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NCERT Class 10 Chapter 5 Quadratic Equations Official CBSE Board Sample Problems Short Answer (For CBSE, ICSE, IAS, NET, NRA 2022)

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Question

If -5 is a root of the quadratic equation $2x^2 + px - 15 = 0$ and the quadratic equation $p(x^2 + x) + k = 0$ has equal roots, find the value of k

Solution

\therefore -5 is the root of the quadratic equation $2x^2 + px - 15 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2(-5)^2 + p(-5) - 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 50 - 5p - 15 = 0 \Rightarrow 35 - 5p = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 35 \Rightarrow p = 7$$

Now, given that equation $p(x^2 + x) + k = 0$ has equal roots

i.e.. $7(x^2 + x) + k = 0$ has equal roots

i.e.. $+7x + k = 0$ has equal roots

$$\Rightarrow 7^2 - 4 \times 7 \times k = 0 \quad (\because \text{For equal roots, } D = 0, \text{ i.e.. } b^2 - 4ac = 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow 7(7 - 4k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{7}{4}$$

Question

If $x = \frac{2}{3}$ and $x = -3$ are roots of the quadratic equations $ax^2 + 7x + b = 0$, find the values of a and b.

Solution

Given quadratic equation is $ax^2 + 7x + b = 0$.. (i)

$$a\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + 7\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + b = 0 \quad (\because x = \frac{2}{3} \text{ is the root of equation (i)})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{9}a + \frac{14}{3} + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4a + 42 + 9b}{9} = 0 \Rightarrow 4a + 9b + 42 = 0 \dots \text{(ii)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (-3)^2 + 7(-3) + b = 0 \quad [\because x = -3 \text{ is the root of equation (i)]$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b - 21 = 0 \dots (iii)$$

Putting the value of b from (iii) in (ii), we get

$$\Rightarrow a + 9[21 - 9a] + 42 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a + 189 - 81a + 42 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 231 - 77a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 77a = 231$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3$$

Putting $a = 3$ in (iii), we have

$$27 + b = 21$$

$$\Rightarrow b = -6$$

$$a = 3, b = -6$$

Question

A two digit number is four times the sum of the digits. It is also equal to 3 times the product of digits. Find the number.

Solution

Let ones digit of number = x

Let tens digit of number = y

\therefore Number will be = $10y + x$

According to question,

$$\Rightarrow 10y + x = 4(x + y)$$

$$\Rightarrow 10y + x = 4x + 4y$$

$$3x - 6y = 0$$

$$x - 2y = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2y \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } 10y + x = 3xy \dots (ii)$$

Putting $x = 2y$ from (i) in (ii), we get,

$$10y + 2y = 3(2y)y \Rightarrow 2y = 6y^2 \Rightarrow y = 2$$

$$\text{and } x = 2 \Rightarrow x = 4 (\because y = 2)$$

The required number = $10(2) + 4 = 20 + 4 = 24$.

Question

$$\frac{1}{(x-1)(x-2)} = \frac{1}{(x-2)(x-3)} = \frac{2}{3}, x \neq 1, 2, 3$$

Solve for x:

Solution

$$\frac{1}{(x-1)(x-2)} = \frac{1}{(x-2)(x-3)} = \frac{2}{3}, x \neq 1, 2, 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-3+x-1}{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)} = \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{(2x-4)}{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(x-2)}{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)} = \frac{2}{3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x = 0 \Rightarrow x(x-4) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } x = 4$$

Question

If the roots of the quadratic equation $(a-b)x^2 + (b-c)x + (c-a) = 0$ are equal, prove that $2a = b + c$.

Solution

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

For equal roots, discriminant, $D = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (b-c)^2 - 4(a-b)(c-a) = 0$$

