

Theory of Equations Part 2

Long Answer Questions:

1. If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$, then find the equation whose roots are $\alpha^2 + \beta^2, \beta^2 + \gamma^2, \gamma^2 + \alpha^2$

Sol: 1st Method

Let α, β, γ are the roots of the equation

$$x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 6, \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = 11$$

$$\text{Let } y = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 - \gamma^2$$

$$= (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 - 2(\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha) - \gamma^2$$

$$= 36 - 22 - \gamma^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma^2 = 14 - y$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma = \sqrt{14 - y}$$

Substitute $x = \sqrt{14 - y}$ in $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{14 - y})^3 - 6(\sqrt{14 - y})^2 + 11(\sqrt{14 - y}) - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (14 - y)\sqrt{14 - y} - 6(14 - y) + 11\sqrt{14 - y} - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -6(14 - y + 1) = \sqrt{14 - y}[-11 - 14 + y]$$

$$\Rightarrow -6(15 - y) = (\sqrt{14 - y})(y - 25)$$

Squaring on both sides

$$\text{i.e., } [-6(15 - y)]^2 = [\sqrt{14 - y}(y - 25)]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 36(225 - 30y + y^2)$$

$$= (14 - y)(y^2 - 50y + 625)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1800 - 1080y + 36y^2$$

$$= 14y^2 - 700y + 8750 - y^3 + 50y^2 - 625y$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 - 28y^2 + 245y - 650 = 0$$

Sol: 2nd Method

Let α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$

It is an odd degree reciprocal equation of class two.

$\therefore x - 1$ is a factor of $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$

$$x = 1 \begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & -6 & 11 & -6 \\ & 0 & 1 & -5 & 6 \\ \hline & 1 & -5 & 6 & \underline{0} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = (x - 1)(x^2 - 5x + 6)$$

$$= (x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)$$

\therefore The roots of $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6 = 0$ are

$$\alpha = 1, \beta = 2, \gamma = 3$$

$$\text{Now } \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1 + 2^2 = 5$$

$$\beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 2^2 + 3^2 = 13$$

$$\gamma^2 + \alpha^2 = 3^2 + 1^2 = 10$$

Therefore the cubic equation with roots

$$\alpha^2 + \beta^2, \beta^2 + \gamma^2, \gamma^2 + \alpha^2 \text{ is}$$

$$(x - 5)(x - 13)(x - 10) = 0$$

$$x^3 - (5 + 13 + 10)x^2 + (65 + 130 + 50)x - 650 = 0$$

$$\text{(i.e.,)} \quad x^3 - 28x^2 + 245x - 650 = 0$$

2. If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$, then find the equation whose roots are $(\alpha - \beta)^2, (\beta - \gamma)^2, (\gamma - \alpha)^2$

Sol: 1st Method

Let α, β, γ are the roots of the equation

$$x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0, \alpha\beta\gamma = -6$$

$$\text{Let } y = (\alpha - \beta)^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta$$

$$= (-\gamma)^2 - 4\left(\frac{6}{\gamma}\right)$$

$$= \gamma^2 + \frac{24}{\gamma} = x^2 + \frac{24}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow xy = x^3 + 24$$

$$\Rightarrow xy = 7x - 6 + 24 \text{ [From (1)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(y - 7) = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{18}{y - 7}$$

Substitution $x = \frac{18}{y - 7}$ in $x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$

$$\left(\frac{18}{y - 7}\right)^3 - 7\left(\frac{18}{y - 7}\right) + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (18)^3 - 7(18)(y - 7)^2 + 6(y - 7)^3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5832 - 126(y^2 - 14y + 49) + 6(y^3 - 21y^2 + 147y - 343) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^3 - 42y^2 + 441y - 400 = 0$$

\therefore The equation with roots

$$\therefore (\alpha - \beta)^2, (\beta - \gamma)^2, (\gamma - \alpha)^2 \text{ is } x^3 - 42x^2 + 441x - 400 = 0$$

Sol: 2nd Method

α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$

By trial and error method $x = 1$ satisfy this equation.

$\therefore x - 1$ is a factor of $x^3 - 7x + 6$

$$x = 1 \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -7 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -6 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & -6 & 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 7x + 6 = (x - 1)(x^2 + x - 6)$$

$$= (x - 1)(x + 3)(x - 2)$$

$\therefore \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ are the roots of $x^3 - 7x + 6 = 0$

$$\alpha = 1, \beta = -3, \gamma = 2$$

$$\text{Now } (\alpha - \beta)^2 = [1 - (-3)]^2 = (4)^2 = 16$$

$$(\beta - \gamma)^2 = [-3 - 2]^2 = 25$$

$$(\gamma - \alpha)^2 = [2 - 1]^2 = 1$$

\therefore The cubic equation whose roots are

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2, (\beta - \gamma)^2, (\gamma - \alpha)^2, \text{ is}$$

$$(x - 16)(x - 25)(x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - (16 + 25 + 1)x^2 + (400 + 25 + 16)x - 400 = 0$$

$$x^3 - 42x^2 + 441x - 400 = 0$$

3. If α, β, γ are the roots of the equation $x^3 - 3ax + b = 0$, then prove that $\Sigma(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha - \gamma) = 9a$.

