

ALGEBRA

EXERCISE

YEAR : 1999

1. If $a * b = 2a - 3b + ab$, then $3 * 5 + 5 * 3$ is equal to:
(a) 22 (b) 24 (c) 26 (d) 28

2. If $p \times q = p + q + \frac{p}{q}$, the value of 8×2 is:
(a) 6 (b) 10 (c) 14 (d) 16

3. Two numbers x and y ($x > y$) such that their sum is equal to three times their difference. Then

value of $\frac{3xy}{2(x^2 - y^2)}$ will be;

(a) $\frac{2}{3}$ (b) 1

(c) $1\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $1\frac{1}{3}$

4. The value of $\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{x+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{x+2}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{x+3}\right)$ is:

(a) $1 + \frac{1}{x+4}$ (b) $x+4$

(c) $\frac{1}{x}$ (d) $\frac{x+4}{x}$

5. If $x = 7 - 4\sqrt{3}$, then the value of

$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$ is:

(a) $3\sqrt{3}$ (b) $8\sqrt{3}$

(c) $14 + 8\sqrt{3}$ (d) 14

6. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{b}{c} = \frac{4}{5}$, then the ratio

$\frac{a+b}{b+c}$ equal to:

(a) $\frac{20}{27}$ (b) $\frac{27}{20}$ (c) $\frac{6}{8}$ (d) $\frac{8}{6}$

YEAR : 2002

7. If $a * b = 2(a + b)$, then $5 * 2$ is equal to:

(a) 3 (b) 10 (c) 14 (d) 20

8. If $\frac{2a+b}{a+4b} = 3$, then find the value

of $\frac{a+b}{a+2b}$

(a) $\frac{5}{9}$ (b) $\frac{2}{7}$ (c) $\frac{10}{9}$ (d) $\frac{10}{7}$

9. If $a * b = a + b + ab$, then $3 * 4 - 2 * 3$ is equal to

(a) 6 (b) 8 (c) 10 (d) 12

10. If $x \otimes y = 3x + 2y$. Then $2 \otimes 3 + 3 \otimes 4$ is equal to

(a) 18 (b) 29 (c) 32 (d) 38

11. If $a : b = 2 : 3$ and $b : c = 4 : 5$, find $a^2 : b^2 : bc$

(a) 4 : 9 : 45 (b) 16 : 36 : 45

(c) 16 : 36 : 20 (d) 4 : 36 : 40

12. If $A : B = \frac{1}{2} : \frac{3}{8}$ $B : C = \frac{1}{3} : \frac{5}{9}$ and

$C : D = \frac{5}{6} : \frac{3}{4}$ then find the ratio

of $A : B : C : D$

(a) 6:4:8:10 (b) 6:8:9:10

(c) 8:6:10:9 (d) 4:6:8:10

13. If $A : B : C = 2 : 3 : 4$, then

$\frac{A}{B} : \frac{B}{C} : \frac{C}{A}$ is equal to

(a) 8 : 9 : 16 (d) 8 : 9 : 12

(c) 8 : 9 : 24 (d) 4 : 9 : 16

14. If $A : B = 1 : 2$, $B : C = 3 : 4$ and $C : D = 5 : 6$, find $D : C : B : A$

(a) 6 : 5 : 4 : 2 (b) 6 : 3 : 2 : 1

(c) 6 : 4 : 2 : 1 (d) 48:40:30:15

15. If $\frac{2a-5b}{3a+6b} = \frac{4}{7}$, then $a : b$ is equal to

(a) 21 : 36 (b) 2 : 59

(c) 59 : 2 (d) 36 : 21

YEAR : 2003

16. If $\frac{a}{3} = \frac{b}{4} = \frac{c}{7}$ then $\frac{a+b+c}{c}$ is equal to

(a) 0 (b) 1

(c) 2 (d) 3

17. If $\frac{144}{0.144} = \frac{14.4}{x}$, then the value of x is

(a) 144 (b) 14.4

(c) 1.44 (d) 0.0144

18. If $1 < x < 2$, then the value of

$\sqrt{(x-1)^2} + \sqrt{(x-3)^2}$ is

(a) 1 (b) 2

(c) 3 (d) $2x - 4$

19. If $a \oplus b = (a \times b) + b$, then $5 \oplus 7$ equals to

(a) 12 (b) 35 (c) 42 (d) 50

20. Given that $10^{0.48} = x$, $10^{0.70} = y$ and $x^z = y^2$, then the value of z is close to

(a) 1.45 (b) 1.88

(c) 2.9 (d) 3.7

21. If $47.2506 = 4A + 7B + 2C +$

$\frac{5}{D} + 6E$, then the value of $5A +$

$3B + 6C + D + 3E$ is

(a) 53.6003 (b) 53.603

(c) 153.6003 (d) 213.0003

22. If $x * y = x^2 + y^2 - xy$, then the value of $9 * 11$ is

(a) 93 (b) 103

(c) 113 (d) 121

23. If $5^{5x+5} = 1$, then x equals

- (a) 0 (b) -1 (c) 1 (d) $-\frac{4}{5}$

24. If $3^{x+3} + 7 = 250$, then x is equal to

- (a) 5 (b) 3 (c) 2 (d) 1

25. If $\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{3}{8} \times \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{5}{12} \times \dots \times \frac{31}{64} = \frac{1}{2^x}$ the value of x is

- (a) 31 (b) 32 (c) 36 (d) 37

26. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1}$ & $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1}$, then value of $x^2 + y^2$ is :

- (a) 14 (b) 13 (c) 15 (d) 10

27. If $x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$, then the value of $\left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$ is:

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) $2\sqrt{2}$ (d) $3\sqrt{3}$

28. If $p = 999$, then the value of $\sqrt[3]{p(p^2+3p+3)} + 1$ is

- (a) 1000 (b) 999
(c) 998 (d) 1002

29. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{7}{9}$, $\frac{b}{c} = \frac{3}{5}$, then the value of $a:b:c$ is

- (a) 7 : 9 : 15 (d) 7 : 9 : 5
(c) 21 : 35 : 45 (d) 7 : 3 : 15

30. If $x : y = 7 : 3$ then the value of $\frac{xy+y^2}{x^2-y^2}$ is

- (a) $\frac{3}{4}$ (b) $\frac{4}{3}$ (c) $\frac{3}{7}$ (d) $\frac{7}{3}$

31. If $[p]$ means the greatest positive integer less than or equal to p , then $\left[-\frac{1}{4}\right] + \left[4 - \frac{1}{4}\right] + [3]$ is equal to

- (a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 6 (d) 7

YEAR : 2004

32. The value of $\frac{(243)^{\frac{n}{5}} \cdot 3^{2n+1}}{9^n \cdot 3^{n-1}}$ is

- (a) 1 (b) 9 (c) 3 (d) 3^n

33. If $x = 0.5$ and $y = 0.2$ then value of $\sqrt{0.6} \times (3y)^x$ is equal to

- (a) 1.0 (b) 0.5 (c) 0.6 (d) 1.1

34. If $x^{x\sqrt{x}} = (x\sqrt{x})^x$, then x equals

- (a) $\frac{4}{9}$ (b) $\frac{2}{3}$ (c) $\frac{9}{4}$ (d) $\frac{3}{2}$

35. If $a = 7$, $b = 5$ and $c = 3$, then the value of $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca$ is

- (a) 12 (b) -12 (c) 0 (d) 8

36. If $7^x = \frac{1}{343}$, then the value of x is

- (a) 3 (b) -3 (c) $\frac{1}{3}$ (d) $\frac{1}{7}$

37. $\frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5}}{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{5} - \left(\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{3}\right)}$ is

- (a) $\frac{2}{3}$ (b) $\frac{3}{4}$
(c) $\frac{47}{60}$ (d) $\frac{49}{60}$

YEAR 2005

38. If $0.13 \times p^2 = 13$, then p is equal to

- (a) 10 (b) 0.01
(c) 0.1 (d) 100

39. If $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{3}{4}$, the value of $\frac{6}{7} + \frac{y-x}{y+x}$ is:

- (a) 1 (b) $\frac{2}{7}$ (c) $\frac{3}{7}$ (d) $1\frac{3}{7}$

40. If $x = 7 - 4\sqrt{3}$, then $\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ is equal to:

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

41. If $a = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1}$ & $b = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$, then

the value of $\frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{a^2 - ab + b^2}$ is

- (a) $\frac{3}{4}$ (b) $\frac{4}{3}$ (c) $\frac{3}{5}$ (d) $\frac{5}{3}$

42. If $a = 4.36$, $b = 2.39$ and $c = 1.97$, then the value of $a^3 - b^3 - c^3 - 3abc$ is

- (a) 3.94 (b) 2.39 (c) 0 (d) 1

43. If $\frac{3a+5b}{3a-5b} = 5$, then $a : b$ is equal to

- (a) 2:1 (b) 2:3 (c) 1:3 (d) 5:2

44. If $p : q = r : s = t : u = 2 : 3$, then $(mp + nr + ot) : (mq + ns + ou)$ equals:

- (a) 3:2 (b) 2:3 (c) 1:3 (d) 1:2

45. If $x : y = 3 : 4$, then $(7x + 3y) : (7x - 3y)$ is equal to :

- (a) 5 : 2 (b) 4 : 3
(c) 11 : 3 (d) 37 : 19

YEAR : 2006

46. For what value(s) of a is $x + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{x} + a^2$ a perfect square ?

- (a) $\pm \frac{1}{18}$ (b) $\frac{1}{8}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{5}$ (d) $\frac{1}{4}$

47. If $a \neq b$, then which of the following statements is true?

- (a) $\frac{a+b}{2} = \sqrt{ab}$ (b) $\frac{a+b}{2} < \sqrt{ab}$
(c) $\frac{a+b}{2} > \sqrt{ab}$ (d) All of the above

48. If x, y are two positive real number and $x^{1/3} = y^{1/4}$, then which of the following relations is true?

- (a) $x^3 = y^4$ (b) $x^3 = y$
(c) $x = y^4$ (d) $x^{20} = y^{15}$

49. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$, then $\frac{\sqrt{1+x}}{1+\sqrt{1+x}} + \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{1-\sqrt{1-x}}$ is equal to

- (a) 1 (b) $2/\sqrt{3}$
(c) $2 - \sqrt{3}$ (d) 2

50. If for non-zero, x , $x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$, the value of $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is

- (a) 4 (b) 10 (c) 12 (d) 18

51. $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right)\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 1\right)$ is equal to

- (a) $x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}$ (b) $x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8}$
(c) $x^8 - \frac{1}{x^8}$ (d) $x^6 - \frac{1}{x^6}$

YEAR : 2007

52. If $a^{2x+2} = 1$, where a is a positive real number other than 1, then x is equal to

- (a) -2 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 1

53. If x is real then the minimum value of $(x^2 - x - 1)$ is

- (a) $\frac{3}{4}$ (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) $-\frac{5}{4}$

54. If $\frac{\sqrt{7}-2}{\sqrt{7}+2} = a\sqrt{7} + b$, then the value of a is

- (a) $\frac{11}{3}$ (b) $-\frac{4}{3}$ (c) $\frac{4}{3}$ (d) $\frac{-4\sqrt{7}}{3}$

55. If $a + \frac{1}{b} = 1$ and $b + \frac{1}{c} = 1$ then $c + \frac{1}{a}$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) 1 (d) 2

56. If $x = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$, then the value of $\left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)$ is

- (a) $6\sqrt{3}$ (b) $12\sqrt{3}$
(c) $18\sqrt{3}$ (d) $24\sqrt{3}$

57. If $x + y = 7$, then the value of $x^3 + y^3 + 21xy$ is

- (a) 243 (b) 143
(c) 343 (d) 443

58. If $\otimes$ is an operation such that $a \otimes b = 2a$ when $a > b$, $a + b$ when $a < b$, a^2 when $a = b$,

then $\left[\frac{(5 \otimes 7) + (4 \otimes 4)}{3(5 \otimes 5) - (15 \otimes 11) - 3} \right]$ is equal to :

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{14}{23}$ (c) $\frac{2}{3}$ (d) $\frac{14}{13}$

YEAR 2008

59. If $(125)^x = 3125$, then the value of x is

- (a) $\frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\frac{3}{5}$ (c) $\frac{5}{3}$ (d) $\frac{5}{7}$

60. If $5^{\sqrt{x}} + 12^{\sqrt{x}} = 13^{\sqrt{x}}$, then x is equal to

- (a) $\frac{25}{4}$ (b) 4 (c) 9 (d) 16

61. If $n + \frac{2}{3}n + \frac{1}{2}n + \frac{1}{7}n = 97$ then the value of n is

- (a) 40 (b) 42 (c) 44 (d) 46

62. If $x = 3 + \sqrt{8}$, then $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is equal to

- (a) 38 (b) 36 (c) 34 (d) 30

63. If $x - \frac{1}{x} = 4$, then $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$ is equal to

- (a) $5\sqrt{2}$ (b) $2\sqrt{5}$
(c) $4\sqrt{2}$ (d) $4\sqrt{5}$

64. If $4b^2 + \frac{1}{b^2} = 2$, then the value of

$8b^3 + \frac{1}{b^3}$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 5

YEAR : 2009

65. If $2^{2x-y} = 16$ and $2^{x+y} = 32$, the value of xy is

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 8

YEAR : 2010

66. If $\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-6} = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{2x-1}$, then x is equal to

- (a) -2 (b) 2 (c) -1 (d) 1

67. If a and b be positive integers such that $a^2 - b^2 = 19$, then the value of a is

- (a) 19 (b) 20 (c) 9 (d) 10

68. $\frac{\sqrt{3+x} + \sqrt{3-x}}{\sqrt{3+x} - \sqrt{3-x}} = 2$ then x is equal to

- (a) $\frac{5}{12}$ (b) $\frac{12}{5}$ (c) $\frac{5}{7}$ (d) $\frac{7}{5}$

69. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$, then the value of

$\left(\frac{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}} \right)$ is

- (a) $-\sqrt{3}$ (b) -1 (c) 1 (d) $\sqrt{3}$

70. If $4^{4x+1} = \frac{1}{64}$, then the value of x is

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) -1 (c) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{6}$

71. If $\frac{\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-4}}{\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-4}} = 2$ then x is equal to

- (a) 2.4 (b) 3.2 (c) 4 (d) 5

72. If $\sqrt{2^x} = 256$, then the value of x is

- (a) 14 (b) 16 (c) 18 (d) 20

73. If $(\sqrt{5})^7 \div (\sqrt{5})^5 = 5^p$, then the value of p is

- (a) 5 (b) 2 (c) $\frac{3}{2}$ (d) 1

74. If $1.5a = 0.04b$ then $\frac{b-a}{b+a}$ is equal to

- (a) $\frac{73}{77}$ (b) $\frac{77}{33}$ (c) $\frac{2}{75}$ (d) $\frac{75}{2}$

75. If $x = (\sqrt{2} + 1)^{\frac{1}{3}}$, the value of

$\left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right)$ is

- (a) 0 (b) $-\sqrt{2}$ (c) +2 (d) $3\sqrt{2}$

76. If $\frac{x^2 - x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1} = \frac{3}{2}$, then the value

of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$ is

- (a) 4 (b) -5 (c) 6 (d) 8

77. If $x = 3 + \sqrt{8}$, then $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is equal to

- (a) 38 (b) 36 (c) 34 (d) 30

78. If $x = 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$, then the value of

$\left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$ is.

- (a) $2\sqrt{2}$ (b) $3\sqrt{2}$

- (c) $2\sqrt{3}$ (d) $3\sqrt{3}$

79. For $a > b$. If $a + b = 5$ and $ab = 6$, then the value of $(a^2 - b^2)$ is

- (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) 7

80. If $x + \frac{9}{x} = 6$, then the value of

$\left(x^2 + \frac{9}{x^2}\right)$ is

- (a) 8 (b) 9 (c) 10 (d) 12

81. If $2p + \frac{1}{p} = 4$, then value of $p^3 + \frac{1}{8p^3}$ is

- (a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 8 (d) 15

82. If $a^4 + b^4 = a^2 b^2$, then $(a^6 + b^6)$ equals

- (a) 0 (b) 1
(c) $a^2 + b^2$ (d) $a^2 b^4 + a^4 b^2$

83. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$, then the value of

$$\frac{x^3 + \frac{1}{x}}{x^2 - x + 1} \text{ is:}$$

- (a) $\frac{3}{2}$ (b) $\frac{5}{2}$ (c) $\frac{7}{2}$ (d) $\frac{11}{2}$

84. If $a + \frac{1}{a} + 1 = 0$ ($a \neq 0$) then the value of $(a^4 - a)$ is:

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) -1

85. If $x = a + \frac{1}{a}$ and $y = a - \frac{1}{a}$, then

the value of $x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2 y^2$ is

- (a) 24 (b) 18 (c) 16 (d) 12

86. If $a = 11$ and $b = 9$, then the value of $\left(\frac{a^2 + b^2 + ab}{a^3 - b^3}\right)$ is

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) 2 (c) $\frac{1}{20}$ (d) 20

87. If $p = 101$, then the value of $\sqrt[3]{p(p^2 - 3p + 3)} - 1$ is

- (a) 100 (b) 101
(c) 102 (d) 1000

88. If $x = 19$ and $y = 18$, then the

$$\text{value of } \frac{x^2 + y^2 + xy}{x^3 - y^3} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 37
(c) 324 (d) 361

89. If 50% of $(p - q) = 30\%$ of $(p + q)$, then $p : q$ is equal to

- (a) 5 : 3 (b) 4 : 1
(c) 3 : 5 (d) 1 : 4

90. If $x : y = 2 : 1$, then $(5x^2 - 13xy + 6y^2)$ is equal to

- (a) $\frac{3}{4}$ (b) $\frac{4}{3}$ (c) 0 (d) $\frac{55}{4}$

YEAR : 2011

91. If $\frac{a}{3} = \frac{b}{2}$, then value of $\frac{2a+3b}{3a-2b}$ is

- (a) $\frac{12}{5}$ (b) $\frac{5}{12}$ (c) 1 (d) $\frac{12}{7}$

92. If $\frac{a}{1-a} + \frac{b}{1-b} + \frac{c}{1-c} = 1$, then the

$$\text{value of } \frac{1}{1-a} + \frac{1}{1-b} + \frac{1}{1-c} ?$$

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

93. If $\frac{2x-y}{x+2y} = \frac{1}{2}$, then value of

$$\frac{3x-y}{3x+y} \text{ is:}$$

- (a) $\frac{1}{5}$ (b) $\frac{3}{5}$ (c) $\frac{4}{5}$ (d) 1

94. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$, then $\frac{2x}{3x^2 - 5x + 3}$ is equal to

- (a) 5 (b) $\frac{1}{5}$ (c) 3 (d) $\frac{1}{3}$

95. If $\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^3}{100}} = \frac{3}{5}$, then x equals

- (a) 2 (b) 4
(c) 16 (d) $(136)^{1/3}$

96. If $\sqrt{1 + \frac{x}{9}} = \frac{13}{3}$, then the value of x is

- (a) $\frac{1439}{9}$ (b) 160
(c) $\frac{1443}{9}$ (d) 169

97. If $\frac{4\sqrt{3}+5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{48}+\sqrt{18}} = a+b\sqrt{6}$, then the values of a and b are respectively

- (a) $\frac{9}{15}, -\frac{4}{15}$ (b) $\frac{3}{11}, \frac{4}{33}$
(c) $\frac{9}{10}, \frac{2}{5}$ (d) $\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{15}$

98. If $a * b = ab$, then the value of $5 * 3$ is

- (a) 125 (b) 243 (c) 53 (d) 15

99. If $\sqrt{0.03 \times 0.3a} = 0.3 \times 0.3 \times \sqrt{b}$,

$$\text{value of } \frac{a}{b} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 0.009 (b) 0.03
(c) 0.9 (d) 0.08

100. If $x * y = (x+3)^2 (y-1)$, then the value of $5 * 4$ is

- (a) 192 (b) 182 (c) 180 (d) 172

101. If $9\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{12} + \sqrt{147}$, then $x = ?$

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

102. If $\sqrt{1 + \frac{x}{961}} = \frac{32}{31}$, then the value of x is

- (a) 63 (b) 61 (c) 65 (d) 64

103. If $\sqrt{0.04 \times 0.4 \times a} = 0.004 \times 0.4 \times$

$$\sqrt{b}, \text{ then the value of } \frac{a}{b} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 16×10^{-3} (b) 16×10^{-4}
(c) 16×10^{-5} (d) 16×10^{-6}

104. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = 3$

$$\text{then } \frac{2a^2 + 3c^2 + 4e^2}{2b^2 + 3d^2 + 4f^2} = ?$$

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 9

105. If $2x + \frac{1}{3x} = 5$. Find the value of

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{6}$ (c) $\frac{1}{5}$ (d) $\frac{1}{7}$

106. If x varies inversely as $(y^2 - 1)$ and x is equal to 24 when $y = 10$, then the value of x when $y = 5$ is

- (a) 99 (b) 12 (c) 24 (d) 100

107. If $x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$, then the value of $x^{31} + y^{35}$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2

108. If $\frac{x}{2x^2 + 5x + 2} = \frac{1}{6}$, then value

$$\text{of } \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \text{ is:}$$

- (a) 2 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{2}$ (d) -2

109. If a, b, c are real and $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(a - b - c) - 3$ then the value of $2a - 3b + 4c$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2

110. If $(3a+1)^2 + (b-1)^2 + (2c-3)^2 = 0$, then the value of $(3a+b+2c)$ is equal to;

- (a) 3 (b) -1 (c) 2 (d) 5

111. The value of the expression

$$\frac{(a-b)^2}{(b-c)(c-a)} + \frac{(b-c)^2}{(a-b)(c-a)} +$$

- (a) 0 (b) 3 (c) $\frac{1}{3}$ (d) 2

112. If $(a-3)^2 + (b-4)^2 + (c-9)^2 = 0$, then the value of $\sqrt{a+b+c}$ is:

- (a) -4 (b) 4 (c) ± 4 (d) ± 2

113. If $1.5x = 0.04y$, then the value of

$$\frac{y^2 - x^2}{y^2 + 2xy + x^2} \text{ is}$$

- (a) $\frac{730}{77}$ (b) $\frac{73}{77}$ (c) $\frac{73}{770}$ (d) $\frac{74}{77}$

114. If $\frac{1}{a^3} = 11$, then the value of $a^2 - 331a$ is

- (a) 1331331 (b) 1331000
(c) 1334331 (d) 1330030

115. If $x^2 + y^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} = 4$, then the value of $x^2 + y^2$ is

- (a) 2 (b) 4 (c) 8 (d) 16

116. If $a^2 + b^2 = 2$ and $c^2 + d^2 = 1$ then the value of $(ad - bc)^2 + (ac + bd)^2$ is

- (a) $\frac{4}{9}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) 1 (d) 2

117. If $x = \frac{4ab}{a+b}$, $a \neq b$, the value of

$$\frac{x+2a}{x-2a} + \frac{x+2b}{x-2b} \text{ is}$$

- (a) a (b) b (c) 2ab (d) 2

118. If $m + \frac{1}{m-2} = 4$, find the value of

$$(m-2)^2 + \frac{1}{(m-2)^2}$$

- (a) -2 (b) 0 (c) 2 (d) 4

119. If $a^2 + b^2 + 2b + 4a + 5 = 0$, then the value of

$$\frac{a-b}{a+b} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 3 (b) -3 (c) $\frac{1}{3}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{3}$

120. If $x-y = \frac{x+y}{7} = \frac{xy}{4}$, the numerical value of xy is

- (a) $\frac{4}{3}$ (b) $\frac{3}{4}$ (c) $\frac{1}{4}$ (d) $\frac{1}{3}$

121. If $x+y+z=0$, then $\frac{x^2}{yz} + \frac{y^2}{zx} + \frac{z^2}{xy} = ?$

- (a) $(xyz)^2$ (b) $x^2 + y^2 + z^2$
(c) 9 (d) 3

122. If $a+b+c=0$, then the value of

$$\frac{1}{(a+b)(b+c)} + \frac{1}{(a+c)(b+a)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(c+a)(c+b)}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) -2

123. If $a+b+c=0$, then the value of

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{a^2 - bc} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

124. If $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 4y + 8 = 0$, then the value of $x-y$ is

- (a) 4 (b) -4 (c) 0 (d) 8

125. If $x = b+c-2a$, $y = c+a-2b$, $z = a+b-2c$, then the value of $x^2 + y^2 - z^2 + 2xy$ is

- (a) 0 (b) $a+b+c$
(c) $a-b+c$ (d) $a+b-c$

126. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$ then the value of $x^{18} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

127. If for two real constants a and b the expression $ax^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + b$ is exactly divisible by $(x+2)$ and $(x-2)$, then

- (a) $a=2, b=12$ (b) $a=12, b=2$
(c) $a=2, b=-12$ (d) $a=-2, b=12$

128. If $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$, then the value

$$\text{of } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 9 (b) 18 (c) 27 (d) 1

129. If $x + \frac{1}{4x} = \frac{3}{2}$, find the value of

$$8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3}$$

- (a) 18 (b) 36 (c) 24 (d) 16

130. If $x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 119$ and $x > 1$, then

$$\text{the value of } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} \text{ is}$$

- (a) $6\sqrt{13}$ (b) $8\sqrt{13}$
(c) $13\sqrt{13}$ (d) $10\sqrt{13}$

131. If $3x + \frac{1}{2x} = 5$, then the value of

$$8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} \text{ is:}$$

- (a) $118\frac{1}{2}$ (b) $30\frac{10}{27}$

- (c) 0 (d) 1

132. If $x+y=z$, then the expression $x^3 + y^3 - z^3 + 3xyz$ will be equal to:

- (a) 0 (b) $3xyz$
(c) $-3xyz$ (d) z^3

133. If the sum of $\frac{a}{b}$ and its reciprocal

is 1 and $a \neq 0, b \neq 0$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3$ is

- (a) 2 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 1

134. If $x = 2 - 2^{1/3} + 2^{2/3}$ then the value of $x^3 - 6x^2 + 18x + 18$ is

- (a) 22 (b) 33 (c) 40 (d) 45

135. If $a^3 - b^3 - c^3 - 3abc = 0$, then

- (a) $a=b=c$ (b) $a+b+c=0$
(c) $a+c=b$ (d) $a=b+c$

136. If $a = 2.361$, $b = 3.263$ and $c = 5.624$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3 - c^3 + 3abc$ is

- (a) $(p-q)(q-r)^3 + (r-p)^3$
(b) $3(p-q)(q-r)(r-p)$
(c) 0
(d) 1

137. If $p = 124$,

$$\sqrt[3]{p(p^2 + 3p + 3)} + 1 = ?$$

$$\sqrt[3]{p(p^2 + 3p + 3)} + 1 = ?$$

- (a) 5 (b) 7 (c) 123 (d) 125

138. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$ and x is real, then

$$\text{the value of } x^{17} + \frac{1}{x^{19}} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) 2 (d) -2

139. If $x:y = 3:4$, then the value of

$$\frac{5x-2y}{7x+2y} = ?$$

- (a) $\frac{7}{25}$ (b) $\frac{7}{23}$ (c) $\frac{7}{29}$ (d) $\frac{7}{17}$

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140. If $\frac{2p}{p^2 - 2p + 1} = \frac{1}{4}, p \neq 0$ then the

value of $p + \frac{1}{p}$ is

- (a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 10 (d) 12

141. If $x + y = 2z$ then the value of

$\frac{x}{x-z} + \frac{z}{y-z}$ is

- (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) 2

142. If $a^3b = abc = 180$, a, b, c are positive integers, then the value of c is

- (a) 110 (b) 1 (c) 4 (d) 25

143. If a, b are rational number and

$(a-1)\sqrt{2} + 3 = b\sqrt{2} + a$, the value

of $(a+b)$ is

- (a) -5 (b) 3
(c) -3 (d) 5

144. If $64^{x+1} = \frac{64}{4^x}$, then the value of x is

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) 2

145. If $ax^2 + bx + c = a(x-p)^2$, then the relation among a, b, c would be

- (a) $abc = 1$ (b) $b^2 = ac$
(c) $b^2 = 4ac$ (d) $2b = a + c$

146. If $a + b + c + d = 1$, then the maximum value of

$(1+a)(1+b)(1+c)(1+d)$ is

- (a) 1 (b) $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$ (c) $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3$ (d) $\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^4$

147. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 3 = 2(a+b+c)$ then the value of

$(a+b+c)$ is

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

148. If $x - \frac{1}{x} = 5$, then $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is :

- (a) 5 (b) 25 (c) 27 (d) 23

149. If $n = 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$, then the value of

$\left(\sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$ is:

- (a) $2\sqrt{3}$ (b) 4
(c) -4 (d) $-2\sqrt{3}$

150. If $x = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$, then the value of

$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$ is

- (a) $2\sqrt{2}$ (b) $2\sqrt{3}$
(c) 2 (d) 3

151. If $p + q = 10$ and $pq = 5$, then the

numerical value of $\frac{p}{q} + \frac{q}{p}$ will be

- (a) 16 (b) 20 (c) 22 (d) 18

152. If $x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$ and $xy = 1$, then the

value of $\frac{x^2 + 3xy + y^2}{x^2 - 3xy + y^2}$ is

- (a) $\frac{30}{31}$ (b) $\frac{70}{31}$ (c) $\frac{35}{31}$ (d) $\frac{37}{31}$

153. If $\frac{x}{b+c} = \frac{y}{c+a} = \frac{z}{a+b}$, then

(a) $\frac{x-y}{b-a} = \frac{y-z}{c-b} = \frac{z-x}{a-c}$

(b) $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b} = \frac{z}{c}$

(c) $\frac{x-y}{c} = \frac{y-z}{b} = \frac{z-x}{a}$

(d) None of the above is true

154. If $x - y = 2$, $xy = 24$, then the value of $(x^2 + y^2)$ is

- (a) 25 (b) 36 (c) 63 (d) 52

155. If the expression $\frac{x^2}{y^2} + tx + \frac{y^2}{4}$ is a perfect square, then the values of t is

- (a) ± 1 (b) ± 2 (c) 0 (d) ± 3

156. If $a = x + y$, $b = x - y$, $c = x + 2y$, then $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca$ is

- (a) $4y^2$ (b) $5y^2$
(c) $6y^2$ (d) $7y^2$

157. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2, x \neq 0$ then value of

$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ is equal to

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

158. If $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 3$ then the value of $(x^{72} + x^{66} + x^{54} + x^{24} + x^6 + 1)$

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 84 (d) 206

159. If $a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$, then the value of

$a^6 - \frac{1}{a^6} + 2$ will be

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) $3\sqrt{3}$ (d) 5

160. If $x^3 + y^3 = 35$ and $x + y = 5$, then

the value of $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}$ will be:

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{5}{6}$ (c) 6 (d) $\frac{2}{3}$

161. If $a^3 - b^3 = 56$ and $a - b = 2$ then value of $a^2 + b^2$ will be:

- (a) 48 (b) 20 (c) 22 (d) 5

162. If $(a^2 + b^2)^3 = (a^3 + b^3)^2$ is, then

$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = ?$

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{2}{3}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{3}$ (d) $-\frac{2}{3}$

163. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$, then the value of

$\frac{x^4 + 3x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x + 1}{x^4 + 1}$

- (a) $\frac{43}{23}$ (b) $\frac{47}{21}$ (c) $\frac{41}{23}$ (d) $\frac{45}{21}$

164. If x is real, $x + \frac{1}{x} \neq 0$ and

$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$, then the value of

$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^4$ is

- (a) 4 (b) 9 (c) 16 (d) 25

165. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$, then the value of

$\left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right)$ is

- (a) 322 (b) 126
(c) 123 (d) 113

166. If $x - \frac{1}{x} = 3$, then value of

$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}$ is

- (a) 32 (b) 36 (c) 40 (d) 49

167. If $m^4 + \frac{1}{4} = 119$, then $m - \frac{1}{m} = ?$

- (a) ± 3 (b) 4 (c) ± 2 (d) ± 1

168. If $x + y + z = 6$, then the value of $(x-1)^3 + (y-2)^3 + (z-3)^3$ is

- (a) $3(x-1)(y+2)(z-3)$
(b) $3(x+1)(y-2)(z-3)$
(c) $3(x-1)(y-2)(z+3)$
(d) $3(x-1)(y-2)(z-3)$

169. If $a+b+c=6$, $a^2+b^2+c^2=14$ and $a^3+b^3+c^3=36$, then the value of abc is

- (a) 3 (b) 6 (c) 9 (d) 12

170. If $a+b=1$ and $a^3+b^3+3ab=k$, then the value of k is

- (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) 7

171. If $a=34$, $b=c=33$, then the value of $a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 111 (c) 50 (d) 100

172. If $(2^x)(2^y)=8$ and $(9^x)(3^y)=81$, then (x, y) is:

- (a) (1,2) (b) (2,1)
(c) (1,1) (d) (2,2)

173. The lines $2x+y=5$ and $x+2y=4$ intersect at the point:

- (a) (1,2) (b) (2,1)
(c) $\left(\frac{5}{2}, 0\right)$ (d) (0,2)

174. If $y:x=4:15$, then the value of

$$\left(\frac{x-y}{x+y}\right) \text{ is}$$

- (a) $\frac{11}{19}$ (b) $\frac{19}{11}$ (c) $\frac{4}{11}$ (d) $\frac{15}{19}$

175. The expression x^4-2x^2+k will be a perfect square when the value of k is

- (a) 2 (b) 1 (c) -1 (d) -2

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176. If $(x-3)^2+(y-5)^2+(z-4)^2=0$ then the value of

$$\frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{25} + \frac{z^2}{16} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 12 (b) 9 (c) 3 (d) 1

177. x varies inversely as square of y . Given that $y=2$ for $x=1$, the value of x for $y=6$ will be equal to

- (a) 3 (b) 9 (c) $\frac{1}{3}$ (d) $\frac{1}{9}$

178. If $a^2+b^2+c^2+3=2(a-b-c)$ then the value of $2a-b+c$ is:

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 0 (d) 2

179. If $x^2-y^2=80$ and $x-y=8$, then the average of x and y is

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5

180. The third proportional to

$$\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}\right) \text{ and } \sqrt{x^2+y^2} \text{ is}$$

- (a) xy (b) $\sqrt{xy}$

- (c) $\sqrt[3]{xy}$ (d) $\sqrt[4]{xy}$

181. If $\frac{4x}{3}+2P=12$ for what value of P , $x=6$?

- (a) 6 (b) 4 (c) 2 (d) 1

182. The value of $\frac{4+3\sqrt{3}}{7+4\sqrt{3}}$ is

- (a) $5\sqrt{3}-8$ (b) $5\sqrt{3}+8$
(c) $8\sqrt{3}+5$ (d) $8\sqrt{3}-5$

183. Let $a=\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}$,

$b=\sqrt{5}-2$, $c=2-\sqrt{3}$ Then point out the correct alternative among the four alternatives given below.

