

Short Answer Type Questions – II

[3 marks]

Que 1. Find the roots of the following quadratic equation by factorisation:

(i) $\sqrt{2}x^2 + 7x + 5\sqrt{2} = 0$ (ii) $2x^2 - x + \frac{1}{8} = 0$

Sol. (i) We have, $\sqrt{2}x^2 + 7x + 5\sqrt{2} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2}x^2 + 5x + 2x + 5\sqrt{2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(\sqrt{2}x + 5) + \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2}x + 5) = 0 \Rightarrow (\sqrt{2}x + 5)(x + \sqrt{2}) = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Either } \sqrt{2}x + 5 = 0 \text{ or } x + \sqrt{2} = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ or } x = -\sqrt{2}$$

Hence, the roots are $-\frac{5}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $-\sqrt{2}$.

(ii) We have, $2x^2 - x + \frac{1}{8} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{16x^2 - 8x + 1}{8} = 0 \Rightarrow 16x^2 - 8x + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16x^2 - 4x - 4x + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow 4x(4x-1) - 1(4x-1) = 0$$

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

So, either $4x - 1 = 0$ or $4x - 1 = 0$

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

Hence, the roots of given equation are $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$.

Que 2. Find the roots of the following quadratic equation, if they exist, by the method of completing the square:

(i) $2x^2 + x - 4 = 0$ (ii) $4x^2 + 4\sqrt{3}x + 3 = 0$

Sol. (i) We have, $2x^2 + x - 4 = 0$

On dividing both sides by 2, we have

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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - 2 = 0 \quad \left[b = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (coefficient of } x) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{16} - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{16} + 2 = \frac{1+32}{16} = \frac{33}{16} > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ Roots exist.

$$\therefore x + \frac{1}{4} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{33}{16}} \Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{4} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{33}}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{33}}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad x + \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{\sqrt{33}}{4}$$

$$\therefore x - \frac{1}{4} = +\frac{\sqrt{33}}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad x - \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{\sqrt{33}}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\sqrt{33}-1}{4} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{-(\sqrt{33}+1)}{4}$$

Hence, roots of given equation are $\frac{\sqrt{33}-1}{4}$ and $\frac{-(\sqrt{33}+1)}{4}$.

(ii) We have, $4x^2 + 4\sqrt{3x} + 3 = 0$

On dividing both sides by 4, we have

$$x^2 + \sqrt{3x} + \frac{3}{4} = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + \sqrt{3x} + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{4} = 0 \Rightarrow \left(x + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 = 0 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Roots exist.} \quad \therefore (i) \Rightarrow x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

Hence, roots of given equation are $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

Que 3. Find the roots of the following quadratic equation by applying the quadratic formula.

(i) $2x^2 - 7x + 3 = 0$

(ii) $4x^2 + 4\sqrt{3x} + 3 = 0$

Sol. (i) We have, $2x^2 - 7x + 3 = 0$

Here, $a = 2$, $b = -7$ and $c = 3$

Therefore, $D = b^2 - 4ac$

$$\Rightarrow D = (-7)^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 3 = 49 - 24 = 25$$

$\therefore D > 0$, $\therefore$ roots exist.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } x &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-(-7) \pm \sqrt{25}}{2 \times 2} = \frac{7 \pm 5}{4} \\ &= \frac{7+5}{4} \text{ or } \frac{7-5}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

So, the roots of given equation are 3 and $\frac{1}{2}$.

(ii) We have, $4x^2 + 4\sqrt{3}x + 3 = 0$

Here, $a = 4$, $b = 4\sqrt{3}$ and $c = 3$

Therefore, $D = b^2 - 4ac = (4\sqrt{3})^2 - 4 \times 4 \times 3 = 48 - 48 = 0$

$\therefore D = 0$, roots exist and are equal.

Thus, $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-4\sqrt{3} \pm 0}{2 \times 4} = \frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$

Hence, the roots of given equation are $\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and $\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

Que 4. Using quadratic formula solve the following quadratic equation:

$$p^2x^2 + (p^2 - q^2)x - q^2 = 0$$

Sol. We have, $p^2x^2 + (p^2 - q^2)x - q^2 = 0$

Comparing this equation with $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, we have

$$a = p^2, b = p^2 - q^2 \text{ and } c = -q^2$$

$$\therefore D = b^2 - 4ac = (p^2 - q^2)^2 - 4 \times p^2 \times (-q^2) \\ = (p^2 - q^2)^2 + 4p^2q^2 = (p^2 + q^2)^2 > 0$$

So, the given equation has real roots given by

$$\alpha = \frac{-b + \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{(p^2 - q^2) + (p^2 + q^2)}{2p^2} = \frac{2p^2}{2p^2} = \frac{p^2}{p^2} = 1$$

and $\beta = \frac{-b - \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-(p^2 - q^2) - (p^2 + q^2)}{2p^2} = \frac{-2p^2}{2p^2} = -1$

Hence, roots are $\frac{q^2}{p^2}$ and -1 .