Sol: Given α, β, γ are the roots of

$$x^3 - 3ax + b = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta + \gamma = 0, \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = -3a, \alpha\beta\gamma = -b \text{ Now } \Sigma(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha - \gamma) =$$

$$= \Sigma[\alpha^2 - \alpha\beta - \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma]$$

$$= (\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2) - (\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)$$

$$= (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 - 3(\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)$$

$$= 0 - 3(-3a)$$

$$= 9a$$

$$\therefore \Sigma(\alpha - \beta)(\alpha - \gamma) = 9a$$

4. Solve $x^4 + x^3 - 16x^2 - 4x + 48 = 0$, given that the product of two of the roots is 6

Sol: Suppose $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are the roots of $x^4 + x^3 - 16x^2 - 4x + 48 = 0$ ----- (1)

$$\text{Sum of the roots } \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = -1 \text{ and product of the roots } = \alpha\beta\gamma\delta = 48$$

\therefore Product of two roots is 6

$$\text{Let } \alpha\beta = 6$$

$$\text{From (1) } \gamma\delta = \frac{48}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{48}{6} = 8$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha + \beta = p \text{ and } \gamma + \delta = q$$

The equation having roots α, β is

$$x^2 + (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } x^2 - px + 6 = 0 \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

The equation having the roots γ, δ is

$$x^2 - (\gamma + \delta)x + \gamma\delta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } x^2 - qx + 8 = 0 \quad \text{----- (3)}$$

\therefore From (1), (2) and (3)

$$x^4 + x^3 - 16x^2 - 4x + 48$$

$$= (x^2 - px + 6)(x^2 - qx + 8)$$

$$= x^4 - (p + q)x^3 + (pq + 14)x^2 - (8p + 86q)x + 48$$

Comparing the like terms

$$p + q = -q, 8p + 6q = 4$$

$$\text{i.e., } 4p + 3q = 2$$

Solving $4p + 4 = -4$

$$4p + 3q = 2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} - \quad - \quad - \\ \hline q = -6 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore p = -1 + 6 = 5$$

Substitute the value of p in eq (2)

$$x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2, 3$$

Substitute, the value of q in eq(3)

$$x^2 + 6x + 8 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2, -4$$

\therefore The roots of the given

Equation are $-4, -2, 2, 3$

5. Solve $8x^4 - 2x^3 - 27x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$ given that two roots have the same absolute value, but are opposite in signs

Sol: Suppose $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are the roots of the equation

$$8x^4 - 2x^3 - 27x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } x^4 - \frac{1}{4}x^3 - \frac{27}{8}x^2 + \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{9}{8} = 0 \text{ -----(1)}$$

Sum of the root $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = \frac{1}{4}$ and

Product of the roots $\alpha\beta\gamma\delta = \frac{9}{8}$

Given $\beta = -\alpha \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 0$

$$\therefore 0 + \gamma + \delta = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \gamma + \delta = \frac{1}{4}$$

Let $\alpha\beta = p, \gamma\delta = q$, so that $pq = \frac{9}{8}$

The equation having the roots

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

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

The equation having the roots

$$\gamma, \delta \text{ is } x^2 - (\gamma + \delta)x + \gamma\delta = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } x^2 - \frac{1}{4}x + q = 0$$

From (1), (2) and (3)

$$x^4 - \frac{1}{4}x^3 - \frac{27}{8}x^2 + \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{9}{8} = (x^2 + p)$$

$$\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{4}x + q \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 - \frac{1}{4}x^3 + (p + q)x^2 - \frac{p}{4}x + pq$$

Comparing the coefficients of x and constants

$$\frac{-p}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \Rightarrow p = -3$$

$$pq = \frac{9}{8} \Rightarrow q = \frac{9}{8} \times \frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-3}{8}$$

Substitute the value of p in eq----- (2)

$$x^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{3}$$

Substitute the value of q in eq----- (3)

$$x^2 - \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{3}{8} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x+1)(4x-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}$$

∴ The roots of the given equation are

$$-\sqrt{3}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \sqrt{3}$$

6. Solve $18x^3 + 81x^2 + 21x + 60 = 0$ given that one root is equal to half the sum of the remaining roots.

Sol: Suppose α, β, γ are the roots of

$$18x^3 + 81x^2 + 21x + 60 = 0$$

$$\text{Sum } \alpha + \beta + \gamma = \frac{-81}{18} = \frac{-9}{2} \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

$$\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = \frac{21}{18} \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = \frac{-60}{18} = \frac{-10}{3} \quad \text{----- (3)}$$

∴ One root is equal to half of the sum of the remaining two

$$\text{Let } \alpha = \frac{1}{2}(\beta + \gamma)$$

Substitute in (1)

$$\alpha + 2\alpha = -\frac{9}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{-3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \beta + \gamma = 2\alpha = 2\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = -3$$

From (3)

$$\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)(\beta\gamma) = \frac{-10}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta\gamma = \frac{20}{9}$$

$$\therefore (\beta - \gamma)^2 = (\beta + \gamma)^2 - 4\beta\gamma$$

$$= (-3)^2 - 4\left(\frac{20}{9}\right) = \frac{81 - 80}{9} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\therefore \beta - \gamma = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\underline{\beta + \gamma = -3}$$

$$\text{Add } 2\beta = \frac{1}{3} - 3 = \frac{-8}{3} \Rightarrow \beta = \frac{-4}{3}, \gamma = \frac{-5}{3}$$

