

Chapter-2: Algebraic Expressions

Question ► 1 $F(x) = \sqrt{1-2x}$ and $Q(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-16}$ [All Board-18]

- a. Find the domain of $F(x)$.
- b. Determine whether $F^{-1}(x)$ is one-one or not.
- c. Express $Q(x)$ into partial fractions.

Solution to the question no. 1

a Given, $F(x) = \sqrt{1-2x}$
 The function $F(x)$ will be defined if and only if,
 $1-2x \geq 0$
 Or, $-2x \geq -1$ or, $2x \leq 1$
 $\therefore x \leq \frac{1}{2}$
 \therefore Domain of $F(x) = \sqrt{1-2x}$ is $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \leq \frac{1}{2}\}$ (Ans.)

b Let, $y = F(x) = \sqrt{1-2x}$
 Or, $y^2 = 1-2x$ [by squaring]
 Or, $2x = 1-y^2$
 Or, $x = \frac{1-y^2}{2} = F^{-1}(y)$
 $\therefore F^{-1}(y) = \frac{1-y^2}{2}$
 $\therefore F^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-x^2}{2}$
 Let, $x_1, x_2 \in \text{Dom } F^{-1}(x)$
 The function $F^{-1}(x)$ will be one-one if and only if for
 $F(x_1) = F(x_2)$ implies $x_1 = x_2$
 Let, $F^{-1}(x_1) = F^{-1}(x_2)$
 Or, $\frac{1-x_1^2}{2} = \frac{1-x_2^2}{2}$
 Or, $1-x_1^2 = 1-x_2^2$
 $\therefore x_1 = x_2$ \therefore Range of $F(x)$ will be domain of $F^{-1}(x)$.
 Again, $F(x) \geq 0$, so, $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$.
 \therefore The function is one-one. (Ans.)

c Given,
 $Q(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-16} = \frac{x^2-16+16}{x^2-16} = \frac{x^2-16}{x^2-16} + \frac{16}{x^2-16}$
 $= 1 + \frac{16}{(x+4)(x-4)}$
 Let, $\frac{16}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \frac{A}{x+4} + \frac{B}{x-4}$ (i)
 Multiplying (i) by $(x+4)(x-4)$ we get,
 $16 = A(x-4) + B(x+4)$ (ii)
 This is true for any values of x .
 Putting $x = -4$ in (ii) we get,
 $16 = A(-4-4) + B(-4+4)$
 Or, $16 = -8A$
 $\therefore A = -2$
 Again, putting $x = 4$ in (ii) we get,
 $16 = A(4-4) + B(4+4)$
 Or, $16 = 8B$
 $\therefore B = 2$

Putting the values of A and B in (i) we get,

$$\frac{16}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \frac{-2}{x+4} + \frac{2}{x-4}$$

$\therefore Q(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-16} = 1 - \frac{2}{x+4} + \frac{2}{x-4}$; These are the required partial fractions.

Question ► 2 $P(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + a$, $Q(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$ are two algebraic equation. [C.B.17]

- a. Resolve into factors of $Q(x)$.
- b. Find the value of a if $(3x+2)$ is a factor of the polynomial $P(x)$.
- c. Express the partial fractions of $\frac{x^2+x-1}{Q(x)}$

Solution to the question no. 2

a Given,
 $Q(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$
 $= x(x^2 + x - 6)$
 $= x(x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6)$
 $= x\{x(x+3) - 2(x+3)\}$
 $= x(x+3)(x-2)$ (Ans.)

b Given, $P(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + a$
 Since $(3x+2)$ is a factor of $P(x)$. So if $P(x)$ is divided by $(3x+2)$ the remainder will be zero. That is-

$$P\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 18\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 + 15\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + a = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -18 \cdot \frac{8}{27} + 15 \cdot \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{3} + a = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -\frac{16}{3} + \frac{20}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + a = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } a = \frac{16}{3} - \frac{20}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Or, } a = \frac{16-20-2}{3}$$

$$\text{Or, } a = \frac{-6}{3}$$

$\therefore a = -2$ (Ans.)

c $\frac{x^2+x-1}{Q(x)} = \frac{x^2+x-1}{x^3-x^2-6x}$
 $= \frac{x^2+x-1}{x(x^2+x-6)}$
 $= \frac{x^2+x-1}{x(x-2)(x+3)}$

$$\text{Let, } \frac{x^2+x-1}{x(x-2)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-2} + \frac{C}{x+3}$$
(i)

Multiplying both sides by $x(x-2)(x+3)$ we get,
 $x^2+x-1 = A(x-2)(x+3) + Bx(x+3) + Cx(x-2)$

(ii)

Putting the value $x = 0$ in (ii) we get,

$$-1 = A \cdot (-2) \cdot 3$$

$$\text{Or, } -6A = -1$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{1}{6}$$

Putting the value $x = 2$ in (ii) we get,
 $2^2 + 2 - 1 = A(2 - 2)(2 + 3) + B \cdot 2(2 + 3) + C \cdot 2(2 - 2)$
 Or, $4 + 2 - 1 = B \cdot 2 \cdot 5$
 Or, $10B = 5$
 $\therefore B = \frac{1}{2}$

Putting the value $x = -3$ in (ii) we get,
 $(-3)^2 + (-3) - 1 = A(-3 - 2)(-3 + 3) + B \cdot (-3)(-3 + 3) + C \cdot (-3)(-3 - 2)$
 Or, $9 - 3 - 1 = C \cdot (-3)(-5)$
 Or, $15C = 5$
 $\therefore C = \frac{1}{3}$

Now, putting the values of A, B and C in (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2 - x - 1}{x(x-2)(x+3)} = \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{x} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{x-2} + \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{x+3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6x} + \frac{1}{2(x-2)} + \frac{1}{3(x+3)}$$

Which is required partial fraction.