- (a) $b < a < c$ (b) $a < c < b$
(c) $b < c < a$ (d) $a < b < c$

184. If $x=\frac{4\sqrt{15}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}$, the value of

$$\frac{x+\sqrt{20}}{x-\sqrt{20}} + \frac{x+\sqrt{12}}{x-\sqrt{12}} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) $\sqrt{3}$ (d) $\sqrt{5}$

185. If $x=5-\sqrt{21}$, then the value of

$$\frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{32-2x}-\sqrt{21}} \text{ is}$$

- (a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{7})$ (b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3})$
(c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\sqrt{7}+\sqrt{3})$ (d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(7+\sqrt{3})$

186. If $6x-5y=13$, $7x+2y=23$ then $11x+18y=?$

- (a) -15 (b) 51 (c) 33 (d) 15

187. The value of $(x^{b+c})^{b-c} (x^{c+a})^{c-a}$

$$(x^{a+b})^{a-b}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) -1 (d) 0

188. If $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{x}$, then the value of $x-x^2$ is:

- (a) $-a$ (b) $\frac{1}{a}$ (c) a (d) $-\frac{1}{a}$

189. If $x+\frac{1}{x}=99$, find the value of

- (a) $\frac{1}{6}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $\frac{1}{3}$ (d) $\frac{1}{4}$

190. If $\frac{4x-3}{x} + \frac{4y-3}{y} + \frac{4z-3}{z} = 0$ then

the value of $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}$ is

- (a) 9 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 6

191. If $\frac{xy}{x+y} = a$, $\frac{xz}{x+z} = b$ and $\frac{yz}{y+z} = c$, where a, b, c are all non-zero numbers, then x equals to

- (a) $\frac{2abc}{ab+bc-ac}$ (b) $\frac{2abc}{ab+ac-bc}$

- (c) $\frac{2abc}{ac+bc-ab}$ (d) $\frac{2abc}{ab+bc-ac}$

192. If x and y are positive real numbers and $xy=8$, then the minimum value of $2x+y$ is

- (a) 9 (b) 17 (c) 10 (d) 8

193. If the expression x^2+x+1 is written in the form $\left(x+\frac{1}{2}\right)^2+q^2$,

then the possible values of q are

- (a) $\pm\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\pm\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

- (c) $\pm\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$ (d) $\pm\frac{1}{2}$

194. If $a^2-4a-1=0$, then value of

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 3a - \frac{3}{a} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 25 (b) 30 (c) 35 (d) 40

195. The minimum value of $(x-2)(x-9)$ is

- (a) $-\frac{11}{4}$ (b) $\frac{49}{4}$ (c) 0 (d) $-\frac{49}{4}$

196. One of the factors of the expression $4\sqrt{3}x^2+5x-2\sqrt{3}$ is:

- (a) $4x+\sqrt{3}$ (b) $4x+3$

- (c) $4x-3$ (d) $4x-\sqrt{3}$

197. If $\sqrt{x}=\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}$, then the value of $x^2-16x+6$ is

- (a) 0 (b) -2 (c) 2 (d) 4

198. If $x^2=y+z$, $y^2=z+x$, $z^2=x+y$, then

$$\text{the value of } \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{y+1} + \frac{1}{z+1}$$

- (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 41

199. If $a + b + c = 0$, then the value of

$$\left(\frac{a+b}{c} + \frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b}\right) \left(\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b}\right)$$

- (a) 8 (b) -3 (c) 9 (d) 0

200. If a, b, c are non-zero $a + \frac{1}{b} = 1$ and

$$b + \frac{1}{c} = 1, \text{ then the value of } abc \text{ is:}$$

- (a) -1 (b) 3 (c) -3 (d) 1

201. If $a + b + c = 2s$, then

$$\frac{(s-a)^2 + (s-b)^2 + (s-c)^2 + s^2}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

- (a) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ (b) 0
(c) 1 (d) 2

202. If $x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$, the value of $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is

- (a) 36 (b) 30 (c) 32 (d) 34

203. If $x\left(3 - \frac{2}{x}\right) = \frac{3}{x}$, then the value of

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \text{ is}$$

- (a) $2\frac{1}{9}$ (b) $2\frac{4}{9}$ (c) $3\frac{1}{9}$ (d) $3\frac{4}{9}$

204. If $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$, then the value

$$\text{of } x^2 + x + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 10 (b) 2 (c) 6 (d) 8

205. If $a^2 + b^2 = 5ab$, the value of

$$\left(\frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2}\right) \text{ is:}$$

- (a) 32 (b) 16 (c) 23 (d) -23

206. If $xy + yz + zx = 0$, then

$$\left(\frac{1}{x^2 - yz} + \frac{1}{y^2 - zx} + \frac{1}{z^2 - xy}\right) (x, y, z \neq 0)$$

- (a) 3 (b) 1
(c) $x + y + z$ (d) 0

207. If $a + b + c = 9$ (where a, b, c are real numbers), then the minimum value of $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ is

- (a) 100 (b) 9 (c) 27 (d) 81

208. If $a^2 + b^2 + 4c^2 = 2(a + b - 2c) - 3$ and a, b, c are real, then the value of $(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$ is

- (a) 3 (b) $3\frac{1}{4}$ (c) 2 (d) $2\frac{1}{4}$

209. If $\frac{x-a^2}{b+c} + \frac{x-b^2}{c+a} + \frac{x-c^2}{a+b}$

$$= 4(a+b+c), \text{ then } x$$

- (a) $(a+b+c)^2$ (b) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$
(c) $ab + bc + ca$
(d) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca$

210. Number of solutions of the two equations $4x - y = 2$ and $2x - 8y + 4 = 0$ is

- (a) zero (b) one
(c) two (d) Infinitely many

211. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{4}{5}$ and $\frac{b}{c} = \frac{15}{16}$, then

$$\frac{18c^2 - 7a^2}{45c^2 + 20a^2} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{2}{5}$
(c) $\frac{3}{4}$ (d) $\frac{1}{4}$

212. If $x \neq 0, y \neq 0$ and $z \neq 0$ and

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{1}{yz} + \frac{1}{zx} \text{ then}$$

the relation among x, y, z is

- (a) $x + y + z = 0$
(b) $x + y = z$
(c) $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 0$
(d) $x = y = z$

213. If $a + b = 1, c + d = 1$ and $a - b = \frac{d}{c}$,

then the value of $c^2 - d^2$

- (a) $\frac{a}{b}$ (b) $\frac{b}{a}$ (c) 1 (d) -1

214. If $x = 3t, y = \frac{1}{2}(t+1)$, then the

value of t for which $x = 2y$ is

- (a) 1 (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) -1 (d) $\frac{2}{3}$

215. If $x^2 + \frac{1}{5}x + a^2$ is a perfect

square, then a is

- (a) $\frac{1}{100}$ (b) $\pm\frac{1}{10}$ (c) $\frac{1}{10}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{10}$

216. Find the value of x for which the expression $2 - 3x - 4x^2$ has the greatest value.

- (a) $-\frac{41}{16}$ (b) $\frac{3}{8}$ (c) $-\frac{3}{8}$ (d) $\frac{41}{16}$

217. If $(x-1)$ and $(x+3)$ are the factors of $x^2 + k_1x + k_2$ then

- (a) $k_1 = -2, k_2 = -3$
(b) $k_1 = 2, k_2 = -3$
(c) $k_1 = -2, k_2 = 3$
(d) $k_1 = -2, k_2 = 3$

218. If $\frac{5x}{2x^2 + 5x + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$, then the value

$$\text{of } \left(x + \frac{1}{2x}\right)$$

- (a) 15 (b) 10 (c) 20 (d) 5

219. If $x > 1$ and $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 83$ then

$$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 764 (b) 750 (c) 756 (d) 760

220. If $\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 3$, then $a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = ?$

- (a) $2\sqrt{3}$ (b) 2 (c) $3\sqrt{3}$ (d) 0

221. If $\frac{x}{x^2 - 2x + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$, then the value

$$\text{of } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} \text{ is:}$$

- (a) 64 (b) 110 (c) 81 (d) 124

222. If $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 4$, then the value of

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} \text{ is:}$$

- (a) 64 (b) 194 (c) 81 (d) 124

223. If $x + y + z = 6$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 20$ then the value of $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ is

- (a) 64 (b) 70 (c) 72 (d) 76

224. If $x = 1 - \sqrt{2}$, the value of

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \text{ is:}$$

- (a) -8 (b) 8
(c) $2\sqrt{2}$ (d) 1

225. If $x = a - b, y = b - c, z = c - a$, then the numerical value of the algebraic expression $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ will be

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

226. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}$ and $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$,

then the value of $x^3 + y^3$ is :

- (a) 950 (b) 730
(c) 650 (d) 970

227. If $(x-a)(x-b) = 1$ and $a-b+5=0$, then the value of $(x-a)^3 -$

$\frac{1}{(x-a)^3}$ is

- (a) -125 (b) 1
(c) 125 (d) 140

228. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(a-b-c) - 3$ then the value of $4a-3b+5c$ is

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) 6

229. If $2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3$, then the value of

$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2$ is

- (a) $-\frac{9}{8}$ (b) $-\frac{25}{8}$ (c) $\frac{7}{8}$ (d) 11

230. If $a+b+c=15$ and $a^2+b^2+c^2=83$ then the value of $a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc$

- (a) 200 (b) 180
(c) 190 (d) 210

231. If $a-b=3$ and $a^3-b^3=27$ then $|a+b|$ is equal to

- (a) 3 (b) 5 (c) 7 (d) 9

232. If $x + \frac{1}{x+1} = 1$, then $(x+1)^5 +$

$\frac{1}{(x+1)^5}$ equals

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) 8

233. If $a+b+c=0$, then $a^3+b^3+c^3$ is equal to

- (a) $a+b+c$ (d) abc
(c) $2abc$ (d) $3abc$

234. If $x=y=333$ and $z=334$, then the value of $x^3+y^3+z^3-3xyz$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 667
(c) 1000 (d) 2334

235. Out of the given responses one of the factors of

- $(a^2-b^2)^3 + (b^2-c^2)^3 + (c^2-a^2)^3$ is
(a) $(a+b)(a-b)$ (b) $(a+b)(a+b)$
(c) $(a-b)(a-b)$ (d) $(b-c)(b-c)$

236. If $a = \frac{b^2}{b-a}$ then the value of $a^3 + b^3$ is

- (a) $6ab$ (b) 0
(c) 1 (d) 2

237. If $p-2q=4$, then the value of $p^3-8q^3-24pq-64$ is

- (a) 2 (b) 0 (c) 3 (d) -1

238. If $x = -1$, then the value of

$\frac{1}{x^{99}} + \frac{1}{x^{98}} + \frac{1}{x^{97}} + \frac{1}{x^{96}} + \frac{1}{x^{95}} + \frac{1}{x^{94}} + \frac{1}{x} - 1$

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -2 (d) -1

239. If $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{4} + \sqrt[3]{2} + 1} = a\sqrt[3]{4} + b\sqrt[3]{2} + c$ and

a, b, c are rational numbers then $a+b+c$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

240. If $x = \sqrt[3]{2+\sqrt{3}}$, then the value of

$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ is

- (a) 8 (b) 9 (c) 2 (d) 4

241. If $x = \sqrt[3]{5} + 2$, then the value of $x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 13$

- (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 0

242. The simplest form of the expression

$\frac{p^2-p}{2p^3+p^2} + \frac{p^2-1}{p^2+3p} + \frac{p^2}{p+1}$

- (a) $2p^2$ (b) $\frac{1}{2p^2}$
(c) $p+3$ (d) $\frac{1}{p+3}$

243. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$, then the value of

$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)\left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)$ is

- (a) 20 (b) 4 (c) 8 (d) 16

244. If a, b, c be all positive integers then the least positive value of $a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc$ is.

- (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) 3

245. When $f(x) = 12x^3 - 13x^2 - 5x + 7$ is divided by $(3x+2)$, then the remainder is

- (a) 2 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) 1

246. If the equation $2x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$ has two roots α and β , then the

value of $\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ is

- (a) $\frac{7}{2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{24}$ (c) $\frac{7}{24}$ (d) $\frac{97}{24}$

247. If $x^3 + \frac{3}{x} = 4(a^3 + b^3)$ and

$3x + \frac{1}{x^3} = 4(a^3 - b^3)$, then $a^2 - b^2$

is equal to

- (a) 4 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2

248. If $x = 6 + \frac{1}{x}$, then the value of

$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2$ is

- (a) 1448 (b) 1442
(c) 1444 (d) 1446

249. The graph of $2x+1=0$ and $3y-9=0$ intersect at the point

- (a) $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, -3\right)$ (b) $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, 3\right)$

- (c) $\left(\frac{1}{2}, -3\right)$ (d) None of these

250. If $x^2 + 9y^2 = 6xy$, then $x:y$ is

- (a) 1:3 (b) 3:2
(c) 3:1 (d) 2:3

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251. The term to be added to $121a^2 + 64b^2$ to make a perfect square is

- (a) $176ab$ (b) $276a^2b$
(c) $178ab$ (d) $188b^2a$

252. If $a = 2 + \sqrt{3}$, then the value of

$\left(a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2}\right)$

- (a) 12 (b) 14 (c) 16 (d) 10

253. For what value of k the expres-

sion $p + \frac{1}{4} + \sqrt{p} + k^2$ is perfect square?

- (a) 0 (b) $\pm \frac{1}{4}$ (c) $\pm \frac{1}{8}$ (d) $\pm \frac{1}{2}$

254. If $\frac{b-c}{a} + \frac{a+c}{b} + \frac{a-b}{c} = 1$

and $a-b+c \neq 0$ then which one of the following relations is true?

- (a) $\frac{1}{c} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$ (b) $\frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}$

- (c) $\frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{c}$ (d) $\frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{c}$

255. The reciprocal of $x + \frac{1}{x}$ is

- (a) $\frac{x}{x^2+1}$ (b) $\frac{x}{x+1}$
(c) $x - \frac{1}{x}$ (d) $\frac{1}{x} + x$

256. If a, b, c are positive and $a+b+c=1$, then the least value of

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 9 (b) 5 (c) 3 (d) 1

257. If $a(2+\sqrt{3}) = b(2-\sqrt{3}) = 1$, then

$$\text{the value of } \frac{1}{a^2+1} + \frac{1}{b^2+1}$$

- (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) 4 (d) 9

258. If $(2+\sqrt{3})a = (2-\sqrt{3})b = 1$ then the

$$\text{value of } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) $2\sqrt{3}$ (d) 4

259. If $a + \frac{1}{b} = b + \frac{1}{c} = c + \frac{1}{a}$ ($a \neq b \neq c$), then the value of abc is

- (a) ± 1 (b) ± 2 (c) 0 (d) $\pm \frac{1}{2}$

260. If $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{4}{5}$, then the value of

$$\left(\frac{4}{7} + \frac{2y-x}{2y+x} \right) \text{ is}$$

- (a) $\frac{3}{7}$ (b) $1\frac{1}{7}$ (c) 1 (d) 2

261. If $(x-2)$ is a factor of $x^2 + 3Qx - 2Q$, then the value of Q is

- (a) 2 (b) -2 (c) 1 (d) -1

262. If $a+b=12$, $ab=22$, then (a^2+b^2) is equal to

- (a) 188 (b) 144 (c) 34 (d) 100

263. If $x = \sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ and $y = \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$,

$$\text{then the value of } \frac{x^2}{y} + \frac{y^2}{x} \text{ is}$$

- (a) $\sqrt{3}$ (b) $3\sqrt{3}$ (c) $16\sqrt{3}$ (d) $2\sqrt{3}$

264. If $x^2 + ax + b$ is a perfect square, then which one of the following relations between a and b is true

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

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

265. If $a+b+c+d=4$, then find the

$$\text{value of } \frac{1}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)} +$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)} +$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-c)(1-d)(1-a)} +$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-d)(1-a)(1-b)}$$

- (a) 0 (b) 5 (c) 1 (d) 4

266. If $a^{\frac{1}{3}} + b^{\frac{1}{3}} + c^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$, then a relation among a, b, c is

- (a) $a+b+c=0$
(b) $(a+b+c)^3 = 27abc$
(c) $a+b+c = 3abc$
(d) $a^3+b^3+c^3 = 0$

267. If $x - \frac{1}{x} = 1$, then the value of

$$\frac{x^4 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{3x^2 + 5x - 3}$$

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}$ (c) $\frac{3}{4}$ (d) 0

268. If $x+y=15$, then $(x-10)^3 + (y-5)^3$ is

- (a) 25 (b) 125
(c) 625 (d) 0

269. If $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 66$, then the value of

$$\frac{x^2 - 1 + 2x}{x} = ?$$

- (a) ± 8 (b) 10, -6
(c) 6, -10 (d) ± 4

270. If $a^2 + a + 1 = 0$, then the value of a^9 is

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 1 (d) 0

271. If $x + \frac{2}{x} = 1$, then the value of

$$\frac{x^2 + x + 2}{x^2(1-x)} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 1 (b) -1 (c) 2 (d) -2

272. If $x = -2k$ and $y = 1 - 3k$, then for what value of k, will be $x = y$?

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) -1 (d) 2

273. Find the value of

$$\sqrt{(x^2+y^2+z)(x+y-3z)} + \sqrt[3]{xy^3z^2}$$

when $x = +1$, $y = -3$, $z = -1$,

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

274. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$, then $x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}$ is

- (a) 12098 (b) 12048
(c) 14062 (d) 12092

275. If $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$, then the value of

$$\frac{x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + 1}{x^3} \text{ will be}$$

- (a) 18 (b) 15 (c) 21 (d) 30

276. If $\frac{p}{a} + \frac{q}{b} + \frac{r}{c} = 1$ & $\frac{a}{p} + \frac{b}{q} + \frac{c}{r} = 0$,

where p, q, r and a, b, c are non-zero, then the value of

$$\frac{p^2}{a^2} + \frac{q^2}{b^2} + \frac{r^2}{c^2}$$

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2

277. If x is a rational number and

$$\frac{(x+1)^3 - (x-1)^3}{(x+1)^2 - (x-1)^2} = 2, \text{ then the sum}$$

of numerator and denominator of x is:

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 7

278. If $x = \sqrt{5} + 2$, then the value

$$\frac{2x^2 - 3x - 2}{3x^2 - 4x - 3} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (a) 0.1785 (b) 0.525
(c) 0.625 (d) 0.785

279. If $a = 2.234$, $b = 3.121$ and $c = -5.355$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2

280. If $x^2 + y^2 + 1 = 2x$, then the value of $x^3 + y^3$ is

- (a) 2 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) 1

281. If $3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = (a+b+c)^2$ then the relation between a, b and c is

- (a) $a = b = c$ (b) $a = b \neq c$
(c) $a < b < c$ (d) $a > b > c$

282. If $x(x-3) = -1$, then the value of $x^3(x^3-18)$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 2 (c) 1 (d) 0

283. The factors of $(a^2 + 4b^2 + 4b - 4ab - 2a - 8)$ are

- (a) $(a - 2b - 4)(a - 2b + 2)$
 (b) $(a - b - 2)(a + 2b + 2)$
 (c) $(a + 2b - 4)(a + 2b + 2)$
 (d) $(a + 2b - 4)(a - 2b + 2)$

284. The value of

$$\frac{1}{a^2+ax+x^2} - \frac{1}{a^2-ax+x^2} + \frac{2ax}{a^4+a^2x^2+x^4}$$
 is

- (a) 2 (b) 1 (c) -1 (d) 0

285. If $x = 11$, then the value of $x^5 - 12x^4 + 12x^3 - 12x^2 + 12x - 1$ is

- (a) 5 (b) 10 (c) 15 (d) 20

286. Which one is not an example of an equality relation of two expressions in x :

- (a) $(x+3)^2 = x^2 + 6x + 9$
 (b) $(x+2y)^3 = x^3 + 8y^3 + 6xy(x+2y)$
 (c) $(x+2)^2 = x^2 + 2x + 4$
 (d) $(x+3)(x-3) = x^2 - 9$

287. If $x = 997$, $y = 998$ and $z = 999$ then the value of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) -1 (d) 3

288. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$, then the value of

$$\frac{3x^2 - 4x + 3}{x^2 - x + 1}$$
 is

- (a) $\frac{4}{3}$ (b) $\frac{3}{2}$ (c) $\frac{5}{2}$ (d) $\frac{5}{3}$

289. If $x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$,

$$\text{then } \frac{x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + 1}{x^3} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (a) 216 (b) 192 (c) 198 (d) 204

290. If $x = p + \frac{1}{p}$ and $y = p - \frac{1}{p}$ then

$$\text{the value of } x^4 - 2x^2y^2 + y^4$$

- (a) 24 (b) 4 (c) 16 (d) 8

291. If $a + b + c = 0$, then the value of $(a+b-c)^2 + (b+c-a)^2 + (c+a-b)^2$ is

- (a) 0 (b) $8abc$
 (c) $4(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$ (d) $4(ab + bc + ca)$

292. If $p^3 + 3p^2 + 3p = 7$, then the value of $p^2 + 2p$ is

- (a) 4 (b) 3 (c) 5 (d) 6

293. If $x = 2015$, $y = 2014$ and $z = 2013$, then value of $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx$ is

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 6 (d) 2

294. If $3a^2 = b^2 \neq 0$, then the value of

$$\frac{(a+b)^3 - (a-b)^3}{(a+b)^2 + (a-b)^2}$$
 is

- (a) $\frac{3b}{2}$ (b) b (c) $\frac{b}{2}$ (d) $\frac{2b}{3}$

295. If $x > 1$ and $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2\frac{1}{12}$, then the

$$\text{value of } x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4}$$
 is

- (a) $\frac{58975}{20736}$ (b) $\frac{59825}{20736}$
 (c) $\frac{57985}{20736}$ (d) $\frac{57895}{20736}$

296. The value of $\frac{4x^3 - x}{(2x+1)(6x-3)}$

when $x = 9999$ is

- (a) 1111 (b) 2222
 (c) 3333 (d) 6666

297. If $a^3 + b^3 = 9$ and $a + b = 3$, then the

$$\text{value of } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$$
 is

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) $\frac{3}{2}$ (c) $\frac{5}{2}$ (d) -1

298. If $t^2 - 4t + 1 = 0$, then the value of

$$t^3 + \frac{1}{t^3}$$
 is:

- (a) 44 (b) 48 (c) 52 (d) 64

299. If $\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} = \sqrt[3]{c}$, then the simplest value of $(a+b-c)^3 + 27abc$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 3 (c) -3 (d) 0

300. If $4x + 5y = 83$ and $3x : 2y = 21 : 22$, then $(y - x)$ equals

- (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 7 (d) 11

301. If $x = \sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}} + \sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}$,

then $x^3 + 3bx$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) a (c) $2a$ (d) 1

302. If $\frac{x^{24} + 1}{x^{12}} = 7$ then the value of

$$\frac{x^{72} + 1}{x^{36}}$$

- (a) 343 (b) 433
 (c) 432 (d) 322

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303. If $x = 2$ then the value of $x^3 + 27x^2 + 243x + 631$

- (a) 1321 (b) 1233
 (c) 1231 (d) 1211

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304. If $5x + 9y = 5$ and $125x^3 + 729y^3 = 120$, then the value of the product of x and y is

- (a) 45 (b) $\frac{1}{9}$ (c) $\frac{1}{135}$ (d) 135

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305. If $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2(x + z - 1)$, then the value of; $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = ?$

- (a) -1 (b) 2 (c) 0 (d) 1

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306. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 1$, then the value of

$$\frac{2}{x^2 - x + 2} = ?$$

- (a) $\frac{2}{3}$ (b) 2 (c) 1 (d) 4

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307. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}$ and $y = \frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}$,

$$\text{then the value of } \frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{x^2 - xy + y^2} = ?$$

- (a) $\frac{65}{63}$ (b) $\frac{67}{65}$ (c) $\frac{69}{67}$ (d) $\frac{63}{61}$

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308. If $4a - \frac{4}{a} + 3 = 0$, then the value of

$$a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 = ?$$

- (a) $\frac{7}{16}$ (b) $\frac{3}{16}$ (c) $\frac{21}{64}$ (d) $\frac{21}{16}$

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309. Simplified value of

$$\left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right) \right] \div \left[\left(1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right) \right] \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right) \right]$$

- (a) $\frac{20}{101}$ (b) $\frac{100}{101}$ (c) 2 (d) $\frac{90}{101}$

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336. If $\frac{3-5x}{2x} + \frac{3-5y}{2y} + \frac{3-5z}{2z} = 0$, then the

value of $\frac{2}{x} + \frac{2}{y} + \frac{2}{z}$ is

- (a) 20 (b) 10 (c) 5 (d) 15

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337. If $2s = a + b + c$, then the value of $s(s - c) + (s - a)(s - b)$ is

- (a) ab (b) 0

- (c) abc (d) $\frac{a+b+c}{2}$

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338. If $p + m = 6$ and $p^3 + m^3 = 72$, then the value of pm is

- (a) 6 (b) 9 (c) 12 (d) 8

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339. When x^m is multiplied by x^n , product is 1. The relation between m and n is

- (a) $mn = 1$ (b) $m + n = 1$

- (c) $m = n$ (d) $m = -n$

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340. The area (in sq. unit) of the triangle formed by the graphs of the equations $x = 4$, $y = 3$ and $3x + 4y = 12$; is

- (a) 24 (b) 6 (c) 12 (d) 3

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341. If the ordinate and abscissa of the point $(K, 2K-1)$ be equal, then the value of K is

- (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) -1 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

342. If $x = 5$, then the value of the

expression $x^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is

- (a) $\frac{576}{25}$ (b) $\frac{24}{25}$ (c) $\frac{24}{5}$ (d) $\frac{625}{24}$

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343. If $x = 2$, $y = 1$ and $z = -3$, then $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ is equal to

- (a) 6 (b) 0 (c) 2 (d) 8

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344. If $a + \frac{1}{a} = -1$, then the value of

$(1 - a + a^2)(1 + a - a^2)$ is

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -4 (d) 4

(LDC 01-11-2015 MORNING)

345. $(x^3 + y^6)(x^3 - y^6)$ is equal to

- (a) $x^6 - y^{12}$ (b) $x^9 - y^{16}$

- (c) $x^6 + y^{12}$ (d) $x^9 + y^{36}$

(LDC 01-11-2015 MORNING)

346. The sum of $\frac{1}{x+y}$ and $\frac{1}{x-y}$ is

- (a) $\frac{2y}{x^2 - y^2}$ (b) $\frac{2x}{x^2 - y^2}$

- (c) $\frac{-2y}{x^2 - y^2}$ (d) $\frac{2x}{y^2 - x^2}$

(LDC 01-11-2015 MORNING)

347. If $x + y = 2a$, then the value of

$\frac{a}{x-a} + \frac{a}{y-a}$ is

- (a) 0 (b) -1 (c) 1 (d) 2

(LDC 01-11-2015 EVENING)

348. If $p^3 - q^3 = (p - q)\{(p - q)^2 - xpq\}$, then find the value of x is:

- (a) -1 (b) 3 (c) 1 (d) -3

(LDC 01-11-2015 EVENING)

349. If $x + y + z = 6$ and $xy + yz + zx = 10$, then the value of $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ is:

- (a) 36 (b) 40 (c) 42 (d) 48

(LDC 15-11-2015 MORNING)

350. If $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{a}{b}$ and $\frac{1-y}{1+y} = \frac{b}{a}$, then

the value of $\frac{x-y}{1+xy}$ is:

- (a) $\frac{a^2 - b^2}{ab}$ (b) $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2ab}$

- (c) $\frac{a^2 - b^2}{2ab}$ (d) $\frac{2ab}{a^2 - b^2}$

(LDC 15-11-2015 MORNING)

351. If $a^2 + a + 1 = 0$, then the value of $a^5 + a^4 + 1$ is:

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) $a + 1$ (d) a^2

(LDC 15-11-2015 MORNING)

352. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca = 0$ then $a : b : c$ is:

- (a) 1 : 2 : 1 (b) 2 : 1 : 1

- (c) 1 : 1 : 2 (d) 1 : 1 : 1

(LDC 15-11-2015 MORNING)

353. If $x - \frac{1}{x} = 2$, then the value of the

following is $x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = ?$

- (a) 2 (b) 11 (c) 15 (d) 14

(LDC 15-11-2015 MORNING)

354. If $x = a(b - c)$, $y = b(c - a)$, $z = c(a - b)$ then the value of

$\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^3$ is:

- (a) $\frac{xyz}{abc}$ (b) 0

- (c) $\frac{3xyz}{abc}$ (d) $\frac{2xyz}{abc}$

(LDC 15-11-2015 EVENING)

355. If $\sqrt{y} = 4x$, then $\frac{x^2}{y}$ is:

- (a) $\frac{1}{16}$ (b) $\frac{1}{4}$ (c) 4 (d) 2

(LDC 15-11-2015 EVENING)

356. If $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{a+2}{a-2}$, then the value of

$\frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2}$

- (a) $\frac{2a}{a^2 + 2}$

- (b) $\frac{4a}{a^2 + 4}$

- (c) $\frac{2a}{a^2 + 4}$

- (d) $\frac{4a}{a^2 + 2}$

(LDC 15-11-2015 EVENING)

357. If $x = y = z$, then $\frac{(x+y+z)^2}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ is:

- (a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 1 (d) 4

(LDC 15-11-2015 EVENING)

358. If $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 2$, then the value of $a - b$ is:

- (a) 2 (b) -1 (c) 0 (d) 1

(LDC 15-11-2015 EVENING)

359. If $x(x + y + z) = 20$, $y(x + y + z) = 30$, & $z(x + y + z) = 50$, then the value of $2(x + y + z)$ is:

- (a) 20 (b) 10 (c) 15 (d) 18

(LDC 6-12-2015 MORNING)

360. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(a - b - c) - 3$, then the value of $a + b + c$ is:

- (a) -2 (b) 1

- (c) 2 (d) -1

(LDC 6-12-2015 MORNING)

361. If $x + y = 4$, $x^2 + y^2 = 14$ and $x > y$. Then the correct value of x and y is:

- (a) $2 - \sqrt{2}$, $\sqrt{3}$ (b) 3, 1

- (c) $2 + \sqrt{3}$, $2 - \sqrt{3}$ (d) $2 + \sqrt{3}$, $2\sqrt{2}$

(LDC 6-12-2015 MORNING)

362. If for non-zero x , $x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$ the value of $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is:

- (a) 4 (b) 10 (c) 12 (d) 18

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363. The simplified value of following is:

$$\left(\frac{3}{15} a^5 b^6 c^3 \times \frac{5}{9} a b^5 c^4 \right) \div \frac{10}{17} a^2 b c^3$$

- (a) $\frac{3}{10} a b^4 c^3$ (b) $\frac{9}{10} a^2 b c^4$
(c) $\frac{3}{10} a^4 b^{10} c^4$ (d) $\frac{1}{10} a^4 b^4 c^{10}$

(LDC 6-12-2015 EVENING)

364. If $a = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}$

and $b = \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$, then $\frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{a}$ value of:

- (a) 1030 (b) 970
(c) 1025 (d) 930

(LDC 6-12-2015 EVENING)

365. If $(2a-1)^2 + (4b-3)^2 + (4c+5)^2 =$

0 then the value of $\frac{a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc}{a^2+b^2+c^2}$ is:

- (a) $3\frac{3}{8}$ (b) $2\frac{3}{8}$ (c) 0 (d) $1\frac{3}{8}$

(LDC 6-12-2015 EVENING)

366. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{25}{6}$, then the value of $\frac{a^2-b^2}{a^2+b^2}$ is

- (a) $\frac{589}{651}$ (b) $\frac{589}{661}$ (c) $\frac{661}{589}$ (d) $\frac{625}{36}$

(LDC 20-12-2015 MORNING)

367. If (2, 0) is a solution of the linear equation $2x + 3y = K$, then the value of K is

- (a) 4 (b) 6 (c) 5 (d) 2

(LDC 20-12-2015 MORNING)

368. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$ then the value of $x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}$ is

- (a) 123 (b) 110
(c) 132 (d) 122

(LDC 20-12-2015 MORNING)

369. The graph of linear equation $y = x$ passes throughout the point

- (a) $\left(\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$ (b) $\left(0, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$
(c) (1, 1) (d) $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$

(LDC 20-12-2015 MORNING)

370. If $\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 3$, then find the value of $a^{30} + a^{24} + a^{18} + a^{12} + a^6 + 1$

- (a) 0 (b) 27 (c) 1 (d) -1

(LDC 20-12-2015 EVENING)

371. If $\frac{1}{a+b} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$, then the value of $a^3 - b^3$ is:

- (a) 3 (b) 2 (c) 1 (d) 0

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372. If $x:y = 3:5$ and $x-y = -2$, then the value of $x+y$ is:

- (a) 8 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 5

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373. If $x+1 = \sqrt{y} + 3$, $y > 0$, then the value

of $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8}{\sqrt{y}} - y \right)$ is.

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) -1 (c) 1 (d) 0

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374. If $x = 1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$ and $y = 1 +$

$\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$, then the value of $\frac{x^2 + 4xy + y^2}{x+y}$ is

- (a) $2\sqrt{2}$ (b) $2(2 + \sqrt{2})$
(c) 1 (d) 6

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375. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$, where $x \neq 0$, then the value of

$$\frac{x^4 + 3x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x + 1}{x^4 + 1}$$

- (a) 3 (b) 5 (c) 7 (d) 2

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376. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = -2$, then the value of $x^p + x^q$ is:

(where P is an even number and q is an odd number)

- (a) -2 (b) 1 (c) 0 (d) 2

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377. If $P(x+y)^2 = 5$ and $q(x-y)^2 = 3$ then the simplified value of $p^2(x+y)^2 + 4pqxy - q^2(x-y)^2$ is:

- (a) $2(p+q)$ (b) $-(p+q)$
(c) $-2(p+q)$ (d) $p+q$

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378. If p, q, r are all real numbers, then $(p-q)^3 + (q-r)^3 + (r-p)^3$ is equal to

- (a) $3(p-q)(q-r)(r-p)$
(b) 1 (c) 0
(d) $(p-q)(q-r)(r-p)$

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379. If $a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$ then the value of

$a^{52} + \frac{1}{a^{52}}$ is:

- (a) -1 (b) 0 (c) 1 (d) 2

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380. If σ and β are the roots of equation $x^2 + \sigma x + \beta = 0$ then find $\sigma^3 + \beta^3$

- (a) -7 (b) 8 (c) -8 (d) 7

(SSC CPO(Re) 04-06-2016, Morning)

381. If $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1$ then the value of x^{102}

$+ x^{96} + x^{90} + x^{84} + x^{78} + x^{72} + 5$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 5
(c) 3 (d) 1

(SSC CPO(Re) 04-06-2016, Morning)

382. Find the value of a and b if $(x-1)$ and $(x+1)$ are factors of $x^4 + ax^3 - 3x^2 + 2x + b$

- (a) 2, -1 (b) -2, 1
(c) -2, 2 (d) 1, -1

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383. Find the minimum value of x which the expression

$$x^3 - 7x^2 + 11x - 5 \geq 0.$$

- (a) 0 (b) 5 (c) 1 (d) -3

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384. If $a + b + c = 26$ and $ab + bc + ca = 109$, find the value of $a^2 + b^2 + c^2$
(a) 458 (b) 472 (c) 452 (d) 476

(SSC CPO(Re) 04-06-2016, Evening)

385. If $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1$, then the value of $x^{18} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$ is:

(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 0 (d) -1

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386. $a + b + c = 0$ then the value of $\frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{ab+bc+ca}$ is

(a) 2 (b) -2 (c) 0 (d) 4

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387. If $a + b + c = m$ and $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$ then average of a^2, b^2, c^2 is

(a) m^2 (b) $m^2/3$
(c) $m^2/9$ (d) $m^2/27$

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388. The value of $(2a + b)^2 - (2a - b)^2$ is:

(a) $8ab$ (b) $-8ab$
(c) $8a^2 + 2b^2$ (d) $8a^2 - 2b^2$

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389. If $x = \frac{8ab}{a+b}$ ($a \neq b$) then the value

of $\frac{x+4a}{x-4a} + \frac{x+4b}{x-4b}$ is:

(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 4

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390. If $(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) = 15$ and $(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})$

$= 3$ then the value of $\sqrt{ab}/4$ is

(a) 6 (b) 7
(c) $27/2$ (d) 5

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391. If $a + \frac{1}{a} = 3$ then the value of $a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3}$ is

(a) 27 (b) 24 (c) 19 (d) 18

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392. If $a - 6b = 3$ then the value of $a^3 - 216b^3 - 54ab$ is

(a) 9 (b) 1 (c) 27 (d) 64

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393. If $x = (10 + 3\sqrt{11})$, What is the value of $\left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^2$?

(a) $2\sqrt{3}$ (b) $\sqrt{22}$
(c) 18 (d) $3\sqrt{2}$

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394. If $x = \sqrt{a \sqrt[3]{ab} \sqrt{a \sqrt[3]{ab}}} \dots \dots \dots \infty$, then the value of x is:

(a) $\sqrt[5]{a^2b}$ (b) $\sqrt[5]{a^4b^4}$
(c) $\sqrt[6]{a^5b}$ (d) $\sqrt[5]{a^4b}$

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395. If $\frac{m-3a^3}{b^3+c^3} + \frac{m-3b^3}{c^3+a^3} + \frac{m-3c^3}{a^3+b^3} = 9$, then the value of m is:

(a) $a^3 + b^3 + c^3$
(b) $2a^3 + 2b^3 + 2c^3$
(c) $3a^3 + 3b^3 + 3c^3$
(d) 2

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396. If the polynomial $ax^3 + 4x^2 + 3x - 4$ and $x^3 - 4x + a$ leave the same remainder when divided by $(x - 3)$, Find the value of a .

(a) 1 (b) -1 (c) 2 (d) -2

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397. If $(2a - 3)^2 + (3b + 4)^2 + (6c + 1)^2 = 0$, then the value of

$\frac{a^3+b^3+c^3-3abc}{a^3+b^3+c^3} + 3$ is:

(a) $abc + 3$ (b) 6
(c) 0 (d) 3

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398. If $a^2 = b + c$, $b^2 = a + c$, $c^2 = b + a$, then what will be the value of

$\frac{1}{a+1} + \frac{1}{b+1} + \frac{1}{c+1}$?

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(a) -1 (b) 2 (c) 1 (d) 0

399. If $a + b = 2c$, find $\frac{a}{a-c} + \frac{c}{b-c}$

(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) -1

(SSC CPO(Re) 07-06-2016, Morning)

400. What will be the value of $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ when $x + y + z = 9$ and $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 31$?