Que 5. Find the roots of the following equation:

$$\frac{1}{x+3} - \frac{1}{x-6} = \frac{9}{20}; x \neq -3, 6$$

Sol. Given, $\frac{1}{x+3} - \frac{1}{x-6} = \frac{9}{20}; x \neq -3, 6$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x-6) - (x+3)}{(x+3)(x-6)} = \frac{9}{20} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{-9}{(x+3)(x-6)} = \frac{9}{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+3)(x-6) = -20 \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)(x-2) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 2$$

Both $x = 1$ and $x = 2$ are satisfying the given equation. Hence, $x = 1, 2$ are the solution of the equation.

Que 6. Find the nature of the roots of the following quadratic equation. If the real roots exist, find them:

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

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

Sol. (i) We have, (i) $3x^2 - 4\sqrt{3}x + 4 = 0$

Here, $a = 3$, $b = -4\sqrt{3}$ and $c = 4$

Therefore, $D = b^2 - 4ac = (-4\sqrt{3})^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 4 = 48 - 48 = 0$

Hence, the given quadratic equation has real and equal roots.

Thus,
$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-(-4\sqrt{3}) \pm \sqrt{0}}{2 \times 3} = \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

Hence, equal roots of given equation are $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}, \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3}$.

(ii) We have, $2x^2 - 6x + 3 = 0$

Here $a = 2$, $b = -6$, $c = 3$

Therefore, $D = b^2 - 4ac$

$$= (-6)^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 3 = 36 - 24 = 12 > 0$$

Hence, given quadratic equation has real and distinct roots.

Thus,
$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{D}}{2a} = \frac{-(-6) \pm \sqrt{12}}{2 \times 2} = \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{4} = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Hence, roots of given equation are $\frac{3+\sqrt{3}}{2}$ and $\frac{3-\sqrt{3}}{2}$.

Que 7. Find the value of k for each of the following quadratic equation, so that they have two equal roots.

(i) $2x^2 + kx + 3 = 0$

(ii) $kx(x - 2) + 6 = 0$

Sol. (i) We have, $2x^2 + kx + 3 = 0$

Here, $a = 2$, $b = k$, $c = 3$

$$\therefore D = b^2 - 4ac = k^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 3 = k^2 - 24$$

For equal roots

$$D = 0 \quad \text{i.e., } k^2 - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm \sqrt{24} \quad \Rightarrow k = \pm 2\sqrt{6}$$

(ii) We have, $kx(x - 2) + 6 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad kx^2 - 2kx + 6 = 0$

Here, $a = k$, $b = -2k$, $c = 6$

For equal roots, we have

$$D = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e., } b^2 - 4ac &= 0 & \Rightarrow & (-2k)^2 - 4 \times k \times 6 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow 4k^2 - 24k &= 0 & \Rightarrow & 4k(k - 6) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Either } 4k = 0 \text{ or } k - 6 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad k = 0 \text{ or } k = 6$$

But $k \neq 0$ (because if $k = 0$ then given equation will not be a quadratic equation).

So, $k = 6$.

Que 8. If the roots of the equation $(a - b)x^2 + (b - c)x + (c - a) = 0$ are equal, prove that $2a = b + c$.

Sol. Since the equation $(a - b)x^2 + (b - c)x + (c - a) = 0$ has equal roots, therefore discriminant

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow (2a - b - c)^2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow 2a - b - c = 0 \quad \Rightarrow 2a = b + c. \quad \text{Hence proved}$$

Que 9. If the equation $(1 + m^2)x^2 + 2mcx + c^2 - a^2 = 0$ has equal root, show that $c^2 = a^2(1 + m^2)$.

Sol. The given equation is $(1 + m^2)x^2 + (2mc)x + (c^2 - a^2) = 0$

Here, $A = 1 + m^2$, $B = 2mc$ and $C = c^2 - a^2$

Since the given equation has equal roots, therefore $D = 0 \Rightarrow B^2 - 4AC = 0$.

$$\Rightarrow (2mc)^2 - 4(1 + m^2)(c^2 - a^2) = 0$$

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

$$\Rightarrow m^2c^2 - c^2 + a^2 - m^2c^2 + m^2a^2 = 0 \quad [\text{Dividing throughout by 4}]$$

$$\Rightarrow -c^2 + a^2(1 + m^2) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow c^2 = a^2(1 + m^2) \quad \text{Hence proved}$$

Que 10. If $\sin \theta$ and $\cos \theta$ are roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, prove that $a^2 - b^2 + 2ac = 0$.

$$\text{Sol. Sum of the roots} = \frac{-B}{A} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sin \theta + \cos \theta = \frac{-b}{a} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Product of the roots} = \frac{C}{A} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sin \theta \cdot \cos \theta = \frac{c}{a} \quad \dots (ii)$$

Now, we have, $\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$

$$\Rightarrow (\sin \theta + \cos \theta)^2 - 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{c}{a} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b^2}{a^2} - \frac{2c}{a} = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad b^2 - 2ac = a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - b^2 + 2ac = 0$$

Que 11. Determine the condition for one root of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ to be thrice the other.