Question 3 $P(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$. [J.B.17]

- Determine the ratio of degree and leading co-efficient of $P(x)$. 2
- If the remainders of $P(x)$ upon division by $x - m$ and $x - n$ are same where $m \neq n$, then show that, $m^2 + mn + n^2 - 6m - 6n + 11 = 0$. 4
- Express $\frac{x^3}{P(x)}$ as partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 3

a Given, $P(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$
 Here, maximum power of variable $x = 3$
 \therefore The degree of $P(x) = 3$
 and leading coefficient of $P(x) = 1$
 \therefore The ratio of degree and leading coefficient of $P(x) = 3 : 1$ (Ans.)

b If $P(x)$ is divided by $(x - m)$ the remainder will be $P(m)$
 $\therefore P(m) = m^3 - 6m^2 + 11m - 6$
 and if $P(x)$ is divided by $(x - n)$ the remainder will be $P(n)$
 $\therefore P(n) = n^3 - 6n^2 + 11n - 6$
 According to question, $P(m) = P(n)$
 Or, $m^3 - 6m^2 + 11m - 6 = n^3 - 6n^2 + 11n - 6$
 Or, $m^3 - n^3 - 6m^2 + 6n^2 + 11m - 11n = 0$
 Or, $(m - n)(m^2 + mn + n^2) - 6(m + n)(m - n) + 11(m - n) = 0$
 Or, $(m - n)(m^2 + mn + n^2 - 6m - 6n + 11) = 0$
 $\therefore m^2 + mn + n^2 - 6m - 6n + 11 = 0$ [$\because m \neq n$, so $m - n \neq 0$] (Shown)

c $P(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$
 $= x^3 - x^2 - 5x^2 + 5x + 6x - 6$
 $= x^2(x - 1) - 5x(x - 1) + 6(x - 1)$
 $= (x - 1)(x^2 - 5x + 6)$
 $= (x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)$
 $\therefore \frac{x^3}{P(x)} = \frac{x^3}{(x - 1)(x - 2)(x - 3)}$
 After that, see example-4 of exercise-2 from your textbook. Page-58

Question 4 $f(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + c$, $g(x) = x^2 - 4x - 7$
 and $h(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$ are three polynomials of variable x . [B.B.17]

- Resolve $h(x)$ into factors. 2

- If $(3x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, find the value of c . 4
- Express $\frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$ as partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 4

a Given, $h(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$
 If $x = -1$ then $h(-1) = 0$.
 Therefore $(x + 1)$ is a factor of $h(x)$.
 $\therefore h(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$
 $= x^3 + x^2 - 2x^2 - 2x - 8x - 8$
 $= x^2(x + 1) - 2x(x + 1) - 8(x + 1)$
 $= (x + 1)(x^2 - 2x - 8)$
 $= (x + 1)(x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8)$
 $= (x + 1)\{x(x - 4) + 2(x - 4)\}$
 $= (x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)$ (Ans.)

b Given, $f(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + c$
 Since $(3x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, according to inverse theorem of factor theorem, $f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$
 Here, $f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 18\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 + 15\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + c$
 $= -18 \cdot \frac{8}{27} + 15 \cdot \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{3} + c$
 $= -\frac{16}{3} + \frac{20}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + c$
 $= \frac{-16 + 20 + 2 + 3c}{3} = \frac{6 + 3c}{3}$

According to condition, $f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$

Or, $\frac{6 + 3c}{3} = 0$

Or, $6 + 3c = 0$

$\therefore c = -2$ (Ans.)

c Given, $g(x) = x^2 - 4x - 7$
 From 'a' we get,
 $h(x) = (x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)$
 $\therefore \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)}$
 $\therefore \frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)}$ is a proper fraction.
 Let, $\frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)} = \frac{A}{x + 1} + \frac{B}{x + 2} + \frac{C}{x - 4}$ (i)
 Multiplying both sides of (i) by $(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)$ we get,
 $x^2 - 4x - 7 = A(x + 2)(x - 4) + B(x + 1)(x - 4) + C(x + 1)(x + 2)$ (ii)

The equation (ii) is true for all values of x .

Putting $x = -1$ in equation (ii) we get,

$1 + 4 - 7 = A(-1 + 2)(-1 - 4)$

Or, $-2 = A(-5) \therefore A = \frac{2}{5}$

Putting $x = -2$ in equation (ii) we get,

$4 + 8 - 7 = B(-2 + 1)(-2 - 4)$

Or, $5 = B(-1)(-6) \therefore B = \frac{5}{6}$

Putting $x = 4$ in equation (ii) we get,

$16 - 16 - 7 = C(4 + 1)(4 + 2)$

Or, $-7 = C(5)(6) \therefore C = -\frac{7}{30}$

Now putting the values of A, B, C in equation (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x+1)(x+2)(x-4)} \equiv \frac{2}{5(x+1)} + \frac{5}{6(x+2)} - \frac{7}{30(x-4)}$$

This is the expression of the given fraction into the partial fraction.

Question 5 $f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$ and

$g(a) = \frac{2a}{(a+1)(a^2+1)^2}$ are two algebraical expressions. [D.B. 16]

- Find the value of $f(-3)$. 2
- If $f(a)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $x-p$ and $x-q$ where $p \neq q$, show that $p^2 + q^2 + pq + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0$. 4
- Express $g(a)$ as a sum of partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 5

a Given,

$$f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f(-3) &= (-3)^3 + 5(-3)^2 + 6(-3) + 8 \\ &= -27 + 45 - 18 + 8 \\ &= 53 - 45 \\ &= 8 \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

b Given,

$$f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$$

If we divide $f(a)$ by $(x-p)$ the remainder will be $f(p)$

$$\therefore f(p) = p^3 + 5p^2 + 6p + 8$$

Again, If we divide $f(a)$ by $(x-q)$ the remainder will be $f(q)$.

$$\therefore f(q) = q^3 + 5q^2 + 6q + 8$$

According to the question $f(p) = f(q)$

$$\text{Or, } p^3 + 5p^2 + 6p + 8 = q^3 + 5q^2 + 6q + 8$$

$$\text{Or, } p^3 - q^3 + 5(p^2 - q^2) + 6(p - q) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (p - q)(p^2 + pq + q^2) + 5(p + q)(p - q) + 6(p - q) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (p - q)(p^2 + pq + q^2 + 5p + 5q + 6) = 0$$

