

Problem Based on Relation Between Roots and Coefficients

VERY SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS :

VSA.1 Find the sum and product of the roots of the following equations :

(a) $8x^2 - 7x + 15 = 0$

(b) $x^2 + 19 = 0$

(c) $\sqrt{3}x^2 - \frac{11}{2}x + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} = 0$

(d) $(2 + i)x^2 + ix + 7 - i = 0.$

Sol.

(a) We have,

$$8x^2 - 7x + 15 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of roots} = -\frac{\text{coeff. of } x}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = -\frac{-7}{8} = \frac{7}{8}.$$

$$\text{and product of roots} = \frac{\text{constant term}}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = \frac{15}{8}.$$

(b) We have,

$$x^2 + 19 = 0 \quad \text{i.e., } x^2 + 0.x + 19 = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of roots} = -\frac{\text{coeff. of } x}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = -\frac{0}{1} = 0.$$

$$\text{and product of roots} = \frac{\text{constant term}}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = \frac{19}{1} = 19.$$

(c) We have,

$$\sqrt{3}x^2 - \frac{11}{2}x + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of roots} = -\frac{\text{coeff. of } x}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = -\frac{-11/2}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{11}{2\sqrt{3}}.$$

$$\text{and product of roots} = \frac{\text{constant term}}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}/4}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3}{4}.$$

(d) We have,

$$(2 + i)x^2 + ix + 7 - i = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Sum of roots} &= -\frac{\text{coeff. of } x}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = -\frac{i}{2+i} = -\frac{i}{2+i} \times \frac{2-i}{2-i} \\ &= \frac{-2i+i^2}{4+1} = -\frac{1}{5} - \frac{2}{5}i. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and product of roots} &= \frac{\text{constant term}}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} = \frac{7-i}{2+i} = \frac{7-i}{2+i} \times \frac{2-i}{2-i} \\ &= \frac{14-7i-2i-1}{4+1} = \frac{13}{5} - \frac{9}{5}i. \end{aligned}$$

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VSA.2 For the quadratic equation $(k - 1)x^2 = kx - 1$, find k , so that :

- (a) one root is -3 . (b) the sum of the roots is 2 .
(c) the product of the roots is -3 . (d) the roots are equal.
(e) the roots are numerically equal but opposite in sign.

Sol. We have,

$$(k - 1)x^2 = kx - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (k - 1)x^2 - kx + 1 = 0 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

(a) one roots is -3 .

\therefore -3 satisfies (1).

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

$$\Rightarrow 9k - 9 + 3k + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 12k = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{2}{3}.$$

(b) Sum of roots is 2 .

$$\therefore (1) \quad -\frac{-k}{k-1} = 2$$

$$\left[\because \text{Sum of roots} = \frac{\text{coeff. of } x}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{k-1} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2k - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2.$$

(c) Product of roots is -3 .

$$\therefore (1) \quad \frac{1}{k-1} = -3$$

$$\left[\because \text{Product of roots} = \frac{\text{constant term}}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = -3k + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 3k = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{2}{3}.$$

(d) Roots are equal.

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

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

$$\Rightarrow k^2 - 4k + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (k - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2$$

(e) Roots are numerically equal but opposite in sign.

$$\therefore \text{Sum of roots} = 0$$

$$\therefore (1) \quad -\frac{-k}{k-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 0$$

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VSA.3 If α, β are the roots of $x^2 - p(x + 1) - c = 0$, show that :

$$(\alpha + 1)(\beta + 1) = 1 - c$$

Sol. The given equation can be written as :

$$x^2 - px - (p + c) = 0$$

If α, β be its roots, then $\alpha + \beta = p$ and $\alpha\beta = -(p + c)$ (1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } (\alpha + 1)(\beta + 1) &= \alpha\beta + (\alpha + \beta) + 1 \\ &= -(p + c) + (p) + 1 && \text{[using (1)]} \\ &= 1 - c, \text{ which is true.} \end{aligned}$$

VSA.4 Form the equations whose roots are :

(a) $\frac{3 - \sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{2}$

(b) $7i, 2i$

(c) $\frac{i}{4}, -\frac{i}{4}$

(d) $3 - 4i, 2 + 3i$

Sol.