\therefore The roots of the given equation are

$$\frac{-3}{2}, \frac{-4}{3} \text{ and } \frac{-5}{3}$$

7. Find the condition in order that the equation $ax^4 + 4bx^3 + 6cx^2 + 4dx + c = 0$ may have a pair of equal roots

Sol: Let $\alpha, \alpha, \beta, \beta$ are the roots of the equation $ax^4 + 4bx^3 + 6cx^2 + 4dx + e = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 + \frac{4b}{a}x^3 + \frac{6c}{a}x^2 + \frac{4d}{a}x + \frac{e}{a} = 0$$

$$\text{Sum of the roots, } 2(\alpha + \beta) = -\frac{4b}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = -\frac{2b}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha\beta = k(\text{say})$$

Equation having roots α, β is

$$x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{2b}{a}x + k = 0$$

$$\therefore x^4 + \frac{4b}{a}x^3 + \frac{6c}{a}x^2 + \frac{4d}{a}x + \frac{e}{a}$$

$$= \left(x^2 + \frac{2b}{a}x + k \right)^2$$

$$= x^4 + \frac{4b}{a}x^3 + \left(\frac{4b^2}{a^2} + 2k \right)x^2 + \frac{4bk}{a}x + k^2$$

Comparing the coefficient of x

$$\frac{4d}{a} = \frac{4bk}{a} \Rightarrow k = \frac{d}{b}$$

Comparing the coefficient of x^2 ,

$$\frac{6c}{a} = \frac{4b^2}{a^2} + 2k$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6c}{a} = \frac{4b^2}{a^2} + \frac{2d}{b} \Rightarrow 6abc = 4b^3 + 2a^2d$$

$$\therefore 3abc = 2b^3 + a^2d$$

Comparing the constant terms

$$k^2 = \frac{e}{a} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2}{b^2} = \frac{e}{a} \Rightarrow ad^2 = eb^2$$

\therefore The required conditions are

$$3abc = 2b^3 + a^2d, ad^2 = eb^2$$

8. (i) Show that $x^5 - 5x^3 + 5x^2 - 1 = 0$ has three equal roots and find this root.

Sol: Let $f(x) = x^5 - 5x^3 + 5x^2 - 1$

$$f'(x) = 5x^4 - 15x^2 + 10x$$

$$= 5x(x^3 - 3x + 2)$$

$$f'(1) = 5(1)(1 - 3 + 2) = 0$$

$$f(1) = 1 - 5 + 5 - 1 = 0$$

$x - 1$ is a factor of $f'(x)$ and $f(x)$

$\therefore 1$ is a repeated root of $f(x)$

1	1	0	-5	5	0	-1	
	-	1	1	-4	1	1	
		1	1	-4	1	1	0
-1		-	1	2	-2	-1	
		1	2	-2	-1		0

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

$\Rightarrow 1$ is a root of above equation

(\because Sum of the coefficients is zero)

$\therefore 1$ is the required root

(ii) Find the repeated roots of $x^5 - 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 27x^2 - 32x + 12 = 0$

Sol: Let $f(x) = x^5 - 3x^4 - 5x^3 + 27x^2 - 32x + 12$

$$f'(x) = 5x^4 - 12x^3 - 15x^2 + 54x - 32$$

$$f'(2) = 5(2)^4 - 12(2)^3 - 15(2)^2 + 54(2) - 32$$

$$= 80 - 96 - 60 + 108 - 32 = 0$$

$$f(2) = (2)^5 - 3(2)^4 - 5(2)^3 + 27(2)^2 - 32(2) + 12$$

$$= 32 - 48 - 40 + 108 - 64 + 12$$

$$= 152 - 152 = 0$$

$\therefore x - 2$ is a common factor of $f'(x)$ and $f(x)$ 2 is a multiple root of $f(x) = 0$

	1	-3	-5	27	-32	12	
2	-	2	-2	-14	26	-12	
	1	-1	-7	13	-6	0	
2	-	2	2	-10	6		
	1	1	-5	3	0		

$$\text{Let } g(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 3$$

$$g'(x) = 3x^2 + 2x - 5 = (3x + 5)(x - 1)$$

$$g(1) = 1 + 1 - 5 + 3 = 0$$

$\therefore x - 1$ is a common factor of $g'(x)$ and $g(x)$

$\therefore 1$ is a multiple root of $g(x) = 0$

1	1	-5	3	
1	-	1	2	-3
	1	2	-3	0
1	-	1	3	
	1	3		0

$$x + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -3$$

\therefore The roots are 2, 2, 1, 1, -3

9. Solve the equation $8x^3 - 20x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$ given that the equation has multiple roots.

Sol: Given equation $8x^3 - 20x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0 \dots(1)$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = 8x^3 - 20x^2 + 6x + 9$$

$$= 2(12x^2 - 20x + 3)$$

$$= 2(2x - 3)(6x - 1)$$

$$f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 8\left(\frac{27}{8}\right) - 20\left(\frac{9}{4}\right) + 6\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + 9$$

$$= 27 - 45 + 9 + 9 = 0$$

$$\therefore f\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 0$$

$\therefore f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ has a common factor $2x - 3$.