Since $p \neq q$, therefore $p - q \neq 0$

$$\therefore p^2 + pq + q^2 + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$$

c Given,

$$g(a) = \frac{2a}{(a+1)(a^2+1)^2}$$

$$\frac{2a}{(a+1)(a^2+1)^2} \equiv \frac{A}{a+1} + \frac{Ba+C}{a^2+1} + \frac{Da+E}{(a^2+1)^2} \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(a+1)(a^2+1)^2$ in equation (i) we get,

$$2a \equiv A(a^2+1)^2 + (Ba+C)(a+1)(a^2+1) + (Da+E)(a+1) \dots (ii)$$

Substituting the value of $a = -1$ in equation (ii) we get,

$$2(-1) = A(1+1)^2$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 = 4A$$

$$\text{Or, } A = -\frac{2}{4}$$

$$\therefore A = -\frac{1}{2}$$

From (ii)

$$2a \equiv A(a^4 + 2a^2 + 1) + (Ba + C)(a^3 + a + a^2 + 1) + Da^2 + Da + Ea + E$$

$$\text{Or, } 2a \equiv Aa^4 + 2Aa^2 + A + Ba^4 + Ba^2 + Ba^3 + Ba + Ca^3 + Ca + Ca^2 + C + Da^2 + Da + Ea + E$$

$$\therefore 2a = (A+B)a^4 + (B+C)a^3 + (2A+B+C+D)a^2 + (B+C+D+E)a + (A+C+E)$$

Equating the coefficients of a^4, a^3, a^2 and a we get,

$$A + B = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -\frac{1}{2} + B = 0 \text{ [}\because A = -\frac{1}{2}\text{]}$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{1}{2}$$

Again, $B + C = 0$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{2} + C = 0$$

$$\therefore C = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Again, $2A + B + C + D = 0$

$$\text{Or, } 2 \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + D = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 + D = 0$$

$$\therefore D = 1$$

Again, $B + C + D + E = 2$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + 1 + E = 2$$

$$\text{Or, } E = 2 - 1$$

$$\therefore E = 1$$

Now, substituting the values of A, B, C, D and E in (i) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2a}{(a+1)(a^2+1)^2} &= \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{a+1} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2}}{a^2+1} + \frac{a+1}{(a^2+1)^2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2(a+1)} + \frac{a-1}{2(a^2+1)} + \frac{a+1}{(a^2+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Which is the desired partial fractions.

Question 6 $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-16}$ are two

functions. [R.B.16]

- Find the domain of the function stated by $f(x)$. 2
- Determine $f^{-1}(-1)$. 4
- Express $g(x)$ as partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 6

a Given, $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$

Now, the function $f(x)$ will be defined if and only if $3x - 1 > 0$.

$$\text{Or, } 3x - 1 + 1 > 0 + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x > 1$$

$$\therefore x > \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{The domain of the function} = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > \frac{1}{3}\} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Let,

$$y = f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$$

$$\text{Or, } y^2 = \frac{1}{3x-1} \text{ [Squaring both sides]}$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x - 1 = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x = \frac{1}{y^2} + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x = \frac{1+y^2}{y^2}$$

$$\text{Or, } x = \frac{1+y^2}{3y^2}$$

$$\text{Or, } f^{-1}(y) = \frac{1+y^2}{3y^2} [f(x) = y \therefore x = f^{-1}(y)]$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(-1) = \frac{1+(-1)^2}{3(-1)^2} = \frac{1+1}{3 \cdot 1} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Given,

$$g(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-16} = \frac{x^2-16+16}{x^2-16} = \frac{x^2-16}{x^2-16} + \frac{16}{x^2-16}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{16}{(x+4)(x-4)}$$

$$\text{Suppose } \frac{16}{(x-4)(x-4)} \equiv \frac{A}{(x+4)} + \frac{B}{(x-4)} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x+4)(x-4)$ in (i)

$$16 \equiv A(x-4) + B(x+4) \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

Which is true for all values of x .

Substituting the value of $x = -4$ in (i) we get,

$$16 \equiv A(-4-4) + B(-4+4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 16 = -8A$$

$$A = -2$$

Again, substituting the value of $x = 4$ in (ii) we get,

$$16 = A(4-4) + B(4+4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 16 = 8B$$

$$\therefore B = 2$$

Substituting the values of A and B in (i)

$$\frac{16}{(x+4)(x-4)} = \frac{-2}{x+4} + \frac{2}{x-4}$$

$\therefore g(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2-16} = 1 - \frac{2}{(x+4)} + \frac{2}{(x-4)}$ This is the expression of the given fraction into partial fraction. (Ans.)

Question 7 $P(x) = x^2 + x - 12$, $Q(x) = 9x + 2$. [Dj. B.16]

- Find the domain $F(x) = \frac{2x}{x+3}$. 2
- If $P(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $2x - a$ and $2x - b$ where $a \neq b$, show that, $a + b + 2 = 0$. 4
- Express $\frac{Q(x)}{P(x)}$ as partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 7

a Given, $F(x) = \frac{2x}{x+3}$

$$\text{If } x+3 = 0$$

Or, $x = -3$, the function $f(x)$ does not exist.

$$\therefore \text{Domain, } F = \mathbb{R} - \{-3\} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Given, $P(x) = x^2 + x - 12$

If we divide $P(x)$ by $(2x - a)$ the remainder will be $P\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)$

$$\therefore P\left(\frac{a}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{a}{2} - 12$$

Again, if we divide $P(x)$ by $(2x - b)$, the remainder will be

$$P\left(\frac{b}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore P\left(\frac{b}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{b}{2} - 12$$

According to the questions,

$$\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{a}{2} - 12 = \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{b}{2} - 12$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{a^2}{4} + \frac{a}{2} - 12 = \frac{b^2}{4} + \frac{b}{2} - 12$$

$$\text{Or, } a^2 + 2a - 48 = b^2 + 2b - 48$$

$$\text{Or, } a^2 + 2a - 48 - b^2 - 2b + 48 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } a^2 - b^2 + 2a - 2b = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (a+b)(a-b) + 2(a-b) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (a+b+2)(a-b) = 0$$