(a) Given roots are $\frac{3 - \sqrt{2}}{2}$ and $\frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{2}$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = \frac{3 - \sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{2} = 3$$

$$\text{And product of roots} = \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{2}}{2}\right) = \frac{9 - 2}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$

Therefore, the required equation is

$$x^2 - (\text{sum of roots})x + \text{Product of roots} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x + \frac{7}{4} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 - 12x + 7 = 0$$

(b) Given roots are $7i, 2i$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = 7i + 2i = 9i$$

$$\text{And product of roots} = (7i)(2i) = 14i^2 = -14 \quad [\because i^2 = -1]$$

Therefore, the required equation is

$$x^2 - (\text{sum of roots})x + \text{Product of roots} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (9i)x + (-14) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 9ix - 14 = 0$$

(c) Given roots are $\frac{i}{4}, \frac{i}{4}$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = \frac{i}{4} + \frac{i}{4} = \frac{2i}{4} = \frac{i}{2}$$

$$\text{And product of roots} = \left(\frac{i}{4}\right)\left(\frac{i}{4}\right) = \frac{i^2}{16} = \frac{-1}{16} \quad [\because i^2 = -1]$$

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Therefore, the required equation is

$$x^2 - (\text{sum of roots})x + \text{Product of roots} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (0)x + \frac{1}{16} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16x^2 + 1 = 0$$

(d) Given roots are $3 - 4i$ and $2 + 3i$

$$\text{Sum of roots} = 3 - 4i + 2 + 3i = 5 - i$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{And product of roots} &= (3 - 4i)(2 + 3i) = 6 + 9i - 8i - 12i^2 \\ &= 6 + i + 12 = 18 + i\end{aligned}$$

The required equation is

$$x^2 - (\text{sum of roots})x + \text{Product of roots} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (5 - i)x + 18 + i = 0$$

VSA.5 Prove that the roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + a = 0$ are reciprocals of each other.

Sol. The given equation is

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

Let the roots of the given quadratic equation are α and β .

$$\text{Product of two roots} = \alpha\beta = \frac{a}{a} = 1$$

Therefore, the roots are reciprocal.

VSA.6 Find the value of 'a' for which the roots α, β of the equation $x^2 - 6x + a = 0$ satisfy the relation $3\alpha + 2\beta = 20$.

Sol. Since, α, β are the roots of $x^2 - 6x + a = 0$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = 6 \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha \times \beta = a \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$\text{Now } 3\alpha + 2\beta = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + 2(\alpha + \beta) = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + 2 \times 6 = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 8$$

Putting $\alpha = 8$ in (1), we obtain $\beta = -2$.

Substituting the values of α and β in (2), we get $a = -16$.

VSA.7 If the roots of the equation $x^2 - \ell x + m = 0$ differ by 1, then prove that $\ell^2 = 4m + 1$.

Sol. Let α, β be the roots of the equation $x^2 - \ell x + m = 0$. Then

$$\alpha + \beta = \ell$$

$$\text{and } \alpha\beta = m$$

We have,

$$\alpha - \beta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha - \beta)^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \ell^2 - 4m = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \ell^2 = 4m + 1$$

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SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS :

SA.1 The roots r_1 and r_2 of a quadratic equation $x^2 + kx + 12 = 0$ are such that $r_1 - r_2 = 1$. Find k .

