \quad b = b(c - a), \quad c = c(a - b) & \\ \text{Disc.} = b^2 - 4ac & \\ = [b(c - a)]^2 - 4[a(b - c)][c(a - b)] & \\ = b^2(c - a)^2 - 4ac(b - c)(a - b) & \\ = b^2(c^2 - 2ac + a^2) - 4ac(ab - b^2 - ac + bc) & \\ = b^2c^2 - 2ab^2a^2 - 4a^2cb + 4acb^2 + 4a^2c^2 - 4abc^2 & \\ = a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + 4a^2c^2 + 2ab^2c - 4a^2bc - 4abc^2 & \\ = (ab)^2 + (bc)^2 + (-2ac)^2 + 2(ab)(bc) & \\ + 2(bc)(-2ac) + 2(-2ac)(ab) & \\ = (ab + bc - 2ac)^2 & \end{aligned}$$

Hence the roots are rational.

(ii) $(a + 2b)x^2 + 2(a + b + c)x + (a + 2c) = 0$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a = (a + 2b), \quad b = 2(a + b + c), \quad c = (a + 2c) & \\ \text{Disc.} = b^2 - 4ac & \\ = [2(a + b + c)]^2 - 4(a + 2b)(a + 2c) & \\ = 4(a + b + c)^2 - 4(a^2 + 2ac + 2ab + 4bc) & \\ = 4[a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2bc + 2ca - a^2 - 2ac - 4bc] & \\ = 4(b - c)^2 & \end{aligned}$$

Hence the roots are rational.

9. For all values of k, prove that the roots of the equation.

$$x^2 - 2\left(k + \frac{1}{k}\right)x + 3 = 0$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a = 1, \quad b = -2\left(k + \frac{1}{k}\right), \quad c = 3 & \\ \text{Disc.} = b^2 - 4ac & \\ = \left[-2\left(k + \frac{1}{k}\right)\right]^2 - 4(1)(3) & \\ = 4\left(k + \frac{1}{k}\right)^2 - 12 & \\ = 4\left[\left(k + \frac{1}{k}\right)^2 - 3\right] & \\ = \left[k^2 + \frac{1}{k^2} + 2 - 3\right] & \\ = \left[k^2 + \frac{1}{k^2} - 1\right] > 0 & \\ \text{Hence the roots are real.} & \end{aligned}$$

$$(c^2 - ab)x^2 - 2(a^2 - bc)x + (b^3 - ac) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = c^3 - ab, b = -2(a^2 - bc), c = b^2 - ac$$

As the roots are equal so

$$Disc. = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$[-2(a^2 - bc)]^2 - 4(c^2 - ab)(b^2 - ac) = 0$$

$$4(a^2 - bc)^2 - 4(c^2 - ab)(b^2 - ac) = 0$$

$$4[a^4 - 2a^2bc + b^2c^2] - (b^2c^2 - ac^3 + ab^3 + a^2bc) = 0$$

$$a^4 - 2a^2bc + b^2c^2 - b^2c^2 + ac^3 + ab^3 + a^2bc = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 + ab^3 + ac^3 - 3a^2bc = 0$$

$$= c^2 - 2ac + a^2 - ab + 4b^2 + 4ac - 4bc$$

$$= a^2 + 4b^2 + c^2 - 4ab - 4bc + 2ac$$

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

$$= (a - 2b + c)^2 > 0$$

hence the roots of the equation are real.

10. Show that the roots of the equation.

$$(b - c)x^2 + (c - a)x + (a - b)^2 = 0$$

Solution:

$$\Rightarrow a = (b - c), b = (c - a), c = (a - b)$$

$$Disc. = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$= (c - a)^2 - 4(b - c)(a - b)$$

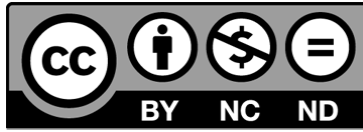
$$= (c^2 - 2ac + a^2) - 4(ab - b^2 - ac + bc)$$

$$= a^2 + 4b^2 + c^2 - 4ab - 4bc + 2ac$$

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

$$= (a - 2b + c)^2 > 0$$

hence the roots of the equation are real



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