Since $a \neq b$

$$\therefore a + b + 2 = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$$

c Given,

$$P(x) = x^2 + x - 12$$

$$\text{and } Q(x) = 9x + 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } x^2 + x - 12 &= x^2 + 4x - 3x - 12 \\ &= x(x+4) - 3(x+4) \\ &= (x+4)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{Q(x)}{P(x)} = \frac{9x+2}{x^2+x-12} = \frac{9x+2}{(x+4)(x-3)}$$

$$\text{Suppose, } \frac{9x+2}{(x+4)(x-3)} \equiv \frac{A}{x+4} + \frac{B}{x-3} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by of equation (i) with $(x+4)(x-3)$ we get,

$$9x+2 \equiv A(x-3) + B(x+4) \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

Which is true for all values of x

Now, Putting $x = -4$ both sides in equation (ii),

$$9(-4) + 2 = A(-4-3) + B(-4+4)$$

$$\text{Or, } -36 + 2 = -7A$$

$$\text{Or, } -34 = -7A$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{34}{7}$$

Again, putting $x = 3$ in both sides of equation (ii) we get,

$$9 \cdot 3 + 2 = A(3-3) + B(3+4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 29 = 7B$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{29}{7}$$

Putting the values of A and B in equation (i)

$$\frac{9x+2}{(x+4)(x-3)} = \frac{\frac{34}{7}}{x+4} + \frac{\frac{29}{7}}{x-3}$$

$\therefore \frac{Q(x)}{P(x)} = \frac{34}{7(x+4)} + \frac{29}{7(x-3)}$ which is the desired partial fractions.

Question 8 $x - 1$ is a factor of the polynomial $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$ and all coefficients of the polynomial are integers and $p \neq 0$, $s \neq 0$ another expression $Q(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2-16}$. [S.B.16]

- Show that, $p + q + r + s = 0$. 2
- If $p = 1$, $q = 5$, $r = 6$ and $s = 8$ and $g(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $x - k$ and $x - l$ where $k \neq l$ then show that $k^2 + l^2 + kl + 5k + 5l + 6 = 0$. 4
- Express $Q(x)$ as partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 8

a Given,

$$g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$$

$(x - 1)$ is a factor of $g(x)$

$$\text{i.e. } g(1) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } p(1)^3 + q(1)^2 + r \cdot 1 + s = 0$$

$$\therefore p + q + r + s = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$$

b Here,

$$g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$$

and $p = 1$, $q = 5$, $r = 6$, $s = 8$

$$\therefore g(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$$

If we divide $g(x)$ by $(x - k)$ and $(x - l)$ the remainder will be $g(k)$ and $g(l)$ respectively

$$g(k) = g(l)$$

$$\text{Or, } k^3 + 5k^2 + 6k + 8 = l^3 + 5l^2 + 6l + 8$$

$$\text{Or, } k^3 - l^3 + 5(k^2 - l^2) + 6(k - l) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (k - l)(k^2 + kl + l^2) + 5(k + l)(k - l) + 6(k - l) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (k - l)(k^2 + kl + l^2 + 5k + 5l + 6) = 0$$

Since $k \neq l$, therefore $(k - l) \neq 0$

$$\therefore k^2 + l^2 + kl + 5k + 5l + 6 = 0. \text{ (Shown)}$$

c Given,

$$Q(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16}$$

$$= \frac{x(x^2 - 16) + 16x}{x^2 - 16} = x + \frac{16x}{x^2 - 16}$$

$$= x + \frac{16x}{(x + 4)(x - 4)}$$

$$\text{Suppose, } \frac{16x}{(x + 4)(x - 4)} = \frac{A}{x + 4} + \frac{B}{x - 4} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides of (i) with $(x + 4)(x - 4)$ in (i) we get,

$$16x = A(x - 4) + B(x + 4) \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

Which is true for all values of x .

Putting $x = -4$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$16 \times (-4) = A(-4 - 4) + B(-4 + 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } -64 = -8A$$

$$\therefore A = 8$$

Again, putting $x = 4$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$16 \times 4 = A(4 - 4) + B(4 + 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 64 = 8B$$

$$\therefore B = 8$$

Putting the value of A and B in (i) we get,

$$\frac{16x}{(x + 4)(x - 4)} = \frac{8}{x + 4} + \frac{8}{x - 4} = 8\left(\frac{1}{x + 4} + \frac{1}{x - 4}\right)$$

$$\therefore Q(x) = x + 8\left(\frac{1}{x + 4} + \frac{1}{x - 4}\right);$$

This is the expression of the given fraction into partial fraction. (Ans.)

Question 9 $p(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$ and $f(x) = x^2 - 9x - 6$ are two functions. [Ctg.B.16]

a. Find the remainder by using remainder theorem when $f(x)$ is divided by $(x + 3)$. 2

b. If $p(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $(x - a)$ and $(x - b)$ where $a \neq b$, then show that $a^2 + ab + b^2 + a + b = 6$. 4

c. Express $\frac{f(x)}{p(x)}$ into partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 9

a Given,

$$f(x) = x^2 - 9x - 6$$

Now, if we divide $f(x)$ by $(x + 3)$ the remainder will be $f(-3)$.

$$\therefore f(-3) = (-3)^2 - 9(-3) - 6 = 9 + 27 - 6 = 30 \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Given,

$$p(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$$

If we divide $p(x)$ by $(x - a)$ and $(x - b)$ the remainder will be $p(a)$ and $p(b)$ respectively.

