



CLASS – IX
HIGHER MATHEMATICS
CHAPTER – 2
RATIO AND PROPORTION

SOLUTIONS

EXERCISE 2.1

1. If $a:b=2:3$, find the value of $3a+5b:7a+2b$.

Solution: We have, $a:b=2:3$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Then, } \frac{3a+5b}{7a+2b} &= \frac{3(a/b)+5}{7(a/b)+2} \\ &= \frac{3(2/3)+5}{7(2/3)+2} \\ &= \frac{7 \times 3}{14+6} = \frac{21}{20} \\ &= 21:20\end{aligned}$$

2. If $2a+5b:3a+2b=26:27$, find $a:b$.

Solution: Here,

$$\begin{aligned}2a+5b:3a+2b &= 26:27 \\ \Rightarrow 27(2a+5b) &= 26(3a+2b) \text{ [product of extremes = product of means]} \\ \Rightarrow 54a+135b &= 78a+52b \\ \Rightarrow 78a-54a &= 135b-52b \\ \Rightarrow 24a &= 83b \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} &= \frac{83}{24} \\ \Rightarrow a:b &= 83:24\end{aligned}$$



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3. Two numbers are in the ratio 8:9 and their sum is 204. Find the numbers.

Solution: Let the two numbers be a and $204 - a$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \frac{a}{204-a} &= \frac{8}{9} \\ \Rightarrow 9a &= 8(204-a) \\ \Rightarrow 9a + 8a &= 8 \times 204 \\ \Rightarrow 17a &= 1632 \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{1632}{17} \\ \Rightarrow a &= 96.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the two numbers are 96 and $204 - 96 = 108$.

4. Two numbers are in the ratio 7:5 and their difference is 60. Find the numbers.

Solution: Let the two numbers be $7x$ and $5x$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}7x - 5x &= 60 \\ \Rightarrow 2x &= 60 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 30\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the two numbers are 7×30 and 5×30 i.e. 210 and 150.

5. Two numbers are in the ratio 3:5 and if 2 be added to each, the sums are in the ratio 5 :8. Find the numbers.

Solution: Let the two numbers be $3x$ and $5x$.

By question we have,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{3x+2}{5x+2} &= \frac{5}{8} \\ \Rightarrow 8(3x+2) &= 5(5x+2) \\ \Rightarrow 24x+16 &= 25x+10 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 6.\end{aligned}$$

Required numbers are 3×6 and 5×6 i.e. 18 and 30.



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6. Find the value of x for which the ratio $17-x:13-x$ is equal to 3.

Solution: We have,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{17-x}{13-x} &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow 17-x &= 3(13-x) \\ \Rightarrow 17-x &= 39-3x \\ \Rightarrow 2x &= 22 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 11.\end{aligned}$$

7. What number must be added to each term of the ratio 23:27 so that it may become equal to 10:11.

Solution: Let x be the number to be added to each term.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{23+x}{27+x} &= \frac{10}{11} \\ \Rightarrow 11(23+x) &= 10(27+x) \\ \Rightarrow 11x-10x &= 270-253 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 17.\end{aligned}$$

8. Find the third proportional to :

(i) 4, 6 (ii) 16, 12 (iii) 24, 36 (iv) 125, 75.

Solution: (i) Let x be the third proportional to 4 and 6.

Then, 4, 6, x are in continued proportion.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{4}{6} &= \frac{6}{x} \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{36}{4} \\ \Rightarrow x &= 9.\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Let x be the third proportional to 16 and 12 .

Then, 16, 12, x are in continued proportion.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{16}{12} &= \frac{12}{x} \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{144}{16} \\ \Rightarrow x &= 9.\end{aligned}$$



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(iii) Let x be the third proportional to 24 and 36 .

Then, 24, 36, x are in continued proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{24}{36} = \frac{36}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{36 \times 36}{24}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 54.$$

(iv) Let x be the third proportional to 125 and 75.

Then, 125, 75, x are in continued proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{125}{75} = \frac{75}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{75 \times 75}{125}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 45.$$

9. Find the mean proportional between:

(i) 5, 125 (ii) 3, 27 (iii) $\frac{1}{12}$, 48

Solution: (i) Let x be the mean proportional between 5 and 125.