(a) 27 (b) 3 (c) 54 (d) 9

(SSC CPO(Re) 07-06-2016, Morning)

401. If $a + b + c = 1$, $ab + bc + ca = -1$ and $abc = -1$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3 + c^3$ is:

(a) 1 (b) -1 (c) 2 (d) -2

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402. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{2}$, find the value of the expression $\frac{(2a-5b)}{(5a+3b)}$

(a) -32 (b) 11 (c) $-\frac{8}{11}$ (d) 17

(SSC CPO(Re) 08-06-2016, Evening)

403. If for a non-zero x , $3x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$, then the value of $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ is:

(a) $\frac{10}{27}$ (b) $-\left(\frac{10}{27}\right)$
(c) $\frac{2}{3}$ (d) $-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$

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404. If $a/b + b/a = 1$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3$ will be

(a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) 2

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405. If $p = 99$, then the value of $p(p^2 + 3p + 3)$ will be

(a) 999999 (b) 1000000
(c) 1000001 (d) 999998

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406. If $a - b = 1$ and $a^3 - b^3 = 61$, then the value of ab will be

(a) -20 (b) 20 (c) 30 (d) 60

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407. If $\frac{x}{a+b} + 1 = \frac{x}{a-b} + \frac{a-b}{a+b}$, then x is equal to

(a) $2a - b$ (b) $a + b$
(c) $a - b$ (d) $2a + b$

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408. If $x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0$, then the value of $\frac{2x}{x^2 - 7x + 6}$ is

(a) $\frac{1}{6}$ (b) $\frac{1}{3}$ (c) $-\frac{1}{6}$ (d) $-\frac{1}{3}$

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409. If $a + b = 5$ and $a - b = 3$, then the value of $(a^2 + b^2)$ is

(a) 17 (b) 18 (c) 19 (d) 20

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410. If $x = a + \frac{1}{a}$ and $y = a - \frac{1}{a}$, then the value of $x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2y^2$ is
(a) 4 (b) 8 (c) 16 (d) 64

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411. If $2^{x+4} - 2^{x+2} = 3$, then the value of 'x' is
(a) 0 (b) 2 (c) -1 (d) -2

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412. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$, then find the value of $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$
(a) -2 (b) 0 (c) 2 (d) 4

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413. If $a + \frac{1}{a} = 2$, then find the value of $a^{109} + \frac{1}{a^{109}}$
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 0 (d) 109

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414. If $2x - \frac{1}{2x} = 5$, $x \neq 0$, then find the value of $x^2 + \frac{1}{16x^2} - 2$
(a) $\frac{19}{4}$ (b) $\frac{23}{4}$ (c) $\frac{27}{4}$ (d) $\frac{31}{4}$

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415. If $x = 1/(\sqrt{2} + 1)$ Then the value of $x^2 + 2x - 1$ is
(a) $2\sqrt{2}$ (b) 4 (c) 0 (d) 2

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416. If $x + 1/x = \sqrt{13}$, then $3x/(x^2-1)$ equal to
(a) $3\sqrt{13}$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{13}}{13}$
(c) 1 (d) 3

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417. If $a(x+y) = b(x-y) = 2ab$, then the value of $2(x^2+y^2)$ is
(a) $2(a^2 - b^2)$ (b) $2(a^2+b^2)$
(c) $4(a^2 - b^2)$ (d) $4(a^2 + b^2)$

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418. If $x + 1/x = 6$, then value of $x^2 + 1/x^2$ is
(a) 23 (b) 16 (c) 34 (d) 32

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419. If $C + \frac{1}{C} = 3$, then value of $(C-3)^7 + \frac{1}{C^7}$ is
(a) 2 (b) 0 (c) 3 (d) 1

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420. If $2x + \frac{1}{4x} = 1$ Then value of $x^2 + \frac{1}{64x^2}$ is
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) $1/4$ (d) 2

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421. If $\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y} = 1$, $\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 17$ then $\sqrt{xy} = ?$
(a) $\sqrt{72}$ (b) 72
(c) 32 (d) 24

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422. If $x = \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, then the value of $\left(x - \frac{\sqrt{126}}{\sqrt{42}}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}}\right)$ is
(a) $5\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$ (b) $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$
(c) $\frac{5}{6}$ (d) $\frac{2}{3}$

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423. If $a^3 - b^3 = 56$ and $a - b = 2$ then what is the value of $a^2 + b^2$?
(a) 12 (b) 20 (c) 28 (d) 32

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424. If $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$, ($x \neq 0$), then the value of $x + \frac{1}{x}$
(a) 1 (b) 0 (c) 3 (d) 2

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425. If $\frac{2+a}{a} + \frac{2+b}{b} + \frac{2+c}{c} = 4$, then the value of $\frac{ab+bc+ca}{abc}$ is
(a) 2 (b) 1 (c) 0 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$

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426. If $x + y + z = 1$, $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 1$ and $xyz = -1$, then $x^3 + y^3 + z^3$ equal to
(a) -1 (b) 1 (c) -2 (d) 2

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427. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$, then the value of $\frac{5x}{x^2 + 5x + 1}$ is
(a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{1}{4}$ (c) $\frac{1}{2}$ (d) $\frac{1}{5}$

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428. If $\frac{1}{a}(a^2 + 1) = 3$, then the value of $\frac{a^6 + 1}{a^3}$
(a) 9 (b) 18 (c) 27 (d) 1

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429. If $a = \sqrt{2} + 1$, $b = \sqrt{2} - 1$, then the value of $\frac{1}{a+1} + \frac{1}{b+1}$ is
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3

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430. If $(x-5)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-9)^2 = 0$, then value of $(x + y - z)$ is
(a) 16 (b) -1 (c) -2 (d) 12

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431. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$ then $x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8}$ is equal to
(a) 2201 (b) 2203
(c) 2207 (d) 2213

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432. If $x = 999$, $y = 1000$, $z = 1001$, then the value of $\frac{x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz}{x - y + z}$ is
(a) 1000 (b) 9000
(c) 1 (d) 9

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433. If $\frac{a}{1-2a} + \frac{b}{1-2b} + \frac{c}{1-2c} = \frac{1}{2}$, Then the value $\frac{1}{1-2a} + \frac{1}{1-2b} + \frac{1}{1-2c}$ is?
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

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434. Ratio of three numbers x, y, z are in 2, 3, 5 respectively and the sum of x, y and z is 80. If the number z is given by the equation $z = ax - 8$, then a is

- (a) 6 (b) $\frac{3}{2}$
(c) 3 (d) $\frac{5}{2}$

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435. If $(x - 2)(x - p) = x^2 - ax + 6$, then the value of $(a - p)$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 1
(c) 2 (d) 3

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436. If $x = \sqrt{a} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$, $y = \sqrt{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$, ($a > 0$), then the value of $x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2y^2$ is

- (a) 16 (b) 20
(c) 10 (d) 5

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437. If $x = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + 11} - 2$, then the value of $x^3 + 5x^2 + 12x$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 3
(c) 7 (d) 11

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

438. If $P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} = 47$, the value of

$P + \frac{1}{P}$ is

- (a) 5 (b) 6
(c) 7 (d) 8

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

439. The third proportional of the following numbers $(x - y)^2$, $(x^2 - y^2)^2$

- (a) $(x + y^3)(x + y^4)$
(b) $(x + y)^4(x - y)^2$
(c) $(x + y)(x - y)^2$
(d) $(x + y)^2(x - y)^3$

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440. If $x + \sqrt{5} = 5 + \sqrt{y}$ and x, y are positive integers, then the value

of $\frac{\sqrt{x} + y}{x + \sqrt{y}}$ is

- (a) 1 (b) 2
(c) $\sqrt{5}$ (d) 5

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441. If x, y and z are real numbers such that $(x - 3)^2 + (y - 4)^2 + (z - 5)^2 = 0$ then $(x + y + z)$ is equal to

- (a) 10 (b) 14
(c) 11 (d) 12

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

442. If $2x + \frac{1}{3x} = 5$, the value of

$\frac{5x}{6x^2 + 20x + 1}$ is

- (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{6}$
(c) $\frac{1}{5}$ (d) $\frac{1}{7}$

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

443. If $a + b = 10$ and $ab = 21$, then the value of $(a - b)^2$ is

- (a) 15 (b) 16
(c) 17 (d) 18

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444. If $(x - 4)(x^2 + 4x + 16) = x^3 - P$, then P is equal to

- (a) 27 (b) 8
(c) 64 (d) 0

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445. If $4x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$, $x \neq 0$, then the value

of $\frac{5x}{4x^2 + 10x + 1}$ is

- (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{3}$
(c) $\frac{2}{3}$ (d) 3

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

446. If $C + \frac{1}{C} = \sqrt{3}$, then the value of

$C^3 + \frac{1}{C^3}$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) $\frac{3}{\sqrt{3}}$
(c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ (d) $\frac{6}{\sqrt{3}}$

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

447. If $x = 222$, $y = 223$, $z = 225$ then the value of $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$ is

- (a) 4590 (b) 4690
(c) 4950 (d) 4960

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448. If $a + b + c = 0$, then the value of $a^3 + b^3 + c^3$ is

- (a) abc (b) 2abc
(c) 3abc (d) 0

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449. The value of $\left(\frac{1}{x^3 + x^{\frac{-1}{3}}}\right)\left(\frac{2}{x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 1 + x^{\frac{-2}{3}}}\right)$ is

- (a) $x^{-1} + x^{\frac{2}{3}}$ (b) $x + x^{\frac{1}{3}}$
(c) $x^{\frac{1}{3}} + x^{-1}$ (d) $x + x^{-1}$

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

450. If, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p + q}$, then the value of $p^3 - q^3$ is

- (a) $p - q$ (b) pq
(c) 1 (d) 0

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451. If $x = 93$, $y = 93$, $z = 94$ then the value of $x^2 - y^2 + 10xz + 10yz$ is

- (a) 104784 (b) 147840
(c) 174840 (d) 184740

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

452. If $ab = 21$ and $\frac{(a+b)^2}{(a-b)^2} = \frac{25}{4}$ then the value of $a^2 + b^2 + 3ab$ is

- (a) 115 (b) 121
(c) 125 (d) 127

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

453. Given $a - b = 2$, $a^3 - b^3 = 26$ then $(a + b)^2$ is

- (a) 9 (b) 4
(c) 16 (d) 12

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454. If $x + y + z = 9$ then the value of $(x - 4)^3 + (y - 2)^3 + (z - 3)^3 - 3(x - 4)(y - 2)(z - 3)$ is

- (a) 6 (b) 9
(c) 0 (d) 1

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

455. If $x + \frac{1}{9x} = 4$, then $9x^2 + \frac{1}{9x^2}$ is

- (a) 140 (b) 142
(c) 144 (d) 146

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456. If $a = 2$, $b = -3$ then the value of $27a^3 - 54a^2b + 36ab^2 - 8b^3$ is

- (a) 1562 (b) 1616
(c) 1676 (d) 1728

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457. If $a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 2$, then value of

$\frac{a^2 + 1}{a}$ is (a is a positive number)

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4

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458. If $x \left(3 - \frac{2}{x} \right) = \frac{3}{x}$, then the value of $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ will be

- (a) $3\frac{1}{9}$ (b) $3\frac{2}{9}$ (c) $2\frac{1}{9}$ (d) $2\frac{4}{9}$

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459. If $\frac{a}{q-r} = \frac{b}{r-p} = \frac{c}{p-q}$, find the value of $pa + qb + rc$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 21
(c) 2 (d) -

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460. If $\left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 = 3$, the value of $a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3}$

- (a) 0 (b) $3 \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)$
(c) $3 \left(a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} \right)$ (d) 1

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461. If $\frac{a^2+b^2}{c^2} = \frac{b^2+c^2}{a^2} = \frac{c^2+a^2}{b^2} = \frac{1}{k}$, ($k \neq 0$) then $k =$

- (a) 2 (b) 1
(c) 0 (d) $1/2$

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462. If $2x + \frac{2}{9x} = 4$, then the value of

$$27x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 180 (b) 198
(c) 234 (d) 252

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463. If $x^2 + 1/x^2 = 2$, then the value of $x - 1/x$ is

- (a) -2 (b) 0
(c) 1 (d) -1

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464. If $pq(p + q) = 1$, Then the value

$$\text{of } \frac{1}{p^3q^3} - p^3 - q^3 \text{ is equal to}$$

- (a) 1 (b) 2
(c) 3 (d) 4

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465. If $x = \sqrt{2} + 1$, then the value of $x^4 - 1/x^4$ is

- (a) $8\sqrt{2}$ (b) $18\sqrt{2}$
(c) $6\sqrt{2}$ (d) $24\sqrt{2}$

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466. If $p^3 - q^3 = (p - q) \{ (p + q)^2 - xpq \}$ then the value of x is

- (a) 1 (b) -1
(c) 2 (d) -2

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467. If $x = (0.25)^{1/2}$, $y = (0.4)^2$, $z = (0.216)^{1/2}$ then

- (a) $Y > X > Z$ (b) $X > Y > Z$
(c) $Z > X > Y$ (d) $X > Z > Y$

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468. If $a^2 = by + cz$, $b^2 = cz + ax$, $c^2 = ax + by$, then the value of

$$\frac{x}{a+x} + \frac{y}{b+y} + \frac{z}{c+z} \text{ is}$$

- (a) 1 (b) $a+b+c$
(c) $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}$ (d) 0

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

469. If $x^2 + y^2 = 29$ and $xy = 10$, where $x > 0$, $y > 0$, $x > y$ then the value

$$\text{of } \frac{x+y}{x-y} \text{ is}$$

- (a) $-7/3$ (b) $7/3$
(c) $3/7$ (d) $-3/7$

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

470. If $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 1$, Then are value of $a^3 + b^3$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) 1
(c) 2 (d) 3

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

471. if $p^2 + q^2 = 7pq$, Then the value

$$\text{of } \frac{p+q}{q-p} \text{ is equal to}$$

- (a) 9 (b) 5
(c) 7 (d) 3

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

472. If $x = \frac{1}{3} - 3\frac{1}{3}$ value of $3x^3 + 9x$ is

- (a) 8 (b) 9
(c) 27 (d) 16

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473. If $xy(x+y) = m$, then the value of $x^3 + y^3 + 3m$ is:

- (a) m^3/xy (b) $m^3(x+y)^2$
(c) m^3/x^3y^3 (d) mx^3y^3

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

474. If $P + \frac{1}{p+2} = 1$, then the value of

$$(p+2)^3 + \frac{1}{(p+2)^3} - 3 \text{ is}$$

- (a) 12 (b) 16
(c) 18 (d) 15

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

475. If $x + \frac{1}{x} \neq 0$ and $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$

$$\text{then the value } \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)^4 \text{ is}$$

- (a) 9 (b) 12
(c) 15 (d) 16

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

476. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$ then $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) 2
(c) 4 (d) 8

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477. If $x + y = \sqrt{3}$ and $x - y = \sqrt{2}$, then the value of $8xy(x^2 + y^2)$ is

- (a) 6 (b) $\sqrt{6}$
(c) 5 (d) $\sqrt{5}$

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478. If $\left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) : \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right) = 5 : 3$, the value of x is/are

- (a) ± 1 (b) ± 2
(c) ± 3 (d) 0

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479. If $p^3 - q^3 = (p - q) [(p - q)^2 + xpq]$ then value of x is

- (a) 1 (b) -1
(c) 3 (d) 2

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480. If $\left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 = 3$, then the value of $a^{18} + a^{12} + a^6 + 1$ is

- (a) 3 (b) 1
(c) 0 (d) 2

(SSC CGL Pre Exam 2016)

481. $(113^2 + 115^2 + 117^2 - 113 \times 115 - 115 \times 117 - 113 \times 117)$ is equal to $(113^2 + 115^2 + 117^2 - 113 \times 115 - 115 \times 117 - 113 \times 117)$
- (a) 0 (b) 4
(c) 8 (d) 12

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482. When a number x is divided by a divisor it is seen that the divisor = 4 times the quotient = double the remainder. If the remainder is 80 then the value of x is
- (a) 6480 (b) 9680
(c) 8460 (d) 4680

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

483. If $P = 99$, then the value of $P(P^2 + 3P + 3)$ is
- (a) 9999 (b) 999999
(c) 99999 (d) 999999

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484. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = c + \frac{1}{c}$ then the value of x
- (a) $c, 1/c$ (b) c, c^2
(c) $c, 2c$ (d) $0, 1$

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485. If the sum of square of two real numbers is 41 and their sum is 9. Then the sum of cubes of these two numbers is
- (a) 169 (b) 209
(c) 189 (d) 198

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486. A complete factorisation of $x^4 + 64$ is
- (a) $(x^2 + 8)^2$
(b) $(x^2 + 8)(x^2 - 8)$
(c) $(x^2 - 4x + 8)(x^2 - 4x - 8)$
(d) $(x^2 + 4x + 8)(x^2 - 4x + 8)$

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487. If $a + b = 1$, then $a^4 + b^4 - a^3 - b^3 - 2a^2b^2 + ab$ is equal to
- (a) 1 (b) 2
(c) 4 (d) 0

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488. If $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 5 = 4(x - y)$ then $x - y$ is
- (a) 1 (b) -1
(c) 0 (d) 4

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489. If $a=299, b=298, c=297$ then the value of $2a^3 + 2b^3 + 2c^3 - 6abc$ is
- (a) 5154 (b) 5267
(c) 5364 (d) 5456

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

490. If $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$ the value of $x^{15} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$ is
- (a) 0 (b) 1
(c) 2 (d) 3

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

491. If $x = 1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$, then the value of $2x^4 - 8x^3 - 5x^2 + 26x - 28$ is
- (a) $2\sqrt{2}$ (b) $3\sqrt{3}$
(c) $5\sqrt{5}$ (d) $6\sqrt{6}$

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

492. If $2r = h + \sqrt{r^2 + h^2}$ then the ratio $r : h$ ($r \neq 0$) is
- (a) 1 : 2 (b) 2 : 3
(c) 4 : 3 (d) 3 : 5

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493. The simplified value of $\left(1 - \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2}\right) \div \left(\frac{x^3 - y^3}{x - y} - 3xy\right)$ is

- (a) $\frac{1}{x^2 - y^2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}$
(c) $\frac{1}{x - y}$ (d) $\frac{1}{x + y}$

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

494. If $a+b+c = 0$ then the value of $\frac{1}{(a+b)(b+c)} + \frac{1}{(b+c)(c+a)} + \frac{1}{(c+a)(a+b)}$ is
- (a) 0 (b) 3 (c) 1 (d) 2

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

495. If $x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$, then the value of $x^{31} + y^{35}$ is
- (a) -1 (b) 1 (c) 0 (d) 2

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

496. If $x = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1}$ and $y = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$ the

value of $\frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{x^2 - xy + y^2}$ is

- (a) $3/4$ (b) $5/3$
(c) $4/3$ (d) $3/5$

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

497. If $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 3$, then the value of $x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}$ equals

- (a) 90 (b) 110
(c) 100 (d) 120

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

498. If $x^4 + 2x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 9$ is a perfect square where a and b are positive real numbers, then the value of a and b
- (a) $a = 5, b = 6$ (b) $a = 6, b = 7$
(c) $a = 7, b = 7$ (d) $a = 7, b = 8$

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

499. If $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 16$, $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 25$ and $ax + by + cz = 20$, then the

value of $\frac{a+b+c}{x+y+z}$

- (a) $3/5$ (b) $4/5$
(c) $5/3$ (d) $5/4$

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500. The value of x which satisfies the equation

$$\frac{x+a^2+2c^2}{b+c} + \frac{x+b^2+2a^2}{c+a} + \frac{x+c+2b^2}{a+b} = 0 \text{ is}$$

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

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501. If $a^3 = 117 + b^3$ and $a = 3 + b$, then the value of $a + b$ is :
- (a) 7 (b) 13 (c) 49 (d) 0

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502. If $a + \frac{1}{a} = -2$ then the value of $a^{1000} + a^{-1000}$ is

- (a) 2 (b) 1 (c) 0 (d) $1\sqrt{2}$

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

503. If $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 98$ ($x > 0$), then the

value of $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$ is

- (a) 970 (b) 1030
(c) -970 (d) -1030

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504. If $a + \frac{1}{b} = 1$ and $b + \frac{1}{c} = 1$, then

the value of $c + \frac{1}{a}$ is

- (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) 1 (d) 3

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505. If $x = y + 2$ then $x^3 - y^3 - z^3$ is

- (a) 0 (b) $3xyz$
(c) $-3xyz$ (d) 1

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

506. If $a + b + c + d = 4$ then the value of

$$\frac{1}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)} + \frac{1}{(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)} +$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-c)(1-d)(1-a)} + \frac{1}{(1-d)(1-a)(1-b)}$$

is

(a) 0

(b) 1

(c) 4

(d) $1 + abcd$

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507. If $x = 11$, then value of $x^5 - 12x^4 + 12x^3 - 12x^2 + 12x - 1$ is

- (a) 11 (b) 10 (c) 12 (d) -10

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

508. If $a = \frac{1}{a-5}$ ($a > 0$) then the value

of $a + \frac{1}{a}$ is

(a) $\sqrt{29}$ (b) $2\sqrt{29}$

(c) $-\sqrt{29}$ (d) $\sqrt{27}$

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

509. If $a + \frac{1}{b} = b + \frac{1}{c} = c + \frac{1}{a}$ (where

$a \neq b \neq c$), then abc is equal to

- (a) +1 (b) -1
(c) +1 & -1
(d) None of these

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510. If $ax + by = 1$ and $bx + ay =$

$\frac{2ab}{a^2 + b^2}$ then $(x^2 + y^2)(a^2 + b^2)$ is

equal to

- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 0.5 (d) 0

(SSC CGL Mains Exam 2016)

511. If x, y, z are the three factors of $a^3 - 7a - 6$, then value of $x + y + z$ will be

- (b) 3 (c) 6 (d) a

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StudyLab



ANSWER KEY



1. (a)	52. (b)	103. (c)	154. (d)	205. (c)	256. (a)	308. (c)	360. (d)	412. (b)	464. (c)
2. (c)	53. (d)	104. (d)	155. (a)	206. (d)	257. (b)	309. (a)	361. (c)	413. (b)	465. (d)
3. (b)	54. (b)	105. (d)	156. (d)	207. (c)	258. (d)	310. (b)	362. (d)	414. (a)	466. (a)
4. (d)	55. (c)	106. (a)	157. (b)	208. (d)	259. (a)	311. (b)	363. (c)	415. (c)	467. (d)
5. (d)	56. (c)	107. (a)	158. (a)	209. (a)	260. (c)	312. (b)	364. (b)	416. (c)	468. (a)
6. (a)	57. (c)	108. (b)	159. (b)	210. (b)	261. (d)	313. (d)	365. (c)	417. (d)	469. (b)
7. (c)	58. (c)	109. (c)	160. (b)	211. (d)	262. (d)	314. (b)	366. (b)	418. (c)	470. (a)
8. (c)	59. (c)	110. (a)	161. (b)	212. (d)	263. (b)	315. (a)	367. (a)	419. (b)	471. (c)
9. (b)	60. (b)	111. (b)	162. (b)	213. (b)	264. (b)	316. (d)	368. (a)	420. (a)	472. (a)
10. (b)	61. (b)	112. (c)	163. (a)	214. (b)	265. (a)	317. (b)	369. (c)	421. (b)	473. (c)
11. (b)	62. (c)	113. (b)	164. (b)	215. (c)	266. (b)	318. (c)	370. (a)	422. (c)	474. (d)
12. (c)	63. (b)	114. (b)	165. (c)	216. (d)	267. (b)	319. (b)	371. (d)	423. (b)	475. (a)
13. (c)	64. (a)	115. (a)	166. (b)	217. (b)	268. (d)	320. (d)	372. (a)	424. (c)	476. (b)
14. (d)	65. (c)	116. (d)	167. (a)	218. (d)	269. (b)	321. (d)	373. (d)	425. (d)	477. (c)
15. (c)	66. (c)	117. (d)	168. (d)	219. (c)	270. (c)	322. (a)	374. (d)	426. (b)	478. (b)
16. (c)	67. (d)	118. (c)	169. (b)	220. (d)	271. (a)	323. (c)	375. (a)	427. (c)	479. (c)
17. (d)	68. (b)	119. (c)	170. (a)	221. (b)	272. (b)	324. (d)	376. (c)	428. (b)	480. (c)
18. (b)	69. (d)	120. (a)	171. (d)	222. (b)	273. (b)	325. (b)	377. (a)	429. (b)	481. (d)
19. (c)	70. (b)	121. (d)	172. (a)	223. (c)	274. (a)	326. (b)	378. (a)	430. (c)	482. (a)
20. (c)	71. (d)	122. (b)	173. (b)	224. (b)	275. (c)	327. (a)	379. (a)	431. (c)	483. (b)
21. (c)	72. (b)	123. (c)	174. (a)	225. (b)	276. (c)	328. (d)	380. (a)	432. (d)	484. (a)
22. (b)	73. (d)	124. (c)	175. (b)	226. (d)	277. (b)	329. (a)	381. (b)	433. (d)	485. (c)
23. (b)	74. (a)	125. (a)	176. (c)	227. (d)	278. (c)	330. (b)	382. (c)	434. (c)	486. (d)
24. (c)	75. (c)	126. (a)	177. (d)	228. (a)	279. (b)	331. (d)	383. (c)	435. (c)	487. (d)
25. (c)	76. (b)	127. (c)	178. (d)	229. (c)	280. (d)	332. (d)	384. (a)	436. (a)	488. (a)
26. (a)	77. (c)	128. (b)	179. (d)	230. (b)	281. (a)	333. (d)	385. (c)	437. (b)	489. (c)
27. (b)	78. (c)	129. (a)	180. (a)	231. (a)	282. (a)	334. (d)	386. (b)	438. (c)	490. (a)
28. (a)	79. (c)	130. (d)	181. (c)	232. (b)	283. (a)	335. (d)	387. (b)	439. (c)	491. (a)
29. (a)	80. (c)	131. (b)	182. (a)	233. (d)	284. (d)	336. (b)	388. (a)	440. (a)	492. (c)
30. (a)	81. (b)	132. (a)	183. (d)	234. (c)	285. (b)	337. (a)	389. (c)	441. (d)	493. (b)
31. (d)	82. (a)	133. (c)	184. (b)	235. (a)	286. (c)	338. (d)	390. (c)	442. (d)	494. (a)
32. (b)	83. (c)	134. (c)	185. (b)	236. (b)	287. (d)	339. (d)	391. (d)	443. (b)	495. (a)
33. (c)	84. (a)	135. (d)	186. (b)	237. (b)	288. (c)	340. (b)	392. (c)	444. (c)	496. (c)
34. (c)	85. (c)	136. (c)	187. (a)	238. (c)	289. (d)	341. (b)	393. (d)	445. (b)	497. (b)
35. (a)	86. (a)	137. (d)	188. (c)	239. (a)	290. (c)	342. (a)	394. (d)	446. (a)	498. (b)
36. (b)	87. (a)	138. (c)	189. (c)	240. (d)	291. (c)	343. (b)	395. (c)	447. (b)	499. (b)
37. (c)	88. (a)	139. (c)	190. (c)	241. (d)	292. (b)	344. (d)	396. (b)	448. (c)	450. (c)
38. (a)	89. (b)	140. (c)	191. (c)	242. (b)	293. (a)	345. (a)	397. (c)	449. (d)	501. (a)
39. (a)	90. (c)	141. (a)	192. (d)	243. (b)	294. (a)	346. (b)	398. (c)	450. (d)	502. (a)
40. (d)	91. (a)	142. (b)	193. (b)	244. (a)	295. (a)	347. (a)	399. (b)	451. (c)	503. (a)
41. (b)	92. (d)	143. (d)	194. (b)	245. (d)	296. (c)	348. (d)	400. (c)	452. (b)	504. (c)
42. (c)	93. (b)	144. (b)	195. (d)	246. (b)	297. (b)	349. (a)	401. (a)	453. (c)	505. (b)
43. (d)	94. (b)	145. (c)	196. (d)	247. (c)	298. (c)	350. (d)	402. (c)	454. (c)	506. (a)
44. (b)	95. (b)	146. (d)	197. (c)	248. (c)	299. (d)	351. (b)	403. (a)	455. (b)	507. (b)
45. (c)	96. (b)	147. (b)	198. (b)	249. (b)	300. (b)	352. (d)	404. (b)	456. (d)	508. (a)
46. (b)	97. (d)	148. (c)	199. (c)	250. (c)	301. (c)	353. (d)	405. (a)	457. (b)	509. (c)
47. (c)	98. (d)	149. (b)	200. (a)	251. (a)	302. (d)	354. (c)	406. (b)	458. (d)	510. (a)
48. (d)	99. (c)	150. (b)	201. (c)	252. (b)	303. (b)	355. (a)	407. (c)	459. (a)	511. (a)
49. (b)	100. (a)	151. (d)	202. (d)	253. (a)	304. (c)	356. (b)	408. (c)	460. (a)	
50. (d)	101. (b)	152. (d)	203. (b)	254. (b)	305. (b)	357. (b)	409. (a)	461. (d)	
51. (d)	102. (a)	153. (a)	204. (a)	255. (a)	306. (b)	358. (c)	410. (c)	462. (b)	
					307. (d)	359. (a)	411. (d)	463. (b)	

EXPLANATION

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. \quad (a) \quad & 3 * 5 + 5 * 3 \\
 \Rightarrow & 3 * 5 = 2 \times 3 - 3 \times 5 + 3 \times 5 \\
 & = 6 - 15 + 15 = 6 \\
 \Rightarrow & 5 * 3 = 2 \times 5 - 3 \times 3 + 3 \times 5 \\
 & = 10 - 9 + 15 = 16 \\
 \therefore & 3 * 5 + 5 * 3 \\
 \Rightarrow & 6 + 16 = 22
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2. \quad (c) \quad & 8 \times 2 = 8 + 2 + \frac{8}{2} \\
 \Rightarrow & 10 + 4 = 14
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 3. \quad (b) \quad & x > y \\
 \text{given :-} \\
 & x + y = 3(x - y) \\
 \Rightarrow & x + y = 3x - 3y \\
 \Rightarrow & x - 3x = -3y - y \\
 \Rightarrow & -2x = -4y \Rightarrow x = 2y \\
 \therefore & \frac{3xy}{2(x^2 - y^2)} = \frac{3 \times 2y \times y}{2((2y)^2 - y^2)} \\
 & = \frac{6y^2}{2 \times (4y^2 - y^2)} = \frac{6y^2}{6y^2} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad (d) \quad & \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{x+1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{x+2}\right) \\
 & \left(1 + \frac{1}{x+3}\right) \\
 \text{Taking L.C.M of each term.} \\
 \Rightarrow & \left(\frac{x+1}{x}\right) \left(\frac{x+1+1}{x+1}\right) \left(\frac{x+2+1}{x+2}\right) \\
 & \left(\frac{x+3+1}{x+3}\right) \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{x} \times (x+4) \Rightarrow \frac{x+4}{x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 5. \quad (d) \quad & x = 7 - 4\sqrt{3} \\
 \frac{1}{x} & \Rightarrow \frac{1}{7 - 4\sqrt{3}} \\
 \text{By rationalisation} \\
 \frac{1}{x} & = \frac{1}{7 - 4\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}{7 + 4\sqrt{3}} \\
 & = \frac{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}{49 - 48} = 7 + 4\sqrt{3} \\
 \therefore x + \frac{1}{x} & = 7 - 4\sqrt{3} + 7 + 4\sqrt{3} \\
 & = 14
 \end{aligned}$$

$$6. \quad (a) \quad \frac{a}{b} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ and } \frac{b}{c} = \frac{4}{5} \text{ (given)}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{c}{b} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b}{b+c} = \frac{b\left(\frac{a}{b}+1\right)}{b\left(\frac{c}{b}+1\right)} = \frac{\frac{a}{b}+1}{\frac{c}{b}+1}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}+1\right)}{\left(\frac{5}{4}+1\right)} = \frac{\frac{5}{3}}{\frac{9}{4}}$$

$$= \frac{5 \times 4}{3 \times 9} = \frac{20}{27}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b}{b+c} = \frac{20}{27}$$

Alternate:-

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 a & b & c \\
 2_{\times(4)} & 3_{\times(4)} & \\
 & 4_{\times(3)} & 5_{\times(3)} \\
 \hline
 8 & 12 & 15
 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{b+c} = \frac{8+12}{12+15} = \frac{20}{27}$$

$$7. \quad (c) \quad a * b = 2(a + b) \\
 5 * 2 = 2(5 + 2) = 14$$

$$8. \quad (c) \quad \frac{2a+b}{a+4b} = 3 \quad \text{(given)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2a + b & = 3(a + 4b) \\
 2a + b & = 3a + 12b
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow -a & = 11b \\
 a & = -11b
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b}{a+2b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-11b+b}{-11b+2b}$$

$$= \frac{-10b}{-9b} = \frac{10}{9}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 9. \quad (b) \quad & a * b = a + b + ab \\
 3 * 4 & = 3 + 4 + 3 \times 4 = 19 \\
 2 * 3 & = 2 + 3 + 2 \times 3 = 11 \\
 \therefore 3 * 4 - 2 * 3 & = 19 - 11 = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 10. \quad (b) \quad & x \otimes y = 3x + 2y \\
 (2 \otimes 3) & = 3 \times 2 + 2 \times 3 = 6 + 6 = 12
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3 \otimes 4) & = 3 \times 3 + 2 \times 4 = 9 + 8 = 17 \\
 \therefore (2 \otimes 3) + (3 \otimes 4) & = 12 + 17 = 29
 \end{aligned}$$

$$11. \quad (b) \quad a : b = 2 : 3, b : c = 4 : 5 \quad \text{(given)}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 a & : & b & : & c \\
 2_{\times(4)} & & 3_{\times(4)} & & \\
 & & 4_{\times(3)} & & 5_{\times(3)} \\
 \hline
 8 & : & 12 & : & 15
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore a^2 : b^2 : bc \\
 \Rightarrow (8)^2 : (12)^2 : (12 \times 15) \\
 64 : 144 : 180 \\
 \Rightarrow 16 : 36 : 45
 \end{aligned}$$

$$12. \quad (c) \quad A : B = \frac{1}{2} : \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 : 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 : 3$$

$$\Rightarrow B : C \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} : \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 : 15 \Rightarrow 3 : 5$$

$$\Rightarrow C : D \Rightarrow \frac{5}{6} : \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 : 18 \Rightarrow 10 : 9$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 A & : & B & : & C & : & D \\
 4 & : & 3 & : & 5 & : & 9 \\
 & & & & 10 & : & 9 \\
 8 & : & 6 & : & 10 & : & 9
 \end{array}$$

$$13. \quad (c) \quad A : B : C \\
 2 : 3 : 4$$

$$\therefore \frac{A}{B} : \frac{B}{C} : \frac{C}{A}$$

(Multiply with ABC)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \frac{A \times ABC}{B} : \frac{B \times ABC}{C} : \frac{C \times ABC}{A} \\
 A^2C : B^2A : BC^2 \\
 \Rightarrow (2)^2 \times 4 : (3)^2 \times 2 : 3 \times (4)^2 \\
 \Rightarrow 16 : 18 : 48 \\
 \Rightarrow 8 : 9 : 24
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternate:-

$$\frac{A}{B} : \frac{B}{C} : \frac{C}{A} = \frac{2}{3} : \frac{3}{4} : \frac{4}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \times 12 : \frac{3}{4} \times 12 : \frac{4}{2} \times 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 : 9 : 24$$

$$14. \quad (d) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} A : B & B : C & C : D \\ 1 : 2 & 3 : 4 & 5 : 6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & B & C \\ 1_{\times 3} & 2_{\times 3} & \\ \hline & 3_{\times 2} & 4_{\times 2} \\ \hline 3 & 6 & 8 \\ \hline A & B & C & D \\ 3_{\times 5} & 6_{\times 5} & 8_{\times 5} & \\ \hline & 5_{\times 8} & 6_{\times 8} & \\ \hline 15 & 30 & 40 & 48 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore D : C : B : A \\ 48 : 40 : 30 : 15$$

$$15. \quad (c) \quad \frac{2a-5b}{3a+6b} = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7(2a-5b) = 4(3a+6b)$$

$$\Rightarrow 14a - 35b = 12a + 24b$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 59b$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{59}{2}$$

$$\therefore a : b = 59 : 2$$

$$16. \quad (c) \quad \frac{a}{3} = \frac{b}{4} = \frac{c}{7} = k$$

$$\therefore a = 3k$$

$$b = 4k$$

$$c = 7k$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+b+c}{c}$$

$$= \frac{3k+4k+7k}{7k} = 2$$

$$17. \quad (d) \quad \frac{144}{0.144} = \frac{14.4}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{144 \times 1000}{144} = \frac{144}{x \times 10}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1000 = \frac{144}{10x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{144}{1000 \times 10}$$

$$x = \frac{144}{10000} = 0.0144$$

$$18. \quad (b) \quad 1 < x < 2$$

$$\sqrt{(x-1)^2} + \sqrt{(3-x)^2}$$

(square root cancel with square)

$$\therefore x-1 + 3-x = 2$$

$$19. \quad (c) \quad a \oplus b = (a \times b) + b$$

$$5 \oplus 7 = (5 \times 7) + 7 = 35 + 7 = 42$$

$$20. \quad (c) \quad 10^{0.48} = x$$

$$10^{0.70} = y$$

$$\text{and } x^z = y^2$$

$$\therefore (10^{0.48})^z = (10^{0.70})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^{0.48z} = 10^{1.40} \quad (\text{If } a^x = a^y, \text{ if base equal power are equal: } (x=y)) \\ \therefore 0.48z = 1.40$$

$$z = \frac{140}{48} = \frac{35}{12} = 2.9$$

$$21. \quad (c) \quad 47.2506 = 4A + 7B + 2C + \frac{5}{D} + 6E$$

$$47.2506 = 4 \times 10 + 7 \times 1 + 2 \times 0.1000 + 5 \times 0.0100 + 0 + 6 \times 0.0001$$

$$\therefore A = 10 \quad B = 1 \quad C = 0.1000$$

$$D = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{100}} = 100, \quad E = 0.0001$$

$$\therefore 5A + 3B + 6C + D + 3E \\ = 5 \times 10 + 3 \times 1 + 6 \times 0.1 + 100 + 3 \times 0.0001 \\ = 50 + 3 + 0.6 + 100 + 0.0003 \\ = 153.6003$$

$$22. \quad (b) \quad x * y = x^2 + y^2 - xy \\ 9 * 11 = (9)^2 + (11)^2 - 11 \times 9 \\ 81 + 121 - 99 = 103$$

$$23. \quad (b) \quad 5^{5x+5} = 1 \\ 5^{5x+5} = 5^0 \quad (a^0 = 1) \\ [\text{If bases are same then power are equal}] \\ 5x + 5 = 0 \\ 5x = -5 \\ x = -1$$

$$24. \quad (c) \quad 3^{x+3} + 7 = 250 \\ 3^{x+3} = 250 - 7 \\ 3^{x+3} = 243 \\ 3^{x+3} = 3^5 \\ x + 3 = 5 \\ x = 2$$

$$25. \quad (c) \quad \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{3}{8} \times \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{5}{12} \times \dots \times$$

$$\frac{31}{64} = \frac{1}{2^x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{30} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{30+6} = \frac{1}{2^x}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{2^{36}} = \frac{1}{2^x}$$

$$\therefore x = 36$$

$$26. \quad (a) \quad x = \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1} \quad \text{and } y = \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \therefore x = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}+1}$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{3}+1)^2}{3-1}$$

$$= \frac{3+1+2\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{4+2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= (2+\sqrt{3})$$

$$x^2 = (2+\sqrt{3})^2 = 4 + 3 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$= 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$y^2 = \frac{1}{7+4\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{7-4\sqrt{3}}{7-4\sqrt{3}}$$

$$y^2 = \frac{7-4\sqrt{3}}{49-48} = \frac{7-4\sqrt{3}}{1} = 7-4\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = 7 + 4\sqrt{3} + 7 - 4\sqrt{3} \\ = 14$$

Alternate:-

$$x^2 + y^2 = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$= \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 - 2 \quad \left(\because x = \frac{1}{y}\right)$$

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

$$= \left[\frac{(\sqrt{3}+1)^2 + (\sqrt{3}-1)^2}{3-1}\right]^2 - 2$$

$$\therefore (a+b)^2 + (a-b)^2 = 2(a^2 + b^2)$$

$$= \left[\frac{2((\sqrt{3})^2 + (1)^2)}{2}\right]^2 - 2$$

$$= (3+1)^2 - 2 = 16 - 2 = 14$$

$$27. \quad (b) \quad x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$x = 2 + 1 + 2\sqrt{2} = (\sqrt{2}+1)^2$$

$$\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{2} + 1$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}-1}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{1} = \sqrt{2}-1$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} + 1 - (\sqrt{2}-1)$$

$$= \sqrt{2} + 1 - \sqrt{2} + 1 = 2$$

28. (a) $P = 999$

$$\sqrt[3]{p(p^2 + 3p + 3) + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{p^3 + 3p^2 + 3p + 1}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt[3]{(p+1)^3}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{(999+1)^3}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{(1000)^3} = 1000$$

29. (a) $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{7}{9}, \frac{b}{c} = \frac{3}{5}$

$$\therefore a : b : c$$

$$7 : 9 : 15$$

30. (a) $x : y$
 $7 : 3$

$$\therefore \frac{xy + y^2}{x^2 - y^2} = \frac{21 + 9}{49 - 9} = \frac{30}{40} = \frac{3}{4}$$

31. (d) Given [p] means greatest positive integer less than or [p] equal to p,

$$\Rightarrow [p] = p$$

$$\Rightarrow [-p] = p$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[-\frac{1}{4}\right] + \left[4 - \frac{1}{4}\right] + [3]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + 4 - \frac{1}{4} + 3 = 7$$

32. (b) $\frac{(243)^{\frac{n}{5}} \cdot 3^{2n+1}}{9^n \cdot 3^{n-1}} = \frac{(3^5)^{\frac{n}{5}} \cdot 3^{2n+1}}{3^{2n} \cdot 3^{n-1}}$

$$= \frac{3^{n+2n+1}}{3^{2n+n-1}} = \frac{3^{3n+1}}{3^{3n-1}} = 3^{3n+1-3n+1}$$

$$= 3^2 = 9$$

33. (c) $x = 0.5$
 $y = 0.2$

$$\sqrt{0.6} \times (3y)^x = \sqrt{0.6} \times (3 \times 0.2)^{0.5}$$

$$= \sqrt{0.6} \times \sqrt{0.6} = 0.6$$

34. (c) $x^{x\sqrt{x}} = (x\sqrt{x})^x$

$$x^{x\sqrt{x}} = \left(x^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^x$$

$$x^{x\sqrt{x}} = x^{\frac{3}{2}x}$$

(If bases are same then their power is also same)

$$\therefore x\sqrt{x} = \frac{3}{2}x \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{x} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{4}$$

35. (a) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[(7-5)^2 + (5-3)^2 + (3-7)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(4+4+16) = \frac{24}{2} = 12$$

36. (b) $7^x = \frac{1}{343} = \frac{1}{7^3}$

$$7^x = \frac{1}{7^3}$$

$$7^x = 7^{-3}$$

$x = -3$ (If bases are equal then their power are also equal)

37. (c)

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} - 3 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{5} - \left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$A^3 + B^3 + C^3 - 3ABC = (A + B + C)(A^2 + B^2 + C^2 - AB - BC - CA)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 - 3 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^3$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5}\right) \left[\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{3}\right]$$

$$= \left[\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{3}\right]$$

$$= \frac{20+15+12}{60} = \frac{47}{60}$$

38. (a) $0.13 \times p^2 = 13$

$$p^2 = \frac{13}{0.13} = \frac{13}{13} \times 100$$

$$p = 10$$

39. (a) $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{3}{4}, \frac{6}{7} + \frac{y-x}{y+x} = ?$

$$= \frac{6}{7} + \frac{y\left(1 - \frac{x}{y}\right)}{y\left(1 + \frac{x}{y}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{6}{7} + \frac{\left(1 - \frac{3}{4}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{3}{4}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{6}{7} + \left[\frac{4-3}{4} \times \frac{4}{(4+3)}\right]$$

$$= \frac{6}{7} + \frac{1}{7} = \frac{7}{7} = 1$$

Alternate:-

$$\frac{6}{7} + \frac{y-x}{y+x} = \frac{6}{7} + \frac{4-3}{4+3}$$

$$= \frac{6}{7} + \frac{1}{7} = \frac{7}{7} = 1$$

40. (d) $x = 7 - 4\sqrt{3}$

$$= 4 + 3 - 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$= (2)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 - 2 \times 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$= (2-\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\therefore [(a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = (a-b)^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (2-\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\sqrt{x} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$= 2 - \sqrt{3} + 2 + \sqrt{3} = 4$$

41. (b) $a = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1}, b = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$

$$\therefore a = \frac{1}{b}$$

$$a + b = a + \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5+1+2\sqrt{5}+5+1-2\sqrt{5}}{(\sqrt{5})^2 - (1)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6+2\sqrt{5}+6-2\sqrt{5}}{5-1} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{a^2 - ab + b^2}$$

$$= \frac{a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + ab}{a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} - ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{a} = 3$$

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 9 - 2 = 7 \quad (ab = 1)$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + ab}{a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} - ab} = \frac{7+1}{7-1} = \frac{8}{6} = \frac{4}{3}$$

42. (c) $a = 4.36$

$$b = 2.39$$

$$c = 1.97$$

$$a - b - c$$

$$= 4.36 - 2.39 - 1.97$$

$$= 0$$

$$a^3 - b^3 - c^3 - 3abc$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(a-b-c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

$$= 0$$

43. (d) $\frac{3a+5b}{3a-5b} = 5$
 $\Rightarrow 3a + 5b = 15a - 25b$
 $\Rightarrow 12a = 30b$
 $\Rightarrow 2a = 5b$
 $\frac{a}{5} : \frac{b}{2}$
44. (b) $p : q = r : s = t : u = 2 : 3$
 $\therefore \frac{mp + nr + ot}{mq + ns + ou}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{m \times 2x + n \times 2x + o \times 2x}{m \times 3x + n \times 3x + o \times 3x}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{2x(m+n+o)}{3x(m+n+o)} = \frac{2}{3}$
 $\therefore mp + nr + ot : mq + ns + ou$

45. (c) $x : y = 3 : 4$
 $\frac{7x+3y}{7x-3y} = \frac{y}{y} \left(\frac{7\frac{x}{y}+3}{7\frac{x}{y}-3} \right) = \frac{7 \times \frac{3}{4} + 3}{7 \times \frac{3}{4} - 3}$
 $= \frac{\frac{21}{4} + 3}{\frac{21}{4} - 3} = \frac{\frac{21+12}{4}}{\frac{21-12}{4}} = \frac{11}{3}$

46. (b) $x + \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{x} + a^2$
 $= (\sqrt{x})^2 + 2 \times \frac{1}{8} \times \sqrt{x} + a^2$
 $[(A^2 + 2BA + B^2) = (A + B)^2]$
Here, $A = \sqrt{x}$ and $B = \frac{1}{8}$
 $\therefore a = \frac{1}{8}$

47. (c) Given that $a \neq b$ Let $a = 16$, $b = 4$
 $\therefore$ by options
So, $\frac{a+b}{2} = \frac{16+4}{2} = 10$
and $\sqrt{ab} = \sqrt{16 \times 4} = 8$
 $\therefore \frac{a+b}{2} > \sqrt{ab}$
 $\therefore$ option (c) is correct.