According to the question.

$$p(a) = p(b)$$

$$\text{Or, } a^3 + a^2 - 6a = b^3 + b^2 - 6b$$

$$\text{Or, } a^3 - b^3 + a^2 - b^2 - 6(a - b) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) + (a + b)(a - b) - 6(a - b) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2 + a + b - 6) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } a^2 + ab + b^2 + a + b - 6 = 0 \text{ [Since } a \neq b \text{ therefore } a - b \neq 0]$$

$$\therefore a^2 + ab + b^2 + a + b = 6 \text{ (Shown)}$$

c $\frac{f(x)}{p(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x^3 + x^2 - 6x} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x^2 + x - 6)} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6)}$

$$\therefore \frac{f(x)}{p(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)}$$

$$\text{Suppose, } \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x - 2} + \frac{C}{x + 3} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $x(x - 2)(x + 3)$ in (i) we get.

$$x^2 - 9x - 6 = A(x - 2)(x + 3) + Bx(x + 3) + Cx(x - 2) \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

Which is true for all values of x .

Now putting the value of $x = 0$ is both sides of (ii) we get.

$$0 - 0 - 6 = A(0 - 2)(0 + 3) + 0 + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -6 = -6A$$

$$\therefore A = 1$$

Again, putting the value of $x = 2$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$2^2 - 9 \cdot 2 - 6 = 0 + B \cdot 2(2 + 3) + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -20 = 10B$$

$$\therefore B = -2$$

Putting the value of $x = -3$ in both sides of (ii) we get,

$$(-3)^2 - 9(-3) - 6 = 0 + 0 + C(-3)(-3 - 2)$$

$$\text{Or, } 30 = 15C$$

$$\therefore C = 2$$

Putting the value of A, B, C in (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{x - 2} + \frac{2}{x + 3}$$

This is the expression of the given fraction into partial fraction.

Question 10 $P(x) = x^3 - x^2 + ax + b$ and $Q(x) = x^2 - 2x - 8$. [J.B. 16]

a. Resolve $Q(x)$ into factors. 2

b. Express $\frac{x^2}{Q(x)}$ as a sum of partial fractions. 4

c. If $Q(x)$ is a factor of $P(x)$, find the value of a and b . 4

Solution to the question no. 10

a Given,

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= x^2 - 2x - 8 \\ &= x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8 \\ &= x(x - 4) + 2(x - 4) \\ &= (x - 4)(x + 2) \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

b

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2}{Q(x)} &= \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 2x - 8} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 - 2x - 8) + (2x + 8)}{x^2 - 2x - 8} \\ &= \frac{x^2 - 2x - 8}{x^2 - 2x - 8} + \frac{2x + 8}{x^2 - 2x - 8} \\ &= 1 + \frac{2x + 8}{(x - 4)(x + 2)} \text{ [Obtained from 'a']} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2}{Q(x)} = 1 + \frac{2x + 8}{(x - 4)(x + 2)} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$\text{Suppose, } \frac{2x + 8}{(x - 4)(x + 2)} = \frac{A}{x - 4} + \frac{B}{x + 2} \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

Multiplying both sides of (ii) with $(x - 4)(x + 2)$ we get,

$$2x + 8 = A(x + 2) + B(x - 4) \dots\dots\dots (iii)$$

Putting $x = 4$ in (iii) we get,

$$2 \cdot 4 + 8 = A(4 + 2) + B(4 - 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 8 + 8 = A \cdot 6 + B \cdot 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 6A = 16 \text{ or, } A = \frac{16}{6}$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{8}{3}$$

Again putting $x = -2$ in (iii) we get,

$$2(-2) + 8 = A(-2 - 2) + B(-2 - 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } -4 + 8 = A \cdot 0 + B(-6)$$

$$\text{Or, } 4 = -6B$$

$$\text{Or, } B = \frac{-4}{6}$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{-2}{3}$$

Putting the values of A and B in (i) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2x + 8}{(x - 4)(x + 2)} &= \frac{\frac{8}{3}}{x - 4} + \frac{\frac{-2}{3}}{x + 2} \\ &= \frac{8}{3(x - 4)} - \frac{2}{3(x + 2)} \end{aligned}$$

From (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2}{Q(x)} = 1 + \frac{8}{3(x - 4)} - \frac{2}{3(x + 2)} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Obtained from (a) we get,

$$Q(x) = (x - 4)(x + 2)$$

$$\text{Given, } P(x) = x^3 - x^2 + ax + b$$

If $(x - 4)$ is a factor of $P(x)$ then $P(4) = 0$

$$\therefore P(4) = 4^3 - 4^2 + a(4) + b$$

$$= 64 - 16 + 4a + b$$

$$= 4a + b + 48$$

According to the question, $4a + b + 48 = 0 \dots\dots\dots (iv)$

Again, $(x + 2)$ is a factor of $P(x)$ then $P(-2) = 0$

$$\therefore P(-2) = (-2)^3 - (-2)^2 + a(-2) + b$$

$$= -8 - 4 - 2a + b = -2a + b - 12$$

According to the question $-2a + b - 12 = 0 \dots\dots\dots (v)$

Subtracting (v) from (iv) we get,

$$4a + b + 48 + 2a - b + 12 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 6a + 60 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 6a = -60$$

$$\therefore a = -10$$

Putting the value of a in (v) we get,

$$-2(-10) + b - 12 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 20 + b - 12 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } b + 8 = 0$$

$$\therefore b = -8$$

\therefore The required value $a = -10$ and $b = -8$. (Ans.)

Question ► 11 $f(x) = \frac{2x + 2}{x - 1}$ is a function, where $x \neq 1$.

a. If $f(p) = k$, express p in terms of k.

b. Find $f^{-1}(3)$.

(c) Express $f(x^2)$ as the sum of partial fractions.