$\therefore 3/2$ is a multiple root of $f(x) = 0$.

By synthetic division,

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} \frac{3}{2} & 8 & -20 & 6 & 9 \\ & 0 & 12 & -12 & -9 \\ \hline \frac{3}{2} & 8 & -8 & -6 & 0 \\ & 0 & 12 & 6 & \\ \hline & 8 & 4 & 0 & \end{array}$$

$$\therefore 8x^3 - 20x^2 + 6x + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 (8x + 4) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2} \text{ or } x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

\therefore The roots of given equation are $-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}$.

10. Find the polynomial equation whose roots are translates of those of the equation

$$x^4 - 5x^3 + 7x^2 - 17x + 11 = 0 \text{ by } -2$$

Sol: Given equation is

$$f(x) = x^4 - 5x^3 + 7x^2 - 17x + 11 = 0$$

The required equation is $f(x+2) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} (x+2)^4 - 5(x+2)^3 + 7(x+2)^2 \\ - 17(x+2) + 11 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrrr} 2 & 1 & -5 & 7 & -17 & 11 \\ & 0 & 2 & -6 & 2 & -30 \\ \hline & 1 & -3 & 1 & -15 & -19 \\ & 0 & 2 & -2 & -2 & A_4 \\ \hline & 1 & -1 & -1 & -17 & \\ & 0 & 2 & 2 & A_3 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & 1 & & \\ & 0 & 2 & A_2 \\ \hline & 1 & 3 & & & \\ A_0 & A_1 & & & & \end{array}$$

Required equation is $x^4 + 3x^2 + x^2 - 17x - 19 = 0$

11. Find the polynomial equation whose roots are the translates of those of

$$x^5 - 4x^4 + 3x^2 - 4x + 6 = 0 \text{ by } -3$$

Sol: Given equation is

$$f(x) = x^5 - 4x^4 + 3x^2 - 4x + 6 = 0$$

Required equation is $f(x+3) = 0$

$$(x+3)^5 - 4(x+3)^4 + 3(x+3)^2$$

$$-4(x+3) + 6 = 0$$

3	1	-4	0	3	-4	6	
	0	3	-3	-9	-18	-66	
	1	-1	-3	-6	-22	-60	
	0	3	6	9	9	A_5	
	1	2	3	3		-13	
	0	3	15	54		A_4	
	1	5	18			57	
	0	3	24			A_3	
	1	8				42	
	0	3				A_2	
	1					11	
	A_0	A_1					

Required equation is

$$x^5 + 11x^4 + 42x^3 + 57x^2 - 13x - 60 = 0$$

12. Find the polynomial equation whose roots are the translates of the roots of the equation

$$x^4 - x^3 - 10x^2 + 4x + 24 = 0 \text{ by } 2$$

Sol: Given $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 10x^2 + 4x + 24 = 0$

Required equation is $f(x-2) = 0$

$$(x-2)^4 + (x-2)^3 - 10(x-2)^2$$

-2	1	-1	-10	4	24	
	0	-2	6	8	-24	
	1	-3	-4	12	0	A_4
	0	-2	10	-12		
	1	-5	6	0		A_3
	0	-2	14			
	1	-7	20			
	0	-2				A_2
	1	-9				
	A_0	A_1				

Required equation is

$$x^4 - 9x^3 + 20x^2 = 0$$

13. Find the polynomial equation whose roots are the translates of the equation

$$3x^5 + 5x^3 + 7 = 0 \text{ by } 4$$

Sol: Given $f(x) = 3x^5 - 5x^3 + 7 = 0$

Required equation is $f(x-4) = 0$

$$3(x-4)^5 - 5(x-4)^3 + 7 = 0$$

-4	3	0	-5	0	0	7
	0	-12	48	-172	688	-2752
	3	-12	43	-172	688	-2745
	0	-12	96	-556	2912	A_5
	3	-24	139	-728	3600	
	0	-12	144	-1132	A_4	
	3	-36	283	-1860		
	0	-12	192	A_3		
	3	-48	475			
	0	-12	A_2			
	3	60				
	A_0	A_1				

Required equation is $x^5 - 60x^4 + 475x^3$

$$-1860x^2 + 3600x - 2745 = 0$$

14. Transform each of the following equations into ones in which of the coefficients of the second highest power of x is zero and also find their transformed equations.

(i) $x^3 - 6x^2 + 10x - 3 = 0$

Sol: Given equation is $x^3 - 6x^2 + 10x - 3 = 0$

To remove the second term diminish the roots

By $-\frac{a_1}{na_0} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$

2	1	-6	10	-3
	0	2	-8	+4
	1	-4	2	+1
	0	2	-4	A_3
	1	-2	-2	
	0	+2	A_2	
	1	0		
	A_0	A_1		

Required equation is $x^3 - 2x + 1 = 0$

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

Sol: Given equation is $x^4 + 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 4x - 2 = 0$

Diminishing the roots by $-\frac{a_1}{na_0} = \frac{-4}{4} = -1$

-1	1	4	2	-4	-2	
	0	-1	-3	1	3	
	1	3	-1	-3	1	
	0	-1	-2	3		A_4
	1	2	-3		0	
	0	-1	-1			A_3
	1	1	-4			
	0	-1				A_2
	1	0				
	A_0	A_1				