48. (d) $x^{1/3} = y^{1/4}$
 $\Rightarrow$ LCM of 3, 4 = 12
 $\therefore (x^{1/3})^{12} \Rightarrow (y^{1/4})^{12}$
 $x^4 = y^3$
take power '5' on both sides
 $\Rightarrow (x^4)^5 = (y^3)^5$
 $\Rightarrow x^{20} = y^{15}$

49. (b) $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
or $1 + x = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2}$
 $= \frac{2(2+\sqrt{3})}{2 \times 2}$
(divides and multiply by 2)
 $\Rightarrow 1 + x = \frac{4+2\sqrt{3}}{4}$
 $= \frac{1+3+2\sqrt{3}}{4}$
 $= \frac{(1)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + 2 \times 1 \times \sqrt{3}}{4}$
 $1 + x \Rightarrow \frac{(1+\sqrt{3})^2}{4}$
 $\therefore \sqrt{1+x} = \frac{1+\sqrt{3}}{2}$
Similarly,

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

50. (d) $x^2 - 4x - 1 = 0$
 $x^2 - 1 = 4x$ (divide x both sides)
 $x - \frac{1}{x} = 4$
 $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 16$
 $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 18$

51. (d) $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right)$
 $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 1\right)$
 $= \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 1\right) \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 1\right)$

$\therefore \boxed{(A+B)(A^2-AB+B^2) = A^3+B^3}$
 $\boxed{(A-B)(A^2+AB+B^2) = A^3-B^3}$

$= \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) \left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right) = \boxed{x^6 - \frac{1}{x^6}}$

52. (b) $a^{2x+2} = 1$
 $a^{2x+2} = a^0$
 $2x + 2 = 0$

$x = -\frac{2}{2} = -1$

53. (d) $x^2 - x - 1$
 $\Rightarrow$ if $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
Then minimum value of equation is $\left(\frac{4ac-b^2}{4a}\right)$

$\therefore$ in the given equation,
 $a = 1$
 $b = -1$
 $c = -1$
 $\therefore$ minimum value

$\Rightarrow \frac{(4 \times 1 \times (-1)) - (-1)^2}{4 \times 1}$
 $= \frac{-4-1}{4} = -\frac{5}{4}$

54. (b) $\frac{\sqrt{7}-2}{\sqrt{7}+2} = a\sqrt{7} + b$

L.H.S = $\frac{\sqrt{7}-2}{\sqrt{7}+2} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}-2}{\sqrt{7}-2}$
(Rationalisation)

$= \frac{(\sqrt{7}-2)^2}{(\sqrt{7})^2 - (2)^2} = \frac{7+4-4\sqrt{7}}{7-4}$
 $= \frac{11-4\sqrt{7}}{3}$

$\frac{11}{3} - \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{7} = -\frac{4}{3}\sqrt{7} + \frac{11}{3}$

$= a\sqrt{7} + b = \text{R.H.S}$
Compare the coefficients of $\sqrt{7}$ and constant term

$a = -\frac{4}{3}$

$b = \frac{11}{3}$

55. (c) $a + \frac{1}{b} = 1$, $b + \frac{1}{c} = 1$, $c + \frac{1}{a} = ?$
Put values,

$a = \frac{1}{2}$ $b = 2$ $c = -1$

$c + \frac{1}{a} = -1 + \left(\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) = -1 + 2 = 1$

Alternate:

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{b} = 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1 - \frac{1}{b} = \frac{b-1}{b}$$

$$\frac{1}{a} = \frac{b}{b-1} \Rightarrow b + \frac{1}{c} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{c} = 1 - b, \quad \boxed{c = \frac{1}{1-b}}$$

$$\therefore c + \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{1-b} + \frac{b}{b-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-b} - \frac{b}{1-b} = \frac{1-b}{1-b} = 1$$

56. (c) $x = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$\therefore x^3 = (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^3$$

$$= (\sqrt{3})^3 + (\sqrt{2})^3 + 3 \times \sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2} (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})$$

$$= 3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{6} (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})$$

$$= 3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{3}$$

$$x^3 = 9\sqrt{3} + 11\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3} = 9\sqrt{3} - 11\sqrt{2}$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 9\sqrt{3} + 11\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{3} - 11\sqrt{2} = 18\sqrt{3}$$

Alternate:-

$$x = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

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

$$\text{and } x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{3}$$

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

$$= (2\sqrt{3})^3 - 3(2\sqrt{3})$$

$$= 24\sqrt{3} - 6\sqrt{3} = 18\sqrt{3}$$

57. (c) $x + y = 7$ (cubing both sides)

$$(x + y)^3 = (7)^3$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + 3(x + y)xy = 343$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + 21xy = 343$$

58. (c) given $a \otimes b = 2a$

where $a > b$

$$a \otimes b = a + b$$

where $a < b$

$$a \otimes b = a^2$$

where $a = b$

$$= \frac{(5+7)+(4)^2}{3(5)^2 - (2 \times 15) - 3}$$

$$= \frac{12+16}{75-30-3} = \frac{28}{42} = \frac{2}{3}$$

59. (c) $(125)^x = 3125$

$$(5^3)^x = 5^5$$

$$5^{3x} = 5^5$$

$$\therefore 3x = 5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{3}$$

60. (b) $5^{\sqrt{x}} + 12^{\sqrt{x}} = 13^{\sqrt{x}}$

By option put $x = 4$

$$\Rightarrow 5^{\sqrt{4}} + 12^{\sqrt{4}} = 13^{\sqrt{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^2 + 12^2 = 13^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 169 = 169$$

$$\text{hence, } x = 4$$

61. (b) $n + \frac{2}{3}n + \frac{1}{2}n + \frac{1}{7}n = 97$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{42n + 28n + 21n + 6n}{42} = 97$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{97n}{42} = 97$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 42$$

62. (c) $x = 3 + \sqrt{8}$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{8}}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{8}} \times \frac{3 - \sqrt{8}}{3 - \sqrt{8}}$$

$$= \frac{3 - \sqrt{8}}{9 - 8} = 3 - \sqrt{8}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 + \sqrt{8} + 3 - \sqrt{8} = 6$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 6$$

squaring both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 36$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 34$$

63. (b) $x - \frac{1}{x} = 4$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 16$$

(On Squaring)

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 18$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 - 2 = 18$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 20$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 20$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{20} = \sqrt{4 \times 5} = 2\sqrt{5}$$

64. (a) $4b^2 + \frac{1}{b^2} = 2$

$$(2b)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + 4 - 4 = 2$$

$$\left(2b + \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 - 4 = 2$$

$$\left(2b + \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 = 6$$

$$2b + \frac{1}{b} = \sqrt{6}$$

Take cube both sides

$$\left(2b + \frac{1}{b}\right)^3 = (\sqrt{6})^3$$

$$8b^3 + \frac{1}{b^3} + 3 \times 2b \times \frac{1}{b} \left(2b + \frac{1}{b}\right) = 6\sqrt{6}$$

$$8b^3 + \frac{1}{b^3} + 6\sqrt{6} = 6\sqrt{6}$$

$$8b^3 + \frac{1}{b^3} = 0$$

65. (c) $2^{2x-y} = 16$ (given)

$$\Rightarrow 2^{2x-y} = 2^4$$

$$\therefore 2x - y = 4 \quad (i)$$

$$2^{x+y} = 32 \quad (given)$$

$$2^{x+y} = 2^5$$

$$\text{and } x + y = 5 \quad (ii)$$

by equation (i) and (ii)

$$2x - y = 4$$

$$x + y = 5$$

$$3x = 9$$

$$x = 3$$

$$\therefore y = 2 \quad xy = 3 \times 2 = 6$$

66. (c) $\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-6} = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{2x-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{+3-6} = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{2x-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 = 2x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1$$

67. (d) $a^2 - b^2 = 19$

$$(a - b)(a + b) = 19 \times 1$$

$$a + b = 19 \rightarrow (I)$$

$$a - b = 1 \rightarrow (II)$$

$$2a = 20$$

$$\boxed{a = 10}$$

(Adding equation (i) and (ii))

$$68. (b) \frac{\sqrt{3+x} + \sqrt{3-x}}{\sqrt{3+x} - \sqrt{3-x}} = \frac{2}{1} \quad (\text{by c-d rule})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{3+x}}{\sqrt{3-x}} = \frac{2+1}{2-1} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$$\left(\frac{A}{B} = \frac{C}{D} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{A+B}{A-B} = \frac{C+D}{C-D}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{3+x}}{\sqrt{3-x}} = 3$$

Squaring both sides

$$\frac{3+x}{3-x} = 9$$

$$3+x = 27-9x$$

$$10x = 24$$

$$x = \frac{24}{10} = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$69. (d) x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{1-x}} \times \frac{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x}}$$

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{1-x})^2}{(\sqrt{1+x})^2 - (\sqrt{1-x})^2}$$

$$= \frac{1+x+1-x+2\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1+x-1+x}$$

$$= \frac{2+2\sqrt{1-x^2}}{2x} = \frac{1+\sqrt{1-x^2}}{x}$$

$$= \frac{1+\sqrt{1-\frac{3}{4}}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \times 2$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right) \times 2 = \frac{3}{2} \times 2 = \sqrt{3}$$

$$70. (b) 4^{4x+1} = \frac{1}{64}$$

$$= 4^{4x+1} = \frac{1}{(4)^3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 4x+1 = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = -4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1$$

$$71. (d) \frac{\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-4}}{\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-4}} = \frac{2}{1}$$

by C - D rule

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+4}{x-4} = 9 \text{ again C \& D rule}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{4} = \frac{9+1}{9-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{4} = \frac{10}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{10}{8} \times 4 = 5$$

$$72. (b) \sqrt{2^x} = 256$$

$$\sqrt{2^x} = 2^8$$

$$2^x = (2^8)^2$$

$$= 2^x = 2^{16}$$

$$\boxed{x = 16}$$

$$73. (d) (\sqrt{5})^7 \div (\sqrt{5})^5 = 5^p$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\sqrt{5})^7}{(\sqrt{5})^5} = 5^p$$

$$= (\sqrt{5})^2 = 5^p = 5^1 = 5^p$$

$$\boxed{p = 1}$$

$$74. (a) 1.5a = 0.04b$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{0.04}{1.5} = \frac{4}{100} \times \frac{10}{15} = \frac{2}{75}$$

$$\text{Let } a = 2x, b = 75x$$

$$\therefore \frac{b-a}{b+a} = \frac{75x-2x}{75x+2x} = \frac{73}{77}$$

Alternate:-

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{0.04}{1.5}$$

$$\frac{b-a}{b+a} = \frac{1.5-0.04}{1.5+0.04} = \frac{1.46}{1.54} = \frac{73}{77}$$

$$75. (c) x = (\sqrt{2}+1)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Take cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow x^3 = \sqrt{2} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}-1}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{1}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3} = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = \sqrt{2} + 1 - \sqrt{2} + 1 = 2$$

$$76. (b) \frac{x^2 - x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{Given}$$

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

$$\text{Let } \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) = y$$

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

$$\frac{y-1}{y+1} = \frac{3}{2}$$

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

$$2y - 2 = 3y + 3$$

$$y = -2 - 3 = -5$$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = -5$$

$$77. (c) x = 3 + \sqrt{8}$$

$$x^2 = 9 + 8 + 2 \times 3 \sqrt{8}$$

$$x^2 = 17 + 6\sqrt{8}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2} = 17 - 6\sqrt{8}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 17 + 6\sqrt{8} + 17 -$$

$$6\sqrt{8} = 34$$

$$78. (c) x = 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$x = 3 + 2 + 2\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$x = (\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2 + 2\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$x = (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^2$$

$$\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

Similarly

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

$$\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$79. (c) a > b$$

$$a + b = 5$$

$$a \times b = 6$$

$$a^2 - b^2$$

$$= 9 - 4 = 5$$

Assume a = 3

Values b = 2

Alternate:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 a + b &= 5 && \text{given} \\
 \text{Squaring both sides} \\
 \Rightarrow (a + b)^2 &= (5)^2 \\
 a^2 + b^2 + 2ab &= 25 \\
 ab &= 6 && \text{given} \\
 = a^2 + b^2 + 2 \times 6 &= 25 \\
 = a^2 + b^2 &= 13 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 2ab - 2ab &= 13 \\
 a^2 + b^2 - 2ab &= 13 - 2ab \\
 (a - b)^2 &= 13 - 2 \times 6 \\
 a - b &= 1 \\
 \therefore (a + b)(a - b) &= 5 \times 1 \\
 a^2 - b^2 &= 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 80. \quad (c) \quad x + \frac{9}{x} &= 6 \\
 \text{Take values of } x \\
 \text{Let } x &= 3 \\
 3 + \frac{9}{3} &= 6 && \text{(Proved)} \\
 \text{So, } x &= 3 \\
 \therefore x^2 + \frac{9}{x^2} &= 9 + \frac{9}{9} = 10
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternate:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 x + \frac{9}{x} &= 6 \\
 \text{On squaring} \\
 \left(x + \frac{9}{x}\right)^2 &= 36 \\
 x^2 + \frac{81}{x^2} + 2 \times \frac{9}{x} \times x &= 36 \\
 x^2 + \frac{81}{x^2} - 18 &= 0 \\
 \left(x - \frac{9}{x}\right)^2 &= 0 \\
 x - \frac{9}{x} &= 0 \\
 x^2 &= 9 \\
 \text{Hence } x^2 + \frac{9}{x^2} &= 9 + \frac{9}{9} = 10
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 81. \quad (b) \quad 2p + \frac{1}{p} &= 4 \\
 \text{Divide by 2} \\
 \frac{2p}{2} + \frac{1}{2p} &= \frac{4}{2} \\
 p + \frac{1}{2p} &= 2 \\
 \text{Take cube on both sides} \\
 \Rightarrow \left(p + \frac{1}{2p}\right)^3 &= (2)^3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$p^3 + \frac{1}{8p^3} + 3 \times p \times \frac{1}{2p} \left(p + \frac{1}{2p}\right) = 8$$

$$p^3 + \frac{1}{8p^3} + \frac{3}{2} \times 2 = 8$$

$$p^3 + \frac{1}{8p^3} = 8 - 3 = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 82. \quad (a) \quad a^6 + b^6 &= (a^2)^3 + (b^2)^3 \\
 &= (a^2 + b^2)(a^4 - a^2b^2 + b^4) \\
 \therefore a^6 + b^6 &= (a^2 + b^2) \times 0 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$83. \quad (c) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 \quad \text{(Given)}$$

$$\frac{x^3 + \frac{1}{x}}{x^2 - x + 1} \quad \text{(divide by } x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{x^3}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{x^2}{x} - \frac{x}{x} + \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}}{x - 1 + \frac{1}{x}}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}}{x + \frac{1}{x} - 1}$$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\therefore x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 9 - 2 = 7$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}}{x + \frac{1}{x} - 1} = \frac{7}{3 - 1} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$84. \quad (a) \quad a + \frac{1}{a} + 1 = 0$$

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = -1$$

Squaring both sides

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

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = -1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{1}{a} = -1 \quad \text{(Given)}$$

$$\therefore a^2 + 1 = -a \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow -a = \frac{-1}{a^2}$$

From equation (i) and (ii)

$$a^3 = 1$$

$$\therefore a^3 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 - a = a(a^3 - 1) = a \times 0 = 0.$$

$$85. \quad (c) \quad x = a + \frac{1}{a}$$

$$y = a - \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\therefore (x + y) = a + \frac{1}{a} + a - \frac{1}{a} = 2a$$

$$\therefore (x - y) = a + \frac{1}{a} - a + \frac{1}{a} = \frac{2}{a}$$

$$\therefore x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2y^2 = (x^2 - y^2)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow ((x + y)(x - y))^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(2a \times \frac{2}{a}\right)^2$$

$$= (4)^2 = 16$$

$$86. \quad (a) \quad a = 11$$

$$b = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + b^2 + ab}{a^3 - b^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^3 - b^3) = ((a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2))$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + b^2 + ab}{(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a - b} = \frac{1}{11 - 9} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$87. \quad (a) \quad p = 101$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{p(p^2 - 3p + 3) - 1}$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{p^3 - 3p^2 + 3p - 1}$$

$$\therefore [(p - 1)^3 = p^3 - (1)^3 - 3p(p - 1)]$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{(p - 1)^3}$$

$$= p - 1 = 101 - 1 = 100$$

$$88. \quad (a) \quad x = 19 \quad y = 18$$

$$\frac{x^2 + y^2 + xy}{x^3 - y^3}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + y^2 + xy}{(x - y)(x^2 + y^2 + xy)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x - y} = \frac{1}{19 - 18} = 1$$

$$89. \quad (b) \quad 50\% (p - q) = 30\% (p + q)$$

$$\frac{p - q}{2} = \frac{3}{10} (p + q)$$

$$\left[50\% = \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 5(p - q) = 3(p + q)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5p - 5q = 3p + 3q$$

$$\Rightarrow 2p = 8q$$

$$\Rightarrow 1p = 4q$$

$$\Rightarrow p : q$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 : 1$$

90. (c) $x : y$
 $2 : 1$
 then, $5x^2 - 13xy + 6y^2$
 $\Rightarrow 5 \times 4 - 13 \times 2 \times 1 + 6 \times 1^2$
 $\Rightarrow 20 - 26 + 6 = 0$

91. (a) $\frac{a}{3} = \frac{b}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{2}$
 $\frac{2a+3b}{3a-2b} = \frac{2 \times 3 + 3 \times 2}{3 \times 3 - 2 \times 2}$
 $= \frac{6+6}{9-4} = \frac{12}{5}$

92. (d) $\frac{a}{1-a} + \frac{b}{1-b} + \frac{c}{1-c} = 1$
 Add 3 both sides
 $\Rightarrow \frac{a}{1-a} + \frac{b}{1-b} + \frac{c}{1-c} + 3 = 1 + 3$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a}{1-a} + 1 \right) + \left(\frac{b}{1-b} + 1 \right) +$

$\left(\frac{c}{1-c} + 1 \right) = 4$

$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a+1-a}{1-a} \right) + \left(\frac{b+1-b}{1-b} \right)$

$+ \left(\frac{c+1-c}{1-c} \right) = 4$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-a} + \frac{1}{1-b} + \frac{1}{1-c} = 4$

93. (b) $\frac{2x-y}{x+2y} \times \frac{1}{2}$ (Cross Multiply)
 $\Rightarrow 4x - 2y = x + 2y$
 $3x = 4y$
 $x : y = 4 : 3$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{3x-y}{3x+y} = \frac{3 \times 4 - 3}{3 \times 4 + 3}$
 $= \frac{12-3}{12+3} = \frac{9}{15} = \frac{3}{5}$

94. (b) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$
 $\therefore \frac{2x}{3x^2 - 5x + 3}$ (Divide by x)
 $= \frac{\frac{2x}{x}}{\frac{3x^2}{x} - \frac{5x}{x} + \frac{3}{x}} = \frac{2}{3x + \frac{3}{x} - 5}$
 $= \frac{2}{3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 5} = \frac{2}{3 \times 5 - 5}$
 $= \frac{2}{10} = \frac{1}{5}$

95. (b) $\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^3}{100}} = \frac{3}{5}$

$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{x^3}{100} = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2$

$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{9}{25} = \frac{x^3}{100}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{16}{25} = \frac{x^3}{100}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{16 \times 100}{25} = x^3$

$\Rightarrow 16 \times 4 = x^3$

$\Rightarrow 4 = x$

96. (b) $\sqrt{1 + \frac{x}{9}} = \frac{13}{3}$

By option

Put $x = 160$

$\sqrt{1 + \frac{160}{9}} = \sqrt{\frac{169}{9}} = \frac{13}{3}$

Alternate:

Squaring both sides

$\left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{x}{9}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{13}{3}\right)^2$

$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{x}{9} = \frac{169}{9}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{9+x}{9} = \frac{169}{9}$
 $9+x = 169$
 $x = 160$

97. (d) $\frac{4\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{48} + \sqrt{18}} = a + b\sqrt{6}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{4\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{16 \times 3} + \sqrt{9 \times 2}}$

$= \frac{4\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{2}}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{4\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{4\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2}}$

$= \frac{(4\sqrt{3} + 5\sqrt{2})(4\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{2})}{48 - 18}$

$= \frac{8\sqrt{6} + 18}{30} = \frac{8\sqrt{6}}{30} + \frac{18}{30}$

$= \frac{4}{15}\sqrt{6} + \frac{3}{5}$

$= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{15}\sqrt{6}$

$\therefore \frac{3}{5} + \frac{4}{15}\sqrt{6} = a + b\sqrt{6}$

By comparing coefficients of rational and irrational parts.

$\Rightarrow a = \frac{3}{5} \quad b = \frac{4}{15}$

$\left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{15}\right)$

98. (d) $a * b = ab$
 $5 * 3 = 5 \times 3 = 15$

99. (c) $\sqrt{0.03 \times 0.3a} = 0.3 \times 0.3 \sqrt{b}$
 Squaring both sides
 $0.03 \times 0.3 a = (0.3)^2 \times (0.3)^2 b$

$\frac{3}{100} \times \frac{3}{10} a = \frac{9}{100} \times \frac{9}{100} \times b$

$9a = \frac{81}{10} b \Rightarrow 10a = 9b$

$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{9}{10} = 0.9$

100. (a) $x * y = (x+3)^2 (y-1)$
 $5 * 4 = (5+3)^2 (4-1)$
 $= 64 \times 3 = 192$

101. (b) $9\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{12} + \sqrt{147}$
 $9\sqrt{x} = \sqrt{4 \times 3} + \sqrt{49 \times 3}$
 $9\sqrt{x} = 9\sqrt{3}$
 $x = 3$

102. (a) $\sqrt{1 + \frac{x}{961}} = \frac{32}{31}$
 (Squaring both sides)

$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{x}{961} = \frac{1024}{961}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{961+x}{961} = \frac{1024}{961}$

$x = 1024 - 961 = 63$

103. (c) $\sqrt{0.04 \times 0.4 \times a} = 0.004 \times 0.4 \times \sqrt{b}$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{4}{100} \times \frac{4}{10} \times a} = \frac{4}{1000} \times \frac{4}{10} \sqrt{b}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{10} \sqrt{\frac{a}{10}} = \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{4}{1000} \sqrt{b}$

$\frac{a}{10} = \frac{16}{1000000} b$

$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{16 \times 10}{1000000} = \frac{16}{100000}$

$\frac{a}{b} = 16 \times 10^{-5}$

$$104. (d) \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 \times 9 + 3 \times 9 + 4 \times 9}{2 \times 1 + 3 \times 1 + 4 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{18 + 27 + 36}{2 + 3 + 4} = \frac{81}{9} = 9$$

$$105. (d) 2x + \frac{1}{3x} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 1 = 15x$$

$$\therefore \frac{5x}{6x^2 + 20x + 1}$$

$$= \frac{5x}{15x + 20x} = \frac{5x}{35x} = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$106. (a) x \propto \frac{1}{y^2 - 1} \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$x = k \times \frac{1}{y^2 - 1}$$

(k is constant)

Now $x = 24$ when $y = 10$ given

$$\Rightarrow 24 = k \times \frac{1}{(10)^2 - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 24 = \frac{k}{99}$$

$$k = 24 \times 99$$

$$\Rightarrow x = ?$$

$$y = 5$$

$$x = 24 \times 99 \times \frac{1}{25 - 1}$$

$$= 24 \times 99 \times \frac{1}{24} \quad x = 99$$

$$107. (a) x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$$

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

$$(x + 1)^2 + y^2 = 0$$

Hence both terms are squares and their addition is zero so, it can be possible only when both terms are zeros.

$$\therefore x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1$$

$$y = 0$$

$$\therefore x^{31} + y^{35}$$

$$= (-1)^{31} + (0)^{35} = -1$$

$$108. (b) \frac{x}{2x^2 + 5x + 2} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\frac{\frac{x}{x}}{2 \frac{x^2}{x} + \frac{5x}{x} + \frac{2}{x}} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2x + \frac{2}{x} + 5} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) + 5 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 5 = 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$109. (c) a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(a - b - c) - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2a - 2b - 2c - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2a + 2b + 2c + 1 + 1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 - 2a + 1) + (b^2 + 2b + 1) + (c^2 + 2c + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 1)^2 + (b + 1)^2 + (c + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = -1$$

$$c = -1$$

$$\therefore 2a - 3b + 4c$$

$$= 2 \times 1 - 3 \times (-1) + 4 \times (-1)$$

$$= 2 + 3 - 4 = 1$$

$$110. (a) (3a + 1)^2 + (b - 1)^2 + (2c - 3)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3a + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3a = -1 \Rightarrow a = \frac{-1}{3}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow b = 1$$

$$(2c - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore 3a + b + 2c = 3 \times \frac{-1}{3} + 1 + \frac{3}{2} \times 2$$

$$= -1 + 1 + 3 = 3$$

$$111. (b) \frac{(a-b)^2}{(b-c)(c-a)} + \frac{(b-c)^2}{(a-b)(c-a)} + \frac{(c-a)^2}{(a-b)(b-c)}$$

Now

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a-b)^2}{(b-c)(c-a)} \times \frac{(a-b)}{a-b}$$

Multiply divide by $(a - b)$ in Ist term

$\Rightarrow (b - c)$ in IInd term

$\Rightarrow (c - a)$ in IIIrd term

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a-b)^2(a-b)}{(b-c)(c-a)(a-b)} +$$

$$\frac{(b-c)^2(b-c)}{(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)} +$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{Let } a - b = x$$

$$b - c = y$$

$$c - a = z$$

$$\therefore x + y + z = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 3xyz$$

$$\therefore (a - b)^3 + (b - c)^3 + (c - a)^3$$

$$= 3(a - b)(b - c)(c - a)$$

$$\therefore \frac{3(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}{(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)} = 3$$

$$112. (c) (a - 3)^2 + (b - 4)^2 + (c - 9)^2 = 0$$

$$a - 3 = 0 \quad a = 3$$

$$b - 4 = 0 \quad b = 4$$

$$c - 9 = 0 \quad c = 9$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{a+b+c} = \sqrt{3+4+9}$$

$$= \sqrt{16} = \pm 4$$

$$113. (b) 1.5x = 0.04y$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{y} = \frac{0.04}{1.5} = \frac{4}{100} \times \frac{10}{15} = \frac{2}{75}$$

$$\therefore \frac{y^2 - x^2}{y^2 + x^2 + 2xy} = \frac{(y-x)(y+x)}{(y+x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{y-x}{y+x} = \frac{75-2}{75+2} = \frac{73}{77}$$

$$114. (b) a^{1/3} = 11, a = 11^3 = 1331$$

$$a^2 - 331a = a(a - 331)$$

$$= 1331(1331 - 331)$$

$$= 1331 \times 1000 = 1331000$$

$$115. (a) x^2 + y^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} = 4$$

Take $x = y = 1$

$$1 + 1 + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} = 4$$

Hence

$$x^2 + y^2 = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$116. (d) a^2 + b^2 = 2$$

$$c^2 + d^2 = 1$$

Put values of a, b, c, d

Take $a = b = 1$

$$c = 1$$

$$d = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (ad - bc)^2 + (ac + bd)^2$$

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

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

$$117. (d) x = \frac{4ab}{a+b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{2a} = \frac{2b}{a+b}$$

$$\frac{x+2a}{x-2a} = \frac{2b+a+b}{2b-a-b} = \frac{3b+a}{b-a}$$

(By C - D rule)

$\Rightarrow$ again

$$\frac{x}{2b} = \frac{2a}{a+b}$$

$$\frac{x+2b}{x-2b} = \frac{2a+a+b}{2a-a-b} = \frac{3a+b}{a-b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+2a}{x-2a} + \frac{x+2b}{x-2b} = \frac{3b+a}{b-a} + \frac{3a+b}{a-b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3b + a - 3a - b}{b - a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2b - 2a}{b - a} = \frac{2(b - a)}{(b - a)} = 2$$

118. (c) $m + \frac{1}{m-2} = 4$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 2) + \frac{1}{(m - 2)} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Squaring both sides}$$

$$(m - 2)^2 + \frac{1}{(m - 2)^2} + 2 \times (m - 2)$$

$$\times \frac{1}{(m - 2)} = 4$$

$$(m - 2)^2 + \frac{1}{(m - 2)^2} = 2$$

119. (c) $a^2 + b^2 + 2b + 4a + 5 = 0$

$$a^2 + b^2 + 2b + 4a + 4 + 1 = 0$$

$$a^2 + 4a + 4 + b^2 + 2b + 1 = 0$$

$$(a + 2)^2 + (b + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$a + 2 = 0 \quad a = -2$$

$$b + 1 = 0 \quad b = -1$$

$$\frac{a - b}{a + b} \Rightarrow \frac{-2 + 1}{-2 - 1}$$

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

120. (a) $x - y = \frac{x + y}{7} = \frac{xy}{4} = k$ (let)

$$x - y = k \quad \dots\dots(i)$$

$$x + y = 7k \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$xy = 4k \quad \dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\therefore x - y = k \dots\dots(i)$$

$$x + y = 7k \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{4k}{3k}$$

$$y = 3k$$

$$\therefore xy \Rightarrow 4k \times 3k = 12k^2$$

$$12k^2 = 4k$$

$$k = \frac{1}{3} \therefore xy = 4k = \frac{4}{3}$$

121. (d) $\frac{x^2}{yz} + \frac{y^2}{zx} + \frac{z^2}{xy}$

$$= \frac{x^2}{yz} \times \frac{x}{x} + \frac{y^2}{zx} \times \frac{y}{y} + \frac{z^2}{xy} \times \frac{z}{z}$$

$$= \frac{x^3 + y^3 + z^3}{xyz}$$

$$(\therefore \text{If } x + y + z = 0$$

$$\text{then, } x^3 + y^3 + z^3 \Rightarrow 3xyz)$$

$$\therefore \frac{3xyz}{xyz} = 3$$

122. (b) $a + b + c = 0$

$$\frac{1}{(a + b)(b + c)} + \frac{1}{(a + c)(b + a)} +$$

$$\frac{1}{(c + a)(c + b)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a + c) + (b + c) + (a + b)}{(a + b)(a + c)(b + c)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(a + b + c)}{(a + b)(a + c)(b + c)} = 0$$

$$(\therefore a + b + c = 0)$$

123. (c) $a + b + c = 0$

Assume values $a = 2, b = -2, c = 0$

$$a + b + c = 2 - 2 + 0 = 0 \text{ (satisfy)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{a^2 - bc}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4 + 4 + 0}{4 - 0} \Rightarrow \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

Alternate:

$$a + b + c = 0$$

$$b + c = -a$$

Squaring both sides

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

$$b^2 + c^2 + 2bc = a^2$$

$$b^2 + c^2 = a^2 - 2bc$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}{a^2 - bc}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + a^2 - 2bc}{a^2 - bc}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a^2 - 2bc}{a^2 - bc} \Rightarrow \frac{2(a^2 - bc)}{a^2 - bc} = 2$$

124. (c) $x^2 + y^2 - 4x - 4y + 8 = 0$

$$x^2 + 4 - 4x + y^2 + 4 - 4y = 0$$

$$(x - 2)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 0$$

$$x - 2 = 0, \quad y - 2 = 0$$

$$x = 2, \quad y = 2$$

$$\therefore x - y = 2 - 2 = 0$$

125. (a) $x = b + c - 2a$

$$y = c + a - 2b$$

$$z = a + b - 2c$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + z = (b + c - 2a) +$$

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

$$\therefore \text{Now}$$

$$= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2xy - z^2$$

$$= (x + y)^2 - z^2 \quad (A^2 - B^2) = (A + B)(A - B)$$

$$(x + y - z)(x + y + z)$$

$$= \text{As we know } (x + y + z) = 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 - z^2 + 2xy = 0 \times (x + y - z) = 0$$

126. (a) $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$ (take cube on both sides)

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (\sqrt{3})^3$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3(\sqrt{3}) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$$

$$\therefore x^6 = -1$$

$$\therefore x^{18} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$$

$$= (-1)^3 + (-1)^2 + (-1) + 1$$

$$= -1 + 1 - 1 + 1 = 0$$

127. (c) $ax^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + b$ is divisible by $(x + 2)$ and $(x - 2)$

$$\therefore (x + 2) \text{ and } (x - 2) \text{ are factors}$$

$$\therefore x + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2$$

$$x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

Put $x = -2$

$$\therefore a(-2)^3 + 3(-2)^2 - 8(-2) + b = 0$$

$$= -8a + 12 + 16 + b = 0$$

$$-8a + b + 28 = 0$$

$$-8a + b = -28 \quad \dots\dots(I)$$

and

Put $x = 2$

$$\Rightarrow a(2)^3 + 3(2)^2 - 8 \times 2 + b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8a + 12 - 16 + b = 0$$

$$8a + b - 4 = 0$$

$$8a + b = 4 \quad \dots\dots(II)$$

From equation (I) & (II)

$$\therefore -8a + b = -28$$

$$\frac{8a + b = 4}{2b = -24}$$

$$b = -12$$

$$a = 2$$

128. (b) $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$

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

Divide by x

$$= \frac{x^2}{x} + \frac{1}{x}$$

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

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

Cubing both sides

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 3 = 27$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 18$$

129. (a) $x + \frac{1}{4x} = \frac{3}{2}$

Multiply by 2 both sides

$$\therefore 2x + \frac{1}{2x} = 3$$

Take cube both sides

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3} + 3 \times 2x \times \frac{1}{2x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{2x} \right) \\
 &= 27 \\
 &= 8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3} + 3 \times 3 = 27 \\
 8x^3 + \frac{1}{8x^3} &= 27 - 9 = 18
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 130. (d) \quad x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} &= 119 \quad x > 1 \\
 \therefore x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 &= 119 + 2 = 121
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^2 = (11)^2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 11$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 11 + 2$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 = 13$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{13}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Taking cube both sides