Solution to the question no. 11

a Given,

$$f(x) = \frac{2x + 2}{x - 1}, \text{ where } x \neq 1$$

$$\therefore f(p) = \frac{2p + 2}{p - 1}$$

According to the question, $f(p) = k$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{2p + 2}{p - 1} = k$$

$$\text{Or, } 2p + 2 = pk - k$$

$$\text{Or, } 2p - pk = -k - 2$$

$$\text{Or, } p(2 - k) = -(k + 2)$$

$$\text{Or, } p = \frac{-(k + 2)}{2 - k}$$

$$\therefore p = \frac{k + 2}{k - 2} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Suppose, $y = f(x) = \frac{2x + 2}{x - 1}$

$$\therefore y = \frac{2x + 2}{x - 1}$$

$$\text{Or, } xy - y = 2x + 2$$

$$\text{Or, } xy - 2x = y + 2$$

$$\text{Or, } x(y - 2) = y + 2$$

$$\text{Or, } x = \frac{y + 2}{y - 2}$$

$$\text{Or, } f^{-1}(y) = \frac{y + 2}{y - 2} \left[\begin{array}{l} \because f(x) = y \\ \therefore x = f^{-1}(y) \end{array} \right]$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x + 2}{x - 2}$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(3) = \frac{3 + 2}{3 - 2} = \frac{5}{1} = 5 \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Given,

$$f(x) = \frac{2x + 2}{x - 1}$$

$$\therefore f(x^2) = \frac{2x^2 + 2}{x^2 - 1} = \frac{2(x^2 + 1)}{x^2 - 1}$$

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

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

$$\therefore f(x^2) = 2 + \frac{4}{(x + 1)(x - 1)} \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$\text{Suppose, } \frac{4}{(x + 1)(x - 1)} = \frac{A}{x + 1} + \frac{B}{x - 1} \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

Multiplying both sides of (i) with $(x + 1)(x - 1)$ we get,

$$\therefore 4 = A(x - 1) + B(x + 1) \dots\dots\dots (iii)$$

Putting $x = 1$ in (iii) we get, $4 = 2B \therefore B = 2$

Putting $x = -1$ in (iii) we get, $4 = -2A \therefore A = -2$

From (ii) we get,

$$\frac{4}{(x + 1)(x - 1)} = \frac{-2}{x + 1} + \frac{2}{x - 1}$$

$$\text{Then from (i) } f(x^2) = 2 - \frac{2}{x + 1} + \frac{2}{x - 1} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ► 12 Given, $P(x) = x$.

[Mirzapur Cadet College, Tangail]

a. Find the leading coefficient and constant term of the expression $5x^6 - 3x^5 + 2x^2 - 7$.

b. Simplify: $\frac{1}{1 + P(b)} + \frac{2}{1 + P(b^2)} + \frac{4}{1 + P(b^4)} + \frac{8}{1 + P(b^8)} +$

$$\frac{16}{P(b^{16}) - 1}$$

c. Express $\frac{2P(x)}{1 - P(x^4)}$ into partial fraction.

[B.B. 16]
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Solution to the question no. 12

a Given expression

$$5x^6 - 3x^5 + 2x^2 - 7 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

(i) is a expression with variable x and highest degree of x is 6.
 \therefore Leading co-efficient is 5 and constant term is -7 (Ans.)

b Given, $P(x) = x$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } & \frac{1}{1+P(b)} + \frac{2}{1+P(b^2)} + \frac{4}{1+P(b^4)} + \frac{8}{1+P(b^8)} + \frac{16}{P(b^{16})-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4}{1+b^4} + \frac{8}{1+b^8} + \frac{16}{b^{16}-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4}{1+b^4} + \frac{8}{1+b^8} + \frac{16}{(b^8+1)(b^8-1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4}{1+b^4} + \left\{ \frac{8(b^8-1)+16}{(b^8+1)(b^8-1)} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4}{1+b^4} + \frac{8(b^8+1)}{(b^8+1)(b^8-1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4}{1+b^4} + \frac{8}{b^8-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \left\{ \frac{4(b^4-1)+8}{(b^4+1)(b^4-1)} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4(b^4+1)}{(b^4+1)(b^4-1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{1+b^2} + \frac{4}{b^4-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \left\{ \frac{2(b^2-1)+4}{(b^2+1)(b^2-1)} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2(b^2+1)}{(b^2-1)(b^2+1)} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+b} + \frac{2}{b^2-1} = \frac{b-1+2}{(b+1)(b-1)} \\ &= \frac{b+1}{(b+1)(b-1)} = \frac{1}{b-1} \end{aligned}$$

Ans. $\frac{1}{b-1}$

c Given, $P(x) = x$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore & \frac{2P(x)}{1-P(x^4)} \\ &= \frac{2x}{1-x^4} \\ &= \frac{2x}{(1-x)(1+x)(1+x^2)} \end{aligned}$$

Let, $\frac{2x}{(1-x)(1+x)(1+x^2)} = \frac{A}{1-x} + \frac{B}{1+x} + \frac{Cx+D}{1+x^2} \dots\dots (i)$

Multiplying both side by $(1-x)(1+x)(1+x^2)$, we get

$$2x = A(1+x)(1+x^2) + B(1-x)(1+x^2) + (Cx+D)(1-x)(1+x)$$

$$\text{Or, } 2x = A(1+x+x^2+x^3) + B(1-x+x^2-x^3) + Cx+D-Cx^3-Dx^2 \dots\dots (ii)$$

Now, equating the co-efficient of x^3, x^2, x and constant term we get,

- $A - B - C = 0 \dots\dots\dots (iii)$
- $A + B - D = 0 \dots\dots\dots (iv)$
- $A - B + C = 2 \dots\dots\dots (v)$
- $A + B + D = 0 \dots\dots\dots (vi)$

From, (iii) + (v) we get,

$$2(A - B) = 2$$

$$\text{Or, } A - B = 1 \dots\dots\dots (vii)$$

From, (iv) and (vi) we get,

$$D = 0$$

$$\text{and } A + B = 0 \dots\dots\dots (viii)$$

From, (vii) and (viii) we get,

$$A = \frac{1}{2}, B = -\frac{1}{2}$$

From, (v) we get,

$$C = 1$$

Now, putting the value of A, B, C and D in equation (i) we get,

$$\frac{2x}{(1-x)(1+x)(1+x^2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1-x} + \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{1+x} + \frac{x}{1+x^2} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 13 $x + 4$ is a factor of $P(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + a$

[Mymensingh Girls' Cadet College, Mymensingh]

- a. What is the value of a? 2
- b. If $Q(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 7x + 10$. Find the common factor of $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$. 4
- c. If $P(y)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $y-m$ and $y-n$ where $m \neq n$, show that $m^2 + n^2 + mn + 5m + 5n + 6 = 0$. 4