Sol. Let the roots of the given equation be α and 3α .

$$\text{Then sum of the roots} = \alpha + 3\alpha = 4\alpha = \frac{-b}{a} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Product of the roots} = (\alpha)(3\alpha) = 3\alpha^2 = \frac{c}{a} \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{From (i), } \alpha = \frac{-b}{4a}$$

$$(ii) \Rightarrow 3\left(\frac{-b}{4a}\right)^2 = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow \frac{3b^2}{16a^2} = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3b^2 = 16ac, \text{ which is the required condition.}$$

Que 12. Solve for x : $2\left(\frac{2x-1}{x+3}\right) - 3\left(\frac{x+3}{2x-1}\right) = 5; x \neq -3, \frac{1}{2}$

$$\text{Sol.} \quad 2\left(\frac{2x-1}{x+3}\right) - 3\left(\frac{x+3}{2x-1}\right) = 5 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{4x-2}{x+3}\right) - \left(\frac{3x+9}{2x-1}\right) = 5$$

$$(4x-2)(2x-1) - (3x+9)(x+3) = 5(x+3)(2x-1)$$

$$(8x^2 - 4x - 4x + 2) - (3x^2 + 9x + 9x + 27) = 5(2x^2 - x + 6x - 3)$$

$$8x^2 - 8x + 2 - 3x^2 - 18x - 27 = 10x^2 + 25x - 15$$

$$5x^2 - 26x - 25 = 10x^2 + 25x - 15$$

$$5x^2 + 51x + 10 = 0$$

$$5x^2 + 50x + x + 10 = 0$$

$$5x(x+10) + 1(x+10) = 0$$

$$(5x+1)(x+10) = 0$$

$$5x+1 = 0 \text{ or } x+10 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{5} \text{ or } x = -10$$

Que 13. Solve the equation $\frac{4}{x} - 3 = \frac{5}{2x+3}; x \neq 0, -\frac{3}{2}$, for x ,

$$\text{Sol.} \quad \frac{4}{x} - 3 = \frac{5}{2x+3} \Rightarrow \frac{4-3x}{x} = \frac{5}{2x+3}$$

$$(4-3x)(2x+3) = 5x \Rightarrow 8x - 6x^2 + 12 - 9x = 5x$$

$$6x^2 + 6x - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

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

$$(x - 1)(x + 2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x + 2 = 0$$

$$x = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -2$$

Que 14. Solve for x: $\frac{16}{x} - 1 = \frac{15}{x+1}; x \neq 0, -1$

Sol. $\frac{16}{x} - 1 = \frac{15}{x+1} \Rightarrow \frac{16-x}{x} = \frac{15}{x+1}$

$$(16 - x)(x + 1) = 15x \Rightarrow 16x - x^2 + 16 - x = 15x$$

$$x^2 + 15x - 15x - 16 = 0 \Rightarrow x^2 = 16$$

$$x = \pm 4$$

Que 15. Solve for x. $x^2 + 5x - (a^2 + a - 6) = 0$

Sol. $x^2 + 5x - (a^2 + a - 6) = 0$

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

$$x^2 + 5x - [a(a + 3) - 2(a + 3)] = 0$$

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

$$\therefore x^2 + (a + 3)x - (a - 2)x - (a - 2)(a + 3) = 0$$

$$x[x + (a + 3)] - (a - 2)[x + (a + 3)] = 0$$

$$[x + (a + 3)][x - (a - 2)] = 0$$

$$\therefore x = -(a + 3) \quad x = (a - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -(a + 3), (a - 2)$$

Alternative method

$$x^2 + 5x - (a^2 + a - 6) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{5^2 - 4 \times 1 \times [-(a^2 + a - 6)]}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{25 - 4a^2 + 4a - 24}}{2} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{4a^2 + 4a + 1}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(2a)^2 + 2 \cdot (2a) \cdot 1 + 1^2}}{2} = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{(2a + 1)^2}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-5 \pm 2a+1}{2} = \frac{-5+2a+1}{2}, \frac{-5-2a-1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2a-4}{2}, -\frac{2a+6}{2} = (a-2), -(a+3)$$

Que 16. Solve for x : $\frac{2x}{x-3} + \frac{1}{2x+3} + \frac{3x+9}{(x-3)(2x+3)} = 0, x \neq 3, -3/2$

Sol. $\frac{2x(2x+3)+(x-3)+(3x+9)}{(x-3)(2x+3)} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(2x+3) + (x-3) + (3x+9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 10x + 6 = 0 \Rightarrow 2x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+1)(2x+3) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1, x = -\frac{3}{2}$$

But $x \neq -\frac{3}{2} \therefore x = -1$

Que 17. Solve for x : $\frac{1}{(x-1)(x-2)} + \frac{1}{(x-2)(x-3)} = \frac{2}{3}, x \neq 1, 2, 3.$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times 2(x-2) = 2(x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \Rightarrow 3 = (x-1)(x-3) \text{ i.e., } x^2 - 4x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x-4) = 0 \therefore x = 0, x = 4$$