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

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

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

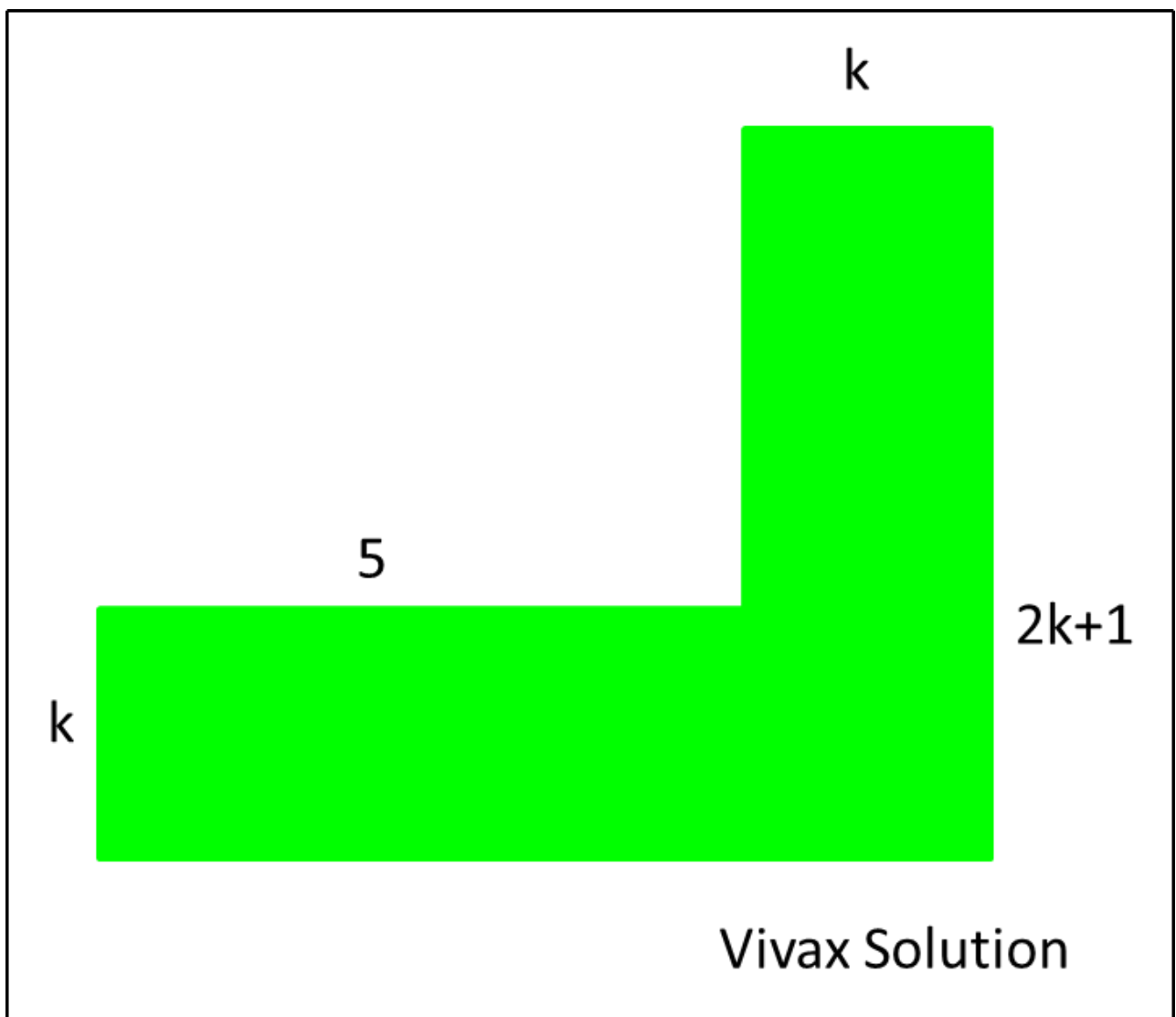
$$\Rightarrow (2a - b - c)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a - b - c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = b + c$$

Question

The following picture shows the shape of a certain grass patch. If the area of the patch is $80m^2$, find k.



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Solution

The total area = $5k + k(2k + 1)$

$$= 5k + 2k^2 + k$$

$$= 2k^2 + 6k$$

Since the area is $80m^2$

$$2k^2 + 6k = 80$$

$$2k^2 + 6k - 80 = 0$$

$$(2k - 10)(k + 8) = 0$$

$$k = 5 \text{ or } k = -8$$

Since the length cannot be negative, $k = 5$.

Question

Using the quadratic formula, solve the quadratic equation: $x - \frac{31}{x} = 0$

Solution

$$-\sqrt{31} \text{ and } \sqrt{31}$$

$$x - \frac{31}{x} = 0$$

$$x^2 - \frac{31}{x} = 0$$

$$x^2 - 31 = 0$$

$$x = 0 \pm \sqrt{\frac{-4 \cdot (31)}{2}}$$

$$= \pm 2\sqrt{\frac{(31)}{2}}$$

$$= \pm\sqrt{31}$$

Question

Find 2 numbers that sum to 21 and the sum of the squares is 261.

Solution

The numbers are 15 and 6.

$$x + y = 21 \Rightarrow x = 21 - y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 261$$

$$(21 - y)^2 + y^2 = 261$$

$$441 - 42y + y^2 + y^2 = 261$$

$$2y^2 - 42y + 180 = 0$$

$$y^2 - 21y + 90 = 0$$

$$y^2 - 15y - +90 = 0$$

$$y_1 = 15$$

$$y_2 = 6$$

Hence, $x_1 = 6$ and $x_2 = 15$

Question

Find the roots of the following equations:

$$x - \frac{3}{x+3} - x + \frac{3}{x-3} = 6\frac{6}{7}, (x \neq 3, -3)$$

Solution

On simplifying we get

$$4x^2 + 7x - 36 = 0$$

$$(x + 4)(4x - 9) = 0$$

$$x = -4, \frac{9}{4}$$

Question

If p and q are the roots of the equation $x^2 - px + q = 0$, then find the value of p and q .

Solution

Since p and q are the roots of this equation, Hence: $p^2 - p^2 + q = 0$. Hence, $q = 0$

$$q^2 + pq + q = 0$$

$$q(q - p + 1) = 0$$

$$q = 0 \text{ or } p = q + 1$$

Hence, $p = 1$

Question

Find the value of k for which the quadratic equation $4x^2 - 3kx + 1 = 0$ has two real and equal roots.

Solution

For equal roots $D = 0$

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

$$9k^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm \frac{4}{3}$$

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