Required equation is $x^4 - 4x^2 + 1 = 0$

(iii) $x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x - 7 = 0$

Sol: Given equation is $x^3 - 6x^2 + 4x - 7 = 0$

Diminishing the roots by $-\frac{a_1}{na_0} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$

2	1	-6	4	-7	
	0	2	-8	-8	
	1	-4	-4	-15	
	0	2	-4		A_3
	1	-2	-8		
	0	2			A_2
	1	0			
	A_0	A_1			

Required equation is $x^3 - 8x - 15 = 0$

(iv) $x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$

Sol: Given equation is $x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$

To remove the second term diminish the roots by

-2	1	6	4	4	
	0	-2	-8	8	
	1	4	-4	12	
	0	-2	-4		A_3
	1	-2	-8		
	0	-2			A_2
	1	0			
	A_0	A_1			

Required equation is $x^3 - 8x + 12 = 0$

15. Transform each of the following equations into ones in which the coefficients of the third highest power of x is zero

(i) $x^4 + 2x^3 - 12x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$

Hint: To remove the rth term in an equation $f(x) = 0$ of degree n diminish the roots by 'h' such that $f^{(n-r+1)}(h) = 0$

Sol: Let $f(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 12x^2 + 2x - 1$

To remove the 3rd term, diminish the roots by h such that $f'(h) = 0$

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + 6x^2 - 24x + 2$$

$$f'(x) = 12x^2 + 12x - 24$$

$$f''(h) = 0 \Rightarrow 12h^2 + 12h - 24 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow h = -2 \text{ or } 1$$

Case (i):

$h = -2$	1	2	-12	2	-1
	-	-2	0	24	-52
	1	0	-12	26	-53
	-	-2	4	16	
	1	-2	-8	42	
	-	-2	8		
	1	-4	0		
	-	-2			
	1	-6			

Transformed equation is

$$x^4 - 6x^3 + 42x - 53 = 0$$

Case (ii):

$h = 1$	1	2	-12	2	-1
	-	1	3	-9	-7
	1	3	9	-7	-8
	-	1	4	-5	
	1	4	-5	-12	
	-	1	5		
	1	5	0		
	-	1			
	1	6			

Transformed equation is

$$x^4 - 6x^3 - 12x - 8 = 0$$

\therefore The required equation is

$$x^4 - 6x^3 + 42x - 53 = 0$$

Or $x^4 + 6x^3 - 12x - 8 = 0$

(ii) $x^3 + 2x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

Sol: Let $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + x + 1$

To remove the 3rd terms, diminish the roots by h such that

$f'(h) = 0, f'(x) = 3x^2 + 4x + 1, f(h) = 0 \Rightarrow 3h^2 + 4h + 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (3h + 1)(h + 1) \Rightarrow h = 1, -\frac{1}{3}$

Case (i):

$h = -1$	1	2	-1	1
	-	-1	-1	0
	1	1	0	1
	-	-1	0	
	1	0	0	
	-	-1		
	1	-1		

Transformed equation is $x^3 - x^2 + 1 = 0$

Case (ii)

$h = -\frac{1}{3}$	1	2	1	1
	-	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{5}{9}$	$-\frac{4}{27}$
	1	$\frac{5}{3}$	$\frac{4}{9}$	$\frac{23}{27}$
	-	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{4}{9}$	
	1	$\frac{4}{3}$	0	
	-	$-\frac{1}{3}$		
	1	1		

Transformed equation is $x^3 + x^2 + \frac{23}{27} = 0$

$\Rightarrow 27x^3 + 27x^2 + 23 = 0$

∴ The required equation is $x^3 - x^2 + 1 = 0$ or $27x^3 + 27x^2 + 23 = 0$

16. Solve the following equations

(i) $x^4 - 10x^3 + 26x^2 - 10x + 1 = 0$

Sol: This is standard reciprocal equation

Dividing with x^2

$$x^2 - 10x + 26 - \frac{10}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$$

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - 10\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 26 = 0 \dots\dots(1)$$

Put $a = x + \frac{1}{x}$

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

Substituting in (1)

$$a^2 - 2 - 10a + 26 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 10a + 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 4)(a - 6) = 0$$

$$a = 4 \text{ or } 6$$

Case (i) a = 4

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16-4}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$= 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

Case (ii) $a = 6$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = 6$$

$$x^2 + 1 = 6x$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36-4}}{2} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{32}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{2(3 \pm 2\sqrt{2})}{2} = 3 \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

\therefore The roots are $3 \pm 2\sqrt{2}, 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$

(ii) $2x^5 + x^4 - 12x^3 - 12x^2 + x + 2 = 0$

Sol: Given $f(x)$

$$= 2x^5 + x^4 - 12x^3 - 12x^2 + x + 2 = 0$$

This is an odd degree reciprocal equation of first type.

