

MATHEMATICS

QUADRATIC EQUATIONS_SYNOPSIS

- An equation of the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ where $a(\neq 0), b, c \in C$ is called a quadratic equation in x and a, b, c are called coefficients.
- The roots of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ are given by $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{\Delta}}{2a}$ where $\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$ is the discriminant of the Quadratic Equation.
- The quadratic equation whose roots are α, β is $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$
 - a) If α, β are the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, then
 1. $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a}, \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$
 2. $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta = \frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^2}$
 3. $|\alpha - \beta| = \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{|a|}$
- In the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$
 - i) If a and c have the same sign, then the product of the roots $\frac{c}{a}$ is positive
 - ii) If a and c are of opposite signs, the product of the roots $\frac{c}{a}$ is negative
 - iii) If $a + b + c = 0$, then the roots are 1 and $\frac{c}{a}$
 - iv) If $a - b + c = 0$, then the roots are -1 and $-\frac{c}{a}$
 - v) If the roots are negative, then a, b, c will have the same sign
 - vi) If the roots are positive, then a, c will have the same sign different from the sign of b

- If α, β are the roots of $ax^2 + bx + a = 0$, then the roots are reciprocals to each other
Nature of roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

- **Case - I** a, b, c are rational

- i) $\Delta > 0$ and is a perfect square \Leftrightarrow Rational and unequal
- ii) $\Delta > 0$ and not a perfect square \Leftrightarrow Irrational and unequal
- iii) $\Delta = 0$ \Leftrightarrow Rational and equal
- iv) $\Delta < 0$ \Leftrightarrow Imaginary

- **Case - II** a, b, c are real

- i) $\Delta > 0 \Leftrightarrow$ Real and unequal
- ii) $\Delta = 0 \Leftrightarrow$ Real and equal
- iii) $\Delta < 0 \Leftrightarrow$ Imaginary

- If $f(x) = 0$ is a quadratic equation, then the equation whose roots are

- i) The reciprocals of the roots of $f(x) = 0$ is $f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 0$
- ii) Increased by K than that of $f(x) = 0$ is $f(x - k) = 0$
- ii) Decreased by K than that of $f(x) = 0$ is $f(x + k) = 0$
- iii) Negative of the roots of $f(x) = 0$ is $f(-x) = 0$
- iv) K times the roots of $f(x) = 0$ is $f\left(\frac{x}{k}\right) = 0$
- v) Square of the roots of $f(x) = 0$ is $f(\sqrt{x}) = 0$ and (eliminate square root)
- vi) Cubes of the roots of $f(x) = 0$ is $f(\sqrt[3]{x}) = 0$ and (eliminate cube root)

- If α, β are the roots of the quadratic equation $f(x) = 0$, then the equation whose roots are $a\alpha + b, a\beta + b$ is $f\left(\frac{x - b}{a}\right) = 0$

- Condition for the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ to be in the ratio $m : n$ is $(m + n)^2 ac = mn b^2$

- Conditions for one root of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ may be the square of the other is

	$b^3 + a^2c + ac^2 = 3abc$
•	If one root of the quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is equal to the n^{th} power of the other, then $(ac^n)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} + (a^n c)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} + b = 0$
•	If the difference of the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is same as the difference of the roots of $px^2 + qx + r = 0$ then $\frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta_2} = \frac{a^2}{p^2}$ (where Δ_1, Δ_2 are the discriminants)
•	In a Q.E with rational coefficients, irrational roots occur as conjugate pairs
	In a Q.E with real coefficients, imaginary roots occur as conjugate pairs
	a) The equations $a_1x^2 + b_1x + c_1 = 0, a_2x^2 + b_2x + c_2 = 0$ where $a_1b_2 - a_2b_1 \neq 0$ have a common root if $(c_1a_2 - c_2a_1)^2 = (a_1b_2 - a_2b_1)(b_1c_2 - b_2c_1)$ and the common root is $\frac{c_1a_2 - c_2a_1}{a_1b_2 - a_2b_1}$ or $\frac{b_1c_2 - b_2c_1}{c_1a_2 - c_2a_1}$
	b) If a Quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ in x has more than two roots then it is an identity in x
	i.e. $a = b = c = 0$
•	If $a_1x^2 + b_1x + c_1 = 0$ and $a_2x^2 + b_2x + c_2 = 0$ have the same roots then $a_1 : a_2 = b_1 : b_2 = c_1 : c_2$
•	If the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ has complex roots, then $\forall x \in R, ax^2 + bx + c$ and a will have the same sign
•	If the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ has equal roots, then $\forall x \in R - \left\{ \frac{-b}{2a} \right\}, ax^2 + bx + c$ and a will have the same sign
•	a) If the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ has real roots α and $\beta (\alpha > \beta)$ then
	i) $\beta < x < \alpha \Rightarrow ax^2 + bx + c$ and a will have opposite signs.
	ii) $x > \alpha$ or $x < \beta \Rightarrow ax^2 + bx + c$ and a will have the same sign
•	b) The expression $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ always represents a parabola whose vertex is at