Sol. The given equation is

$$x^2 + kx + 12 = 0 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Its roots are r_1 and r_2 .

$$\therefore r_1 + r_2 = -k \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

$$\text{and } r_1 r_2 = 12 \quad \dots\dots(3)$$

$$\text{Also } r_1 - r_2 = 1 \quad \dots\dots(4)$$

[Given]

$$\text{Now, } (r_1 - r_2)^2 = (r_1 + r_2)^2 - 4r_1 r_2$$

$$\therefore (1)^2 = (-k)^2 - 4(12) \quad \text{[using (1), (2) \& (3)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = k^2 - 48$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 1 + 48 = 49$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 7.$$

$$\text{Hence } k = \pm 7.$$

SA.2 For what value of m ($m \neq -1$) will the equation $\frac{x^2 - bx}{ax - c} = \frac{m - 1}{m + 1}$ has roots equal in magnitude but opposite in sign.

Sol. We have,

$$\frac{x^2 - bx}{ax - c} = \frac{m - 1}{m + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + 1)x^2 - b(m + 1)x = a(m - 1)x - (m - 1)x$$

$$\Rightarrow (m + 1)x^2 - (bm + b + am - a)x + (m - 1)c = 0$$

Since roots are equal in magnitude but opposite in signs, the sum of roots must be zero.

$$\therefore -\frac{(bm + b + am - a)}{m + 1} = 0 \quad \left[\because \text{sum of roots} = -\frac{\text{coeff. of } x}{\text{coeff. of } x^2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow bm + b + am - a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{a - b}{a + b}.$$

SA.3 Solve the equation $x^2 + px + 45 = 0$, given that the square of the difference of its roots is equal to 144.

Sol. The given equation is

$$x^2 + px + 45 = 0 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

Let its roots be α and β , then

$$\alpha + \beta = -p \text{ and } \alpha\beta = 45.$$

According to given,

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2 = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow (-p)^2 - 4 \cdot 45 = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow p^2 = 324$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \pm 18.$$

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Case I : $p = 18$, then we get

$$x^2 + 18x + 45 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 3)(x + 15) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3, -15$$

Case II : $p = -18$, then we get

$$x^2 - 18x + 45 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 3)(x - 15) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3, 15$$

Hence the roots of the given equation are $-3, -15$ or $3, 15$.

SA.4 Find the value of k for which the roots α, β of the equation $5x^2 + (2k + 1)x + (k - 2) = 0$ satisfy the relation $2\alpha + 5\beta = 1$.

Sol. We have,

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

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = -\frac{2k+1}{5} \quad \dots(1)$$

and $\alpha\beta = \frac{k-2}{5} \quad \dots(2)$

Also, $2\alpha + 5\beta = 1 \quad \dots(3)$

$$(1) \times 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\alpha + 2\beta = -\frac{4k+2}{5} \quad \dots(4)$$

$$(3) - (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\beta = 1 + \frac{4k+2}{5} = \frac{4k+7}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \frac{4k+7}{15}$$

\therefore (1) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= -\frac{2k+1}{5} - \beta = -\frac{2k+1}{5} - \frac{4k+7}{15} = \frac{-6k-3-4k-7}{15} \\ &= \frac{-10k-10}{15} = -\frac{2k+2}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Putting the values of α and β in (2), we get

$$\left(-\frac{2k+2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{4k+7}{15}\right) = \frac{k-2}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow -(2k+2)(4k+7) = 9(k-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow -8k^2 - 14k - 8k - 14 = 9k - 18$$

$$\Rightarrow 8k^2 + 31k - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (8k-1)(k+4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{8}, -4.$$

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SA.5 If one of the roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is the square of the other, then prove that $b^3 + a^2c + ac^2 = 3abc$.