Then, 5, x , 125 are in continued proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{5}{x} = \frac{x}{125}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 5 \times 125$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{5 \times 125}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 25$$

(ii) Let x be the mean proportional between 3 and 27.

Then, 3, x , 27 are in continued proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{3}{x} = \frac{x}{27}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 3 \times 27$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{3 \times 27}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 9.$$



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(iii) Let x be the mean proportional between $\frac{1}{12}$ and 48.

Then, $\frac{1}{12}$, x , 48 are in continued proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{1/12}{x} = \frac{x}{48}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{12} \times 48$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12} \times 48}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2.$$

10. Find the fourth proportional to :

(i) 3, 4, 6 (ii) 14, 24, 35 (iii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\sqrt{3}$, $\sqrt{3}$.

Solution: (i) Let x be the fourth proportional to 3, 4, 6.

Then, 3, 4, 6, x are in proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{3}{4} = \frac{6}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times x = 6 \times 4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{6 \times 4}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 8.$$

(ii) Let x be the fourth proportional to 14, 24, 35

Then, 14, 24, 35, x are in proportion.

$$\therefore \frac{14}{24} = \frac{35}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 14 \times x = 35 \times 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{35 \times 24}{14}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 60.$$



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(iii) Let x be the fourth proportional to $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\sqrt{3}$, 13.

Then, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, $\sqrt{3}$, 13, x are in proportion.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\sqrt{3}} &= \frac{13}{x} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \times x &= 13 \times \sqrt{3} \\ \Rightarrow x &= 13 \times 3 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 39.\end{aligned}$$

11. If $a:b=c:d$, prove the following:

(i) $a:b=a+c:b+d=a-c:b-d$

Solution: We have,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a}{b} &= \frac{c}{d} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a}{c} &= \frac{b}{d} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a+c}{c} &= \frac{b+d}{d} \quad [\text{Componendo}] \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a+c}{b+d} &= \frac{c}{d} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)\end{aligned}$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a}{b} &= \frac{c}{d} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a}{c} &= \frac{b}{d} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a-c}{c} &= \frac{b-d}{d} \quad [\text{Dividendo}] \\ \Rightarrow \frac{a-c}{b-d} &= \frac{c}{d} \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{a+c}{b+d} = \frac{a-c}{b-d}.$$

Hence proved.



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(ii) $a^2 : b^2 = a^2 + c^2 : b^2 + d^2$

Solution: We have,

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^2 \quad [\text{squaring on both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{b^2} = \frac{c^2}{d^2} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2}{c^2} = \frac{b^2}{d^2} \quad [\text{Alternendo}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + c^2}{c^2} = \frac{b^2 + d^2}{d^2} \quad [\text{componendo}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^2 + c^2}{b^2 + d^2} = \frac{c^2}{d^2} = \frac{a^2}{b^2} \quad [\text{from (1)}]$$

$$\therefore a^2 : b^2 = a^2 + c^2 : b^2 + d^2$$

Hence proved.

(iii) $a^2 + c^2 : b^2 + d^2 = ac : db$

Solution: We have, $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = k(\text{say})$

$$\Rightarrow a = bk, c = dk.$$

Now, $\frac{a^2 + c^2}{b^2 + d^2} = \frac{(bk)^2 + (dk)^2}{b^2 + d^2}$

$$= \frac{(b^2 + d^2)k^2}{b^2 + d^2} = k^2$$

And, $\frac{ac}{db} = \frac{bdk^2}{db} = k^2$

Hence, $a^2 + c^2 : b^2 + d^2 = ac : db$.



$$(iv) \quad a+b:c+d = \sqrt{a^2+b^2} : \sqrt{c^2+d^2} = \sqrt{3a^2+5b^2} : \sqrt{3c^2+5d^2}$$