$\left(-\frac{b}{2a}, \frac{4ac-b^2}{4a}\right)$. It is also called the turning point of the graph. Length of the latusrectum of the parabola is $\frac{1}{|a|}$

- a) If $a > 0$, then the minimum value of $ax^2 + bx + c$ occurs at $x = \frac{-b}{2a}$ and it is $\frac{4ac-b^2}{4a}, \forall x \in R$

- b) If $a < 0$, then the maximum value of $ax^2 + bx + c$ occurs at $x = \frac{-b}{2a}$ and it is $\frac{4ac-b^2}{4a}, \forall x \in R$

- a) If $f(x) = \frac{ax^2 + bx + c}{ax^2 - bx + c}$ or $\frac{ax^2 - bx + c}{ax^2 + bx + c}, (b^2 - 4ac < 0)$, then the minimum and maximum values of $f(x)$ are given by $f\left(\pm\sqrt{\frac{c}{a}}\right)$

- b) The minimum and maximum values of $f(x) = \frac{(x+a)(x+b)}{(x+c)}$ are respectively $(\sqrt{a-c} + \sqrt{b-c})^2$ and $(\sqrt{a-c} - \sqrt{b-c})^2$ and they are obtained at $x = -c \pm \sqrt{(a-c)(b-c)} (a < c, b < c)$

- The necessary and sufficient condition for the second degree expression $ax^2 + 2hxy + by^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c$ to be expressed as a product of two linear factors is

$$abc + 2fgh - af^2 - bg^2 - ch^2 = 0 \text{ or } \begin{vmatrix} a & h & g \\ h & b & f \\ g & f & c \end{vmatrix} = 0, h^2 \geq ab, g^2 \geq ac, f^2 \geq bc .$$

QUADRATIC EQUATIONS_ASSIGNMENT

1. If α, β are the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ then $(a\alpha + b)^{-2} + (a\beta + b)^{-2} =$
- 1) $\frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^4}$ 2) $\frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^3c}$ 3) $\frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^2c^2}$ 4) $\frac{b^2 - 2ac}{c^4}$
2. If α, β are the roots of $x^2 - p(x+1) - c = 0$ then $\frac{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + 1}{\alpha^2 + 2\alpha + c} + \frac{\beta^2 + 2\beta + 1}{\beta^2 + 2\beta + c} =$
- 1) 3 2) 2 3) 1 4) 0
3. If the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 + px + q = 0$ are $\tan 30^\circ$ and $\tan 15^\circ$, respectively then the value of $2 + q - p$ is
- 1) 0 2) 1 3) 2 4) 3
4. If α, β are the roots $ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$ and $\alpha + \delta, \beta + \delta$ are the roots of $Ax^2 + 2Bx + C = 0$ then $\frac{b^2 - ac}{B^2 - AC} =$
- 1) a/A 2) A/a 3) $(a/A)^2$ 4) $(A/a)^2$
5. If the ratio of the roots of $x^2 + bx + c = 0$ and $x^2 + qx + r = 0$ are the same, then
- 1) $r^2c = qb^2$ 2) $r^2b = qc^2$ 3) $rb^2 = cq^2$ 4) $rc^2 = bq^2$
6. In a triangle PQR, $\angle R = \pi/2$. If $\tan\left(\frac{P}{2}\right)$ and $\tan\left(\frac{Q}{2}\right)$ are the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0 (a \neq 0)$, then
- 1) $a + b = c$ 2) $b + c = 0$ 3) $a + c = b$ 4) $b = c$
7. All the values of m for which both roots of the equation $x^2 - 2mx + m^2 - 1 = 0$ are greater than -2 but less than 4 , lie in the interval
- 1) $-1 < m < 3$ 2) $1 < m < 4$ 3) $-2 < m < 0$ 4) $m > 3$
8. If both the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 - 2kx + k^2 + k - 5 = 0$ are less than 5 , then k lies in the interval
- 1) $(5, 6]$ 2) $(6, \infty)$ 3) $(-\infty, 4)$ 4) $[4, 5]$
9. If roots of the equation $x^2 - bx + c = 0$ be two consecutive integers, then $b^2 - 4c$ equals
- 1) -2 2) 3 3) 2 4) 1