Sol. The given equation is

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

Let one roots be α , then the other root = α^2 . Then,

$$\alpha + \alpha^2 = -\frac{b}{a} \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

and $\alpha \cdot \alpha^2 = \frac{c}{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 = \frac{c}{a} \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

Cubing both sides of (1), we get

$$(\alpha + \alpha^2)^3 = -\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 + (\alpha^2)^3 + 3\alpha \cdot \alpha^2 (\alpha + \alpha^2) = -\frac{b^3}{a^3} \quad [\because (x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^3 + \alpha^6 + 3\alpha^3 (\alpha + \alpha^2) = -\frac{b^3}{a^3} \quad \dots\dots(3)$$

Substituting the value of α^3 and $\alpha + \alpha^2$ from (1) and (2) in (3), we get

$$\frac{c}{a} + \left(\frac{c}{a}\right)^2 + 3\left(\frac{c}{a}\right)\left(-\frac{b}{a}\right) = -\frac{b^3}{a^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{c}{a} + \frac{c^2}{a^2} - \frac{3bc}{a^2} = -\frac{b^3}{a^3}$$

Multiplying both sides by a^3 , we get

$$a^2c + ac^2 - 3abc = -b^3$$

$$\Rightarrow b^3 + a^2c + ac^2 = 3abc$$

SA.6 Show that the A.M. of the roots of $x^2 - 2ax + b^2 = 0$ is equal to the G.M. of the roots of the equation $x^2 - 2bx + a^2 = 0$ and vice-versa.

Sol. We have,

$$x^2 - 2ax + b^2 = 0 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

and $x^2 - 2bx + a^2 = 0 \quad \dots\dots(2)$

Let α, β be the roots of (1) and γ, δ be the roots of (2).

Then, $\alpha + \beta = 2a$, and $\alpha\beta = b^2 \quad \dots\dots(3)$

$$\gamma + \delta = 2b, \text{ and } \gamma\delta = a^2 \quad \dots\dots(4)$$

Now A.M. of $\alpha, \beta = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2} = \frac{2a}{2} = a \quad \text{[using (3)]}$

G.M. of $\gamma, \delta = \sqrt{\gamma\delta} = \sqrt{a^2} = a \quad \text{[using (4)]}$

\therefore A.M. of $\alpha, \beta =$ G.M. of γ, δ

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Again, A.M. of $\gamma, \delta = \frac{\gamma + \delta}{2} = \frac{2b}{2} = b$ [using (4)]

Again, G.M. of $\alpha, \beta = \sqrt{\alpha\beta} = \sqrt{b^2} = b$ [using (3)]

\therefore A.M. of $\gamma, \delta =$ G.M. of α, β .

SA.7 If the ratio of the roots of the equation $\ell x^2 + nx + n = 0$ is equal to $p : q$, prove that

$$\sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} = 0$$

Sol. Let α, β be the roots of the equation $\ell x^2 + nx + n = 0$

Then $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{n}{\ell}$ and $\alpha\beta = \frac{n}{\ell}$ (1)

We have,

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \frac{p}{q}$$

$\therefore \sqrt{\frac{p}{q}} + \sqrt{\frac{q}{p}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{\beta}} + \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{\alpha}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}}$ [using : $\frac{p}{q} = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$]

$$= \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\sqrt{\alpha\beta}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} = \frac{-\frac{n}{\ell}}{\sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}}$$
 [using (1)]

$$= -\sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} + \sqrt{\frac{n}{\ell}} = 0$$

SA.8 If α, β be the roots of $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$ and $\alpha + \delta, \beta + \delta$ be those of $Ax^2 + 2Bx + C = 0$,

then prove that $\frac{b^2 - ac}{B^2 - AC} = \left(\frac{a}{A}\right)^2$.

Sol. Since α, β are roots of $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$.

$\therefore \alpha + \beta = -\frac{2b}{a}$ and $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$ (1)

Let $\alpha' = \alpha + \delta$ and $\beta' = \beta + \delta$

It is given that $\alpha' = \alpha + \delta, \beta' = \beta + \delta$ are the roots of the equation $Ax^2 + 2Bx + C = 0$

$\therefore \alpha' + \beta' = -\frac{2B}{A}$ and $\alpha'\beta' = \frac{C}{A}$ (2)

Now, $\alpha' = \alpha + \delta$ and $\beta' = \beta + \delta$

$\Rightarrow \alpha' - \beta' = (\alpha + \delta) - (\beta + \delta) = \alpha - \beta$