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\sqrt{13} = (\sqrt{13})^3$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\sqrt{13} = 13\sqrt{13}$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 10\sqrt{13}$$

$$131. (b) \quad 3x + \frac{1}{2x} = 5$$

$\Rightarrow$ Multiply both sides by $\frac{2}{3}$

$$\therefore 3x \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2}x \times \frac{2}{3} = 5 \times \frac{2}{3}$$

$$2x + \frac{1}{3x} = \frac{10}{3}$$

$\therefore$ Taking cube on both sides

$$\begin{aligned}
 8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} + 3 \times 2x \times \frac{1}{3x} \left(2x + \frac{1}{3x} \right) \\
 = \left(\frac{10}{3} \right)^3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} + 2 \times \frac{10}{3} = \frac{1000}{27}$$

$$8x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} = \frac{1000}{27} - \frac{20}{3}$$

$$= \frac{1000 - 180}{27} = \frac{820}{27} = 30 \frac{10}{27}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 132. (a) \quad x + y &= z \\
 x + y - z &= 0 \\
 \text{If } a + b + c &= 0 \\
 \text{then } a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc &= 0 \\
 \therefore x^3 + y^3 - z^3 &= -3xyz \\
 \therefore x^3 + y^3 - z^3 + 3xyz &= 0 \\
 3xyz - 3xyz &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 133. (c) \quad \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} &= 1 \\
 \therefore a^2 + b^2 &= ab \\
 \therefore a^2 + b^2 - ab &= 0 \\
 \therefore a^3 + b^3 &= (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2) \\
 &= (a + b) \times 0 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 134. (c) \quad x &= 2 - 2^{1/3} + 2^{2/3} \\
 x - 2 &= 2^{2/3} - 2^{1/3} \quad \dots (I) \\
 \text{Take cube both sides} \\
 (x - 2)^3 &= (2^{2/3} - 2^{1/3})^3 \\
 x^3 - 8 - 6x(x - 2) &= (2^{2/3})^3 - (2^{1/3})^3 \\
 - 3 \times 2^{2/3} \cdot 2^{1/3} (2^{2/3} - 2^{1/3}) \\
 x^3 - 8 - 6x^2 + 12x &= 2 - 2 - 3 \times 2 \frac{2+1}{3} (x - 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2^2 - 2 - 3 \times 2 \frac{2+1}{3} (x - 2) \\
 \text{From equation (I)} \\
 \therefore x^3 - 8 - 6x^2 + 12x &= 4 - 2 - 3 \times 2 (x - 2) \\
 x^3 - 8 - 6x^2 + 12x &= 2 - 6x + 12 \\
 x^3 + 18x - 6x^2 - 8 - 14 &= 0 \\
 x^3 + 18x - 6x^2 - 22 &= 0 \\
 \therefore x^3 - 6x^2 + 18x + 18 &= 22 + 18 = 40
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 135. (d) \quad a^3 - b^3 - c^3 - 3abc &= 0 \\
 \therefore a - b - c &= 0 \\
 a &= b + c
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 136. (c) \quad a &= 2.361 \\
 b &= 3.263 \\
 c &= 5.624 \\
 a + b - c &= 0 \\
 2.361 + 3.263 - 5.624 &= 0 \\
 \therefore a^3 + b^3 - c^3 + 3abc &\Rightarrow 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 137. (d) \quad p &= 124 \\
 \sqrt[3]{p(p^2 + 3p + 3) + 1} \\
 &= \sqrt[3]{p^3 + 3p^2 + 3p + 1} \\
 &= \sqrt[3]{(p+1)^3} = \sqrt[3]{(125)^3} = 125
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 138. (c) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} &= 2 \\
 (\text{assume } x &= 1, \text{ so, } 1 + 1 = 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^{17} + \frac{1}{x^{19}} &= (1)^{17} + \frac{1}{(1)^{19}} \\
 &= 1 + 1 = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 139. (c) \quad x : y &= 3 : 4 \\
 \therefore \frac{5x - 2y}{7x + 2y} &= \frac{5 \times 3 - 2 \times 4}{7 \times 3 + 2 \times 4} \\
 &= \frac{15 - 8}{21 + 8} = \frac{7}{29}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$140. (c) \quad \frac{2p}{p^2 - 2p + 1} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{2p}{p^2 - 2p + 1} &= \frac{1}{4} \\
 \frac{2p}{p^2 - 2p + 1} &= \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{2}{p + \frac{1}{p} - 2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p + \frac{1}{p} - 2 = 8$$

$$p + \frac{1}{p} = 10$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 141. (a) \quad x + y &= 2z \\
 x - z &= z - y \\
 x - z &\Rightarrow -(y - z) \quad \dots (i)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{x}{x - z} + \frac{z}{y - z} &= \frac{x}{x - z} - \frac{z}{x - z} \\
 &= \frac{x - z}{x - z} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 142. (b) \quad \text{Let,} \\
 a &= 1 \\
 b &= 180 \\
 c &= 1 \\
 \therefore a^3b &= abc = 180 \text{ (satisfied)} \\
 \therefore c &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 143. (d) \quad (a - 1)\sqrt{2} + 3 &= b\sqrt{2} + a \\
 \text{Comparing Coefficient of } \sqrt{2} \text{ \& constant terms.} \\
 \therefore a - 1 &= b \\
 3 - 1 &= b \\
 b &= 2 \\
 a + b &= 3 + 2 = 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$144. (b) \quad 64^{x+1} = \frac{64}{4^x}$$

$$(4^3)^{x+1} = \frac{4^3}{4^x}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4^{3x+3} &= 4^{3-x} \\
 \therefore 3x + 3 &= 3 - x \\
 4x &= 0 \\
 x &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 145. (c) \quad ax^2 + bx + c &= a(x - p)^2 \\
 ax^2 + bx + c &= a(x^2 + p^2 - 2px) \\
 \Rightarrow ax^2 + bx + c &= ax^2 + ap^2 - 2apx \\
 \text{Comparing coefficients of } x^2 \text{ and } x \\
 \Rightarrow b &= -2ap
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{-b}{2a} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } c = ap^2$$

$$\Rightarrow c = a \times \frac{b^2}{4a^2} \text{ (From (i))}$$

$$\boxed{4ac = b^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 146. (d) \quad a + b + c + d &= 1 \\
 (1 + a)(1 + b)(1 + c)(1 + d) \\
 \Rightarrow \text{For maximum value } a, b, c, d
 \end{aligned}$$

$$a = b = c = d = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^4$$

$$147. (b) a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 3 = 2(a + b + c)$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 3 = 2a + 2b + 2c$$

$$a^2 - 2a + 1 + b^2 - 2b + 1 + c^2 - 2c + 1 = 0$$

$$(a - 1)^2 + (b - 1)^2 + (c - 1)^2 = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 1$$

$$c = 1$$

$$(a + b + c) \Rightarrow 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$148. (c) x - \frac{1}{x} = 5$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 27$$

$$149. (b) n = 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$n = 4 + 3 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$n = (2)^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 + 2 \times 2 \times \sqrt{3}$$

$$n = (2 + \sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\sqrt{n} = 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3} = 4$$

$$150. (b) x = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$151. (d) p + q = 10 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } pq = 5$$

Squaring both sides of equation (i)

$$(p + q)^2 = (10)^2$$

$$p^2 + q^2 + 2pq = 100$$

$$p^2 + q^2 + 2 \times 5 = 100$$

$$p^2 + q^2 = 90$$

Now,

$$\therefore \frac{p}{q} + \frac{q}{p} = \frac{p^2 + q^2}{pq} = \frac{90}{5} = 18$$

$$152. (d) x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}, \quad xy = 1, \quad y^2 = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{3 + 2\sqrt{2}} = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + 3 - 2\sqrt{2} = 6$$

$$\therefore x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 36 - 2 = 34$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + 3xy + y^2}{x^2 - 3xy + y^2} = \frac{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 3}{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 3}$$

$$= \frac{34 + 3}{34 - 3} = \frac{37}{31}$$

$$153. (a) \frac{x}{b+c} = \frac{y}{c+a} = \frac{z}{a+b} \quad (\text{given})$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{b+c} = \frac{y}{c+a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{b+c} = \frac{x-y}{(b+c)-(c+a)} = \frac{x-y}{b-a}$$

Similarly

$$\frac{y}{c+a} = \frac{z}{a+b}$$

$$\therefore \frac{y}{c+a} = \frac{y-z}{(c+a)-(a+b)} = \frac{y-z}{c-b} \quad \text{again}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z}{a+b} = \frac{x}{b+c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z}{a+b} = \frac{z-x}{(a+b)-(b+c)} = \frac{z-x}{a-c}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x-y}{b-a} = \frac{y-z}{c-b} = \frac{z-x}{a-c}$$

$$154. (d) x - y = 2, \quad xy = 24 \quad (\text{given})$$

by squaring

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2xy = 4$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2 \times 24 = 4$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 4 + 48 = 52$$

$$155. (a) \frac{x^2}{y^2} + tx + \frac{y^2}{4} \quad (\text{given})$$

To make it a perfect square it should be in the form

$$A^2 \pm 2AB + B^2 = (A \pm B)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 \pm tx + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= A^2 \pm 2AB + B^2$$

$$A = \frac{x}{y}, \quad B = \frac{y}{2} \quad \& \quad 2AB = tx$$

$$\text{So, } tx = \pm 2 \times \frac{x}{y} \times \frac{y}{2}$$

$$tx = \pm x$$

$$t = \pm 1$$

$$156. (d) a = x + y$$

$$b = x - y$$

$$c = x + 2y$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca = \frac{1}{2} ((a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} ((x + y - x + y)^2 + (x - y - x - 2y)^2 + (x + 2y - x - y)^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} ((2y)^2 + (-3y)^2 + y^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (4y^2 + 9y^2 + y^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (14y^2) = 7y^2$$

$$157. (b) x + \frac{1}{x} = 2, \quad x \neq 0$$

$$\text{put } x = 1$$

$$1 + 1 = 2$$

$$\therefore x^2 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$158. (a) \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 3$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{72} + x^{66} + x^{54} + x^{24} + x^6 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^6)^{12} + (x^6)^{11} + (x^6)^9 +$$

$$(x^6)^4 + x^6 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (-1)^{12} + (-1)^{11} + (-1)^9 + (-1)^4 +$$

$$-1 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 = 0$$

$$159. (b) a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$a^6 = -1$$

$$\therefore a^6 - \frac{1}{a^6} + 2 = -1 - \frac{1}{(-1)} + 2$$

$$= -1 + 1 + 2 = 2$$

$$160. (b) x^3 + y^3 = 35$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 5$$

Take cube on both sides,

$$(x + y)^3 = (5)^3$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y) = 125$$

$$35 + 3xy(5) = 125$$

$$15xy = 125 - 35$$

$$15xy = 90$$

$$xy = 6$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{x+y}{xy} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$161. (b) a^3 - b^3 = 56$$

$$\Rightarrow a - b = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - b^3 - 3ab(a - b) = (2)^3$$

(By cubing)

$$56 - 3ab \times 2 = 8$$

$$-6ab = 8 - 56$$

$$6ab = 48$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = 8$$

$$(a - b) = 2$$

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

$$= a^2 + b^2 = 4 + 2ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 4 + 2 \times 8 = 20$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 162. (b) \quad & (a^2 + b^2)^3 = (a^3 + b^3)^2 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^6 + b^6 + 3a^2b^2(a^2 + b^2) = a^6 + b^6 + 2a^3b^3 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^6 + b^6 + 3a^4b^2 + 3a^2b^4 = a^6 + b^6 + 2a^3b^3 \\
 \Rightarrow & 3a^4b^2 + 3a^2b^4 = 2a^3b^3 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^2b^2(3a^2 + 3b^2) = 2a^3b^3 \\
 & 3a^2 + 3b^2 = 2ab \\
 & 3(a^2 + b^2) = 2ab \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} = \frac{2}{3} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 163. (a) \quad & x + \frac{1}{x} = 5 \quad x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 25 \\
 & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 23 \\
 \text{now, } & \frac{x^4 + 3x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x + 1}{x^4 + 1} \\
 \text{divided by } x^2, & \\
 & \frac{\frac{x^4}{x^2} + \frac{3x^3}{x^2} + \frac{5x^2}{x^2} + \frac{3x}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{x^4}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2}} \\
 & = \frac{x^2 + 3x + 5 + \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}}{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}} \\
 & = \frac{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5}{x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}} \\
 & = \frac{23 + 3(5) + 5}{23} = \frac{43}{23}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 164. (b) \quad & x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0 \\
 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 - 3x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) &= 0 \\
 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 - 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) &= 0 \\
 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 &= 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) \\
 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 &= 3 \\
 \left(\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2\right)^2 &= (3)^2 \\
 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^4 &= 9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 165. (c) \quad & x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 \\
 & \text{(Squaring both sides)} \\
 & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 7 \\
 & \text{On cubing both sides} \\
 & x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 27 \\
 \Rightarrow & x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 3 = 27 \\
 & x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 18
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) &= 18 \times 7 \\
 \left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right) + \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) &= 126 \\
 \left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right) + 3 &= 126 \\
 \left(x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5}\right) &= 123
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 166. (b) \quad & x - \frac{1}{x} = 3 \\
 x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) &= 27 \\
 x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} &= 27 + 3 \times 3 \\
 &= 27 + 9 = 36
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 167. (a) \quad & m^4 + \frac{1}{m^4} = 119 \\
 m^4 + \frac{1}{m^4} + 2 &= 119 + 2 \\
 \left(m^2 + \frac{1}{m^2}\right)^2 &= 121
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^2 + \frac{1}{m^2} &= 11 \\
 m^2 + \frac{1}{m^2} - 2 &= 11 - 2 \\
 \left(m - \frac{1}{m}\right)^2 &= 9 \\
 m - \frac{1}{m} &= \pm 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 168. (d) \quad & x + y + z = 6 \\
 (x - 1)^3 + (y - 2)^3 + (z - 3)^3 & \\
 \therefore \text{ as } x + y + z &= 6 \\
 \text{Take values} & \\
 x = 1, y = 2, z = 3 & \\
 (1 + 2 + 3) &= 6 \\
 \therefore (1 - 1)^3 + (2 - 2)^3 + (3 - 3)^3 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Now assume values in options.
option 'd' satisfies the given relation.

Hence 'd' is correct.

$$\begin{aligned}
 169. (b) \quad & a + b + c = 6 \\
 & = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 14 \\
 & a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 36 \\
 & \text{Put values as} \\
 & a = 1, b = 2, c = 3 \\
 & 1 + 2 + 3 = 6 \\
 & 1 + 4 + 9 = 14 \\
 & 1 + 8 + 27 = 36 \\
 \therefore abc &= 1 \times 2 \times 3 = 6
 \end{aligned}$$

Alternate:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore (a + b + c)^2 &= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca) \\
 36 &= 14 + 2(ab + bc + ca) \\
 (ab + bc + ca) &= 11 \\
 \Rightarrow a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc &= (a + b + c) \\
 & \quad (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) \\
 \Rightarrow 36 - 3abc &= 6(14 - 11) \\
 \Rightarrow 36 - 3abc &= 6 \times 3 \\
 -3abc &= 18 - 36 \\
 3abc &= 18 \\
 abc &= 6
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 170. (a) \quad & a + b = 1 \\
 \text{By cubing} & \\
 a^3 + b^3 + 3ab(a + b) &= 1^3 \\
 a^3 + b^3 + 3ab &= 1 \quad (a + b = 1) \\
 a^3 + b^3 + 3ab &= k \\
 \text{From above both equations} & \\
 k &= 1 \\
 171. (d) \quad & a = 34, b = 33, c = 33 \\
 \therefore a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc &= (a + b + c) \\
 & \times \frac{1}{2} [(a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2] \\
 &= (34 + 33 + 33) \times \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [(34 - 33)^2 + (33 - 33)^2 + (33 - 34)^2]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 100 \times \frac{1}{2} (1 + 0 + 1)$$

$$= 100 \times 1 = 100$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 172. (a) \quad & 2^x \cdot 2^y = 8 \Rightarrow 2^{x+y} = 2^3 \\
 x + y &= 3 \quad \dots (i) \\
 9^x \cdot 3^y &= 81 \\
 3^{2x} \cdot 3^y &= 3^4 \\
 \Rightarrow 2x + y &= 4 \quad \dots (ii)
 \end{aligned}$$

From equation (i) and (ii),

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x + y = 3 \\
 2x + y = 4 \\
 \hline
 -x = -1
 \end{array}$$

$$x = 1$$

$$y = 2$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = (1, 2)$$

173. (b) $2x + y = 5$ (i)
 $x + 2y = 4$ (ii)
 Multiply equation (ii) by 2.
 $2x + 4y = 8$ (iii)
 Now subtracting equation (i) from (iii)

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x + 4y = 8 \\ 2x + y = 5 \\ \hline 3y = 3 \\ y = 1 \\ x = 2 \end{array}$$

$\therefore$ intersection point = (2, 1)

174. (a) $y : x = 4 : 15$

$$\therefore \frac{y}{x} = \frac{4}{15}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x-y}{x+y} \Rightarrow \frac{x\left(1-\frac{y}{x}\right)}{x\left(1+\frac{y}{x}\right)} \text{ taking } x \text{ common.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1-\frac{4}{15}}{1+\frac{4}{15}} \Rightarrow \frac{11}{15} \times \frac{15}{19} = \frac{11}{19}$$

175. (b) $x^4 - 2x^2 + k$
 $\Rightarrow (A+B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$
 $(A-B)^2 = A^2 - 2AB + B^2$
 $\Rightarrow (x^2)^2 - 2 \times x^2 + k$
 $(A)^2 - 2 \times AB + B^2$
 $\therefore A = x^2, B = -1$
 $B^2 = K$
 $(-1)^2 = K$
 $K = 1$

176. (c) $(x-3)^2 + (y-5)^2 + (z-4)^2 = 0$
 $\therefore (x-3)^2 = 0 \quad x = 3$
 $(y-5)^2 = 0 \quad y = 5$
 $(z-4)^2 = 0 \quad z = 4$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{9} + \frac{y^2}{25} + \frac{z^2}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{9} + \frac{25}{25} + \frac{16}{16} = 3$$

177. (d) $x \propto \frac{1}{y^2}$

(Inversely proportional)

$$x = \frac{k}{y^2}$$

(y = 2) for (x = 1) (Given)

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{k}{(2)^2} \Rightarrow 1 = \frac{k}{4}$$

$$k = 4$$

$\therefore$ For y = 6

$$x = \frac{4}{(6)^2} = \frac{1}{9} = \frac{1}{9}$$

178. (d) $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 3 = 2(a-b-c)$
 $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 3 - 2a + 2b + 2c = 0$
 $a^2 - 2a + 1 + b^2 + 2b + 1 + c^2 + 2c + 1 = 0$
 $(a-1)^2 + (b+1)^2 + (c+1)^2 = 0$
 $a = 1, b = -1, c = -1$
 $\therefore 2a - b + c = 2 + 1 - 1 = 2$

179. (d) $x^2 - y^2 = 80$

$$\Rightarrow (x-y)(x+y) = 80$$

$$x - y = 8 \quad \text{.....(I)}$$

$$\therefore (x+y) \times 8 = 80$$

$$(x+y) = 10 \quad \text{.....(II)}$$

Now average of x and y

$$= \frac{x+y}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

180. (a) Third proportional of a and b

$$= \frac{b^2}{a}$$

Third proportion of $\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}\right)$ and

$$\frac{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}{\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}\right)} = \frac{x^2+y^2}{xy} = xy$$

181. (c) $\frac{4x}{3} + 2P = 12, x = 6$ (Given)

$$\frac{4 \times 6}{3} + 2P = 12$$

$$2P = 12 - 8$$

$$P = \frac{4}{2}$$

$$P = 2$$

182. (a) $\frac{4+3\sqrt{3}}{7+4\sqrt{3}}$
 (By Rationalization of denominator)

$$\frac{4+3\sqrt{3}}{7+4\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{7-4\sqrt{3}}{7-4\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{(4+3\sqrt{3})(7-4\sqrt{3})}{49-48}$$

$$= \frac{4+3\sqrt{3}}{1} = 4+3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{28+21\sqrt{3}}{28-36+5\sqrt{3}} = 5\sqrt{3}-8$$

183. (d) $a = \sqrt{6} - \sqrt{5}$

$$b = \sqrt{5} - 2$$

$$c = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

Rationalize all the terms

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{6}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}} \times \sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}}$$

$$b = \frac{\sqrt{5}-2}{\sqrt{5}+2} \times \sqrt{5}+2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{4}}$$

$$c = \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}} \times 2+\sqrt{3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Now, } a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}+\sqrt{5}}$$

$$b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{4}}$$

$$c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}+\sqrt{3}}$$

Now the term whose denominator is largest is the smallest term.
 So, $a < b < c$.

184..(b) $x = \frac{4\sqrt{15}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}$

$$\frac{x+\sqrt{20}}{x-\sqrt{20}} + \frac{x+\sqrt{12}}{x-\sqrt{12}} = ?$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{4 \times \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2 \times \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2 \times \sqrt{20} \times \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{x}{\sqrt{12}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}$$

by C - D rule

$$\frac{x+\sqrt{12}}{x-\sqrt{12}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{x}{\sqrt{20}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{x+\sqrt{20}}{x-\sqrt{20}} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x+\sqrt{12}}{x-\sqrt{12}} + \frac{x+\sqrt{20}}{x-\sqrt{20}}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} + \frac{3\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}}$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{3}-3\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{5}-2\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{3}} = 2$$

185. (b) $x = 5 - \sqrt{21}$

$$2x = 10 - 2\sqrt{21} \quad \text{.....(i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = (\sqrt{7})^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 - 2(\sqrt{7})(\sqrt{3})$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x = (\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3})^2} \\&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3}) \\&\therefore \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{32-2x}-\sqrt{21}} \\&= \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{32-(10-2\sqrt{21})}-\sqrt{21})} \\&= \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{22+2\sqrt{21}}-\sqrt{21})} \\&= \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{(\sqrt{21}+1)^2}-\sqrt{21})} \\&= \frac{\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{21}+1-\sqrt{21})} \\&= \frac{(\sqrt{7}-\sqrt{3})}{\sqrt{2}}\end{aligned}$$

$$186. (b) \quad 6x - 5y = 13 \quad \dots(I)$$

$$7x + 2y = 23 \quad \dots(II)$$

Multiply equation (I) with 7 and (II) with 6

$$\therefore 7(6x - 5y = 13)$$

$$42x - 35y = 91 \quad \dots(III)$$

$$42x + 12y = 138 \quad \dots(IV)$$

Subtract (IV) from (III)

$$42x - 35y = 91$$

$$42x + 12y = 138$$

$$\hline -47y = -47$$

$$y = 1$$

$$\therefore x = 3$$

$$\therefore 11x + 18y$$

$$= 11 \times 3 + 18 \times 1 = 33 + 18 = 51$$

$$187. (a) (x^{b+c})^{b-c} (x^{c+a})^{c-a} (x^{a+b})^{a-b} (x \neq 0)$$

$$= x^{b^2-c^2} \cdot x^{c^2-a^2} \cdot x^{a^2-b^2}$$

$$x^{b^2-c^2+c^2-a^2+a^2-b^2} = x^0 = 1$$

$$188. (c) \quad \frac{x}{a} = \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{x}{a} - \frac{1}{a} = -\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\left(\frac{x-1}{a}\right) = -\frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{1-x}{a} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$x(1-x) = a$$

$$x - x^2 = a$$

$$189. (c) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = 99$$

$$\therefore x^2 + 1 = 99x$$

$$2(x^2 + 1) = 2 \times 99x$$

$$2x^2 + 2 = 198x$$

$$= \frac{100x}{2x^2 + 2 + 102x}$$

$$= \frac{100x}{198x + 102x} = \frac{100x}{300x} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$190. (c) \quad \frac{4x-3}{x} + \frac{4y-3}{y} + \frac{4z-3}{z} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4x}{x} - \frac{3}{x} + \frac{4y}{y} - \frac{3}{y} + \frac{4z}{z} - \frac{3}{z} = 0$$

$$= 4 - \frac{3}{x} + 4 - \frac{3}{y} + 4 - \frac{3}{z} = 0$$

$$12 - 3\left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}\right) = 0$$

$$-3\left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}\right) = -12$$

$$\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 4$$

$$191. (c) \quad \frac{xy}{x+y} = a, \quad \frac{xz}{x+z} = b, \quad \frac{yz}{y+z} = c$$

Now

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+y}{xy} = \frac{1}{a},$$

$$\frac{x+z}{xz} = \frac{1}{b}, \quad \frac{y+z}{yz} = \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{a}, \quad \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{b},$$

$$\frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{c}$$

Now we have to find the value of x

$$\therefore \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c} = \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{z}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{z}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\frac{bc + ac - ab}{abc} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$x = \frac{2abc}{bc + ac - ab}$$

$$192. (d) \quad xy = 8 \quad \text{Given}$$

$$\text{So, } (x, y) = (1, 8)$$

We have to question the options and check them

$$(8, 1)$$

$$(2, 4)$$

$$(4, 2)$$

$$\therefore 2x + y = 2 \times 1 + 8 = 10$$

$$2 \times 8 + 1 = 11$$

$$2 \times 2 + 4 = 8 \text{ minimum}$$

$$2 \times 4 + 2 = 10$$

Hence in this question we have all the options. So, take all positive factor otherwise we should have to take -ve values also.

$$(x, y) = (1, 8)$$

$$(8, 1)$$

$$(2, 4)$$

$$(4, 2)$$

$$(-1, -8)$$

$$(-8, -1)$$

$$(-2, -4)$$

$$(-4, -2)$$

$$193. (b) \quad x^2 + x + 1 = 0 \dots(i)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{4} + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times x + q^2$$

$$= x^2 + x + \left(q^2 + \frac{1}{4}\right) = 0 \dots(ii)$$

Comparing constant term of equation (i) and (ii)

$$\therefore q^2 + \frac{1}{4} = 1$$

$$= q^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$q = \pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \pm\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$194. (b) \quad a^2 - 4a - 1 = 0$$

$$a^2 - 1 = 4a$$

$$a - \frac{1}{a} = 4$$

Squaring both sides

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} - 2 = 16$$

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 18$$

$$\therefore a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 3\left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right)$$

$$= 18 + 3 \times 4 = 18 + 12 = 30$$

$$195. (d) (x-2)(x-9)$$

$$= x^2 - 9x - 2x + 18$$

$$= x^2 - 11x + 18$$

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

For minimum value

$$\frac{4ac - b^2}{4a}$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 1 \times 18 - (-11)^2}{4 \times 1} = \frac{72 - 121}{4} = \frac{-49}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 196. (d) \quad & 4\sqrt{3}x^2 + 5x - 2\sqrt{3} = 0 \\
 & 4\sqrt{3}x^2 + 8x - 3x - 2\sqrt{3} = 0 \\
 & 4x(\sqrt{3}x+2) - \sqrt{3}(\sqrt{3}x+2) = 0 \\
 & (4x-\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{3}x+2) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 197. (c) \quad & \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{5} \\
 \text{Squaring both sides} \\
 & x = 3 + 5 - 2\sqrt{3}\sqrt{5} \\
 & x = 8 - 2\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{3} \\
 & x - 8 = -2\sqrt{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(Squaring both sides)} \\
 & x^2 + 64 - 16x = 60 \\
 & x^2 + 4 - 16x = 0 \\
 & x^2 + 6 - 16x = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 198. (b) \quad & x^2 = y + z \\
 & y^2 = z + x \\
 & z^2 = x + y \\
 \Rightarrow & x^2 + x = x + y + z \\
 \text{Adding } x \text{ on both sides} \\
 & x(x+1) = x + y + z \\
 & \frac{1}{(x+1)} = \frac{x}{x+y+z} \\
 \text{Similarly} \\
 & \frac{1}{y+1} = \frac{y}{x+y+z} \text{ and } \frac{1}{z+1} = \frac{z}{x+y+z} \\
 \therefore & \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{y+1} + \frac{1}{z+1} \\
 = & \frac{x}{x+y+z} + \frac{y}{x+y+z} + \frac{z}{x+y+z} \\
 = & \frac{x+y+z}{x+y+z} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 199. (c) \quad & a + b + c = 0 \\
 \text{Have values} \\
 & a = 1 \\
 & b = 2 \\
 & c = -3 \\
 \Rightarrow & \left(\frac{a+b}{c} + \frac{b+c}{a} + \frac{c+a}{b}\right) \left(\frac{a}{b+c} + \frac{b}{c+a} + \frac{c}{a+b}\right) \\
 \Rightarrow & \left(\frac{1+2}{-3} + \frac{2-3}{1} + \frac{-3+1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2-3} + \frac{2}{-3+1} + \frac{-3}{1+2}\right) \\
 \Rightarrow & (-1-1-1)(-1-1-1) \\
 \Rightarrow & -3 \times -3 = 9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 200. (a) \quad & a + \frac{1}{b} = 1, b + \frac{1}{c} = 1 \\
 \text{Values of } a, b, c \text{ assume} \\
 & a = \frac{1}{2} \\
 & b = 2 \\
 & c = -1 \\
 \therefore & abc = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times -1 = -1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 201. (c) \quad & a + b + c = 2s \\
 \therefore & \text{let} \\
 & a = 2 \\
 & b = 1 \\
 & c = 1 \\
 & s = 2 \\
 \therefore & \frac{(s-a)^2 + (s-b)^2 + (s-c)^2 + s^2}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{(2-2)^2 + (2-1)^2 + (2-1)^2 + 2^2}{2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{0+1+1+4}{4+1+1} = \frac{6}{6} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 202. (d) \quad & x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} \\
 & x^2 = (3 + 2\sqrt{2})^2 \\
 \text{(Squaring both sides)} \\
 & = 9 + 8 + 12\sqrt{2} = 17 + 12\sqrt{2} \\
 \frac{1}{x^2} &= \frac{1}{17+12\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{17-12\sqrt{2}}{17-12\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= 17 - 12\sqrt{2} \\
 \therefore & \frac{1}{x^2} + x^2 \\
 &= 17 + 12\sqrt{2} + 17 - 12\sqrt{2} = 34
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 203. (b) \quad & x\left(3 - \frac{2}{x}\right) = \frac{3}{x} \\
 \Rightarrow & 3x - 2 = \frac{3}{x} \\
 \Rightarrow & 3x - \frac{3}{x} = 2 \\
 \Rightarrow & 3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 2 \\
 \Rightarrow & x - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Squaring both sides} \\
 \Rightarrow & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = \frac{4}{9} \\
 \Rightarrow & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{4}{9} + 2 = 2\frac{4}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 204. (a) \quad & x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & x^2 + 1 = 3x \\
 & x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 \\
 \text{Squaring both sides} \\
 \Rightarrow & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 7 \\
 \therefore & x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + x + \frac{1}{x} \\
 &= 7 + 3 = 10
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 205. (c) \quad & a^2 + b^2 = 5ab \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{a^2}{ab} + \frac{b^2}{ab} = 5 \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Squaring both sides} \\
 \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^2 + 2 \times \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{a} &= 25 \\
 \frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{b^2}{a^2} &= 25 - 2 = 23
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 206. (d) \quad & xy + yz + zx = 0 \\
 \therefore & xy + zx = -yz \\
 \Rightarrow & xy + yz = -zx \\
 \Rightarrow & yz + zx = -xy \\
 \therefore & \frac{1}{x^2 - yz} + \frac{1}{y^2 - zx} + \frac{1}{z^2 - xy}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Putting values of } -yz, -zx, -xy \\
 \text{from above} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{x^2 + (xy+zx)} + \frac{1}{y^2 + (xy+zx)} \\
 & + \frac{1}{z^2 + (yz+zx)} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{x(x+y+z)} + \frac{1}{y(x+y+z)} \\
 & + \frac{1}{z(x+y+z)} \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{(x+y+z)} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}\right) \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{(x+y+z)} \left(\frac{zy + xz + xy}{xyz}\right) \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{x+y+z} \times 0 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 207. (c) \quad & a + b + c = 9 \\
 \text{For minimum value } a = b = c \\
 \Rightarrow & 3a = 9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= \frac{9}{3} = 3 \\
 \text{For minimum value } a = b = c &= 3 \\
 a^2 + b^2 + c^2 &= 3^2 + 3^2 + 3^2 \\
 \Rightarrow & 9 + 9 + 9 = 27
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 208. (d) \quad & a^2 + b^2 + 4c^2 = 2(a + b - 2c) - 3 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^2 + b^2 + 4c^2 - 2a - 2b + 4c + 3 = 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^2 - 2a + 1 + b^2 - 2b + 1 + 4c^2 + 4c + 1 = 0 \\
 (a-1)^2 + (b-1)^2 + (2c+1)^2 &= 0 \\
 \therefore & a-1 = 0 \quad a = 1 \\
 & b-1 = 0 \quad b = 1 \\
 & 2c+1 = 0 \quad c = -\frac{1}{2} \\
 \therefore & a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \\
 &= 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{4} = 2 + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{9}{4} = 2\frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$209. (a) \frac{x-a^2}{b+c} + \frac{x-b^2}{c+a} + \frac{x-c^2}{a+b}$$

$$= 4(a+b+c)$$

Note:- In such type of question to save your valuable time assume values as per your need which make your calculation easier.

assume $a = 1, b = 0, c = 1$

Make sure there will be no $\left(\frac{0}{0}\right)$ form

$$\therefore \frac{x-1}{1+0} + \frac{x-0}{1+1} + \frac{x-1}{1+0} = 4$$

$$(1+0+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x-1 + \frac{x}{2} + x-1 = 4 \times 2$$

$$x + \frac{x}{2} + x = 8 + 2$$

$$\frac{5x}{2} = 10$$

$$x = 4$$

Now put values in options take option

$$(a), (a+b+c)^2 = (1+0+1)^2 = 4$$

$$210. (b) 4x - y = 2$$

$$2x - 8y + 4 = 0$$

Note:- For two linear equations

$$a_1x + b_1y + c_1 = 0$$

$$a_2x + b_2y + c_2 = 0$$

Where x and y are variable.

(i) $\frac{a_1}{a_2} \neq \frac{b_1}{b_2}$ then there will be unique solution.