10. If $p(q-r)x^2 + q(r-p)x + r(p-q) = 0$ has equal roots then $\frac{2}{q} =$
- 1) $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{r}$ 2) $\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{r}$ 3) $p+r$ 4) pr
11. If $x^2 - cx + d = 0$, $x^2 - ax + b = 0$ have one common root and second has equal roots then $2(b+d) =$
- 1) 0 2) ac 3) $a+c$ 4) $a-c$
12. For the equation $|x^2| + |x| - 6 = 0$, the root are
- 1) One and only one real number 2) real with sum one
3) real with sum zero 4) real with product zero
13. If $20^{3-2x^2} = (40\sqrt{5})^{3x^2-2}$, then $x =$
- 1) $\pm\sqrt{\frac{13}{12}}$ 2) $\pm\sqrt{\frac{12}{13}}$ 3) $\pm\sqrt{\frac{4}{5}}$ 4) $\pm\sqrt{\frac{5}{4}}$
14. The number of real solutions of $e^{\sin x} - e^{-\sin x} = 4$ is
- 1) 0 2) 1 3) 4 4) ∞
15. The expression $2x^2 + 4x + 7$ has minimum value m at $x = \alpha$. The order pair (α, m) is
- 1) (1,5) 2) (1,-5) 3) (-1,-5) 4) (-1,5)
16. If α, β are the roots of $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ then $\left(\frac{\alpha}{a\beta+b}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{\beta}{a\alpha+b}\right)^3 =$
- 1) 0 2) 1 3) $(a+b)^2$ 4) $(a-b)^2$
17. If α, β are the roots of $x^2 + px - q = 0$ and γ, δ are the roots of $x^2 + px + r = 0$ then $(\alpha - \gamma)(\beta - \gamma)(\alpha - \delta)(\beta - \delta) =$
- 1) $2q^2$ 2) $2p^2$ 3) $(q+r)^2$ 4) $(q-r)^2$
18. x_1 and x_3 are the roots of the equation $Ax^2 - 4x + 1 = 0$ and x_2 and x_4 are the roots of the equation $Bx^2 - 6x + 1 = 0$. If x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 form a HP, then $(A, B) =$
- 1) (3,3) 2) (8,8) 3) (3,8) 4) (8,3)
19. If $a = \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{7}$, $\alpha = a + a^2 + a^4$ and $\beta = a^3 + a^5 + a^6$ then α, β are roots of the equation
- 1) $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ 2) $x^2 + x + 2 = 0$ 3) $x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$ 4) $x^2 + 2x + 3 = 0$
20. If $p, q \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, the number of equation of the form $px^2 + qx + 1 = 0$ having real roots is
- 1) 15 2) 9 3) 7 4) 8
21. The quadratic equation whose roots are the x and y intercept of the line passing through (1,1) and making a triangle of area A with the axes may be
- 1) $x^2 + Ax + 2A = 0$ 2) $x^2 - 2Ax + 2A = 0$ 3) $x^2 - Ax + 2A = 0$ 4) $x^2 - 2Ax^2 - 2A = 0$