$\therefore -1$ is a root

Dividing $f(x)$ with $x + 1$

$x = -1$	2	1	-12	-12	1	2
	0	-2	1	11	1	-2
	2	-1	-11	-1	2	0

Dividing $f(x)$ by $(x+1)$ we get

$$24x^4 - x^3 - 11x^2 - x + 2 = 0$$

Dividing by x^2

$$2x^2 - x - 11 - \frac{1}{x} + \frac{2}{x^2} = 0$$

$$2\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 11 = 0 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

Put $a = x + \frac{1}{x}$ so that $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = a^2 - 2$

Substituting in (1), request equation is

$$2(a^2 - 2) - a - 11 = 0$$

$$2a^2 - 4 - a - 11 = 0$$

$$2a^2 - a - 15 = 0$$

$$(a - 3)(2a + 5) = 0$$

$$a = 3 \text{ or } -\frac{5}{2}$$

Case (i) $a = 3$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = 3x$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Case (ii) $a = -\frac{5}{2}$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2 = -5x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x+1)(x+2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}, -2$$

$$\therefore \text{The roots are } -1, -\frac{1}{2}, -2, \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

17. If α, β, γ are the roots of $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$, then form the cubic equation whose roots are $\alpha(\beta + \gamma), \beta(\gamma + \alpha), \gamma(\alpha + \beta)$

Sol: Let α, β, γ be the roots of the given equation,

$$\text{We have, } \alpha + \beta + \gamma = -p, \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = q$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = -r$$

$$\text{Let } y = \alpha(\beta + \gamma)$$

$$= \alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \gamma\beta - \beta\gamma$$

$$y = q - \frac{\alpha\beta\gamma}{\alpha}$$

$$y = q + \frac{r}{\alpha} \Rightarrow y\alpha = q\alpha + r$$

$$\alpha(y - q) = r \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{r}{y - q}$$

Since ' α ' be the roots of $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$

$$\frac{r^3}{(y - q)^3} + p\left(\frac{r^2}{y - q}\right)^2 + q\left(\frac{r}{y - q}\right) + r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r^3 + pr^2(y - p) + qr(y - q)^2 + (y - q)^3 r = 0$$

$$r^3 + pr^2y - pr^2q + qr(y^2 + q^2 - 2qy) + r(y^3 - q^3 - 3y^2q + 3yq^2) = 0$$

$$r^3 + pr^2y - pr^2q + qry^2 + q^3r - 2q^2ry + ry^3 - rq^3 - 3y^2qr + 3yq^2r = 0$$

$$r(y^3 + r^2 + p^2rq + qy^2 + q^3 - 2q^2y) - q^3 - 3y^2q + 3yq^2 = 0$$

$$y^3 - 2qy^2 + y(pr - q^2) - p^2rq + r^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 2qx^2 + (q^2 + pr)x - r(pq - r) = 0$$

18. Given that the sum of two roots of $x^4 - 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x - 21 = 0$ is zero, find the roots of the equation

Sol: Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are the roots of given equation, since sum of two is zero

$$\alpha + \beta = 0$$

$$\text{Now } \alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 2 \Rightarrow \gamma + \delta = 2$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha\beta = p, \gamma\delta = q$$

The equation having the roots α, β is

$$x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 + p = 0$$

The equation having the roots γ, δ is

$$x^2 - (\gamma + \delta)x + \gamma\delta = 0$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 2x + q = 0$$

$$\therefore x^4 - 2x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x - 21$$

$$= (x^2 + p)(x^2 - 2x + q)$$

$$= x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2(p + q) - 2px + pq$$

Comparing the like terms

$$p + q = 4, -2p = 6$$

$$-3 + q = 4 \quad p = -3$$

$$q = 7$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \pm\sqrt{3} \text{ and } x^2 - 2x + 7 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 28}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2 \pm 2\sqrt{6}i}{2}$$

$$= 1 \pm \sqrt{6}i$$

$$\therefore \text{Roots are } -\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{3}, 1 - i\sqrt{6} \text{ and } 1 + i\sqrt{6}$$

19. Solve $x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x^2 + 5x - 6 = 0$ given that the product of two of its roots is 3

Sol: Let $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ be the root of the given equation

$$\text{Product of the roots } \alpha\beta\gamma\delta = -6$$

$$\text{Given } \alpha\beta = 3 (\because \text{Products of two roots is 3})$$

$$\therefore \alpha\beta\gamma\delta = -6$$

$$\gamma\delta = -2$$

Let $\alpha + \beta = p, \gamma + \delta = q$

The equation having the roots α, β is

$$x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$

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

The equation having the root γ, δ is

$$x^2 - (\gamma + \delta)x + \gamma\delta = 0 \quad x^2 - qx - 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x^2 + 5x - 6$$

$$= (x^2 - px + 3)(x^2 - qx - 2)$$

$$= x^4 - (p + q)x^3 + (1 + pq)x^2$$

$$+ (2p - 3q)x - 6$$

Comparing the like terms,

$$p + q = 5, 2p - 3q = 5$$

$$\therefore 2p - 3q = 5$$

$$3p + 3q = 15$$

$$5p = 20 \Rightarrow p = 4$$

$$\therefore p = 1$$

Now $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow (x - 3)(x - 1) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1, 3$$