(ii) $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$, then infinite solution

(iii) $\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \neq \frac{c_1}{c_2}$ then no solution.

$$\therefore \frac{4}{2} \neq \frac{-1}{-8}$$

So, the equations have only one solution

$$211. (d) \frac{a}{b} = \frac{4}{5} \text{ and } \frac{b}{c} = \frac{15}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} \times \frac{b}{c} = \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{15}{16} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a}{c} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{18c^2 - 7a^2}{45c^2 + 20a^2} = \frac{c^2 \left(18 - 7\frac{a^2}{c^2}\right)}{c^2 \left(45 + 20\frac{a^2}{c^2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{18 - 7\left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^2}{45 + 20\left(\frac{a}{c}\right)^2} = \frac{18 - 7 \times \frac{9}{16}}{45 + 20 \times \frac{9}{16}}$$

$$= \frac{18 - \frac{63}{16}}{45 + \frac{45}{4}} = \frac{225 \times 4}{16 \times 225} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$212. (d) \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} = \frac{1}{xy} + \frac{1}{yz} + \frac{1}{zx}$$

Go through options 'd'

take $x = y = z$

$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$\therefore$ Option d is right

$$213. (b) \begin{aligned} a + b &= 1 \\ c + d &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$a - b = \frac{d}{c}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{a-b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a+b}{a-b} = \frac{c}{d} \quad (\because a+b=1)$$

by C & D rule

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a+b) + (a-b)}{(a+b) - (a-b)} = \frac{c+d}{c-d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a}{2b} = \frac{c+d}{c-d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c+d}{c-d}$$

Now multiply & divide by $(c+d)$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{(c+d)}{(c-d)} \times \frac{(c+d)}{(c+d)} = \frac{(c+d)^2}{c^2 - d^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{(c+d)^2}{(c^2 - d^2)}$$

$$c + d = 1$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{c^2 - d^2}$$

$$c^2 - d^2 = \frac{b}{a}$$

$$214. (b) x = 3t,$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2}(t+1)$$

$$x = 2y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2 \times \frac{1}{2}(t+1)$$

$$x = t+1$$

$$\therefore 3t = t+1$$

(from equation (i) and (ii))

$$2t = 1$$

$$t = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$215. (c) x^2 + \frac{1}{5}x + a^2$$

$$A^2 + 2 \times AB + B^2 = (A+B)^2$$

$$x^2 + 2 \times \frac{1}{10} \times x + a^2 = \left(x + \frac{1}{10}\right)^2$$

$$A = x$$

$$B = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$B = a = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$216. (d) 2 - 3x - 4x^2 = 0$$

$$-4x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$$

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

In quadratic equation

(i) When $a > 0$

$$\text{Minimum value} = \frac{4ac - b^2}{4a}$$

(ii) When $a < 0$

$$\text{Maximum value} = \frac{4ac - b^2}{4a}$$

$$\therefore \text{In } -4x^2 - 3x + 2$$

$$a < 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Maximum value}$$

$$= \text{Maximum value}$$

$$\frac{4 \times -4 \times 2 - (-3)^2}{4 \times -4}$$

$$= \frac{-32 - 9}{-16} = \frac{41}{16}$$

217. (b) If $(x-1)$ and $(x+3)$ are the factors of $x^2 + k_1x + k_2$

$\therefore$ When $(x-1) = 0$

$$x = 1$$

$$x^2 + k_1x + k_2 = 0$$

$$1 + k_1 + k_2 = 0$$

$$k_1 + k_2 = -1 \quad \dots\dots(I)$$

$$\text{When } (x+3) = 0$$

$$x = -3$$

$$9 - 3k_1 + k_2 = 0$$

$$-3k_1 + k_2 = -9 \quad \dots\dots(II)$$

From equation (I) and (II)

$$k_1 = 2, k_2 = -3$$

$\dots\dots(I)$

$$218. (d) \frac{5x}{2x^2 + 5x + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{5}{\frac{2x^2}{x} + \frac{5x}{x} + \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{5}{2x + \frac{1}{x} + 5} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\left(2x + \frac{1}{x} + 5\right) = 15$$

$$2x + \frac{1}{x} = 10$$

Divide by 2 both sides

$$x + \frac{1}{2x} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

$$219. (c) \quad x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 83$$

Subtracting 2 from both sides

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 83 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 81$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = 9$$

Take cube on both sides

$$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 729$$

$$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3 \times 9 = 729$$

$$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = 729 + 27 = 756$$

$$220. (d) \quad \left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 3$$

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$$

Take cube on both sides

$$\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^3 = (\sqrt{3})^3$$

$$= a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3a \times \frac{1}{a} \left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$= a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$= a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 0$$

$$221. (b) \quad \frac{x}{x^2 - 2x + 1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{x^2 - 2x}{x} + \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

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

$$x + \frac{1}{x} - 2 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 + 2 = 5$$

Taking cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (5)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 5 = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 110$$

$$222. (b) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = 4$$

Squaring both sides

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 16$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 14$$

Squaring again

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 196 - 2 = 194$$

$$223. (c) \quad x + y + z = 6$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y + z)^2 = (6)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx) = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 + 2(xy + yz + zx) = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(xy + yz + zx) = 16$$

$$xy + yz + zx = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz =$$

$$(x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = 6(20 - 8)$$

$$= 6 \times 12 = 72$$

$$224. (b) \quad x = 1 - \sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{1 - \sqrt{2}} \times \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{1 + \sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{1 - 2} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{-1} = -(\sqrt{2} + 1)$$

$$\therefore x - \frac{1}{x} = 1 - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} + 1 = 2$$

Take cube

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (2)^3 \Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = 8$$

$$225. (b) \quad x = a - b$$

$$y = b - c$$

$$z = c - a$$

$$x + y + z = a - b + b - c + c - a = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx) = 0$$

$$226. (d) \quad x = \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}$$

$$y = \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow xy = 1$$

$$\therefore x + y = \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^2 + (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^2}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3 + 2 - 2\sqrt{6} + 3 + 2 + 2\sqrt{6}}{1} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3xy(x + y)$$

$$\Rightarrow (10)^3 = x^3 + y^3 + 3 \times 1(10)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 = 1000 - 30 = 970$$

$$227. (d) \quad (x - a)(x - b) = 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow a - b = -5 \quad (\text{Given})$$

add and subtract x

$$a - b + x - x = -5$$

$$(a - x) + (x - b) = -5$$

$$(x - b) - (x - a) = -5$$

$$(x - a) - (x - b) = +5$$

$$\therefore (x - a) - \frac{1}{(x - a)} = +5$$

Taking cube on both sides

$$(x - a)^3 - \frac{1}{(x - a)^3} - 3(x - a) \times \frac{1}{(x - a)}$$

$$\left((x - a) - \frac{1}{(x - a)}\right)^3 = (5)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - a)^3 - \frac{1}{(x - a)^3} - 3 \times (5) = 125$$

$$(x - a)^3 - \frac{1}{(x - a)^3} = 125 + 15 = 140$$

$$228. (a) \quad a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(a - b - c) - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2a + 2b + 2c + 1 + 1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 2a + 1 + b^2 + 2b + 1 + c^2 + 2c + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 1)^2 + (b + 1)^2 + (c + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Downarrow & \Downarrow & \Downarrow \\ x & y & z \\ \Rightarrow a - 1 = 0 & & a = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow b + 1 = 0 \quad b = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow c + 1 = 0 \quad c = -1$$

$$= 4 \times 1 - 3 \times -1 + 5 \times -1$$

$$= 4 + 3 - 5 = 2$$

$$229. (c) \quad 2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Taking cube on both sides

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

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} x + \frac{1}{x} = a \\ x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = a^3 - 3a \end{array} \right.$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{27}{8} - \frac{9}{2}$$

$$= \frac{27 - 36}{8} = \frac{-9}{8}$$

$$\therefore x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2 = \frac{-9}{8} + 2$$

$$= x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2 = \frac{-9 + 16}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 230. (b) \quad & a + b + c = 15 \\
 & a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 83 \\
 \therefore & (a + b + c)^2 = (15)^2 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2ab + 2bc + 2ca = 225 \\
 \Rightarrow & 83 + 2(ab + bc + ca) = 225 \\
 \Rightarrow & 2(ab + bc + ca) = 225 - 83 = 142 \\
 & ab + bc + ca = 71 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = (a + b + c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) \\
 \Rightarrow & a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = 15(83 - 71) = 15 \times 12 = 180
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 231. (a) \quad & a - b = 3 \\
 & a^3 - b^3 = 27 \\
 \text{For exams assume the values of } a > b \\
 \text{Let } a = 3, b = 0 \\
 & a - b = 3 - 0 = 3 \\
 \text{and } (3)^3 - 0 = 27 \\
 \text{Hence, } a + b = 3 + 0 = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 232. (b) \quad & x + \frac{1}{x+1} = 1 \\
 \text{adding (1) both sides} \\
 \therefore & x + 1 + \frac{1}{x+1} = 1 + 1 \\
 \Rightarrow & (x+1) + \left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right) = 2 \\
 \text{Put } x + 1 = 1 \\
 \text{and } \frac{1}{x+1} = 1 \\
 \therefore & (x+1)^5 + \frac{1}{(x+1)^5} \\
 & = 1 + 1 = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 233. (d) \quad & \text{If } a + b + c = 0 \\
 \text{then, } & a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc = 0 \\
 & a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 234. (c) \quad & x = y = 333, z = 334 \\
 \Rightarrow & x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2} \\
 & (x + y + z)((x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2) \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{2} (333 + 333 + 334)[(333 - 333)^2 + (333 - 334)^2 + (334 - 333)^2] \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{2} (1000)(0 + 1 + 1) = 1000
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 235. (a) \quad & (a^2 - b^2)^3 + (b^2 - c^2)^3 + (c^2 - a^2)^3 \\
 \text{Let } & a^2 - b^2 = A \\
 & b^2 - c^2 = B \\
 & c^2 - a^2 = C \\
 A + B + C &= (a^2 - b^2) + (b^2 - c^2) + (c^2 - a^2) = 0 \\
 \therefore & A + B + C = 0 \\
 \therefore & A^3 + B^3 + C^3 - 3ABC
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} (A + B + C)[(A - B)^2 + (B - C)^2 + (C - A)^2] \\
 A^3 + B^3 + C^3 - 3ABC &= 0 \\
 A^3 + B^3 + C^3 &= 3ABC \\
 \text{Where } A &= a^2 - b^2 \text{ etc.} \\
 \therefore & A^3 + B^3 + C^3 = 3 \times (a^2 - b^2)(b^2 - c^2)(c^2 - a^2) \\
 \text{Hence } (a + b)(a - b) &\text{ is a factor}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 236. (b) \quad & a = \frac{b^2}{b-a} \\
 \Rightarrow & a(b-a) = b^2 \\
 ab - a^2 &= b^2 \\
 a^2 + b^2 - ab &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow & a^3 + b^3 = (a+b)(a^2 + b^2 - ab) \\
 \therefore & a^3 + b^3 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 237. (b) \quad & p - 2q = 4 \\
 \text{Take cube on both sides} \\
 (p - 2q)^3 &= (4)^3 \\
 p^3 - 8q^3 - 3p \times 2q(p - 2q) &= 64 \\
 p^3 - 8q^3 - 6pq \times 4 &= 64 \\
 p^3 - 8q^3 - 24pq &= 64 \\
 p^3 - 8q^3 - 24pq - 64 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 238. (c) \quad & x = -1 \\
 \frac{1}{x^{99}} + \frac{1}{x^{98}} + \frac{1}{x^{97}} + \frac{1}{x^{96}} + \frac{1}{x^{95}} + \frac{1}{x^{94}} \\
 + \frac{1}{x} - 1 \\
 = \frac{1}{(-1)^{99}} + \frac{1}{(-1)^{98}} + \frac{1}{(-1)^{97}} + \frac{1}{(-1)^{96}} + \frac{1}{(-1)^{95}} + \frac{1}{(-1)^{94}} + \frac{1}{(-1)} - 1 \\
 = -1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{-1} - 1 = -2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 239. (a) \quad & \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{4} + \sqrt[3]{2} + 1} = a\sqrt[3]{4} + b\sqrt[3]{2} + c \\
 \Rightarrow & \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{4} + \sqrt[3]{2} + 1} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right)^2 + 2^{\frac{1}{3}} + (1)^2} \\
 \Rightarrow & (\therefore A^3 - B^3 = (A - B)(A^2 + AB + B^2)) \\
 \therefore & \text{Put, } A = \frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}, B = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}} - 1\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}} - 1\right)\left(\left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right)^2 + 2^{\frac{1}{3}} + (1)^2\right)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}} - 1\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right)^3 - (1)^3} = \left(\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}} - 1\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}} - 1 = a\left(\frac{2}{2^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right) + b\left(2\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + c$$

(Comparing the terms)

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= 0 \\
 b &= 1 \\
 c &= -1 \\
 \therefore a + b + c &= 0 + 1 - 1 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 240. (d) \quad & x = \sqrt[3]{2 + \sqrt{3}} \\
 x^3 &= 2 + \sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3} = 4$$

$$241. (d) \quad x = \sqrt[3]{5} + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 2 = \sqrt[3]{5}$$

Take cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow (x - 2)^3 = (\sqrt[3]{5})^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 8 - 3 \times 2 \times x[x - 2] = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 8 - 6x^2 + 12x = 5$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 13 = 0$$

$$242. (b) \quad \frac{p^2 - p}{2p^3 + p^2} + \frac{p^2 - 1}{p^2 + 3p} + \frac{p^2}{p + 1}$$

In such type of question assume values of p.

$$\therefore \text{Let } p = 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{1-1}{2+1} + \frac{1-1}{1+3} + \frac{1}{1+1}$$

$$= 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now check options (b)

$$\frac{1}{2p^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence option (b) is Answer.

$$243. (b) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Put } x = 1$$

$$\therefore 1 + \frac{1}{(1)} = 2$$

$$2 = 2 \text{ (satisfy)}$$

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)$$

$$= (1 + 1) (1 + 1) = 2 \times 2 = 4$$

$$244. (a) \quad a, b, c, \text{ are +ve integers}$$

$$\text{So, minimum value is } a=b=c=1$$

$$\therefore \text{ Putting the value of } x \text{ in equation}$$

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

$$= 1 + 1 + 1 - 3 \times 1 \times 1 \times 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Hence minimum value is 0.}$$

$$245. (d) \quad f(x) = 12x^3 - 13x^2 - 5x + 7$$

$$\text{If we divide } f(x) \text{ by}$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x + 2) \text{ then}$$

$$3x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 12\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 - 13\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 -$$

$$5\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + 7$$

$$= -12 \times \frac{8}{27} - \frac{52}{9} + \frac{10}{3} + 7$$

$$= \frac{-96 - 156 + 90 + 189}{27}$$

$$= \frac{-252 + 279}{27} = \frac{27}{27} = 1$$

$$246. (b) \quad 2x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$$

$$\text{roots are } \alpha, \beta$$

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

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = +\frac{7}{2}, \alpha\beta = \frac{12}{2} = 6$$

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

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

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - 2 \times 6}{6} = \frac{\frac{49}{4} - 12}{6}$$

$$= \frac{49 - 48}{6 \times 4} = \frac{1}{24}$$

$$247. (c) \quad x^3 + \frac{3}{x} = 4 (a^3 + b^3) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$3x + \frac{1}{x^3} = 4 (a^3 - b^3) \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{equation (i) + (ii)}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = 8a^3$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 2a \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$\text{Equation (i) - (ii)}$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = 2b \quad \dots(iv)$$

$$\text{Equation (iii) - (iv)}$$

$$2(a - b) = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$a - b = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$a + b = x$$

$$\therefore a^2 - b^2 = (a + b) \times (a - b)$$

$$= x \times \frac{1}{x}$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = 1$$

$$248. (c) \quad x = 6 + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = 6$$

$$\text{Taking square on both sides}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 38$$

$$\text{Again taking square on both sides}$$

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 = (38)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 = 1444$$

$$\boxed{x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 = 1444}$$

$$249. (b) \quad 2x + 1 = 0 \quad x = \frac{-1}{2}$$

$$3y - 9 = 0 \quad y = +\frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = \left(\frac{-1}{2}, 3\right)$$

$$\text{Point of intersection}$$

$$250. (c) \quad x^2 + 9y^2 = 6xy$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 9y^2 - 6xy = 0$$

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

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

$$x - 3y = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3y$$

$$\therefore x : y$$

$$3 : 1$$

$$251. (a) \quad 121a^2 + 64b^2 = (11a)^2 + (8b)^2 + 2 \times 11a \times 8b = (11a + 8b)^2$$

$$\therefore \text{So term added to make perfect square} = 176ab$$

$$252. (b) \quad a = 2 + \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 = (2 + \sqrt{3})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 + 3 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{7 + 4\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \frac{7 - 4\sqrt{3}}{(7 + 4\sqrt{3})(7 - 4\sqrt{3})} = \frac{7 - 4\sqrt{3}}{1}$$

$$\therefore a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 7 + 4\sqrt{3} + 7 - 4\sqrt{3} = 14$$

$$253. (a) \quad p + \frac{1}{4} + \sqrt{p} + k^2$$

$$\Rightarrow p + \sqrt{p} + \left(k^2 + \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{p})^2 + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{p} + \left(k^2 + \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 + 2 \times A \times B + B^2$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \sqrt{p} \quad B^2 = \left(k^2 + \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore k^2 + \frac{1}{4} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$k^2 + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$k^2 = 0$$

$$k = 0$$

$$254. (b) \quad \frac{b-c}{a} + \frac{a+c}{b} + \frac{a-b}{c} = 1$$

$$a - b + c \neq 0$$

$$\text{Let } b = c$$

$$\therefore \frac{b-b}{a} + \frac{a+b}{b} + \frac{a-b}{b} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 + \frac{a}{b} + 1 + \frac{a}{b} - 1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} + \frac{a}{b} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\text{we take } b = c$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = \frac{1}{a}}$$

$$255. (a) \quad \text{Reciprocal of } \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)} = \frac{x}{x^2 + 1}$$

256. (a) For minimum value of

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}$$

$$a = b = c$$

$$a + b + c = 1 \quad (\text{given})$$

$$\therefore a = b = c = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{c} = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{Minimum value of } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}$$

$$= 3 + 3 + 3 = 9$$

257. (b) $a(2 + \sqrt{3}) = b(2 - \sqrt{3}) = 1$

$$a = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \quad b = \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{b^2 + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{1}{b^2} + 1} + \frac{1}{b^2 + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{1 + b^2}{b^2}} + \frac{1}{b^2 + 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b^2}{b^2 + 1} + \frac{1}{b^2 + 1}$$

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

258. (d) $(2 + \sqrt{3})a = (2 - \sqrt{3})b = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} = (2 + \sqrt{3})$$

by rationals

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = 2 - \sqrt{3} + 2 + \sqrt{3} = 4$$

259. (a) $a + \frac{1}{b} = b + \frac{1}{c} = c + \frac{1}{a}$

To save your time assume values of a, b, c according to equation.

$$\text{Let } a = 2, b = -1 \text{ \& } c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2 + \frac{1}{-1} = -1 + \frac{1}{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 1 = 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore abc = 2 \times -1 \times \frac{1}{2} = -1$$

260. (c) $\frac{x}{y} = \frac{4}{5}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{7} + \left(\frac{2y - x}{2y + x} \right) = \frac{4}{7} + \frac{y \left(2 - \frac{x}{y} \right)}{y \left(2 + \frac{x}{y} \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{7} + \frac{\left(2 - \frac{4}{5} \right)}{2 + \frac{4}{5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{7} + \left(\frac{10 - 4}{10 + 4} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{7} + \frac{6}{14} = \frac{8 + 6}{14} = \frac{14}{14} = 1$$

261. (d) $(x - 2)$ is a factor of $x^2 + 3Qx - 2Q$ for $(x - 2) = 0$

$$x = 2$$

$$x^2 + 3Qx - 2Q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 + 3 \times Q \times 2 - 2 \times Q = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4 + 6Q - 2Q = 0$$

$$4Q = -4$$

$$Q = -1$$

262. (d) $a + b = 12$ (I)

$$ab = 22$$
(II)

Squaring both sides of equation (I)

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 144$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + 2 \times 22 = 144$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 144 - 44 = 100$$

263. (b) $x = \sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ \& $y = \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2}{y} + \frac{y^2}{x} = \frac{x^3 + y^3}{xy}$$

$$= \frac{(x + y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)}{xy}$$

$$\therefore x + y = \sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore xy = \left(\sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) \left(\sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$= 3 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{8}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x + y)(x^2 + y^2 + 2xy - 2xy - xy)}{xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x + y)((x + y)^2 - 3xy)}{xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\sqrt{3} \left((2\sqrt{3})^2 - 3 \times \frac{8}{3} \right)}{\frac{8}{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\sqrt{3}(12 - 8)}{\frac{8}{3}} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \times 3\sqrt{3}(4)}{8} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

264. (b) $x^2 + ax + b$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} a \times x + (\sqrt{b})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow A^2 + 2 \times A \times B + B^2 = (A + B)^2$$

$$\therefore A = x, B = \frac{1}{2}a, B^2 = (\sqrt{b})^2,$$

$$B = \sqrt{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{2}a \right)^2 \text{ be perfect square}$$

$$\text{at } \sqrt{b} = \frac{1}{2}a \quad b = \frac{1}{4}a^2 \therefore a^2 = 4b$$

265. (a) $a + b + c + d = 4$

$$\frac{1}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)} + \frac{1}{(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(1-c)(1-d)(1-a)} + \frac{1}{(1-d)(1-a)(1-b)}$$

$$\text{Put } a = 0, b = 0 \text{ and } c = 2 \text{ and } d = 2$$

$$a + b + c + d = 0 + 0 + 2 + 2$$

$$= 4 = 4 \text{ (satisfy)}$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-0)(1-0)(1-2)} + \frac{1}{(1-0)(1-2)(1-2)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(1-2)(1-2)(1-0)} + \frac{1}{(1-2)(1-0)(1-0)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{+1} \right) + \frac{1}{-1 \times -1} + \frac{1}{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 + 1 + 1 - 1 = 0$$

266. (b) $\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} = -\frac{1}{c^3}$$

Take cube on both sides

$$\left(\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} \right)^3 = \left(-\frac{1}{c^3} \right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + 3a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} \right) = -c$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + 3a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{1}{3}} \times \left(-\frac{1}{c^{\frac{1}{3}}} \right) = -c$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + c = 3a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{1}{3}}c^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

again taking cube

$$(a + b + c)^3 = 27abc$$

$$267. (b) x - \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^4 - \frac{1}{x^2}}{3x^2 + 5x - 3}$$

Divide and multiply by x

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{x^4}{x} - \frac{1}{x^3}}{\frac{3x^2}{x} + \frac{5x}{x} - \frac{3}{x}}$$

$$= \frac{x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}}{3x - \frac{3}{x} + 5} \Rightarrow \frac{x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}}{3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

Take cube on both sides

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (1)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 1$$

$$x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = 4$$

$$= \frac{x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3}}{3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5} = \frac{4}{3 \times 1 + 5} = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$268. (d) x + y = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 10 = 5 - y$$

$$x - 10 = -(y - 5)$$

Take cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow (x - 10)^3 = (- (y - 5))^3$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 10)^3 + (y - 5)^3 = 0$$

$$269. (b) x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 66$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 66 - 2$$

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 64$$

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = (8)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = \pm 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 - 1 + 2x}{x} = \frac{\frac{x^2}{x} - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2x}{x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 2}{1}$$

$$\text{When } x - \frac{1}{x} = + 8$$

$$\text{Then } \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 2 = 8 + 2 = 10$$

$$\text{When } x - \frac{1}{x} = - 8$$

$$- 8 + 2 = - 6$$

$$\therefore (10, - 6)$$

$$270. (c) a^2 + a + 1 = 0$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} a^3 + 1^3 = (a + 1)(a^2 - a + 1) \\ a^3 - 1 = (a - 1)(a^2 + 1 + a) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore (a^3 - 1) = (a - 1) \times 0$$

$$a^3 - 1 = 0$$

$$a^3 = 1$$

$$(a^3)^3 = 1^3$$

$$a^9 = 1$$

$$271. (a) x + \frac{2}{x} = 1$$

$$x^2 + 2 = x$$

$$x^2 - x = -2$$

$$x - x^2 = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 + x + 2}{x^2(1-x)} = \text{divide \& multiply by } x$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x + \frac{2}{x} + 1}{x - x^2} = \frac{1 + 1}{2} = 1$$

$$272. (b) y = 1 - 3k \text{ and } x = -2k \text{ (given)}$$

$$\therefore \text{ for } x = y$$

$$-2k = 1 - 3k$$

$$k = 1$$

$$273. (b) \sqrt{(x^2 + y^2 + z)(x + y - 3z)} + \sqrt[3]{xyz^2}$$

$$x = 1 \ y = -3 \ z = -1 \text{ (given)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{(1+9-1)(1-3+3)} + \sqrt[3]{1 \times (-3)^3 \times 1}$$

$$= 3 + (-3) = 0$$

$$274. (a) x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$$

$\therefore$ Take cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (5)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 5 = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 110$$

$\therefore$ Squaring both sides

$$\left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^2 = (110)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6} + 2 = 12100$$

$$x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6} = 12100 - 2 = 12098$$

$$275. (c) x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = 3x$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 3 = 27$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + 1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^6}{x^3} + \frac{x^4}{x^3} + \frac{x^2}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x} + x$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 + 3 = 21$$

$$276. (c) \frac{p}{a} + \frac{q}{b} + \frac{r}{c} = 1$$

$$\frac{a}{p} + \frac{b}{q} + \frac{c}{r} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p}{a} = x, \frac{q}{b} = y, \frac{r}{c} = z$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y + z) = 1$$

Squaring both sides

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx) = 1$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 0$$

$$\frac{xy + yz + zx}{xyz} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{xy + yz + zx}{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} = 0$$

$$\text{So, } \left(\frac{p}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{q}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{r}{c}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$277. (b) \frac{(x+1)^3 - (x-1)^3}{(x+1)^2 - (x-1)^2} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow A^3 - B^3 = (A - B)(A^2 + AB + B^2)$$

$$A^2 - B^2 = (A - B)(A + B)$$

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

$$= 2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3x^2 + 1}{2x} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 1 = 4x$$

$$3x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

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

$$3x(x-1) - 1(x-1) = 0$$

$$(3x-1)(x-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{for } x = 1 = \frac{1}{1}$$

By adding numerator and denominator

$$1+1=2$$

No option is satisfied

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$1+3=4$$

$$278. (c) \quad x = \sqrt{5} + 2$$

rationalization of denominator.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}+2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}-2}{\sqrt{5}-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{5}-2}{5-4} = \sqrt{5}-2$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{5} + 2 - \sqrt{5} + 2 = 4$$

$$\therefore \frac{2x^2 - 3x - 2}{3x^2 - 4x - 3}$$

Multiply by $\frac{1}{x}$ in numerator and denominator

$$\frac{2x^2}{x} - \frac{2}{x} - \frac{3x}{x} = \frac{2x - \frac{2}{x} - 3}{3x - \frac{3}{x} - 4}$$

$$\frac{2\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) - 3}{3\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) - 4} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \times 4 - 3}{3 \times 4 - 4}$$

$$= \frac{8-3}{12-4} = \frac{5}{8} = 0.625$$

$$279. (b) \quad a = 2.234$$

$$b = 3.121$$

$$c = -5.355$$

$$\therefore a + b + c = 0$$

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

$$c) (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) = 0$$

$$280. (d) \quad x^2 + y^2 + 1 = 2x$$

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

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

$$\text{If } A^2 + B^2 = 0$$

[As powers are even
it can possible only
when A = 0 & B = 0]

$$\therefore x - 1 = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

$$y = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 + y^5 = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$281. (a) \quad 3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = (a + b + c)^2$$

by options $a = b = c$

$$3(a^2 + a^2 + a^2) = 9a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 9a^2 = 9a^2$$

$$282. (a) \quad x(x-3) = -1$$

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

Taking cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)^3 = \left(\frac{-1}{x}\right)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 27 - 9x(x-3) = \frac{-1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 27 - 9 \times -1 = \frac{-1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 27 + 9 = \frac{-1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 18 = \frac{-1}{x^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3(x^3 - 18) = -1$$

$$283. (a) \quad a^2 + 4b^2 + 4b - 4ab - 2a - 8$$

$$= a^2 - 4ab + 4b^2 - 2a + 4b - 8$$

$$= (a - 2b)^2 - 2(a - 2b) - 8$$

$$\text{Put } t = a - 2b$$

$$= t^2 - 2t - 8$$

$$= t^2 - 4t + 2t - 8$$

$$= t(t-4) + 2(t-4)$$

$$= (t+2)(t-4)$$

$$= (a - 2b - 4)(a - 2b + 2)$$

(Put the value of assume t)

$$284. (d) \quad \frac{1}{a^2+ax+x^2} - \frac{1}{a^2-ax+x^2}$$

$$+ \frac{2ax}{a^4+a^2x^2+x^4}$$

$$= \frac{a^2-ax+x^2-a^2-ax-x^2}{(a^2+x^2+ax)(a^2+x^2-ax)} + \frac{2ax}{a^4+a^2x^2+x^4}$$

$$= \frac{-2ax}{(a^2+x^2)^2 - (ax)^2} + \frac{2ax}{a^4+x^4+a^2x^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2ax}{a^4+x^4+2x^2a^2-a^2x^2} + \frac{2ax}{a^4+x^4+a^2x^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2ax}{a^4+x^4+x^2a^2} + \frac{2ax}{a^4+x^4+a^2x^2} = 0$$

$$285. (b) \quad x = 11$$

$$x^5 - 12x^4 + 12x^3 - 12x^2 + 12x - 1$$

$$= x^5 - 11x^4 - x^4 + 11x^3 + x^3 - 11x^2 -$$

$$x^2 + 11x + x - 1$$

$$= (11)^5 - 11 \times (11)^4 - (11)^4 + 11 \times$$

$$(11)^3 + 11^3 - 11 \times (11)^2 - (11 \times$$

$$11) + (11 \times 11) + (11) - 1$$

$$= 0 - 0 + 0 + 0 + 11 - 1 = 10$$

$$286. (c) \text{ From option (c) LHS } (x+2)^2 =$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4$$

$$\text{RHS} = x^2 + 2x + 4$$

$$\therefore \text{LHS} \neq \text{RHS}$$

$$287. (d) \quad x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - xz - yz =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} [(x-y)^2 + (y-z)^2 + (z-x)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [(997 - 998)^2 + (998 - 999)^2 + (999 - 997)^2]$$

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

$$288. (c) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\frac{3x^2+3-4x}{x^2+1-x} = \frac{\frac{3x^2}{x} + \frac{3}{x} - 4}{\frac{x^2}{x} + \frac{1}{x} - \frac{x}{x}} = \frac{3\left(x+\frac{1}{x}\right)-4}{\left(x+\frac{1}{x}\right)-1}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 3 - 4}{3 - 1} = \frac{9 - 4}{3 - 1} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$289. (d) \quad x = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} = 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2} + 3 - 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 6$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = (6)^3$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 6 = 216$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 216 - 18 = 198$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^6 + x^4 + x^2 + 1}{x^3}$$

$$= x^3 + x + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$= x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + x + \frac{1}{x}$$

$$= 198 + 6 = 204$$

$$290. (c) \quad x = p + \frac{1}{p}, y = p - \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\therefore x+y = p + \frac{1}{p} + p - \frac{1}{p} = 2p$$

$$x-y = p + \frac{1}{p} - p + \frac{1}{p} = \frac{2}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - y^2)^2 = [(x+y)(x-y)]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(2p \times \frac{2}{p}\right)^2 = (4)^2 = 16$$

$$291. (c) \quad (a+b-c)^2 + (b+c-a)^2 + (c+a-b)^2 = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow a+b+c = 0 \quad (\text{given})$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (a+b-c)^2 + (b+c-a)^2 + (c+a-b)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (-c - c)^2 + (-a - a)^2 + (-b - b)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow (-2c)^2 + (-2a)^2 + (-2b)^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 4c^2 + 4a^2 + 4b^2 \\ &\Rightarrow 4(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 292. (b) \quad &p^3 + 3p^2 + 3p = 7 \\ &p^3 + 3p^2 + 3p + 1 = 7 + 1 \\ &= (p + 1)^3 = (2)^3 \\ &= p + 1 = 2 \\ &\Rightarrow p = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \quad &p^2 + 2p = 1 + 2 = 3 \\ 293. (a) \quad &x = 2015 \\ &y = 2014 \\ &z = 2013 \\ &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx = \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2} [(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [(2015 - 2014)^2 + (2014 - 2013)^2 + (2013 - 2015)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1 + 1 + 4) = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 294. (a) \quad &3a^2 = b^2 \text{ (given)} \\ &\frac{(a+b)^3 - (a-b)^3}{(a+b)^2 + (a-b)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{a^3 + b^3 + 3ab(a+b) - (a^3 - b^3 - 3ab(a-b))}{a^2 + b^2 + 2ab + a^2 + b^2 - 2ab} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{2b^3 + 6a^2b}{2a^2 + 2b^2} \Rightarrow \frac{b^3 + 3a^2b}{a^2 + b^2} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{b^3 + b^3}{3} + b^2}{\frac{b^2}{3} + b^2} = \frac{2b^3}{b^2 \left(\frac{1}{3} + 1 \right)} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{2b}{4} = \frac{3b}{2}}{\frac{3}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 295. (a) \quad &x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \frac{1}{12} = \frac{25}{12} \\ &x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = \frac{675}{144} \\ &x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{625}{144} - 2 \\ &x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{625 - 288}{144} \\ &x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{337}{144} \\ &x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = \frac{337}{144} - 2 \\ &\left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 = \frac{337 - 288}{144} = \frac{49}{144} \\ &x - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{7}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{25}{12} \times \frac{7}{12} = \frac{175}{144}$$

$$\therefore \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) = \frac{175}{144}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \quad &x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4} = \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{175}{144} \times \frac{337}{144} = \frac{58975}{20736} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 296. (c) \quad &x = 9999 \\ &\frac{4x^3 - x}{(2x+1)(6x-3)} = \frac{x(4x^2-1)}{3(2x+1)(2x-1)} \\ &= \frac{x(4x^2-1)}{3(4x^2-1)} = \frac{x}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{9999}{3} = 3333$$

$$\begin{aligned} 297. (b) \quad &a^3 + b^3 = 9 \\ &a + b = 3 \\ &\text{Assume values, } a = 2, \quad b = 1 \\ \therefore \quad &(2)^3 + 1 = 9 \\ &2 + 1 = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{2} + 1 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 298. (c) \quad &t^2 - 4t + 1 = 0 \\ &t^2 + 1 = 4t \\ &\frac{t^2 + 1}{t} = \frac{4t}{t} \\ &t + \frac{1}{t} = 4 \\ &[\text{take cube both sides}] \\ &t^3 + \frac{1}{t^3} + 3t \times \frac{1}{t} \left(t + \frac{1}{t} \right) = 64 \\ &t^3 + \frac{1}{t^3} = 64 - 12 = 52 \\ &t^3 + \frac{1}{t^3} = 52 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 299. (d) \quad &\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b} = \sqrt[3]{c} \\ &\text{Take cube both sides} \end{aligned}$$

$$(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b})^3 = (\sqrt[3]{c})^3$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + 3a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{1}{3}}(\sqrt[3]{a} + \sqrt[3]{b}) = c$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b + 3a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{1}{3}}c^{\frac{1}{3}} = c$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b - c = -3a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{1}{3}}c^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\text{Again take cube both sides}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + b - c)^3 = -27abc$$

$$\Rightarrow (a + b - c)^3 + 27abc = 0$$

Alternate:

$$\text{Put value of } a = 0$$

$$b = 1, c = 1$$

$$\text{value of } (a + b - c)^3 + 27abc$$

$$= (0 + 1 - 1)^3 + 27 \times 0 \times 1 \times 1 = 0$$

$$300. (b) \quad 4x + 5y = 83$$

$$3x : 2y = 21 : 22$$

$$x : y = 7 : 11$$

$$\text{let } x = 7 \text{ and } y = 11$$

$$4 \times 7 + 5 \times 11 = 83$$

$$\text{So, value satisfied}$$

$$y - x = 11 - 7 = 4$$

$$301. (c) \quad x = \sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}} + \sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}}$$

$$\text{Take cube on both sides}$$

$$x^3 = (a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}) +$$

$$(a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}) + 3 \left(a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot$$

$$\left(a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot$$

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{a + \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}} + \sqrt[3]{a - \sqrt{a^2 + b^3}} \right)$$

$$x^3 = 2a + 3 \left(a^2 - (a^2 + b^3) \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \times x$$

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

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

$$x^3 = 2a - 3bx$$

$$x^3 + 3bx = 2a$$

$$302. (d) \text{ Given}$$

$$\frac{x^{24} + 1}{x^{12}} = 7$$

$$\frac{x^{24} + 1}{x^{12}} \Rightarrow \frac{x^{24}}{x^{12}} + \frac{1}{x^{12}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{12} + \frac{1}{x^{12}} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Cubing both sides}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x^{12} + \frac{1}{x^{12}} \right)^3 = 7^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{36} + \frac{1}{x^{36}} + \frac{3 \times x^{12} \times 1}{x^{12}} \left(x^{12} + \frac{1}{x^{12}} \right)$$

$$= 343$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{36} + \frac{1}{x^{36}} + 3 \times 7 = 343$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{36} + \frac{1}{x^{36}} = 343 - 21$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{36} + \frac{1}{x^{36}} = \frac{x^{72} + 1}{x^{36}} = \mathbf{322}$$

$$303. (b) \text{ Given, } x = 2$$

$$\text{Find } x^3 + 27x^2 + 243x + 631$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{to put value } x = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 + 27 \times 2^2 + (243 \times 2) + 631$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 108 + 486 + 631$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{1233}$$

$$304. (c) \text{ Given}$$

$$5x + 9y = 5 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$125x^3 + 729y^3 = 120 \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{From equation (i) cubing both sides}$$

$$\Rightarrow (5x + 9y)^3 = 5^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 125x^3 + 729y^3 + 3 \times 5x \times 9y$$

$$(5x + 9y) = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow 125x^3 + 729y^3 + 135xy \times 5 = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow 120 + 135xy \times 5 = 125$$

$$\Rightarrow 135xy \times 5 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow xy = \frac{1}{135}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{therefore product of } x \text{ \& } y = \frac{1}{135}$$

305. (b) Given, $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2(x + z - 1)$

Find- $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = ?$

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2x + 2z - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 2x + 2z - 1 - 1$$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow z = 1$$

Value substituted in question,

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 1^3 + 0 + 1^3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2$$

306. (b) Given, $x + \frac{1}{x} = 1$

Find: $\frac{2}{x^2 - x + 2} = ?$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

$$x^2 + 1 = x$$

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

Putting value in,

$$\frac{2}{(x^2 - x) + 2} = 2$$

307. (d) Given,

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}, \quad y = \frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}$$

Find: $\frac{x^2 + y^2 + xy}{x^2 + y^2 - xy} = ?$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + y^2 + 2xy - xy}{x^2 + y^2 - 2xy + xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+y)^2 - xy}{(x-y)^2 + xy}$$

Now, $x + y = \frac{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})} + \frac{(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})}$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = \frac{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})^2}{\sqrt{5}^2 - \sqrt{3}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = \frac{2(\sqrt{5}^2 + \sqrt{3}^2)}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 8 \quad \dots (i)$$

Again, $x - y = \frac{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})} - \frac{(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})}$

$$= \frac{4 \times \sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - y) = 2\sqrt{15} \quad \dots (ii)$$

And, $xy = \frac{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})} \times \frac{(\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})}$

$$xy = 1$$

Substitutes values in the question.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+y)^2 - xy}{(x-y)^2 + xy}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8^2 - 1}{(2\sqrt{15})^2 + 1} = \frac{63}{61}$$

308. (c) Given, $4a - \frac{4}{a} + 3 = 0$

Find: $a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 = ?$

$$\Rightarrow 4a - \frac{4}{a} = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow a - \frac{1}{a} = \frac{-3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{-3}{4}\right)^3$$

[Cubing both sides]

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} - 3a \times \frac{1}{a} \left(a - \frac{1}{a}\right) = \frac{-27}{64}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} - 3 \times \left(\frac{-3}{4}\right) = \frac{-27}{64}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} = \frac{-27}{64} - \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 = \frac{-27}{64} - \frac{9}{4} + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{192 - 171}{64} \Rightarrow a^3 - \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 = \frac{21}{64}$$

309. (a) $\left(\left[1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] \left[1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] - \left[1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] \left[1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] \right)$

$$\div \left(\left[1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] + \left[1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] \right)$$

Let $\left[1 + \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] = a, \left[1 - \frac{1}{10 + \frac{1}{10}} \right] = b$

$$\Rightarrow (a^2 - b^2) \div (a + b) = a - b = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 1 + \frac{10}{101} \Rightarrow \frac{111}{101}$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 1 - \frac{10}{101} \Rightarrow \frac{91}{101}$$

$$a - b = \frac{111}{101} - \frac{91}{101} = \frac{20}{101} \Rightarrow \frac{20}{101}$$

310. (b) According to the question,

$$\therefore x = z = 225$$

$$y = 226$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = ?$$

As we know,

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z)$$

$$[(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [225 + 225 + 226] [(225 - 226)^2 + (226 - 225)^2 + (225 - 225)^2]$$

$$= \frac{676}{2} \times [1 + 1 + 0] = 676$$

311. (b) According to the question,

$$\therefore a + b - c = 14$$

Find: $2b^2c^2 + 2c^2a^2 + 2a^2b^2 -$

$$a^4 - b^4 - c^4 = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow a + b - c = 14$$

Let $a = 7, b = 7, c = 0$

$$\therefore 2 \times 7^2 \times 0 + 2 \times 0^2 \times 7^2 + 2 \times 7^2 \times 7^2 -$$

$$7^4 - 7^4 - 0^4 = 0$$

312. (b) According to the question,

$$\Rightarrow \left[(x + 3)^3 + \frac{1}{(x + 3)^3} \right]$$

Let, $t = x + 3, x = t - 3$

$$x^2 + x = 5 \text{ (given)}$$

$$(x + 1)x = 5$$

$$(t - 3 + 1)(t - 3) = 5$$

$$(t - 2)(t - 3) = 5$$

$$t^2 - 3t - 2t + 6 = 5$$

$$t^2 - 5t = -1$$

$$t + \frac{1}{t} = 5$$

$$(x + 3)^3 + \frac{1}{(x + 3)^3}$$

$$= t^3 + \frac{1}{t^3}$$

$$= \left(t + \frac{1}{t} \right)^3 - 3 \times t \times \frac{1}{t} \left(t + \frac{1}{t} \right)$$

$$= 5^3 - 3 \times 5 = 125 - 15$$

$$= 110 = (x + 3)^3 + \frac{1}{(x + 3)^3} = 110$$

313. (d) Given, $m = -4, n = -2$

Find $m^3 - 3m^2 + 3m + 3n + 3n^2 + n^3$

Putting value of m and n

$$\Rightarrow (-4)^3 - 3(-4)^2 + 3(-4) + 3 \times$$

$$(-2) + 3(-2)^2 + (-2)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow -64 - 48 - 12 - 6 + 12 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow -64 - 60 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow -126$$