Solution: We have, $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = k(\text{say})$

$$\Rightarrow a = bk, c = dk.$$

Now,

$$\frac{a+b}{c+d} = \frac{bk+b}{dk+d} = \frac{b(k+1)}{d(k+1)} = \frac{b}{d}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}{\sqrt{c^2+d^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{b^2k^2+b^2}}{\sqrt{d^2k^2+d^2}} = \frac{b\sqrt{k^2+1}}{d\sqrt{k^2+1}} = \frac{b}{d}$$

$$\therefore a+b:c+d = \sqrt{a^2+b^2} : \sqrt{c^2+d^2} = \sqrt{3a^2+5b^2} : \sqrt{3c^2+5d^2}$$

$$(v) \quad ma+nc:mb+nd = (a^2+c^2)^{1/2} : (b^2+d^2)^{1/2}$$

Solution: We have, $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = k(\text{say})$

$$\Rightarrow a = bk, c = dk.$$

Now,

$$\frac{ma+nc}{mb+nd} = \frac{mbk+ndk}{mb+nd} = \frac{k(mb+nd)}{mb+nd} = k$$

$$\text{And, } \frac{(a^2+c^2)^{1/2}}{(b^2+d^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{\sqrt{a^2+c^2}}{\sqrt{b^2+d^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{b^2k^2+d^2k^2}}{\sqrt{b^2+d^2}} = \frac{k\sqrt{b^2+d^2}}{\sqrt{b^2+d^2}} = k$$

$$\therefore ma+nc:mb+nd = (a^2+c^2)^{1/2} : (b^2+d^2)^{1/2}$$

Hence proved.

12. If $a:b=b:c$, show that

$$(i) \quad a^2+ab+b^2:b^2+bc+c^2 = a:c$$



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Solution: Let $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = k$ (say) Then,

$$a = bk, b = ck$$

$$\Rightarrow a = ck^2, b = ck$$

Now,

$$\frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{b^2 + bc + c^2} = \frac{(ck^2)^2 + (ck^2)(ck) + (ck)^2}{(ck)^2 + ck.c + c^2} = \frac{c^2k^4 + c^2k^3 + c^2k^2}{c^2k^2 + c^2k^2 + c^2} = \frac{c^2k^2(k^2 + k + 1)}{c^2(k^2 + k + 1)} = k^2$$

$$\frac{a}{c} = \frac{ck^2}{c} = k^2$$

$$\therefore a^2 + ab + b^2 : b^2 + bc + c^2 = a : c$$

Hence shown.

$$(ii) \quad a^2b^2c^2 \left(\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} \right) = a^3 + b^3 + c^3$$

Solution: Suppose $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = k$ (say)

$$\text{Then, } a = bk, b = ck$$

$$\Rightarrow a = ck^2, b = ck.$$

$$\text{Now, } a^2b^2c^2 \left(\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} \right) = (ck^2)^2 (ck)^2 c^2 \left[\frac{1}{(ck^2)^3} + \frac{1}{(ck)^3} + \frac{1}{(c)^3} \right]$$

$$= c^2k^4 c^2k^2 c^2 \left[\frac{1}{c^3k^6} + \frac{1}{c^3k^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} \right]$$

$$= c^6k^6 \left[\frac{1}{c^3k^6} + \frac{1}{c^3k^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} \right]$$

$$= c^3 + k^3c^3 + c^3k^6$$

$$\text{And, } a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = (ck^2)^3 + (ck)^3 + (c)^3 = c^3 + k^3c^3 + c^3k^6.$$

$$\therefore a^2b^2c^2 \left(\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} \right) = a^3 + b^3 + c^3$$

Hence shown.



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$$(iii) \quad a^3 + b^3 : b^3 + c^3 = a^3 : b^3$$

Solution: Suppose $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = k$ (say)

Then, $a = bk, b = ck$

$$\Rightarrow a = ck^2, b = ck.$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{a^3 + b^3}{b^3 + c^3} = \frac{(ck^2)^3 + (ck)^3}{(ck)^3 + c^3} = \frac{c^3k^6 + c^3k^3}{c^3k^3 + c^3} = \frac{k^3(k^3 + 1)}{k^3 + 1} = k^3$$

$$\frac{a^3}{b^3} = \frac{(ck^2)^3}{(ck)^3} = \frac{c^3k^6}{c^3k^3} = k^3$$

$$\therefore a^3 + b^3 : b^3 + c^3 = a^3 : b^3$$

Hence shown.