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

$$\Rightarrow x = -1, 2$$

∴ The roots are -1, 2, 1, 3

20. Solve $x^4 + 4x^3 - 2x^2 - 12x + 9 = 0$. Given that it has two pairs of equal roots

Sol: Given equation is

$$x^4 + 4x^3 - 2x^2 - 12x + 9 = 0$$

Let the roots be $\alpha, \alpha, \beta, \beta$

Sum of the roots, $2(\alpha + \beta)$

$$= -4 \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = -2$$

Let $\alpha\beta = p$

The equation having root α, β is

$$x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$

i.e., $x^2 + 2x + p = 0$

$$\therefore x^4 + 4x^3 - 2x^2 - 12x + 9$$

$$= [x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta]^2$$

$$= x^4 + 4x^3 + (2p + 4)x^2 + 4px + p^2$$

Comparing coefficients of x on both sides

$$4p = -12 \Rightarrow p = -3$$

$$x^2 + 2x + p = 0$$

$$\therefore x^4 + 4x^3 + (2p + 4)x^2 + 4px + p^2$$

Comparing coefficients of x on both sides

$$4p = -12 \Rightarrow p = -3$$

$$x^2 + 2x + p = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+3)(x-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3, 1$$

∴ The roots of the given equation are $-3, -3, 1, 1$

21. Solve $6x^4 - 13x^3 - 35x^2 - x + 3 = 0$ **given that one of its root is** $2 + \sqrt{3}$

Sol: $2 + \sqrt{3}$ is a root $\Rightarrow 2 - \sqrt{3}$ is also a root

The equation having roots

$$2 \pm \sqrt{3} \text{ is } x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

∴ $x^2 - 4x + 1$ is a factor of

$$6x^4 - 13x^3 - 53x^2 - x + 3 = 0$$

	6	-13	-35	-1	3
4	-	24	44	12	-
-1	-	-	-6	-11	-3
	6	11	3	0	0

$$6x^2 + 11x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 + 9x + 2x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x(2x + 3) + 1(2x + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (3x + 1)(2x + 3) = 0$$

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

∴ The roots of the given equation are $-\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{3}{2}, 2 \pm \sqrt{3}$

- 22. Find the polynomial equation of degree 4 whose roots are the negatives root of**
 $x^4 - 6x^3 + 7x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$

Sol: Let $f(x) \equiv x^4 - 6x^3 + 7x^2 - 2x + 1$

The required equation is $f(-x) = 0$

i.e., $(-x)^4 - 6(-x)^3 + 7(-x)^2 - 2(-x) + 1 = 0$

$\therefore x^4 + 6x^3 + 7x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$

- 25. Find the algebraic equation of the degree 4 whose roots are 3 times the roots of the equation**

$$6x^4 - 7x^3 + 8x^2 - 7x + 2 = 0$$

Sol: Let $f(x) \equiv 6x^4 - 7x^3 + 8x^2 - 7x + 2$

The required equation is $f\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) = 0$

i.e., $6\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^4 - 7\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^3 + 8\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2 - 7\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + 2 = 0$

i.e., $\frac{6x^4}{81} - \frac{7x^3}{27} + \frac{8x^2}{9} - \frac{7x}{3} + 2 = 0$

$\therefore 6x^4 - 21x^3 + 72x^2 - 189x + 162 = 0$

- 23. Form the equation whose roots are m times the roots of the equation**

$x^3 + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x}{16} + \frac{1}{72} = 0$ and deduce the case when $m = 12$

Sol: Let $f(x) \equiv x^3 + \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{x}{16} + \frac{1}{72}$

The required equation is $f\left(\frac{x}{m}\right) = 0$

$$\text{i.e., } \left(\frac{x}{m}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{x}{m}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{16}\left(\frac{x}{m}\right) + \frac{1}{72} = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{x^3}{m^3} + \frac{x^2}{4m^2} - \frac{x}{16m} + \frac{1}{72} = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 + \frac{m}{4}x^2 - \frac{m^2}{16}x + \frac{m^2}{72} = 0$$

When $m = 12$

$$x^3 + \frac{12}{4}x^2 - \frac{144}{16}x + \frac{144 \times 12}{72} = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 + 3x^2 - 9x + 24 = 0$$

24 Find the algebraic equation of degree 5 whose roots are the translates of the root of $x^5 + 4x^3 - x^2 + 11 = 0$ by -3

Sol: Let $f(x) \equiv x^5 + 4x^3 - x^2 + 11$

The required equation is $f(x+3) = 0$

3	1	0	4	-1	0	11
	-	3	9	39	114	342
3	1	3	13	38	114	353
	-	3	18	93	393	
3	1	6	31	131		507
	-	3	27	174		
3	1	9	58		305	
	-	3	36			
3	1	12		94		
	-	3				
	1		15			

The required equation is

$$x^5 + 15x^4 + 94x^3 + 305x^2 + 507x + 353 = 0$$

25. Find the algebraic equation of degree 4 whose roots are $4x^4 + 32x^3 + 83x^2 + 76x + 21 = 0$ by 2

Sol: Let $(x) \equiv 4x^4 + 32x^3 + 83x^2 + 76x + 21$

The required equation is $f(x-2) = 0$

-2	4	32	83	76	21
	-	-8	-48	-70	-21
-2	4	24	35	6	9
	-	-8	-32	-6	
-2	4	16	3	0	
	-	-8	-16		
-2	4	8	-13		
	-	-8			
	4	0			

The required equation is

$$4x^3 - 13x^2 + 9 = 0$$

26. Find the polynomial equation whose roots are the reciprocals of the roots of the equation

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

Sol: Let $f(x) \equiv x^4 + 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 2x - 4$