$\Rightarrow (\alpha' - \beta')^2 = (\alpha - \beta)^2$

$\Rightarrow (\alpha' + \beta')^2 - 4\alpha'\beta' = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{4B^2}{A^2} - \frac{4C}{A} = \frac{4b^2}{a^2} - \frac{4c}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{B^2 - AC}{A^2} = \frac{b^2 - ac}{a^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b^2 - ac}{B^2 - AC} = \left(\frac{a}{A}\right)^2.$$

SA.9 If p be the ratio of the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, show that $\frac{(p+1)^2}{p} = \frac{b^2}{ac}$.

Sol. We have $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$. Let the roots of this equation be α and αp .

$$\therefore \alpha + \alpha p = -\frac{b}{a} \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } \alpha \cdot \alpha p = \frac{c}{a} \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \alpha(1 + p) = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha^2(1 + p)^2 = \frac{b^2}{a^2} \quad \dots\dots(3)$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow \alpha^2 p = \frac{c}{a} \quad \dots\dots(4)$$

Dividing (3) by (4), we get

$$\frac{a^2(1+p)^2}{\alpha^2 p} = \frac{b^2 / a^2}{c / a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(1+p)^2}{p} = \frac{b^2}{ac}.$$

SA.10 Given that α, β are the roots of the equation $\lambda(x^2 - x) + x + 5 = 0$. If λ_1, λ_2 are the values of

λ for which the roots α, β are related by $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{4}{5}$, find the values of

(a) $\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}$ and (b) $\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2^2} + \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1^2}$.

Sol. We have,

$$\lambda(x^2 - x) + x + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda x^2 - (\lambda - 1)x + 5 = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = \frac{\lambda - 1}{\lambda} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{5}{\lambda}$$

Also $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \frac{4}{5}$

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$$\therefore \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5((\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta) = 4\alpha\beta$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 14\alpha\beta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5\left(\frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda}\right)^2 - 14\left(\frac{5}{\lambda}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1) - 14\lambda = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 - 16\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 16 \text{ and } \lambda_1 \lambda_2 = 1.$$

$$(a) \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} = \frac{\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} = \frac{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^2 - 2\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{\lambda_1 \lambda_2} = \frac{(16)^2 - 2(1)}{1} = 254.$$

$$(b) \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2^2} + \frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1^2} = \frac{\lambda_1^3 + \lambda_2^3}{\lambda_1^2 \lambda_2^2} = \frac{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^3 - 3\lambda_1 \lambda_2 (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}{(\lambda_1 \lambda_2)^2} = \frac{(16)^3 - 3(1)(16)}{(1)^2} = 4096 - 48 = 4048.$$

SA.11 If p, q be the roots of $3x^2 + 6x + 2 = 0$, form an equation whose roots are $\frac{-p^2}{q}, \frac{-q^2}{p}$.

Sol. Since p, q are the roots of
 $3x^2 + 6x + 2 = 0$

$$\therefore p + q = -\frac{6}{3} = -2 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{and } pq = \frac{2}{3} \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Here, } S &= \left(-\frac{p^2}{q}\right) + \left(-\frac{q^2}{p}\right) = -\left(\frac{p^2}{q} + \frac{q^2}{p}\right) \\ &= -\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq} = -\frac{(p+q)^3 - 3pq(p+q)}{pq} \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\frac{(-2)^3 - 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot (-2)}{\frac{2}{3}} \quad \text{[using (1) and (2)]}$$

$$= -(-8 + 4) \cdot \frac{3}{2} = 6$$

$$\text{and } P = \left(-\frac{p^2}{q}\right)\left(-\frac{q^2}{p}\right) = pq = \frac{2}{3}. \quad \text{[using (2)]}$$

\therefore The required equation is

$$x^2 - 6x + \frac{2}{3} = 0 \quad \text{[} x^2 - Sx + P = 0 \text{]}$$

$$\text{or } 3x^2 - 18x + 2 = 0$$

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LONG ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS :

LA.1 Find the number of quadratic equations which are unchanged by squaring their roots.