13. If a, b, c, d, e are in continued proportion, prove that

$$(i) \quad a^2 + ab + b^2 : b^2 + bc + c^2 = a : c$$

$$(ii) \quad a : c = a^4 : b^4$$

Solution: We have, $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{d}{e} = k$ (say)

$$\Rightarrow a = bk, b = ck, c = dk, d = ek$$

$$\Rightarrow a = ek^4, b = ek^3, c = ek^2, d = ek$$

$$(i) \quad \text{Now, } \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{b^2 + bc + c^2} = \frac{(ek^4)^2 + ek^4 \cdot ek^3 + (ek^3)^2}{(ek^3)^2 + ek^3 \cdot ek^2 + (ek^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{e^2k^8 + e^2k^7 + e^2k^6}{e^2k^6 + e^2k^5 + e^2k^4} = \frac{k^6(k^2 + k + 1)}{k^4(k^2 + k + 1)} = k^2$$

$$\text{And, } \frac{a}{c} = \frac{ek^4}{ek^2} = k^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{b^2 + bc + c^2} = \frac{a}{c}$$



$$(ii) \quad \frac{a^4}{b^4} = \frac{(ek^4)^4}{(ek^3)^4} = \frac{e^4 k^{16}}{e^4 k^{12}} = k^4$$

$$\frac{a}{e} = \frac{ek^4}{e} = k^4$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^4}{b^4} = \frac{a}{e}$$

Hence proved.

14. If $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b} = \frac{z}{c}$, prove that (i) $\frac{x^2 - yz}{a^2 - bc} = \frac{y^2 - zx}{b^2 - ca} = \frac{z^2 - xy}{c^2 - ab}$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{x^3}{a^3} + \frac{y^3}{b^3} + \frac{z^3}{c^3} = \frac{3xyz}{3abc}$$

Solution: Suppose $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b} = \frac{z}{c} = k$ (say).

Then, $\Rightarrow x = ak, y = bk, z = ck$.

$$(i) \quad \text{Now, } \frac{x^2 - yz}{a^2 - bc} = \frac{a^2 k^2 - bck^2}{a^2 - bc} = \frac{(a^2 - bc)k^2}{a^2 - bc} = k^2$$

$$\frac{y^2 - zx}{b^2 - ca} = \frac{b^2 k^2 - ack^2}{b^2 - ca} = \frac{(b^2 - ac)k^2}{b^2 - ca} = k^2$$

$$\frac{z^2 - xy}{c^2 - ab} = \frac{c^2 k^2 - abk^2}{c^2 - ab} = \frac{(c^2 - ab)k^2}{c^2 - ab} = k^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 - yz}{a^2 - bc} = \frac{y^2 - zx}{b^2 - ca} = \frac{z^2 - xy}{c^2 - ab}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{x^3 + y^3 + z^3} = \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{a^3 k^3 + b^3 k^3 + c^3 k^3} = \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{k^3 (a^3 + b^3 + c^3)} = \frac{1}{k^3}$$

$$\frac{abc}{xyz} = \frac{abc}{abck^3} = \frac{1}{k^3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{x^3 + y^3 + z^3} = \frac{abc}{xyz}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{x^3}{a^3} + \frac{y^3}{b^3} + \frac{z^3}{c^3} = \frac{a^3 k^3}{a^3} + \frac{b^3 k^3}{b^3} + \frac{c^3 k^3}{c^3} = 3k^3$$

$$\frac{3xyz}{abc} = \frac{3abck^3}{abc} = 3k^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^3}{a^3} + \frac{y^3}{b^3} + \frac{z^3}{c^3} = \frac{3xyz}{abc}$$

Hence proved.



15. If $x = \frac{2ab}{a+b}$, find the value of $\frac{x+a}{x-a} + \frac{x+b}{x-b}$.

Solution: We have, $x = \frac{2ab}{a+b}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{a} = \frac{2b}{a+b} \text{ and } \frac{x}{b} = \frac{2a}{a+b}.$$

Now, $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{2b}{a+b}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+a}{x-a} = \frac{2b+a+b}{2b-a-b} \quad [\text{Componendo-dividendo}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+a}{x-a} = \frac{a+3b}{b-a} \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

Similarly, $\frac{x+b}{x-b} = \frac{3a+b}{a-b}$ ----- (2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } \frac{x+a}{x-a} + \frac{x+b}{x-b} &= \frac{a+3b}{b-a} + \frac{3a+b}{a-b} \\ &= \frac{a+3b}{b-a} - \frac{3a+b}{b-a} \\ &= \frac{a+3b-3a-b}{b-a} \\ &= \frac{2b-2a}{b-a} \\ &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

16. If $x = \frac{a+b}{a-b}$ and $y = \frac{a-b}{a+b}$, find the value of $\frac{x-y}{x+y}$.

Solution: We have, $x = \frac{a+b}{a-b}$, $y = \frac{a-b}{a+b}$.