Solution to the question no. 13

a Given, $P(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + a$

As $(x+4)$ is a factor of $P(x)$

$$\therefore P(-4) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (-4)^3 + 5(-4)^2 + 6(-4) + a = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -64 + 80 - 24 + a = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } a - 8 = 0$$

$$\therefore a = 8 \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b From 'a'

$$a = 8$$

$$\therefore P(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$$

$$\text{Given, } Q(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 7x + 10$$

Now, $(x + 4)$ is a factor $P(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8 \\ &= x^3 + 4x^2 + x^2 + 4x + 2x + 8 \\ &= x^2(x+4) + x(x+4) + 2(x+4) \\ &= (x+4)(x^2+x+2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Again, } Q(x) &= x^3 + 6x^2 + 7x + 10 \\ &= x^3 + 5x^2 + x^2 + 5x + 2x + 10 \\ &= x^2(x+5) + x(x+5) + 2(x+5) \\ &= (x+5)(x^2+x+2) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Common factor for $Q(x)$ and $P(x)$ is $(x^2 + x + 2)$ (Ans.)

c Similar to example - 6 of chapter-2 of your textbook.

Question 14 $P(x) = -x^2 - 15x - 10x^3 + 9$ & $Q(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$.
 [Pabna Cadet College, Pabna]

- a. Write $P(x)$ as the ideal expression of x & find the leading co-efficient? 2
- b. Resolve into Factors $P(x)$? 4
- c. Express $\frac{x^2+x-1}{Q(x)}$ in partial fraction? 4

Solution to the question no. 14

a Given,
 $P(x) = -x^2 - 15x - 10x^3 + 9$
 In standard form, $P(x) = -10x^3 - x^2 - 15x + 9$
 Here, degree of the polynomial is 3 and leading coefficient is -10 (Ans.)

b From 'a'
 $P(x) = -10x^3 - x^2 - 15x + 9$
 $= -10x^3 + 5x^2 - 6x^2 + 3x - 18x + 9$
 $= -5x^2(2x-1) - 3x(2x-1) - 9(2x-1)$
 $= (2x-1)(-5x^2 - 3x - 9)$
 $= -(2x-1)(5x^2 + 3x + 9)$

c Given that, $Q(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$
 $\therefore \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{Q(x)} = \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 + x^2 - 6x} = \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x^2 - 6x}$
 $= \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^2(x+3) - 2x(x+3)} = \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{(x+3)x(x-2)}$
 $= \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x(x+3)(x-2)}$

Let, $\frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x(x+3)(x-2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+3} + \frac{C}{x-2}$

$\therefore x^2 + x - 1 = A(x+3)(x-2) + B.x(x-2) + C.x(x+3)$

For $x = 0$,
 $-1 = A.3(-2)$

Or, $A = \frac{1}{6}$

For $x = 2$
 $4 + 2 - 1 = C.2.5$

Or, $5 = C.2.5$

Or, $C = \frac{1}{2}$

For, $x = -3$
 $9 - 3 - 1 = B(-3)(-5)$

Or, $B = \frac{5}{15} = \frac{1}{3}$

$\therefore \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x(x+3)(x-2)} = \frac{1}{6x} + \frac{1}{3(x+3)} + \frac{1}{2(x-2)}$ (Ans.)

Question 15 $F(a) = \frac{1}{1-a^3}$ and $P(x, y, z) = (x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx)$
 (xy + yz + zx). [Cumilla Cadet College, Cumilla]

a. Verify whether $P(x, y, z)$ is cyclic or symmetric. 2

b. Express $F(a)$ into a partial fraction. 4

c. If $P(x, y, z) = xyz$, show that $\frac{1}{(x+y+z)^7} = \frac{1}{x^7} + \frac{1}{y^7} + \frac{1}{z^7}$. 4

Solution to the question no. 15

a Given that, $P(x, y, z) = (x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx)$
 $= x^2y + xyz + zx^2 + xy^2 + y^2z + xyz + xyz + yz^2 + z^2x$
 $= x^2y + xy^2 + y^2z + yz^2 + z^2x + zx^2 + 3xyz$
 $= xy(x + y) + yz(y + z) + zx(z + x) + 3xyz$
 So, the given expression is a cyclic expression of the variables x, y, z because replacing y by x , z by y and x by z , the expression remains the same.

Again the given expression is symmetric expression of the variables, x, y, z because the expression remains unchanged when any two of the variables are interchanged.

b Given expression, $\frac{1}{1-a^3} = \frac{1}{(1-a)(1+a+a^2)}$
 Let, $\frac{1}{(1-a)(1+a+a^2)} = \frac{A}{1-a} + \frac{Ba+C}{1+a+a^2}$ (i)

Multiplying both sides of (i) by $(1-a)(1+a+a^2)$ we get,
 $1 \equiv A(1+a+a^2) + (Ba+C)(1-a)$ (ii)

Putting $a = 1$ in (ii), we get,

$1 = A(1+1+1)$

Or, $3A = 1$

$\therefore A = \frac{1}{3}$

Equating the co-efficients of a^2 , a, we get,

$A - B = 0$

$A + B - C = 0$

Putting $A = \frac{1}{3}$ in $A - B = 0$, we get,

$B = \frac{1}{3}$

Putting $A = \frac{1}{3}, B = \frac{1}{3}$ in $A + B - C = 0$, we get,

$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - C = 0$

Or, $\frac{2}{3} = C \therefore C = \frac{2}{3}$.

Putting the values of A, B and C (i), we get,

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

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

This is the required expression of the given fraction into the partial fraction.