314. (b) $2x - ky + 7 = 0 \quad \dots (i)$

$$6x - 12y + 15 = 0 \quad \dots (ii)$$

There has no solution for

$$\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \frac{b_1}{b_2} \neq \frac{c_1}{c_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{6} = \frac{-k}{-12}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{k}{12} \Rightarrow K = 4$$

315. (a) Here, $x = 332$, $y = 333$, $z = 335$

Find $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x+y+z)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[(x-y)^2 + (y-z)^2 + (z-x)^2 \right] \\ &= \left(\frac{332+333+335}{2} \right) \left[(333-332)^2 + (335-333)^2 + (335-332)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1000}{2} (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2) = \frac{1000}{2} (14) = 7000 \end{aligned}$$

316. (d) If $2 + x\sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}}$

Find $x = ?$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + \sqrt{3}x = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + \sqrt{3} \times x = \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 + x\sqrt{3} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1$$

317. (b) Given,

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

$$\Rightarrow m = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m-a^2}{b^2+c^2} + \frac{m-b^2}{c^2+a^2} + \frac{m-c^2}{a^2+b^2} = 1+1+1$$

Put $m = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$ from option (b)

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{a^2+b^2+c^2-a^2}{b^2+c^2} +$$

$$\frac{a^2+b^2+c^2-b^2}{c^2+a^2} + \frac{a^2+b^2+c^2-c^2}{a^2+b^2}$$

$$\frac{b^2+c^2}{b^2+c^2} + \frac{c^2+a^2}{c^2+a^2} + \frac{a^2+b^2}{a^2+b^2} = 1+1+1$$

$$= \text{RHS}$$

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

318. (c) Given $m-5n = 2$

find $m^3 - 125n^3 - 30mn$

$$\Rightarrow m - 5n = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow (m-5n)^3 = 2^3 \text{ (cubing both sides)}$$

$$\Rightarrow m^3 - 125n^3 - 3m \times 5n (m-5n) = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow m^3 - 125n^3 - 15mn \times 2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow m^3 - 125n^3 - 30mn = 8$$

319. (b) Given, $x^3 + y^3 = 72$

$$xy = 8$$

$$(x > y)$$

If we take $x = 4$ and $y = 2$

$$4^3 + 2^3 = 72$$

$$(72 = 72)$$

and $xy = 8$

$$\Rightarrow 4 \times 2 = 8$$

so $x - y = ?$

$$4 - 2 = 2$$

320. (d) Given

$$x = \sqrt[3]{a^3 b^3 \sqrt[3]{a^3 b^3} \dots \dots \dots} \dots (i)$$

on squaring both side

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = a^3 \sqrt[3]{b^3 \sqrt[3]{a^3 b^3} \dots \dots \dots}$$

on cubing both sides

$$\Rightarrow x^6 = a^3 b^3 \sqrt[3]{a^3 b^3 \sqrt[3]{a^3 b^3} \dots \dots \dots}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 = a^3 b^3 x \text{ from equation (i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{On dividing above eq. by } x \text{ we get}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^6}{x} = \frac{a^3 b^3 x}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^5 = a^3 b^3$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt[5]{a^3 b^3}$$

321. (d) **Given:** $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \dots (i)$

The value of $x^{12} - \frac{1}{x^{12}} = ?$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } x = 1 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$$

$$1 + 1 = 2$$

Then, $x^{12} - \frac{1}{x^{12}}$

$$\Rightarrow 1^{12} - \frac{1}{1^{12}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - 1 = 0$$

322. (a) Given: $x + \frac{1}{x} = 1 \dots (i)$

Find $\frac{x^2+3x+1}{x^2+7x+1} = ?$

From equation (i)

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x^2+1)+3x}{(x^2+1)+7x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+3x}{x+7x} \Rightarrow \frac{4x}{8x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

323. (c) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$

Find $x^7 + \frac{1}{x^5} = 2$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \downarrow \downarrow \Rightarrow \text{Let } x = 1$$

$$1 + 1$$

To, put value in question,

$$\Rightarrow x^7 + \frac{1}{x^5} \Rightarrow 1^7 + \frac{1}{1^5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1+1 = 2$$

324. (d) Given expression,

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 8x$$

Let P should be added,

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 8x + p$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x)^2 + 2 \times (2x) \times 2$$

$$[(a+b)^2 = a^2+b^2+2ab]$$

Term that should be added = $2^2 = 4$
P = 4

325. (b) $999x + 888y = 1332$

$$888x + 999y = 555$$

$$1887 (x+y) = 1887$$

$$x+y = 1$$

326. (b) According to the question,

$$a^2+b^2+c^2 = ab+bc+ca$$

Put $a=1$, $b=1$, $c=1$

$$\therefore 1^2+1^2+1^2 = 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1$$

$$1+1+1 = 1+1+1$$

$$3 = 3 \text{ [Satisfy]}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a+c}{b} = \frac{1+1}{1} = 2$$

327. (a) According to the question,

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{3}}, y = \frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2+\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2-\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}},$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2-\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2-\sqrt{3}, y = 2+\sqrt{3}$$

$$8xy (x^2+y^2) = 8(2-\sqrt{3})(2+\sqrt{3})[(2-\sqrt{3})^2 + (2+\sqrt{3})^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 \times 1 [7-2\sqrt{3}+7+2\sqrt{3}] = 112$$

328. (d) According to the question,

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{x+2} + \sqrt{x-2}}{\sqrt{x+2} - \sqrt{x-2}}$$

Put $x = 2$

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{2+2} + \sqrt{2-2}}{\sqrt{2+2} - \sqrt{2-2}}$$

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{4}}{\sqrt{4}} = 1$$

$$a^2 - ax = 1^2 - 1 \times 2 = 1 - 2 = -1$$

329. (a) Let $a = 0$

$$b = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 + b^3 - ab - (a^2 - b^2)^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 1-1 = 0$$

330. (b) $a - \frac{1}{(a-3)} = 5$

$$a-3 - \frac{1}{a-3} = 5-3$$

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

Cubing both sides

$$\left[(a-3) - \frac{1}{(a-3)} \right]^3 = 2^3$$

$$(a-3)^3 - \frac{1}{(a-3)^3} - 3(a-3) \times \frac{1}{(a-3)}$$

$$\left[(a-3) - \frac{1}{(a-3)} \right] = 8$$

$$(a-3)^3 - \frac{1}{(a-3)^3} - 3[2] = 8$$

$$(a-3)^3 - \frac{1}{(a-3)^3} = 8 + 6 = 14 \text{ Ans.}$$

$$331. (d) \frac{3x-2y}{2x+3y} = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$18x - 12y = 10x + 15y$$

$$8x = 27y$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{27}{8}$$

$$\left[\frac{\sqrt[3]{x} + \sqrt[3]{y}}{\sqrt[3]{x} - \sqrt[3]{y}} \right]^2$$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt[3]{27} + \sqrt[3]{8}}{\sqrt[3]{27} - \sqrt[3]{8}} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{3+2}{3-2} \right)^2 = (5)^2 = 25$$

332. (d) According to the Question

$$x = \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}$$

$$y = \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}$$

$$(x^3 - 20\sqrt{2}) - (y^3 + 2\sqrt{2})$$

$$= [(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^3 - 20\sqrt{2} - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^3 - 2\sqrt{2}]$$

$$= 3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{3} -$$

$$20\sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{2} -$$

$$6\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$= 9\sqrt{3} - 9\sqrt{2} - 9\sqrt{3} + 9\sqrt{2} = 0$$

333. (d) **SHORTCUT METHOD**

Always do these types of question with the help of

Put $a = b = c = 1$

$$3(1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2) = (a + b + c)^2$$

$$3 = 3 \text{ satisfied}$$

So this is answer $\rightarrow a = b = c$

334. (d) According to the question,

$$x = \sqrt{a} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \text{ \& } y = \sqrt{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$$

$$\therefore x^4 - x^2y^2 - 1 + y^4 - x^2y^2 + 1$$

$$= x^4 - 2x^2y^2 + y^4$$

$$= [x^2 - y^2]^2$$

$$\left[\left(\sqrt{a} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \right)^2 - \left(\sqrt{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \right)^2 \right]^2$$

$$= \left[a + \frac{1}{a} + 2 - a - \frac{1}{a} + 2 \right]^2$$

$$= [4]^2 = 16$$

$$335. (d) \text{ Let } m = \sqrt{5 + \sqrt{5 + \sqrt{5}}}$$

$$\text{Factor} = (a) \times (a+1)$$

$$\text{Here } m = a + 1$$

$$\text{or } m - 1 = a \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Let } n = \sqrt{5 - \sqrt{5 - \sqrt{5}}}$$

$$\text{Factor} = (a) \times (a+1)$$

$$\text{Here } n = a$$

$$\text{From (i) \& (ii)}$$

$$m - 1 = n$$

$$\text{or } m - n - 1 = 0$$

$$336. (b) \frac{3-5x}{2x} + \frac{3-5y}{2y} + \frac{3-5z}{2z} = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{3}{2x} - \frac{5}{2} + \frac{3}{2y} - \frac{5}{2} + \frac{3}{2z} - \frac{5}{2} = 0$$

$$\text{or } \frac{3}{2x} + \frac{3}{2y} + \frac{3}{2z} = \frac{3 \times 5}{2}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = \frac{3 \times 5 \times 2}{2 \times 3}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{2}{x} + \frac{2}{y} + \frac{2}{z} = \frac{3 \times 5 \times 2 \times 2}{2 \times 3}$$

$$= 10$$

337. (a) According to the question

$$\text{If } 2S = a + b + c$$

$$S = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$$

$$\text{Let } a = 10, b = 10, c = 10$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{10+10+10}{2}$$

$$S = \frac{30}{2} = 15$$

$$\therefore S(S - C) + (S - a)(S - b)$$

$$15(15 - 10) + (15 - 10)$$

$$(15 - 10) = 75 + 25 = 100$$

Now check from option.

Option (a) $ab = 10 \times 10 = 100$

(Satisfied)

$$338. (d) p + m = 6 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$p^3 + m^3 = 72$$

$$(p + m)(p^2 + m^2 - pm) = 72$$

$$(p + m)[(p + m)^2 - 3pm] = 72$$

$$[\because p^2 + m^2 = (p + m)^2 - 2pm]$$

$$6[(6)^2 - 3pm] = 72 \text{ from (i)}$$

$$36 - 3pm = 12$$

$$pm = 8$$

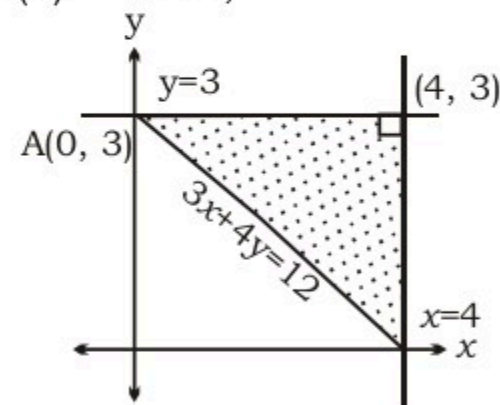
$$339. (d) x^m \times x^n = 1$$

$$x^{m+n} = x^0 \quad (\because x^0 = 1)$$

$$m + n = 0$$

$$m = -n$$

340. (b) Here,



base = 3 units

height = 4 units

$$\text{Area of } \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \times b \times h$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 4 = 6 \text{ sq. units}$$

341. (b) Here $k = 2k - 1$

$$\text{Let } r = 1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} x = y \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \text{abscissa} = \text{ordinate} \end{array} \right]$$

$$k = 2k - 1$$

$$k = 1$$

342. (a) According to the question.

$$\text{If } x = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 \Rightarrow \left(5 - \frac{1}{5} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{24}{5} \right)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{576}{25}$$

343. (b) According to the question,

$$x = 2, y = 1, z = -3$$

$$\therefore x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = ?$$

As we know that

$$a + b + c = 0 \text{ then } a^3 + b^3 + c^3$$

$$- 3abc = 0$$

$$\therefore 2 + 1 - 3 = 0$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = 0$$

344. (d) According to the question,

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = -1 \text{ and } a^2 + a = -1$$

$$a^3 = 1$$

$$(-a - a)(-a^2 - a^2)$$

$$(-2a)(-2a^2)$$

$$4a^3 = 4 \times 1 = 4$$

345. (a) According to the question

$$\Rightarrow (x^3 + y^6)(x^3 - y^6)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 + x^3y^6 - x^3y^6 - y^{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 - y^{12}$$

346. (b) According to the question,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x+y} + \frac{1}{x-y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-y+x+y}{x^2-y^2} \Rightarrow \frac{2x}{x^2-y^2}$$

347. (a) Given, $x + y = 2a$ to

$$\text{Find } \frac{a}{(x-a)} + \frac{a}{(y-a)} = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 2a$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$3 \quad 1 \quad 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Let } x = 3, y = 1, a = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{(x-a)} + \frac{a}{(y-a)}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{1} + \frac{2}{-1} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 348. (d) \quad & p^3 - q^3 = (p - q) \{ (p - q)^2 - xpq \} \\
 \Rightarrow & p^3 - q^3 = (p - q) [p^2 + q^2 - 2pq - xpq] \\
 \Rightarrow & p^3 - q^3 = (p - q) [p^2 + q^2 - 2pq - (-3)pq] \\
 \Rightarrow & p^3 - q^3 = (p - q) (p^2 + q^2 + pq) \\
 \Rightarrow & \text{So, } x = -3 \\
 \Rightarrow & \text{because } a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + b^2 + ab)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 349. (a) \text{ Given} \\
 \Rightarrow x + y + z &= 6 \\
 \Rightarrow xy + yz + zx &= 10 \\
 \text{To find } x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz &= ? \\
 \Rightarrow \text{Using formula.} \\
 \Rightarrow (x + y + z)^2 &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx) \\
 \Rightarrow 6^2 &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2 \times 10 \\
 \Rightarrow 36 &= x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 20 \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 &= 16 \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - 3xyz &=
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x + y + z)[x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx] \\
 = 6[16 - (xy + yz + zx)] \\
 = 6[16 - 10] = 6 \times 6 = 36
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 350. (d) \text{ Given:} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x-1} &= \frac{a}{b} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{x}{1} &= \frac{a+b}{a-b} \\
 (\text{using componendo \& dividendo}) \\
 \Rightarrow x &= \frac{a+b}{a-b} \quad \dots(i) \\
 \text{Again,} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{1-y}{1+y} &= \frac{b}{a} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{1+y}{1-y} &= \frac{a}{b} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} &= \frac{a+b}{a-b} \\
 \Rightarrow y &= \frac{a-b}{a+b} \quad \dots(ii)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \text{From question, } \frac{x-y}{1+xy} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{\frac{a+b}{a-b} - \frac{a-b}{a+b}}{1 + \left(\frac{a+b}{a-b}\right)\left(\frac{a-b}{a+b}\right)} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{(a+b)^2 - (a-b)^2}{(a^2 - b^2)(1+1)} \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{4ab}{2(a^2 - b^2)} \Rightarrow \frac{2ab}{a^2 - b^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 351. (b) \text{ Given} \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 + a + 1 &= 0 \quad \dots(i) \\
 \Rightarrow \text{to find } a^5 + a^4 + 1 &= ? \\
 \text{by formula} \\
 a^3 - b^3 &= (a - b)(a^2 + b^2 + ab)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow a^3 - 1 &= (a - 1)(a^2 + a + 1) \\
 [b = 1] \\
 \Rightarrow a^3 - 1 &= (a - 1) \times 0 \\
 \Rightarrow a^3 - 1 &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow a^3 &= 1 \\
 \Rightarrow a^5 + a^4 + 1 \\
 \Rightarrow a^3 \times a^2 + a^3 + a + 1 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 \times 1 + a \times 1 + 1 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 + a + 1 &= 0 \text{ from equation..(i)} \\
 \Rightarrow \text{Answer will be } 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 352. (d) \text{ Given} \\
 a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca &= 0 \\
 \text{to find } a : b : c &= ? \\
 \Rightarrow \text{According to the question,} \\
 a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 &= ab + bc + ca \\
 \Rightarrow \text{Let } a = b = c &= 1 \\
 \Rightarrow 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 &= 1 \times 1 + (1 \times 1) + (1 \times 1) \\
 \Rightarrow 3 &= 3 \\
 \Rightarrow \text{So ratio of } a : b : c &= 1 : 1 : 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 353. (d) \quad x - \frac{1}{x} &= 2 \text{ to find } x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} = ? \\
 \Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} &= 2 \Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 \\
 = 2^3 \text{ cubing both side} \\
 \Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3 \times x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) &= 8 \\
 \Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} - 3 \times 1 \times (2) &= 8 \\
 \Rightarrow x^3 - \frac{1}{x^3} &= 14
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 354. (c) \quad x &= a(b - c) \\
 y &= b(c - a) \\
 z &= c(a - b) \\
 \text{Let } \frac{x}{a} &= b - c \quad \frac{x}{a} = A \\
 \frac{y}{b} &= c - a \quad \frac{y}{b} = B \\
 \frac{z}{c} &= a - b \quad \frac{z}{c} = C \\
 \therefore A + B + C &= a - c + c - a - b = 0 \\
 \therefore A^3 + B^3 + C^3 &= 3ABC \\
 \therefore \left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^3 \\
 &= 3 \times \frac{x}{a} \times \frac{y}{b} \times \frac{z}{c} = \frac{3xyz}{abc}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 355. (a) \quad \sqrt{y} &= 4x \\
 \frac{x}{\sqrt{y}} &= \frac{1}{4} \\
 \text{Sq. both sides} \\
 \frac{x^2}{y} &= \frac{1}{16}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 356. (b) \quad \frac{x}{y} &= \frac{a+2}{a-2} \\
 \frac{x^2}{y^2} &= \frac{(a+2)^2}{(a-2)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Applying Componendo \& Dividendo} \\
 \frac{x^2 - y^2}{x^2 + y^2} &= \frac{(a+2)^2 - (a-2)^2}{(a+2)^2 + (a-2)^2} = \frac{8a}{2a^2 + 8} = \frac{4a}{a^2 + 4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 357. (b) \quad \frac{(x+y+z)^2}{x^2+y^2+z^2} \\
 \text{Assume } x = y = z &= 1 \\
 \frac{(1+1+1)^2}{1+1+1} &= (3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 358. (c) \quad \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} &= 2 \\
 a^2 + b^2 &= 2ab \\
 (a - b)^2 &= 0 \\
 a - b &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 359. (a) \text{ Put } (x + y + z) &= 10 \\
 x &= 2 \\
 y &= 3 \\
 z &= 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(x + y + z) &= 20 \\
 2(10) &= 20 \\
 \text{Similarly other will satisfied} \\
 \text{so value of } 2(x + y + z) &= 20
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 360. (d) \quad a^2 + b^2 + c^2 &= 2(a - b - c) - 3 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 &= 2a - 2b - 2c - 3 \\
 \Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2a + 2b + 2c + 3 &= 0 \\
 (a - 1)^2 + (b + 1)^2 + (c + 1)^2 &= 0 \\
 a - 1 = 0 \quad b + 1 = 0 \quad c + 1 = 0 \\
 a = 1 \quad b = -1 \quad c = -1 \\
 \Rightarrow a + b + c \\
 \Rightarrow 1 - 1 - 1 &= -1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 361. (c) \quad x^2 + y^2 &= 14 \\
 x + y &= 4 \quad \dots(i) \\
 \text{Squaring both sides} \\
 x^2 + y^2 + 2xy &= 16 \\
 14 + 2xy &= 16 \\
 2xy &= 2 \\
 xy &= 1 \\
 x^2 + y^2 &= 14 \\
 \text{Subtracting } (2xy) \text{ from both sides.} \\
 x^2 + y^2 - 2xy &= 14 - 2 \times 1 \\
 (x - y)^2 &= 14 - 2 \times 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x - y &= \sqrt{12} \\
 x - y &= 2\sqrt{3} \quad \dots(ii) \\
 \text{Solve equation (i) and (ii)} \\
 y &= 2 - \sqrt{3} \\
 x &= 2 + \sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 362. (d) \quad x^2 - 4x - 1 &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{x} &= 4 \\
 \Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 &= 4^2 \\
 (\text{squaring both sides}) \\
 \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} &= 18
 \end{aligned}$$

$$363. (c) \left(\frac{3}{15} a^5 b^6 c^3 \times \frac{5}{9} a b^5 c^4 \right) \div \frac{10}{27} a^2 b c^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{9} a^6 b^{11} c^7 \div \frac{10}{27} a^2 b c^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{9} a^6 b^{11} c^7}{\frac{10}{27} a^2 b c^3} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{10} a^4 b^{10} c^4$$

364. (b) **Given**

$$\therefore a = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}, b = \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{to find } \frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{a} = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^3 + b^3}{ab} = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a+b)^3 - 3ab(a+b)}{ab} = ?$$

$$\Rightarrow a+b = \frac{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})^2 + (\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})^2}{\sqrt{3}^2 - \sqrt{2}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(\sqrt{3}^2 + \sqrt{2}^2)}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times (5)$$

$$\Rightarrow a+b = 10$$

Again

$$\Rightarrow a \times b = \frac{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3}+\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{3}-\sqrt{2})}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a+b)^3 - 3ab(a+b)}{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{10^3 - 3 \times 1 \times 10}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1000 - 30 = 970$$

$$365. (c) (2a-1)^2 + (4b-3)^2 + (4c+5)^2 = 0$$

to find

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{then, } 2a-1 = 0$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4b-3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4c+5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = -\frac{5}{4}$$

$$= a+b+c = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - \frac{5}{4} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(0)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2} = 0$$

$$366. (b) \frac{a}{b} = \frac{25}{6}$$

$$= \frac{a^2}{b^2} = \frac{25^2}{6^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2} = \frac{(25)^2 - 6^2}{(25)^2 + 6^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{625 - 36}{625 + 36} = \frac{589}{661}$$

$$367. (a) 2x + 3y = K \quad (2=x, 0=y)$$

$$\therefore 2 \times 2 + 3 \times 0 = K$$

$$K = 4$$

$$368. (a) x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

(Cube both sides)

Formula:-

$$x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = \left(x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 27$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 18$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3 \text{ (squaring both sides) Now}$$

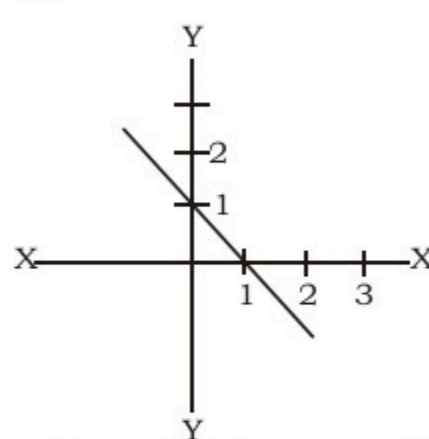
$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 \times x \times \frac{1}{x} = 9$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 7$$

Put in formula,

$$x^5 + \frac{1}{x^5} = 18 \times 7 - 3 = 123$$

$$369. (c)$$



According to the question,
So, option 'c' is correct.
[because $y = x$]

$$370. (a) \left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 3$$

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$$

cube both sides

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 \times a \times \frac{1}{a} \left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right) = (\sqrt{3})^3$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 0$$

$$a^6 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{30} + a^{24} + a^{18} + a^{12} + a^6 + 1$$

$$= a^{24} (a^6 + 1) + a^{12} (a^6 + 1) + a^6 + 1$$

$$= a^{24} (0) + a^{12} (0) + 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$371. (d) \frac{1}{a+b} = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}$$

$$\frac{1}{a+b} = \frac{b+a}{ab}$$

$$ab = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + ab = 0$$

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + b^2 + ab)$$

$$= (a-b)(0) = 0$$

$$372. (a) x : y = 3 : 5$$

$$x - y = -2$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$x - y = 3 - 5 = -2 \rightarrow -2$$

$$x = 3, y = 5$$

$$x + y = 3 + 5 = 8$$

373. (d) According to the question

$$x+1 = \sqrt{y} + 3, y > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8}{\sqrt{y}} - y \right) = ?$$

Put $x = 4$ & $y = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8}{\sqrt{y}} - y \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(x-2)^3}{\sqrt{y}} - y \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(4-2)^3}{\sqrt{4}} - 4 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{8}{2} - 4 \right) = \frac{1}{2} (4 - 4) = 0$$

374. (d) According to the question

$$x = 1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$y = 1 + \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3} \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 4xy + y^2}{x+y}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+y)^2 + 2xy}{x+y}$$

From equations (i) + (ii)

$$x + y = 2 + 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$xy = (1 + \sqrt{2})^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$= 3 + 2\sqrt{2} - 3$$

$$= 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(2 + 2\sqrt{2})^2 + 4\sqrt{2}}{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4 + 8 + 8\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2}}{2 + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12 + 12\sqrt{2}}{2 + 2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{12(1 + \sqrt{2})}{2(1 + \sqrt{2})} = 6$$

$$375. (a) x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

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

$$(x^2 + 1)^2 = 9x^2$$

$$x^4 + 1 + 2x^2 = 9x^2$$

$$x^4 + 1 = 7x^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^4 + 3x^3 + 5x^2 + 3x + 1}{x^4 + 1}$$

$$\frac{12x^2 + 3x^3 + 3x}{7x^2}$$

From equation (i)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12x + 3(x^2 + 1)}{7x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12x + 3 \times 3x}{7x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{21x}{7x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3$$

$$376. (c) x + \frac{1}{x} = -2$$

$$x = -1$$

$$\rightarrow x^p + x^q$$

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

[p is even no. & q is odd no.]

$$= 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$377. (a) p(x + y)^2 = 5 \text{ and } q(x - y)^2 = 3$$

Put the value of $x = 2$ and $y = 1$

$$p(2 + 1)^2 = 5 \text{ and } q(2 - 1)^2 = 3$$

$$p = \frac{5}{9} \quad q = 3$$

$$\rightarrow p^2(x + y)^2 + 4pqxy - q^2(x - y)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{9}\right)^2 (2 + 1)^2 + 4 \times \frac{5}{9} \times 3 \times 2 \times$$

$$1 - (3)^2 (2 - 1)^2$$

$$= \frac{25}{81} \times 9 + \frac{40}{3} - 9$$

$$= \frac{25}{9} + \frac{40}{3} - 9$$

$$= \frac{25 + 120 - 81}{9} = \frac{64}{9}$$

Put the value of p and q in options (a)

option A $\rightarrow 2(p + q)$

$$= 2\left(\frac{5}{9} + 3\right) = 2 \times \frac{32}{9} = \frac{64}{9}$$

Option A is Satisfied

So, $2(p + q)$ is answer

378. (a) According to the question

$$(p - q)^3 + (q - r)^3 + (r - p)^3$$

$$\begin{matrix} \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ A & B & C \end{matrix}$$

$$A + B + C = p - q + q - r + r - p = 0$$

If $A + B + C = 0$ then,

$$A^3 + B^3 + C^3 = 3ABC$$

$$= 3 \times (p - q)(q - r)(r - p)$$

$$379. (a) a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = (\sqrt{3})^3 - 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$a^6 = -1$$

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 1$$

$$\text{then } a^{52} + \frac{1}{a^{52}} = \frac{a^{54}}{a^2} + \frac{a^2}{a^{54}}$$

$$= \frac{(a^6)^9}{a^2} + \frac{a^2}{(a^6)^9}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{a^2} - a^2 = -\left(a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2}\right)$$

$$\text{then } a^{52} + \frac{1}{a^{52}} = -1$$

$$380. (a) x^2 + \sigma x + \beta$$

$$\text{sum of root } \sigma + \beta = \frac{-\sigma}{1} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\sigma \beta = \beta \quad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$\text{then } \sigma = 1$$

$$\text{Then } \beta = -2$$

Then value of

$$\sigma^3 + \beta^3 = 1 + (-2)^3 = -7$$

$$381. (b) \text{ If } x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1$$

$$\text{Then, } x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = (\sqrt{3})^3 - 3\sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 = -1, \text{ or } x^6 + 1 = 0$$

then

$$x^{102} + x^{96} + x^{90} + x^{84} + x^{78} + x^{72} + 5$$

$$x^{96}(x^6 + 1) + x^{84}(x^6 + 1) + x^{72}(x^6 + 1) + 5 = 5$$

382. (c) If $x - 1$ & $x + 1$ are the factors of y equation, then

$$x - 1 = 0, x = 1$$

$\Rightarrow$ Put $x = 1$, we get

$$1 + a - 3 + 2 + b = 0$$

$$a + b = 0$$

.....(i)

$$\Rightarrow x + 1 = 0, x = -1$$

Put $x = -1$, we get

$$1 - a - 3 - 2 + b = 0$$

$$b - a = 4$$

.....(ii)

after solving (i) & (ii), we get

$$a = -2, b = 2$$

$$383. (c) x^3 - 7x^2 + 11x - 5 \geq 0$$

$$x^3 - 5x^2 - 2x^2 + 10x + x - 5 \geq 0$$

$$x^2(x - 5) - 2x(x - 5) + 1(x - 5) \geq 0$$

$$(x - 5)(x^2 - 2x + 1) \geq 0$$

$$(x - 5)(x - 1)^2 \geq 0$$

$$(x - 5)(x - 1)(x - 1) \geq 0$$

So, $x = 1$ & 5

Equation satisfies at both the values, but the minimum value of these two

$$x = 1$$

$$384. (a) (a + b + c)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(ab + bc + ca)$$

$$676 = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2(109)$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 458$$

$$385. (c) x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0 = x^6 + 1 = 0$$

Now,

$$x^{18} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$$

$$x^{12}(x^6 + 1) + (x^6 + 1) = x^{12} \times 0 + 0 = 0$$

386. (b) If $a+b+c = 0$

put $a = 1$ $b = 1$ and $c = -2$

$$\frac{a^2+b^2+c^2}{ab+bc+ca} = \frac{1+1+4}{1-2-2} = \frac{6}{-3} = -2$$

387. (b) $a+b+c = m$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{ab+bc+ca}{abc} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ab+bc+ca=0$$

$$(a+b+c)^2 = a^2+b^2+c^2 + 2(ab+bc+ca)$$

$$m^2 = a^2+b^2+c^2$$

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

388. (a) $(2a+b)^2 - (2a-b)^2$

$$\Rightarrow 4a^2 + b^2 + 4ab - 4a^2 - b^2 + 4ab = 8ab$$

389. (c) $x = \frac{8ab}{a+b}$

$$\frac{x}{4a} = \frac{2b}{a+b}$$

By componendo and dividendo

$$\frac{x+4a}{x-4a} = \frac{2b+a+b}{2b-a-b}$$

$$\frac{x+4a}{x-4a} = \frac{3b+a}{b-a}$$

....(i)

Similarly,

$$\frac{x+4b}{x-4b} = \frac{3a+b}{a-b}$$

....(ii)

adding (i) and (ii)

$$\left(\frac{x+4a}{x-4a} \right) + \left(\frac{x+4b}{x-4b} \right) = \left(\frac{3b+a}{b-a} \right) + \left(\frac{3a+b}{a-b} \right)$$

$$+ \left(\frac{3a+b}{a-b} \right)$$

$$\frac{x+4a}{x-4a} + \frac{x+4b}{x-4b} = \frac{-3b-a+3a+b}{a-b}$$

$$= \frac{2(a-b)}{a-b} = 2$$

390. (c) $(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}) = 15$

square both side

$$a + b + 2\sqrt{ab} = 225$$

$$a + b = 225 - 2\sqrt{ab}$$

... (i)

$$(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}) = 3$$

Square both side

$$a + b - 2\sqrt{ab} = 9$$

$$a + b = 9 + 2\sqrt{ab}$$

... (ii)

From (i) and (ii)

$$225 - 2\sqrt{ab} = 9 + 2\sqrt{ab}$$

$$216 = 4\sqrt{ab}$$

$$54 = \sqrt{ab}$$

Divided by 4 on both side

$$\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{4} = \frac{54}{4}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{4} = \frac{27}{2}$$

391. (d) Given $a + \frac{1}{a} = 3$

Cube both sides

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 \times a \times \frac{1}{a} \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right) = (3)^3$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3 \times 3 = 27$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 27 - 3 \times 3 = 18$$

392. (c) $a - 6b = 3$

after cubing both sides, we get

$$\Rightarrow (a - 6b)^3 = (3)^3$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - 216b^3 - 18ab(3) = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 - 216b^3 - 54ab = 27$$

393. (d) $x = 10 + 3\sqrt{11}$

By making a perfect square.

$$x = \frac{2 \times (10 + 3\sqrt{11})}{2} = \frac{20 + 2 \times 3\sqrt{11}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{(\sqrt{11} + 3)^2}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{x} = \frac{(\sqrt{11} + 3)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

then so, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{11} + 3} = \frac{\sqrt{11} - 3}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{\sqrt{11} + 3}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\sqrt{11} - 3}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \times 6 = 3\sqrt{2}$$

394. (d) $x = \sqrt{a^3 \sqrt{ab}} \sqrt{a^3 \sqrt{ab}} \dots \dots \infty$

square both side

$$x^2 = a^3 \sqrt{ab} x \quad (\because \sqrt{a^3 \sqrt{ab}} \dots \dots \infty)$$

Again cube both sides

$$x^6 = a^3 ab x$$

$$x^5 = a^4 b$$

$$x = \sqrt[5]{a^4 b}$$

395. (c) Put $a = b = c = 1$

then we have

$$\frac{m-3}{2} + \frac{m-3}{2} + \frac{m-3}{2} = 9$$

$$m = 9$$

Now, putting values of a , b & c in option,

only option (c) gives value of $m = 9$

So option (c) is correct.