Now, $\frac{x-y}{x+y} = \frac{\frac{a+b}{a-b} - \frac{a-b}{a+b}}{\frac{a+b}{a-b} + \frac{a-b}{a+b}}$





$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(a+b)^2 - (a-b)^2}{(a+b)^2 + (a-b)^2} \\
 &= \frac{4ab}{2(a^2 + b^2)} = \frac{2ab}{a^2 + b^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

17. If $x = \frac{2\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}$, find the value of $\frac{x+\sqrt{2}}{x-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{x+\sqrt{5}}{x-\sqrt{5}}$.

Solution: We have, $x = \frac{2\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}} \text{ and } \frac{x}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}.$$

Now, $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+\sqrt{2}}{x-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5}} \quad \text{[by componendo and dividendo]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+\sqrt{2}}{x-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}} \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

Similarly, $\frac{x+\sqrt{5}}{x-\sqrt{5}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+\sqrt{5}}{x-\sqrt{5}} = -\frac{3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}} \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Adding eqn. (1) and eqn.(2) we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{x+\sqrt{2}}{x-\sqrt{2}} + \frac{x+\sqrt{5}}{x-\sqrt{5}} &= \frac{3\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}} - \frac{3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{3\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{2} - 3\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{2(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}} \\
 &= 2.
 \end{aligned}$$



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18. Prove that $3bx^2 - 4ax + 3b = 0$ if $x = \frac{\sqrt{2a+3b} + \sqrt{2a-3b}}{\sqrt{2a+3b} - \sqrt{2a-3b}}$

Solution: We have, $x = \frac{\sqrt{2a+3b} + \sqrt{2a-3b}}{\sqrt{2a+3b} - \sqrt{2a-3b}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{\sqrt{2a+3b} + \sqrt{2a-3b} + \sqrt{2a+3b} - \sqrt{2a-3b}}{\sqrt{2a+3b} + \sqrt{2a-3b} - \sqrt{2a+3b} + \sqrt{2a-3b}} \quad [\text{Componendo-dividendo}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{\sqrt{2a+3b}}{\sqrt{2a-3b}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1} \right)^2 = \frac{2a+3b}{2a-3b}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x+1)^2 + (x-1)^2}{(x+1)^2 - (x-1)^2} = \frac{2a+3b+2a-3b}{2a+3b-2a+3b} \quad [\text{Componendo-dividendo}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 2x + 1 + x^2 - 2x + 1}{x^2 + 2x + 1 - x^2 + 2x - 1} = \frac{4a}{6b}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^2 + 1}{4x} = \frac{a}{3b}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3bx^2 + 3b = 4ax$$

$$\Rightarrow 3bx^2 - 4ax + 3b = 0.$$

Hence proved.

19. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = \frac{c}{d}$, show that (i) $\frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{b^3 + c^3 + d^3} = \frac{a}{d}$

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

(iii) $(b+c)(b+d) = (c+a)(c+d)$

(iv) $(a+d)(b+c) - (a+c)(b+d) = (b-c)^2$



Solution: We have, $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = \frac{c}{d} = k$ (say)

$$\Rightarrow a = bk, b = ck, c = dk$$

$$\Rightarrow a = dk^3, b = dk^2, c = dk$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{b^3 + c^3 + d^3} &= \frac{d^3k^9 + d^3k^6 + d^3k^3}{d^3k^6 + d^3k^3 + d^3} \\ &= \frac{k^3(k^6 + k^3 + 1)}{k^6 + k^3 + 1} \\ &= k^3. \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{a}{d} = \frac{dk^3}{d} = k^3.$$