Sol. Let α and β be the roots of quadratic equation and α^2 and β^2 be the roots of another equation.
By the question,

$$\alpha + \beta = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

and $\alpha\beta = \alpha^2\beta^2 \quad \dots\dots(2)$

From (2),

$$\alpha\beta(1 - \alpha\beta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0 \text{ or } \beta = 0 \text{ or } \alpha\beta = 1.$$

(a) When $\alpha = 0$.

From (1), $\beta = \beta^2$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(1 - \beta) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 0 \text{ or } 1.$$

Thus we have : $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0$ and $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$.

(b) When $\beta = 0$.

From (1), $\alpha = \alpha^2$

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

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0 \text{ or } 1.$$

Thus we have : $\alpha = 0, \beta = 0$ and $\alpha = 1, \beta = 0$.

(c) When $\alpha\beta = 1$

From (1), $\alpha + \beta = \alpha^2 + \beta^2$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} = \alpha^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} = \left(\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^2 - 2.$$

Putting $\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} = y$, we get

$$y = y^2 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - y - 2 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow y = 2 \text{ or } -1.$$

When $y = 2$, then $\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} = 2$

$$\alpha^2 - 2\alpha + 1 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 1.$$

When $y = -1$, then $\alpha + \frac{1}{\alpha} = -1$

$$\alpha^2 + \alpha + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-4}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm i\sqrt{3}}{2} = \omega, \omega^2.$$

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$$\text{When } \alpha = 1, \alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 1.$$

$$\text{When } \alpha = \omega, \alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\omega} = \frac{\omega^3}{\omega} = \omega^2.$$

$$\text{When } \alpha = \omega^2, \alpha\beta = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\omega^2} = \frac{\omega^3}{\omega^2} = \omega.$$

$$\text{Thus } \alpha = 1, \beta = 1; \alpha = \omega, \beta = \omega^2.$$

Hence there are four quadratic equations.

LA.2 Let α, β be two real numbers satisfying the following relations :

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 5, 3(\alpha^5 + \beta^5) = 11(\alpha^3 + \beta^3)$$

Find the quadratic equation having α and β as its roots.

Sol. We have,

$$3(\alpha^5 + \beta^5) = 11(\alpha^3 + \beta^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha^5 + \beta^5}{\alpha^3 + \beta^3} = \frac{11}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\alpha^3 + \beta^3)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) - \alpha^2\beta^2(\alpha + \beta)}{\alpha^3 + \beta^3} = \frac{11}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha^2 + \beta^2) - \frac{\alpha^2\beta^2(\alpha + \beta)}{(\alpha + \beta)(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \alpha\beta)} = \frac{11}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 - \frac{\alpha^2\beta^2}{5 - \alpha\beta} = \frac{11}{3}$$

$$[\because \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 5]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha^2\beta^2}{5 - \alpha\beta} = 5 - \frac{11}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha^2\beta^2}{5 - \alpha\beta} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(\alpha\beta)^2 + 4(\alpha\beta) - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(\alpha\beta)^2 + 10(\alpha\beta) - 6(\alpha\beta) - 20 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha\beta - 2)(3\alpha\beta + 10) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha\beta = 2 \text{ or, } \alpha\beta = -\frac{10}{3}.$$

If $\alpha\beta = 2$, then

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = \pm 3$$

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So, the quadratic equation is

$$x^2 - x(\alpha + \beta) + \alpha\beta = 0 \text{ or, } x^2 \pm 3x + 2 = 0$$

If $\alpha\beta = -\frac{10}{3}$, then

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 + \frac{20}{3} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow (\alpha + \beta)^2 = -\frac{5}{3}, \text{ which is not possible as } \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$$

Hence, the required quadratic equations are $x^2 \pm 3x + 2 = 0$.