

HOTS (Higher Order Thinking Skills)

Que 1. If $z^2 + \frac{1}{z^2} = 14$, find the value of $z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3}$.

Sol. We have,

$$\begin{aligned}\left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)^2 &= z^2 + \frac{1}{z^2} + 2z \times \frac{1}{z} \\ \Rightarrow \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)^2 &= z^2 + \frac{1}{z^2} + 2 & \Rightarrow \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)^2 &= 14 + 2 = 16 \\ \Rightarrow \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)^2 &= 4^2 & \Rightarrow z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3} &= 4 \\ \Rightarrow \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)^3 &= 4^3 & \Rightarrow z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3} + 3 \times z \times \frac{1}{z} \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right) &= 64 \\ \Rightarrow z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3} + 3 \times 4 &= 64 & \Rightarrow z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3} &= 64 - 12 \\ \Rightarrow z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3} &= 52\end{aligned}$$

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

Sol. We have $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3$

Squaring both the sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 &= 3^2 & \Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 &= 9 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 \times x \times \frac{1}{x} &= 9 & \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 &= 9 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} &= 9 - 2 & \Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} &= 7 \\ \text{Now, } x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} &= 7 & \Rightarrow \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^2 &= 7^2 & \Rightarrow (x^2)^2 + \\ \Rightarrow x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} + 2 &= 49 & \Rightarrow x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} &= 49 - 2 & \Rightarrow x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} &= 47\end{aligned}$$

Que 3. If the polynomials $az^3 + 4z^2 + 3z - 4$ and $z^3 - 4z + a$ leave the same remainder when divided by $z - 3$, find the value of a .

Sol. Let $p(z) = az^3 + 4z^2 + 3z - 4$ and $q(z) = z^3 - 4z + a$

When $p(z)$ is divided by $z - 3$ the remainder is given by,

$$P(3) = a \times 3^3 + 4 \times 3^2 + 3 \times 3 - 4 = 27a + 36 + 9 - 4$$

$$P(3) = 27a + 41 \quad \dots(i)$$

When $q(z)$ is divided by $z - 3$ the remainder is given by,

$$q(3) = 3^3 - 4 \times 3 + a = 27 - 12 + a$$

$$q(3) = 15 + a \quad \dots(ii)$$

According to question, $p(3) = q(3)$

$$\Rightarrow 27a + 41 = 15 + a \quad \Rightarrow 27a - a = -41 + 15$$

$$26a = -26$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{-26}{26} \quad \Rightarrow a = -1$$

Que 4. If $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 34$, find $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} - 9$.

Sol. $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = 34 + 2 = 36$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 6$$

On cubing, we get

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = 6^3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = 216$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 3 \times 6 = 216 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 198$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} - 9 = 198 - 9 = 189$$