The required equation is $f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$

$$\text{i.e., } \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^4 + 3\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 - 6\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - 4 = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{1}{x^4} + 3\frac{1}{x^3} - 6\frac{1}{x^2} + 2\frac{1}{x} - 4 = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } 1 + 3x - 6x^2 + 2x^3 - 4x^4 = 0$$

27. Find the polynomial equation whose roots are the squares of the roots of

$$x^3 - x^2 + 8x - 6 = 0$$

Sol: Let $f(x) \equiv x^3 - x^2 + 8x - 6$

The required equation is $f(\sqrt{x}) = 0$

$$\text{i.e., } (\sqrt{x})^3 - (\sqrt{x})^2 + 8\sqrt{x} - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x\sqrt{x} + x + 8\sqrt{x} - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{x}(x + 8) = x + 6$$

Squaring on both sides

$$\Rightarrow x(x^2 + 16x + 64) = x^2 + 12x + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + 16x^2 + 64x - x^2 - 12x - 36 = 0$$

$$\therefore x^3 + 15x^2 + 52x - 36 = 0$$

27. Solve the equation $4x^3 - 13x^2 - 13x + 4 = 0$

Sol: $4x^3 - 13x^2 - 13x + 4 = 0$ is a reciprocal equation of first class and of odd degree. Thus -1 is a root of the given equation

-1	4	-13	-13	4
	-	-4	17	-4
	4	-17	4	0

$$4x^2 - 17x + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow 4x^2 - 16x - x + 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x(x - 4) - 1(x - 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - 4)(4x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ or } \frac{1}{4}$$

∴ The roots are $-1, 4, \frac{1}{4}$

28. Solve $x^4 + x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

Sol: Given equation is $x^4 + x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 1 = 0$

This is a reciprocal equation of even degree and of first class

Given equation can be written as

$$x^2 + x - 4 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$$

$$\text{i.e., } \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) + \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 4 = 0 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$\text{Put } x + \frac{1}{x} = y \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 - 2$$

$$\therefore \text{(1) Becomes } (y^2 - 2) + (y) - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + y - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 3)(y - 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -3, 2$$

Case (i) $y = -3 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = -3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = -3x$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9-4}}{2} = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Case (ii) $y = 2 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$

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

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

$$\therefore x = 1, 1$$

$$\therefore \text{The roots are } 1, 1, \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

29. Solve $x^5 - 5x^4 + 9x^3 - 9x^2 + 5x - 1 = 0$

Sol: Given equation is $x^5 - 5x^4 + 9x^3 - 9x^2 + 5x - 1 = 0$

Is a reciprocal equation of odd degree and of class two

$\therefore 1$ is a root of the given equation

$\Rightarrow (x-1)$ is a factor of

$$x^5 - 5x^4 + 9x^3 - 9x^2 + 5x - 1 = 0$$

1	1	-5	9	-9	5	-1
	-	1	-4	5	-4	1
	1	-4	5	-4	1	0

$$x^4 + 4x^3 + 5x^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 5 - \frac{4}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - 4\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 5 = 0 \text{ -----(1)}$$

Put $x + \frac{1}{x} = y \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 - 2$

$$\therefore (1) \text{ Becomes } (y^2 - 2) - 4y + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 - 4y + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (y - 1)(y - 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 1, 3$$

Case (i) $y = 1 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 1$

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

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

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

$$\therefore x = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}i}{2}$$

Case (ii) $y = 3 \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = 3 \Rightarrow x^2 + 1 = 3x$$

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

$$\therefore x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 - 4}}{2} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

\therefore The roots of the given equation are

$$1, \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{3}i}{2}, \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

30. Solve the equation $6x^6 - 25x^5 + 31x^4 - 31x^2 + 25x - 6 = 0$

Sol: Given equation is $6x^6 - 25x^5 + 31x^4 - 31x^2 + 25x - 6 = 0$ is a reciprocal equation of second class and of even degree

$\therefore x^2 - 1$ is a factor of

$$6x^6 - 25x^5 + 31x^4 - 31x^2 + 25x - 6 = 0$$

1	6	-25	31	0	-31	25	-6
	-	6	-19	12	12	-19	6
-1	6	-19	12	12	-19	6	0
	-	-6	25	-37	25	-6	
	6	-25	37	-25	6		0

$$6x^4 - 25x^3 + 37x^2 - 25x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6x^2 - 25x + 37 - \frac{25}{x} + \frac{6}{x^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - 25\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 37 = 0 \text{----- (1)}$$

Put $x + \frac{1}{x} = y \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = y^2 - 2$

\therefore (1) Becomes $6(y^2 - 2) - 25(y) + 37 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 6y^2 - 12 - 25y + 37 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6y^2 - 25 + 25 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 6y^2 - 15y - 10y + 25 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y(2 - 5) - 5(2y - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2y - 5)(3y - 5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{3}$$

Case (i): $y = \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = \frac{5}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2 = 5x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x - 1)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{2}, 2$$

Case (ii) $y = \frac{5}{2} \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{x} = \frac{5}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 3 = 5x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 5x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 36}}{6}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{11}i}{6}$$

\therefore The roots of the given equation are

$$\pm 1, \frac{1}{2}, 2, \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{11}i}{6}$$