396. (b) As both the equations leave the same remainder, then

$$x - 3 = 0$$

$$x = 3$$

Put value of $x = 3$ in both the equations & keep them equal

$$a(3)^3 + 4(3)^2 + 3(3) - 4$$

$$= (3)^3 - 4(3) + a$$

$$27a + 36 + 9 - 4 = 27 - 12 + a$$

$$26a = -26$$

$$a = -1$$

397. (c) If $(2a - 3)^2 + (3b + 4)^2 + (6c + 1)^2 = 0$

the above is possible only when every square term must be zero

then

$$2a - 3 = 0$$

$$3b + 4 = 0$$

$$6c + 1 = 0$$

$$a = \frac{3}{2}, b = -\frac{4}{3}, c = -\frac{1}{6}$$

One taking $a + b + c$

$$= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{3} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{9-8-1}{6} = 0$$

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

$$= \frac{(a+b+c)(a^2+b^2+c^2-ab-bc-ca)}{a^3+b^3+c^3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc}{a^3 + b^3 + c^3} = 0$$

398. (c) $a^2 = b + c$, $b^2 = a + c$,

$$c^2 = b + c$$

taking $a = 2$, $b = 2$ and $c = 2$

$$(2)^2 = 2 + 2$$

$$\boxed{4 = 4}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{1}{a+1} + \frac{1}{b+1} + \frac{1}{c+1}$$

Put $a = 2$, $b = 2$ and $c = 2$

$$\frac{1}{2+1} + \frac{1}{2+1} + \frac{1}{2+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

$$399. (b) a + b = 2c$$

Taking $a = 2$, $b = 4$ and $c = 3$
 $2 + 4 = 2 \times 3$

$$\boxed{6=6}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{a}{a-c} + \frac{c}{b-c}$$

$$\frac{2}{2-3} + \frac{3}{4-3} = \frac{2}{-1} + \frac{3}{1} = 1$$

$$400. (c) x + y + z = 9$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 31$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2$$

$$(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$\Rightarrow 81 = 31 + 2(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(xy + yz + zx) = 50$$

$$\Rightarrow xy + yz + zx = 25$$

$$\therefore x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = (x + y + z)$$

$$(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - xy - yz - zx)$$

$$= 9(31 - 25)$$

$$= 9 \times 6 = 54$$

$$401. (a) a + b + c = 1,$$

$$ab + bc + ca = -1 \text{ and } abc = -1$$

$$\text{we know } a^2 + b^2 + c^2$$

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

$$\text{then value of}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = (1)^2 - 2(-1) = 3$$

$$\text{then } a^3 + b^3 + c^3$$

$$= (a + b + c)(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) + 3abc$$

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = (1)[3 - (-1)] + 3 \times (-1) = 4 - 3 = 1$$

$$402. (c) \frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ Let } a = x, b = 2x$$

$$\text{then } \frac{(2a-5b)}{5a+3b} = \frac{2x-10x}{5x+6x}$$

$$= \frac{-8x}{11x} = \frac{-8}{11}$$

$$403. (a) 3x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 3 = -5x$$

divide by $3x$ both sides

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{-5}{3} \text{ then } x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{-5}{3}\right)^3 - 3 \times \left(\frac{-5}{3}\right)$$

$$= \frac{-125}{27} + 5 = \frac{10}{27}$$

$$404. (b) \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 1$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = ab$$

...(i)

$$a^2 + b^2 - ab = 0$$

$$\therefore a^3 + b^3 = (a+b)(a^2 + b^2 - ab) \text{ ... (ii)}$$

From eq (i) & (ii)

$$a^3 + b^3 = (a+b) \times 0$$

$$a^3 + b^3 = 0$$

$$405. (a) P(p^2 + 3p + 3)$$

$$= p^3 + 3p^2 + 3p + 1 - 1$$

(on adding and subtraction one

$$\text{both side) } = (p+1)^2 - 1$$

$$= (99 + 1)^2 - 1 = 100^2 - 1$$

$$= 1000000 - 1 = 999999$$

$$406. (b) a^3 - b^3 = 61$$

$$(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) = 61$$

$$(\text{Given } a - b = 1)$$

$$a^2 + ab + b^2 = 61$$

....(i)

Now,

$$a - b = 1$$

On squaring both side

$$a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = 1$$

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2 + ab}{-3ab} = 1$$

from equ (i)

$$61 - 3ab = 1$$

$$3ab = 60$$

$$ab = \frac{60}{3}$$

$$ab = 20$$

$$407. (c) \frac{x}{a+b} + 1 = \frac{x}{a-b} + \frac{a-b}{a+b}$$

$$\frac{x}{a+b} - \frac{x}{a-b} = \frac{a-b}{a+b} - 1$$

$$\frac{ax - bx - ax - bx}{(a+b)(a-b)} = \frac{a-b-a-b}{a+b}$$

$$\frac{-2bx}{(a+b)(a-b)} = \frac{-2b}{(a+b)}$$

$$\frac{x}{(a+b)(a-b)} = \frac{1}{(a+b)}$$

$$x = \frac{(a+b)(a-b)}{(a+b)}$$

$$x = (a - b)$$

$$408. (c) \text{ If } x^2 + 5x + 6 = 0$$

$$\text{than } x^2 + 6 = -5x$$

So,

$$\frac{2x}{x^2 - 7x + 6} = \frac{2x}{x^2 + 6 - 7x}$$

$$= \frac{2x}{-5x - 7x} = \frac{2x}{-12x} = \frac{-1}{6}$$

$$409. (a) a + b = 5$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 25 \text{ ... (i)}$$

$$a - b = 3$$

$$a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = 9 \text{ ... (ii)}$$

From equation (i) and (ii)

$$2(a^2 + b^2) = 34$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 17$$

$$410. (c) x = a + \frac{1}{a}$$

$$x^2 = a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 2$$

$$y^2 = a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} - 2$$

Now,

$$x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2y^2 = (x^2 - y^2)^2$$

$$= \left(a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 2 - a^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} + 2\right)^2$$

$$= (4)^2 = 16$$

$$411. (d) 2^{x+4} - 2^{x+2} = 3$$

$$2^x \cdot 2^4 - 2^x \cdot 2^2 = 3$$

$$2^x (2^4 - 2^2) = 3$$

$$2^x (16 - 4) = 3$$

$$2^x = \frac{3}{12} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2^x = \frac{1}{2^2} = 2^{-2}$$

$$2^x = 2^{-2}$$

$$x = -2$$

$$412. (b) x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$$

Cubing both side

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3x \times \frac{1}{x} \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3(\sqrt{3}) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 3\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{3} = 0$$

413. (b) $a + \frac{1}{a} = 2$

put $a = 1$ (satisfy)

$$a^{109} + \frac{1}{a^{109}} = 1^{109} + \frac{1}{1^{109}} = 1 + 1 = 2$$

414. (a) $2x - \frac{1}{2x} = 5$

divide by 2 both side

$$x - \frac{1}{4x} = \frac{5}{2}$$

Squaring both side

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{16x^2} - 2 \times x \times \frac{1}{4x} = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{16x^2} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{25}{4}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{16x^2} = \frac{25}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{27}{4}$$

So,

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{16x^2} - 2 = \frac{27}{4} - 2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{16x^2} - 2 = \frac{19}{4}$$

415. (c) Given that $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1}$

and $x^2 + 2x - 1$

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

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

$$= (x+1)^2 - 2$$

Now put the value of x

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} + 1 \right)^2 - 2$$

$$= \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \right)^2 - 2$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}+2}{\sqrt{2}+1} \right)^2 - 2$$

$$= \left(\frac{(\sqrt{2}+1) \times \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}+1} \right)^2 - 2$$

$$= [\sqrt{2}]^2 - 2 = 2 - 2 = 0$$

416. (c) Given $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{13}$

$$\text{than } = \frac{3x}{x^2-1} = \frac{3}{x-\frac{1}{x}} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now } x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{13}$$

on squaring both side

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 13 - 2 = 11$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 = 11 - 2$$

$$\left(x - \frac{1}{x} \right)^2 = 9 = 3^2$$

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

Put this value in equation (i)

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

417. (d) $a(x+y) = b(x-y) = 2ab$

$$a(x+y) = 2ab$$

$$x+y = 2b$$

On squaring both side

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2xy = 4b^2 \quad \dots 9(i)$$

$$b(x-y) = 2ab$$

$$x-y = 2a$$

on squaring both side

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2xy = 4a^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

add equation (i) + (ii)

$$2(x^2 + y^2) = 4(a^2 + b^2)$$

418. (c) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 6$ on squaring both side

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 36 - 2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 34$$

419. (b) $C + \frac{1}{C} = 3$

$$C - 3 + \frac{1}{C} = 0$$

$$\text{So } (C-3) + \frac{1}{C^7} = \left[(C-3) + \frac{1}{C} \right]^3$$

$$\left[(C-3) + \frac{1}{C} \right]^4 - \left[(C-3) + \frac{1}{C} \right] = 0$$

420. (a) $2x + \frac{1}{4x} = 1$

Dividing by 2 both side

$$x + \frac{1}{8x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Squaring both side

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{64x^2} + 2 \times x \times \frac{1}{8x} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{64x^2} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

421. (b) $\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y} = 1 \quad \dots(i)$

$$\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} = 17 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From eqn (i) & eq (ii)

$$\sqrt{x} = 9, \sqrt{y} = 8$$

$$\text{So } \sqrt{xy} = 9 \times 8 = 72$$

422. (c) $x = \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3+1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\text{So } \left(x - \frac{\sqrt{126}}{\sqrt{42}} \right) \left(x - \frac{1}{x - \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sqrt{126}}{\sqrt{42}} \right) \left(x - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{4\sqrt{42} - \sqrt{126} \times \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{42}} \right) \left(x - \frac{1}{\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4\sqrt{42} - 3\sqrt{42}}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{42}} \left(x - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{4\sqrt{42} - 3\sqrt{42}}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{42}} \left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\sqrt{42}}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{42}} \right) \left(\frac{8-3}{2\sqrt{3}} \right) = \frac{5}{6}$$

423. (b) $a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + b^2 + ab)$

$$56 = 2(a^2 + b^2 + ab)$$

$$28 = a^2 + b^2 + ab \quad \dots(i)$$

$$a - b = 2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 - 2ab = 4 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From equation (i) and eq. (ii)

$$\boxed{a^2 + b^2 = 20}$$

OR,

$$\text{put } a = 4, b = 2, a - b = 4 - 2$$

$$= 2 \text{ (satisfy)}$$

$$\text{So, } a^2 + b^2 = 16 + 4 = 20$$

424. (c) $x^2 - 3x + 1 = 0$

Divide by x

$$x - 3 + \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

$$\boxed{x + \frac{1}{x} = 3}$$

425. (d) $\frac{2+a}{a} + \frac{2+b}{b} + \frac{2+c}{c} = 4$

$$\frac{2bc + abc + 2ac + abc + 2ab + abc}{abc} = 4$$

$$\frac{2(bc + ab + ca)}{abc} + \frac{3abc}{abc} = 4$$

$$\frac{2(bc + ab + ca)}{abc} + 3 = 4$$

$$\boxed{\frac{ab + bc + ca}{abc} = \frac{1}{2}}$$

426. (b) $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 1$

$$\frac{xy + yz + zx}{xyz} = 1$$

$$= xy + yz + zx = xyz = -1$$

$$(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$(x + y + z)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(xy + yz + zx)$$

$$(1)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 2(-1)$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 3$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz$$

$$= (x + y + z)[x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - (xy + yx + zx)]$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3(-1) = 1[3 - (-1)]$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 = 4 - 3 = 1$$

427. (c) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 5$ then $\frac{5x}{x^2 + 5x + 1}$

$$= \frac{5}{x + 5 + \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{5}{x + \frac{1}{x} + 5}$$

$$= \frac{5}{5 + 5} = \frac{1}{2}$$

428. (b) $\frac{1}{a}(a^2 + 1) = 3$

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = 3$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = (3)^3 - 3 \times 3$$

$$= 27 - 9 = 18$$

$$\frac{a^6 + 1}{a^3} = 18$$

429. (b) $a = \sqrt{2} + 1, b = \sqrt{2} - 1$

$$\frac{1}{a+1} + \frac{1}{b+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1+1} +$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2}+1)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1+\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2}+1)} = \frac{2+\sqrt{2}}{2+\sqrt{2}} = 1$$

430. (c) $(x-5)^2 + (y-2)^2 + (z-9)^2 = 0$

It is possible only when $x-5 = 0$

$$x = 5$$

$$y - 2 = 0$$

$$y = 2$$

$$z - 9 = 0$$

$$z = 9$$

$$\therefore x + y - z = 5 + 2 - 9$$

$$= 7 - 9 = -2$$

431. (c) $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$

On squaring both side, we get

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 7$$

Again, On squaring both side

$$x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 47$$

And again squaring both side.

$$x^8 + \frac{1}{x^8} = 2207$$

432. (d) $\therefore a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz}{x - y + z}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(x+y+z)[(x-y)^2 + (y-z)^2 + (z-x)^2]}{x - y + z}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(999+1000+1001)[1+1+4]}{999-1000+1001}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 3000}{1000} = 9$$

433. (d) $\frac{a}{1-2a} + \frac{b}{1-2b} + \frac{c}{1-2c} = \frac{1}{2}$

Multiply by 2 both side

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a}{1-2a} + \frac{2a}{1-2b} + \frac{2c}{1-2c} = 1$$

Adding 3 both side

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{2a}{1-2a} + 1 + \frac{2b}{1-2b} + 1$$

$$\frac{2c}{1-2c} = 1 + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-2a} + \frac{1}{1-2b} + \frac{1}{1-2c} = 4$$

434. (c) Let numbers are

$$x = 2r, y = 3r, z = 5r$$

$$\text{Sum, } x + y + z = 2r + 3r + 5r$$

$$= 10r = 80$$

$$r = 8, x = 16, y = 24, z = 40$$

$$\text{Then } z = ax - 8$$

$$40 = a \times 16 - 8$$

$$a = 3$$

435. (c) $(x-2)(x-p) = x^2 - ax + 6$

$$x^2 - (2+p)x + 2p = x^2 - ax + 6$$

Comparison the coefficients

$$2 + p = a, 2p = 6$$

$$p = 3$$

$$2 + 3 = a = 5$$

$$\text{then, } p = 3, a = 5$$

$$a - p = 5 - 3 = 2$$

436. (a) $x = \sqrt{a} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}, y = \sqrt{a} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}}$

$$\text{put } a = 4$$

$$x = 2 + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2}, y = 2 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{then, } x^4 + y^4 - 2x^2y^2$$

$$= (x^2 - y^2)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{25}{4} - \frac{9}{4}\right)^2 = 16$$

437. (b) $x = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + 11} - 2$

$$x + 2 = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + 11}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Taking cube on both side

$$(x + 2)^3 = x^2 + 11$$

$$x^3 + 8 + 6x(x + 2) = x^2 + 11$$

$$x^3 + 8 + 6x^2 + 12x = x^2 + 11$$

$$x^3 + 5x^2 + 12x = 3$$

438. (c) $P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} = 47$

on adding 2 both side

$$P^2 + \frac{1}{P^2} + 2 = 47 + 2$$

$$(P + \frac{1}{P})^2 = 49$$

$$(P + \frac{1}{P}) = 7$$

$$\mathbf{P + \frac{1}{P} = 7}$$

439. (c) Third ratio

$$a : x :: x : b$$

$$x^2 = ab$$

$$x = \sqrt{(x-y)^2(x^2-y^2)^2}$$

$$x = (x-y)(x^2-y^2)$$

$$x = (x-y)(x-y)(x+y)$$

$$x = (x+y)(x-y)^2$$

440. (a) $x + \sqrt{5} = 5 + \sqrt{y}$

put, $x = 5$ and $y = 5$

$$5 + \sqrt{5} = 5 + \sqrt{5}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{x+y}}{x+\sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{5+5}}{5+\sqrt{5}} = 1$$

441. (d) This is possible only when

$$(x-3)^2 = 0$$

$$x = 3,$$

$$(y-4)^2 = 0$$

$$y = 4,$$

$$(z-5)^2 = 0$$

$$z = 5$$

$$\text{then } x + y + z = 3 + 4 + 5 = 12$$

442. (d) $2x + \frac{1}{3x} = 5$

$$6x^2 + 1 = 15x \quad \dots(i)$$

Now,

$$= \frac{5x}{6x^2+20x+1} = \frac{5x}{6x^2+1+20x}$$

$$= \frac{5x}{15x+20x} \quad (\text{From equation (i)})$$

$$= \frac{5x}{35x} = \frac{1}{7}$$

443. (b) $a + b = 10$ and $ab = 21$

$$(a+b) = 10$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + 2ab = 100$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 100 - 2ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 100 - 2 \times 21$$

$$= 100 - 42$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 58$$

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

$$= 58 - 2 \times 21$$

$$(\text{from equation (i)})$$

$$= 58 - 42$$

$$(a-b)^2 = 16$$

444. (c) We know that

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

$$x^3 - P = (x-4)(x^2 + 4x + 16)$$

$$x^3 - P = x^3 - 4^3$$

$$P = 4^3 \quad (\text{By comparison})$$

$$\text{So, } P = 64$$

445. (b) $\Rightarrow \frac{5x}{4x^2+10x+1}$

$$= \frac{5x}{x\left(4x+10x+\frac{1}{x}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{5}{4x+\frac{1}{x}+10} = \frac{5}{5+10} = \frac{5}{15} = \frac{1}{3}$$

446. (a) $C + \frac{1}{C} = \sqrt{3}$

On cubing both side

$$\left(C + \frac{1}{C}\right)^3 = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$C^3 + \frac{1}{C^3} + 3 \times C \times \frac{1}{C} \left(C + \frac{1}{C}\right) = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$C^3 + \frac{1}{C^3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$C^3 + \frac{1}{C^3} = 3\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{3} = 0$$

447. (b) $x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x+y+z)[(x-y)^2 + (y-z)^2 + (z-x)^2]$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(222+223+225)[(222-223)^2 + (223-225)^2 + (225-222)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(670)[1+4+9]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 670 \times 14 = 4690$$

448. (c) $a + b + c = 0$

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = T$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

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

$$a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$$

449. (d) $\left(x^{\frac{1}{3}} + x^{\frac{-1}{3}}\right)\left(x^{\frac{2}{3}} + x^{\frac{-2}{3}} - 1\right)$

We know that

$$(a^3 + b^3) = (a+b)(a^2 + b^2 - ab)$$

$$\left(x^{\frac{1}{3} \times 3} + x^{\frac{1}{3} \times (-3)}\right)$$

$$(x + x^{-1})$$

Alternative,

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

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

$$x^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot x^{\frac{2}{3}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}} - x^{\frac{1}{3}} + x^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}} + \frac{1}{x^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{3}}} - \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$x + x^{\frac{-1}{3}} - x^{\frac{1}{3}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{1}{x} - x^{\frac{-1}{3}}$$

$$x + x^{-1}$$

450. (d) $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p+q}$

$$\frac{p+q}{pq} = \frac{1}{p+q}$$

$$(p+q)^2 = pq$$

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

$$(p^2 + q^2 + pq) = 0$$

Multiply by $(p-q)$ both side

$$(p-q)(p^2 + q^2 + pq) = (p-q) \times 0$$

$$p^3 - q^3 = 0$$

451. (c) $x^2 - y^2 + 10xz + 10yz$

$$(x-y)(x+y) + 10z(x+y)$$

Put value of $x, y,$ and z

$$\Rightarrow (93-93)(93+93) + 10 \times 94$$

$$(93+93)$$

$$0 + 940 \times 186$$

$$\Rightarrow 174840$$

452. (b) $\frac{(a+b)^2}{(a-b)^2} = \frac{25}{4}$

$$\frac{a+b}{a-b} = \frac{5}{2}$$

by C & D

$$\frac{a+b+a-b}{a+b-a+b} = \frac{5+2}{5-2}$$

$$\frac{2a}{2b} = \frac{7}{3}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{7}{3}$$

Now, the value of

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + b^2 + 3ab$$

$$= 7^2 + 3^2 + 3 \times 7 \times 3$$

$$= 49 + 9 + 63 = 58 + 63$$

$$= 121$$

$$453. (c) a - b = 2$$

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

$$26 = 2(a^2 + ab + b^2)$$

$$13 = a^2 + ab + b^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$4 = 13 + ab$$

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

$$(2)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + ab - 3ab$$

$$3ab = 9$$

$$ab = 3$$

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

$$= 4 + 4 \times 3 = 16$$

$$454. (c) (x - 4)^3 + (y - 2)^3 + (z - 3)^3$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Downarrow & \Downarrow & \Downarrow \\ a^3 & b^3 & c^3 - 3abc \end{array}$$

$$-3(x - 4)(y - 2)(z - 3)$$

$$a + b + c = x - 4 + y - 2 + z - 3$$

$$= x + y + z - 9$$

$$= 9 - 9 = 0$$

$$a + b + c = 0$$

$$\text{So, } (x - 4)^3 + (y - 2)^3 + (z - 3)^3 - 3$$

$$(x - 4)(y - 2)(z - 3) = 0$$

$$455. (b) x + \frac{1}{9x} = 4$$

Multiply by 3 both side

$$3x + \frac{1}{3x} = 12$$

squaring both side

$$9x^2 + \frac{1}{9x^2} + 2 \times 3x \times \frac{1}{3x} = 144$$

$$9x^2 + \frac{1}{9x^2} + 2 = 144$$

$$9x^2 + \frac{1}{9x^2} = 142$$

$$456. (d) a = 2, b = -3$$

$$\text{So, } = 27a^3 + 36ab^2 - 8b^3 - 54a^2b$$

$$= 27 \times (2)^3 + 36 \times 2 \times (-3)^2 - 8 \times$$

$$(-3)^3 - 54 \times (2)^2 \times (-3)$$

$$= 27 \times 8 + 36 \times 2 \times 9 + 8 \times 27 +$$

$$54 \times 4 \times 3$$

$$= 216 + 648 + 216 + 648 = 1728$$

$$457. (b) \text{ but } a = 1$$

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 2, 1^2 + \frac{1}{1^3} = 2$$

(satisfy)

$$\text{So, } \frac{a^2 + 1}{a} = \frac{1^2 + 1}{1} = 2$$

$$458. (d) x \left(3 - \frac{2}{x} \right) = \frac{3}{x}$$

$$3x - 2 = \frac{3}{x}$$

$$3x - \frac{3}{x} = 2$$

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

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Squaring both side

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} - 2 \times x \times \frac{1}{x} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \frac{4}{9} + 2$$

$$\left[x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 2\frac{4}{9} \right]$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 2\frac{4}{9}$$

$$459. (a) \text{ Let } \frac{a}{q-r} = \frac{b}{r-p} = \frac{c}{p-q} = k$$

$$\frac{a}{q-r} = k \text{ (on multiplying by P)}$$

$$pa = k(pq - pr) \quad \dots(i)$$

In the same way we can write

$$qb = k(qr - qp) \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{and } rc = k(rp - rq) \quad \dots(iii)$$

on adding eq (i), (ii) and (iii)

$$pa + qb + rc = k(pq - pr + qr - qp + rp - rq)$$

$$pa + qb + rc = 0$$

$$460. (a) \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 = 3$$

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$$

Taking cube on both sides

$$\Rightarrow a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3(a) \times \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \times \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)$$

$$= 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 3\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$461. (d) \frac{a^2 + b^2}{c^2} = \frac{b^2 + c^2}{a^2} = \frac{c^2 + a^2}{b^2} = \frac{1}{k}$$

Put $a = b = c = 1$

$$\frac{1+1}{1} + \frac{1+1}{1} + \frac{1+1}{1} = \frac{1}{k}$$

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

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

$$462. (b) 2x + \frac{2}{9x} = 4$$

Multiply by $\frac{3}{2}$ on both sides

$$3x + \frac{1}{3x} = 6$$

Taking cube on both sides

$$\left(3x + \frac{1}{3x} \right)^3 = (6)^3$$

$$27x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} + 3 \times 3x \times \frac{1}{3x}$$

$$\left(3x + \frac{1}{3x} \right) = 216$$

$$27x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} + 3 \times 6 = 216$$

$$27x^3 + \frac{1}{27x^3} = 216 - 18 = 198$$

$$463. (b) x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 2$$

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

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = 0$$

$$464. (c) pq(p + q) = 1$$

$$p + q = \frac{1}{pq}$$

$$p^3 + q^3 + 3pq(p + q) = \frac{1}{p^3q^3}$$

$$\frac{1}{p^3q^3} - p^3 - q^3 = \left(\frac{13}{p+q} \right)(p+q) = 3$$

$$465. (d) x = \sqrt{2} + 1, \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{2} - 1$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = 2$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 6$$

$$x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4} = \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)$$

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

$$= 2 \times 2\sqrt{2} \times 6 = 24\sqrt{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 466. (a) \quad & p^3 - q^3 = (p - q)(p^2 + q^2 + pq) \\
 & (p - q)\{(p + q)^2 - xpq\} = (p - q)(p^2 + q^2 + pq) \\
 & p^2 + q^2 + 2pq - xpq = p^2 + q^2 + pq \\
 & 2pq - pq = xpq \\
 & pq = xpq \\
 & \therefore x = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 467. (d) \quad & x = \sqrt[3]{0.25} = 0.5 \\
 & y = (0.4)^2 = 0.16 \\
 & z = (0.216)^{1/2} = 0.464 \\
 & \therefore x > z > y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 468. (a) \quad & a^2 = by + cz \\
 & b^2 = cz + ax \\
 & c^2 = ax + by \\
 & = \frac{x}{(a+x)} + \frac{y}{(b+y)} + \frac{z}{(c+z)} \\
 & = \frac{ax}{a^2+ax} + \frac{by}{b^2+by} + \frac{cz}{c^2+cz} \\
 & = \frac{ax}{by+cz+ax} + \frac{by}{cz+ax+by} + \frac{cz}{ax+by+cz} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 469. (b) \quad & (x + y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy \\
 & = 29 + 2 \times 10 \\
 & = 49 \\
 & x + y = 7 \\
 & (x - y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 - 2xy \\
 & = 29 - 2 \times 10 = 9 \\
 & (x - y) = 3 \\
 & \frac{x+y}{x-y} = \frac{7}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 470. (a) \quad & \text{If } \frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 1 \\
 & \text{then, } a^2 + b^2 = ab \\
 & a^2 + b^2 - ab = 0 \\
 & \text{and } a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 + b^2 - ab) \\
 & = (a + b)(0) \\
 & a^3 + b^3 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$471. (c) \quad p^2 + q^2 = 7pq.$$

$$\frac{p}{q} + \frac{q}{p} = 7$$

(divide whole eqⁿ by pq)

$$472. (a) \quad x + 3^{-\frac{1}{3}} = 3^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^3 + \frac{1}{3} + 3 \times x 3^{-\frac{1}{3}} \times 3^{\frac{1}{3}} &= 3 \\
 3x^3 + 9x &= 9 - 1 = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

$$473. (c) \quad xy(x+y) = m, \text{ find } x^3 + y^3 + 3m$$

$$xy(x+y) = m \quad \dots (i)$$

$$(x+y) = \frac{m}{xy}$$

Cubing both side

$$x^3 + y^3 + 3 \cdot xy(x+y) = \frac{m^3}{x^3 y^3}$$

from equation (i)

$$x^3 + y^3 + 3 \times m = \frac{m^3}{x^3 y^3}$$

$$x^3 + y^3 + 3m = \frac{m^3}{x^3 y^3}$$

$$474. (d) \quad P + \frac{1}{P+2} = 1, \text{ Find the value}$$

$$\text{of } (P+2)^3 + \frac{1}{(P+2)^3} - 3$$

Adding 2 on both sides

$$(P+2) + \frac{1}{(P+2)} = 3$$

Taking cube on both sides

$$(P+2)^3 + \frac{1}{(P+2)^3} + 3(P+2) \times \frac{1}{(P+2)}$$

$$\left[(P+2) + \frac{1}{P+2} \right]^3 = \left((P+2) + \frac{1}{(P+2)} \right)^3 = 3^3 = 27$$

$$(P+2)^3 + \frac{1}{(P+2)^3} + 9 = 27$$

$$(P+2)^3 + \frac{1}{(P+2)^3} = 18$$

According to questions

$$18 - 3 \Rightarrow 15$$

$$475. (a) \quad x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$$

It is possible only when

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{So, } \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right)^4 = (\sqrt{3})^4 = 9$$

$$476. (b) \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$$

But $x = 1$

$$\text{So, } x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1^2 + \frac{1}{1^2} = 2$$

$$477. (c) \quad x + y = \sqrt{3} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$x - y = \sqrt{2} \quad \dots (ii)$$

From eq (i) and (ii)

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{2}, y = \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{2}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 8xy(x^2 + y^2) \\
 & = 8 \times \frac{(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})}{2} \times \frac{(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})}{2} \\
 & \left[\frac{(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^2}{4} + \frac{(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^2}{4} \right] \\
 & = 2(3 - 2) \left[\frac{3 + 2 + 2\sqrt{6} + 3 + 2 - 2\sqrt{6}}{4} \right] \\
 & = 2 \times 1 \times \frac{10}{4} = 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$478. (b) \quad \frac{x + \frac{1}{x}}{x - \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{5}{3}$$

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$$\frac{x + \frac{1}{x} + x - \frac{1}{x}}{x + \frac{1}{x} - x + \frac{1}{x}} = \frac{5+3}{5-3}$$

$$\frac{2x}{\frac{2}{x}} = \frac{8}{2} = 4$$

$$x^2 = 4$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 479. (c) \quad & p^3 - q^3 = (p - q)[(p - q)^2 + xpq] \\
 & (p - q)(p^2 + q^2 + pq) = (p - q) \\
 & [p^2 + q^2 - 2bq + xpq] \\
 & \Rightarrow p^2 + q^2 + pq = p^2 + q^2 - 2pq + xpq \\
 & 3pq = xpq \\
 & x = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$480. (c) \quad \left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 = 3$$

$$a + \frac{1}{a} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 0$$

$$a^6 = -1$$

$$(a^6 + 1) = 0$$

$$\text{so } a^{18} + a^{12} + a^6 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{12}(a^6 + 1) + a^6 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{12} \times 0 + 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0$$

$$481. (d) \quad \text{We know that}$$

$$(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [(a - b)^2 + (b - c)^2 + (c - a)^2] \\
 & \therefore [113^2 + 115^2 + 117^2 - 113 \times 115] \\
 & \quad - 115 \times 117 - 113 \times 117
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [(113 - 115)^2 + (115 - 117)^2 + (117 - 113)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [4 + 4 + 16] = 12$$

482. (a) Let the quotient is y.
divisor $\overline{\text{Number}}$ quotient

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Remainder} \\ 4y \overline{\text{Number}} y \\ \underline{2y} \leftarrow \text{Rema} \end{array}$$

$$2y = 80$$

$$y = 40$$

$$160 \overline{\text{Number}} 40$$

$$\underline{80}$$

$$\text{Number} = 160 \times 40 + 80 = 6480$$

483. (b) $P = 99$

$$P(P^2 + 3P + 3)$$

$$= P^3 + 3P^2 + 3P + 1 - 1$$

$$= (P+1)^3 - 1 = (99+1)^3 - 1$$

$$= (100)^3 - 1 = (100)^3 - 1$$

$$= 1000000 - 1 = 999999$$

484. (a) If $n + \frac{1}{n} = c + \frac{1}{c}$

go through the option

$$\text{put } n = c, \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\text{if } n = c$$

$$c + \frac{1}{c} = \text{satisfied}$$

$$\text{if } n = \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\text{then } n + \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{c}} = \frac{1}{c} + c \text{ satisfied}$$

485. (c) We no. are a, b

$$a^2 + b^2 = 41$$

$$a + b = 9$$

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$$

$$a^2 = 41 + 2ab$$

$$81 = 41 + 2ab$$

$$a.b = 20$$

$$\text{take } a = 5$$

$$b = 4$$

$$a^3 + b^3 = 5^3 + 4^3$$

$$= 125 + 64 = 189$$

486. (d) $(x^4 + 64)$

$$= x^4 + 8^2 + 2.x^2.8 - 2x^2.8$$

$$= (x^2 + 8)^2 - (16x^2)$$

$$= (x^2 + 8)^2 - (4x)^2$$

$$= (x^2 + 8 + 4x)(x^2 + 8 - 4x)$$

487. (d) If $a+b = 1$

$$a^4 + b^4 - a^3 - b^3 - 2a^2b^2 + ab$$

$$(a+b) = 1$$

$$(a+b)^3 = 1$$

$$a^3 + b^3 + 3ab(a+b) = 1$$

$$a^3 + b^3 + 3ab = 1$$

$$-a^3 - b^3 = -1 + 3ab$$

$$a^4 + b^4 - 2a^2b^2 - a^3 - b^3 + ab$$

$$(a^2 - b^2)^2 - 1 + 3ab + ab$$

$$((a+b)(a-b))^2 - 1 + 4ab$$

$$(a-b)^2 - 1 + 4ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 - 2ab + 4ab$$

$$a^2 + b^2 - 2ab + 4ab - 1$$

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

$$= 1 - 1 = 0$$

488. (a) $x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 5 = 4(x-y)$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 6x + 5 - 4x + 4y = 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 + y^2 + 4y + 4 = 0$$

$$(x+1)^2 + (y+2)^2 = 0$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$x+1 = 0$$

$$x = -1$$

$$y+2 = 0$$

$$y = -2$$

$$(x-y) = -1 - (-2) = -1 + 2 = 1$$

489. (c) $a = 299$

$$b = 298$$

$$c = 297$$

$$2a^3 + 2b^3 + 2c^3 - 6abc$$

$$= 2(a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc)$$

$$= 2(a+b+c)[a^2+b^2+c^2-ab-bc-ca]$$

$$= 2 \times \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)$$

$$[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$$

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

$$= (299 + 298 + 297)[(299-298)^2$$

$$+ (298-297)^2 + (297-299)^2]$$

$$= 894 \times [1^2 + 1^2 + 2^2]$$

$$894 \times [1+1+4]$$

$$= 894 \times 6 = 5364$$

490. (a) $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$

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

$$= 3\sqrt{3} - 3\sqrt{3} = 0$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$$

$$x^6 + 1 = 0$$

$$x^{18} + x^{12} + x^6 + 1$$

$$x(x^6 + 1) + (x^6 + 1)$$

$$x^{12} \times 0 + 0 = 0$$

491. (a) $x = 1 + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$

$$x - 1 = \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$$

Squaring both side

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 2 + 3 + 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 4 = 2\sqrt{6}$$

Squaring on both sides

$$(x^2 - 2x - 4)^2 = (2\sqrt{6})^2$$

$$x^4 + (2x+4)^2 - 2x^2(2x+4) = 24$$

$$x^4 - 4x^3 + 4x^2 - 8x^2 + 16x + 16 = 24$$

$$x^4 - 4x^3 - 4x^2 + 16x = 8$$

$$2x^4 - 8x^3 - 8x^2 + 32x = 16$$

$$2x^4 - 8x^3 - 5x^2 + 26x - 3(x^2 - 2x) = 16$$

$$2x^4 - 8x^3 - 5x^2 + 26x - 28 = 16 -$$

$$28 + 3(2\sqrt{6} + 4)$$

$$2x^4 - 8x^3 - 5x^2 + 26x - 28 = 16 -$$

$$28 + 12 + 6\sqrt{6}$$

$$2x^4 - 8x^3 - 5x^2 + 26x - 28 = 6\sqrt{6}$$

492. (c) $2r = h + \sqrt{r^2 + h^2}$

$$(2r-h) = \sqrt{r^2 + h^2}$$

$$(2r-h)^2 = (r^2 + h^2)^2$$

$$4r^2 + h^2 - 4rh = r^2 + h^2$$

$$3r^2 = 4rh$$

$$\frac{r}{h} = \frac{4}{3}$$

493. (b) $(ab \left(1 - \frac{2xy}{x^2 + y^2}\right) \div \left(\frac{x^3 - y^3}{x - y} - 3xy\right))$

$$= \left(\frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2xy}{x^2 + y^2}\right) \div \left[\frac{x^3 - y^3 - 3xy(x-y)}{x-y}\right]$$

$$= \frac{(x-y)^2}{x^2 + y^2} \div \frac{(x-y)^3}{x-y}$$

$$= \frac{(x-y)^2}{x^2 + y^2} \div (x-y)^2$$

$$= \frac{(x-y)^2}{x^2 + y^2} \times \frac{1}{(x-y)^2} = \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2}$$

494. (a) given $a+b+c = 0$

$$= \frac{1}{(a+b)(b+c)} + \frac{1}{(b+c)(c+a)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(c+a)(a+b)}$$

$$= \frac{(a+b) + (a+b) + (b+c)}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}$$

$$= \frac{2(a+b+c)}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)}$$

$$= \frac{2 \times 0}{(a+b)(b+c)(c+a)} = 0$$

495. (a) $x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$

$$(x+1)^2 + y^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } (x+1)^2 = 0, y^2 = 0$$

$$x = -1, y = 0$$

$$\text{Now, } x^{31} + y^{35} = (-1)^{31} + (0)^{35}$$

$$= -1$$

496. (c) $x = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1}, y = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{y} \Rightarrow xy = 1$$

$$x + y = \frac{\sqrt{5}+1}{\sqrt{5}-1} + \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{\sqrt{5}+1}$$

$$= \frac{5+1+2\sqrt{5}+5+1-2\sqrt{5}}{5-1}$$

$$x+y = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = (3)^2 - 2 = 7$$

$$\text{Now, } = \frac{x^2 + xy + y^2}{x^2 - xy + y^2}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + y^2 + xy}{x^2 + y^2 - xy} = \frac{7+1}{7-1}$$

$$= \frac{8}{6} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$497. (b) \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 3$$

$$x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{Now, } x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = (\sqrt{3})^2 + 2$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 5$$

$$\text{again } (x^2)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^3 = (5)^3 - 3 \times 5$$

$$x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6} = 125 - 15 = 110$$

$$498. (b) x^4 + 2x^3 + ax^2 + bx + 9$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{put } x &= 1 \\ &= 1 + 2 \times 1 + a + b + 9 \\ &= 1 + 2 + a + b + 9 \\ &= 13 + a + b \end{aligned}$$

To make perfect square no., value of $a + b$ must be either 3 or 13
Now, option (b) $a = 6, b = 7$,
 $a + b = 12$

makes perfect square ($25 = 5^2$)

$$499. (b) a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 25$$

$$\text{but } b = c = 0 \text{ but } y = z = 0$$

$$a = 4 \quad x = 5$$

Now,

$$ax + by + cz = 20$$

$$4 \times 5 + 0 + 0 = 20$$

$$20 = 20 \text{ (satisfy)}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{a+b+c}{x+y+z} = \frac{4+0+0}{5+0+0} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$500. (c) \frac{x+a^2+2c^2}{b+c} + \frac{x+b^2+2a^2}{c+a} +$$

$$\frac{x+c+2b^2}{a+b} = 0$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{x+a^2+2c^2}{b+c} = 0,$$

$$\frac{x+b^2+2a^2}{c+a} = 0$$

$$x = -2c^2 - a^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$x = -2a^2 - b^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\frac{x+c+2b^2}{a+b} = 0, x = -2b^2 - c \quad \dots(iii)$$

From eq (i) (ii) & (iii)

$$3x = -2c^2 - a^2 - 2a^2 - b^2 - 2b^2 - c^2$$

$$3x = -3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)$$

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

Alternate:

$$\frac{x+a^2+2c^2}{b+c} + \frac{x+b^2+2a^2}{c+a} +$$

$$\frac{x+c+2b^2}{a+b} = 0$$

$$\text{put } a = b = c = 1$$

$$\frac{x+1+2}{2} + \frac{x+1+2}{2} + \frac{x+1+2}{2} = 0$$

$$\frac{x+3+x+3+x+3}{2} = 0$$

$$3x + 9 = 0$$

$$3x = -9$$

$$x = -3$$

Now, option C

$$-[a^2 + b^2 + c^2]$$

$$= -[1+1+1] = -3 \quad \text{(satisfy)}$$

$$501. (a) a^3 = 117 + b^3, \quad a = 3 + b$$

$$a^3 - b^3 = 117 \dots(i) \quad a - b = 3 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{put } a = 5, b = 2$$

both eq satisfy

$$\text{Now, } a+b = 5+2 = 7$$

$$502. (a) a + \frac{1}{a} = -2$$

$$\text{but } a = -1$$

Now,

$$a^{1000} + a^{-1000} = a^{1000} + \frac{1}{a^{1000}}$$

$$= 1^{1000} + \frac{1}{1^{1000}} = 1 + 1 = 2$$

$$503. (a) x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 98$$

$$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 100$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 100$$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 10$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 10^3 - 3 \times 10$$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 970$$

$$504. (c) a + \frac{1}{b} = 1 \text{ and } b + \frac{1}{c} = 1$$

Let $a = 2$, and $b = -1$

$$2 + \frac{1}{-1} = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \text{ True}$$

Now find value of C

$$b + \frac{1}{c} = 1 \quad \text{(Put value of b)}$$

$$-1 + \frac{1}{c} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{c} = 2 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } c + \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$505. (b) \text{ Given } x = y + z$$

$$\therefore x - y - z = 0$$

$$\text{then } x^3 - y^3 - z^3 = 3xyz$$

$$506. (a)$$

$$\frac{1}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)} + \frac{1}{(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(1-d)(1-a)(1-b)}$$

$$= \frac{1-d+1-a+1-b+1-c}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)}$$

$$\frac{4-(a+b+c+d)}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)}$$

$$= \frac{4-4}{(1-a)(1-b)(1-c)(1-d)} = 0$$

$$507. (b) x^5 - 12x^4 + 12x^3 - 12x^2 + 12x - 1$$

$$x^5 - 11x^4 - x^4 + 11x^3 + x^3 - 11x^2 -$$

$$x^2 + 11x + x - 1$$

$$\text{Put } x = 11$$

$$= 11^5 - 11.11^4 - 11^4 + 11.11^3 +$$

$$11^3 - 11.11^2 - 11^2 + 11.11 + 11 - 1$$

$$= 11 - 1 = 10$$

$$508. (a) a = \frac{1}{a-5}$$

$$a^2 - 5a = 1$$

$$a^2 - 1 = 5a \quad \text{divide by } a$$

$$a - \frac{1}{a} = 5$$

Square on both side

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} - 2 = 25$$

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 27$$

$$a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} + 2 = 27 + 2$$

Adding 2 both side

$$\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 29$$

$$\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right) = \sqrt{29}$$

509. (c) $a + \frac{1}{b} = b + \frac{1}{c} = c + \frac{1}{a}$

Put, $a = \frac{1}{2}$, $b = 2$, $c = -1$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 2 - 1 = -1 + 2$$

$$1 = 1 = 1$$

$$abc = -\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times -1$$

$$\boxed{abc = -1}$$

again put

$$a = -\frac{1}{2}, b = -2, c = 1$$

$$a + \frac{1}{b} = b + \frac{1}{c} + c + \frac{1}{a}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = -2 + 1 = 1 - 2$$

$$-1 = -1 = -1$$

equation satisfied

$$abc = -\frac{1}{2} \times -2 \times 1 = 1$$

So abc can be -1 and +1.

510. (a) $ax + by = 1$

$$bx + ay = \frac{2ab}{a^2 + b^2}$$

Let, $a = b = 1$

then,

$$x + y = 1$$

.....(i)

$$x + y = \frac{2 \times 1 \times 1}{1 + 1} = 1$$

...(ii)

Now put

$$x = y = \frac{1}{2} \text{ in eq. (i) and (ii)}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

and equation (ii)

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

Value of $(x^2 + y^2)(a^2 + b^2)$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 (1 + 1)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\right) \times 2 = \frac{2}{4} \times 2 = 1$$

511. (a) $a^3 - 7a - 6$

$$(a+1)(a^2 - a - 6)$$

$$(a+1)(a+2)(a-3)$$

now,

sum of factors

$$(a+1) + a + 2 + a - 3 = 3a$$



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