22. If a, b, c are positive real numbers, then the number of real roots of the equation $ax^2 + b|x| + c = 0$ is
- 1) 2 2) 4 3) 0 4) -1
23. If x is real, then the greatest and least values of the expression $\frac{x^2 - 2x + 2}{x^2 + 3x + 9}$
- 1) 2 and $-\frac{2}{27}$ 2) 2 and $\frac{2}{27}$ 3) 2 and $\frac{1}{27}$ 4) 2 or 3
24. If the equation $(\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 6)x^2 + (\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 2)x + (\lambda^2 - 4) = 0$ is satisfied by more than two values of x then $\lambda =$
- 1) 1 2) -2 3) 3 4) 2
25. If $\sin \theta, \sin k\theta$ are the roots of $4x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$ then $\theta =$
- 1) -18° 2) 18° 3) 36° 4) -36°
26. The equation $(\cos p - 1)x^2 + (\cos p)x + (\sin p) = 0$, in the variable x has real roots. Then p can take any value in the interval
- 1) $(0, 2\pi)$ 2) $(-\pi, 0)$ 3) $\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$ 4) $(0, \pi)$
27. Let $f(x) = (1 + b^2)x^2 + 2bx + 1$ and let $m(b)$ be the minimum value of $f(x)$. As b varies, the range of $m(b)$ is.
- 1) $[0, 1]$ 2) $\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right]$ 3) $\left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right]$ 4) $(0, 1]$
28. If $x^2 + x + 1 = 0$. Then the value of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) + \dots + \left(x^{52} + \frac{1}{x^{52}}\right)$ equals
- 1) 1 2) 0 3) -1 4) -52
29. Given that, for all real x , the expression $\frac{x^2 - 2x + 4}{x^2 + 2x + 4}$ lies between $\frac{1}{3}$ and 3. The values between which the expression $\frac{9 \cdot 3^{2x} + 6 \cdot 3^x + 4}{9 \cdot 3^{2x} - 6 \cdot 3^x + 4}$ lies are
- 1) $\frac{1}{3}$ and 3 2) -2 and 0 3) -1 and 1 4) 0 and 2
30. If $a + b + c = 0$ then the equation $3ax^2 + 2bx + c = 0$ has at least one root in
- 1) $(1, 2)$ 2) $(0, 1)$ 3) $(-1, 1)$ 4) $(1, 3)$

31. Let α and β be the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$. Observe the lists given below

List – I

List – II

i) $\alpha = \beta$

A) $(ac^2)^{1/3} + (a^2c)^{1/3} + b = 0$

ii) $\alpha = 2\beta$

B) $2b^2 = 9ac$

iii) $\alpha = 3\beta$

c) $b^2 = 6ac$

iv) $\alpha = \beta^2$

D) $3b^2 = 16ac$

E) $b^2 = 4ac$

F) $(ac^2)^{1/3} + (a^2c)^{1/3} = b$

The correct match of List – I from List – II is

	i	ii	iii	iv
1)	E	B	D	F
3)	E	D	B	F

	i	ii	iii	iv
2)	E	B	A	D
4)	E	B	D	A

32. Observe the following lists ($x \in \mathbb{R}$)

List – I (Inequation)

A: $x^2 - 4x + 3 > 0$

B: $x^2 - 5x + 6 \leq 0$

C: $x^2 + 6x - 27 > 0, -x^2 + 3x + 4 > 0$

D: $x^2 - 3x - 4 < 0, x^2 - 3x + 2 > 0$

List – II (Solution set)

1. (3,4)

2. (1,1)U(2,4)

3. $(-\infty, 1) \cup (3, \infty)$

4. [3,4]

5. [2,3]

Matching List – I, from List – II

	A	B	C	D
1)	1	2	3	4
3)	1	3	5	4

	A	B	C	D
2)	3	5	1	2
4)	3	2	4	1

KEY SHEET

1.3	2.3	3.4	4.3	5.3	6.1	7.1	8.3	9.4	10.1
11.2	12.3	13.2	14.1	15.4	16.1	17.3	18.3	19.2	20.3
21.2	22.3	23.2	24.4	25.2	26.4	27.4	28.3	29.1	30.2
31.4	32.2								