$$\therefore \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{b^3 + c^3 + d^3} = \frac{a}{d}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d} : \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} &= \frac{1}{dk^2} + \frac{1}{dk} + \frac{1}{d} : \frac{1}{dk^3} + \frac{1}{dk^2} + \frac{1}{dk} \\ &= \frac{1}{d} \left(\frac{1}{k^2} + \frac{1}{k} + 1 \right) : \frac{1}{dk} \left(\frac{1}{k^2} + \frac{1}{k} + 1 \right) \\ &= k. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{And, } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{dk^3}{dk^2} = k.$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + \frac{1}{d} : \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = a : b$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad (b+c)(b+d) &= (dk^2 + dk)(dk^2 + d) \\ &= d^2k(k+1)(k^2+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And, } (c+a)(c+d) &= (dk + dk^3)(dk + d) \\ &= d^2k(k+1)(k^2+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (b+c)(b+d) = (c+a)(c+d).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad (a+d)(b+c) - (a+c)(b+d) &= (dk^3 + d)(dk^2 + dk) - (dk^3 + dk)(dk^2 + d) \\ &= d^2k(k^3+1)(k+1) - d^2k(k^2+1)^2 \\ &= d^2k[(k^3+1)(k+1) - (k^2+1)^2] \\ &= d^2k[k^4 + k^3 + k + 1 - k^4 - 2k^2 - 1] \\ &= d^2k[k^3 - 2k^2 + k] \\ &= d^2k^2[k^2 - 2k + 1] = d^2k^2(k-1)^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And, } (b-c)^2 &= (dk^2 - dk)^2 \\ &= d^2k^2(k-1)^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (a+d)(b+c) - (a+c)(b+d) = (b-c)^2.$$

Hence Shown.



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20. If $\frac{x}{b+c-a} = \frac{y}{c+a-b} = \frac{z}{a+b-c}$, show that $(b-c)x + (c-a)y + (a-b)z = 0$.

Solution: Let $\frac{x}{b+c-a} = \frac{y}{c+a-b} = \frac{z}{a+b-c} = k$ (say)

Then, $x = k(b+c-a)$, $y = k(c+a-b)$, $z = k(a+b-c)$.

Now, $(b-c)x + (c-a)y + (a-b)z$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (b-c)k(b+c-a) + (c-a)k(c+a-b) + (a-b)k(a+b-c) \\ &= k[(b-c)(b+c-a) + (c-a)(c+a-b) + (a-b)(a+b-c)] \\ &= k[b^2 - c^2 - ab + ac + c^2 - a^2 - bc + ab + a^2 - b^2 - ac + bc] \\ &= k \times 0 \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

21. If $\frac{a+x+\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}{a+x-\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} = \frac{b}{x}$, show that $x^2 = 2ab - b^2$.

Solution : We have, $\frac{a+x+\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}{a+x-\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} = \frac{b}{x}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a+x+\sqrt{a^2-x^2} + a+x-\sqrt{a^2-x^2}}{a+x+\sqrt{a^2-x^2} - a-x+\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} = \frac{b+x}{b-x} \quad [\text{Componendo-dividendo}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(a+x)}{2\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} = \frac{b+x}{b-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(a+x)}{\sqrt{(a-x)(a+x)}} = \frac{b+x}{b-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{a+x}{a-x}} = \frac{b+x}{b-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a+x}{a-x} = \frac{(b+x)^2}{(b-x)^2} \quad [\text{squaring on both sides}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a+x+a-x}{a+x-a+x} = \frac{(b+x)^2 + (b-x)^2}{(b+x)^2 - (b-x)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2a}{2x} = \frac{2(b^2+x^2)}{4bx}$$



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

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 2ab - b^2.$$

Hence shown.

22. If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$, prove that $\frac{(a^2 + c^2)^2}{(b^2 + d^2)^2} = \frac{a^4 + c^4}{b^4 + d^4}$.

Solution: Let $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = k$ (say).

Then, $\Rightarrow a = bk, c = dk$.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now, } \frac{(a^2 + c^2)^2}{(b^2 + d^2)^2} &= \frac{(b^2k^2 + d^2k^2)^2}{(b^2 + d^2)^2} \\ &= \frac{k^4(b^2 + d^2)^2}{(b^2 + d^2)^2} \\ &= k^4.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{And, } \frac{a^4 + c^4}{b^4 + d^4} &= \frac{b^4k^4 + d^4k^4}{b^4 + d^4} \\ &= \frac{(b^4 + d^4)k^4}{b^4 + d^4} \\ &= k^4.\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{(a^2 + c^2)^2}{(b^2 + d^2)^2} = \frac{a^4 + c^4}{b^4 + d^4}.$$

Hence proved.



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