Ans: $\frac{1}{3(1-a)} + \frac{a+2}{3(1+a+a^2)}$

c Given that, $P(x, y, z) = (x + y + z)(xy + yz + zx)$
 Or, $xyz = x^2y + xy^2 + xyz + xyz + y^2z + xy^2 + yz^2 + zx^2 + z^2x$
 Or, $x^2y + xy^2 + xyz + y^2z + z^2x + yz^2 + x^2z + xyz = 0$
 Or, $xy(x + y) + yz(x + y) + z^2(x + y) + xz(x + y) = 0$
 Or, $(x + y)(xy + yz + z^2 + xz) = 0$
 Or, $(x + y)\{y(x + z) + z(z + x)\} = 0$
 $\therefore (x + y)(y + z)(z + x) = 0$

Either, $x + y = 0$ or, $y + z = 0$ or, $z + x = 0$

$\therefore x = -y \therefore y = -z \therefore z = -x$

Now, $\frac{1}{(x+y+z)^7} = \frac{1}{(x-z+z)^7} = \frac{1}{x^7} [\because y = -z]$

Again, $\frac{1}{x^7} + \frac{1}{y^7} + \frac{1}{z^7} = \frac{1}{x^7} + \frac{1}{(-z)^7} + \frac{1}{z^7} [\because y = -z]$
 $= \frac{1}{x^7} - \frac{1}{z^7} + \frac{1}{z^7} = \frac{1}{x^7}$

$\therefore \frac{1}{(x+y+z)^7} = \frac{1}{x^7} + \frac{1}{y^7} + \frac{1}{z^7}$ (Shown)

Question 16 $P(a, b, c) = (a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca)$

$Q(a, b, c) = (b + c)(c + a)(a + b)$ [Jhenidah Cadet College, Jhenidah]

a. If $(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 = 0$, show that $x = y = z$ 2

b. Show that, $Q(a, b, c) + abc = P(a, b, c)$ 4

c. If $P(a, b, c) = abc$, justify $\frac{1}{(a+b+c)^9} = \frac{1}{a^9} + \frac{1}{b^9} + \frac{1}{c^9}$ is possible or not. 4

Solution to the question no. 16

a Given $(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 = 0$
 we know, the sum of squares of two or more expressions will be zero if and only if their individual values will be zero.

So, $(x - y)^2 = 0$ and $(y - z)^2 = 6$

Or, $x - y = 0$ or, $y - z = 0$

Or, $x = y$ or, $y = z$

$\therefore x = y = z$ (Shown)

b Here,
 $Q(a, b, c) = (b + c)(c + a)(a + b)$
and $p(a, b, c) = (a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca)$
 $\therefore Q(a, b, c) + abc = (b + c)(c + a)(a + b) + abc$
Considering the expression as a polynomial $F(a)$ of a , we substitute $-b - c$ for a and get,
 $F\{-b - c\} = (b + c)(c - b - c)(-b - c + b) + (-b - c)bc(b + c) - bc, (b + c) = 0.$
So, according to the factor theorem, $(a + b + c)$ is the factor of the given expression.

The given expression having a cyclic homogeneous polynomial of degree 3 and one factor of degree 1 have been found. So, the remaining factor will be cyclic homogenous polynomial of degree two, i.e., will be of the form $k(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + m(bc + ca + ab)$, there k and m are constants.

$\therefore (b + c)(c + a)(a + b) + abc = (a + b + c)\{k(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) + m(bc + ca + ab)\}$ (i) For all values of a, b, c , (i) is true.

Putting in (i) first $a = 0, b = 0, c = 1$ and then $a = 1, b = 1, c = 0$, we get respectively $0 = k$ and $2 = 2(k \times 2 + m)$

$\therefore k = 0, m = 1.$

Now putting the values of k and m , we get, $(ab + c)(c + a)(a + b) + abc = (a + b + c)(bc + ca + ab).$

$\therefore Q(a, b, c) + abc = (a + b + c)(ab + bc + ca)$ (Shown)

c Given that, $P(a, b, c) = (a + b + c)(ab + ca)$
Or, $abc = a^2b + ab^2 + abc + abc + b^2c + abc + bc^2 + ca^2 + c^2a$

Or, $a^2b + ab^2 + abc + b^2c + c^2a + bc^2 + a^2c + abc = 0$

Or, $ab(a + b) + bc(a + b) + c^2(a + b) + ac(a + b) - 0$

Or, $(a + b)(ab + bc + c^2 + ac) = 0$

Or, $(a + b)(b(a + c) + c(c + a)) = 0$

$\therefore (a + b)(b + c)(c + a) = 0$

Either, $a + b = 0$ Or, $b + c = 0$ Or, $c + a = 0$

$\therefore a = -b$ $\therefore b = -c$ $\therefore c = -a$

Now, $\frac{1}{(a + b + c)^2} = \frac{1}{(a - c + c)^2} = \frac{1}{a^2}$ [$\because b = -c$]

Again, $\frac{1}{a^9} + \frac{1}{b^9} + \frac{1}{c^9} = \frac{1}{a^9} + \frac{1}{(-c)^9} + \frac{1}{c^9}$ [$\because b = -c$]
 $= \frac{1}{a^9} - \frac{1}{c^9} + \frac{1}{c^9}$
 $= \frac{1}{a^9}$

$\therefore \frac{1}{(a + b + c)^9} = \frac{1}{a^9} + \frac{1}{b^9} + \frac{1}{c^9}$

Question 17 $p^a = q^b = r^c$, where $p \neq q \neq r$

[Jhenidah Cadet College, Jhenidah]

a. Show that, $\log_a \log_a \log_a (a^{a^b}) = b$ 2

b. If p, q, r are orderly proportional, prove that, $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{c} = \frac{2}{b}$ 4

c. If $pqr = 1$, show that, $\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} = \frac{3}{abc}$ 4

Solution to the question no. 17

a Solution: L.S. = $\log_a \log_a \log_a (a^{a^b})$
 $= \log_a \log_a a^b \log_a a$ [$\because \log_a P^r = r \log_a P$]
 $= \log_a \log_a a^b \cdot 1$ [$\because \log_a a^1 = 1$]
 $= \log_a a^b \log_a a$
 $= \log_a a^b$ [$\because \log_a a = 1$]
 $= b \log_a a = b \cdot 1 = b$
= R.S. (Shown)

b See chapter. 9.1, example-11 of your text book.

c Let,
 $p^a = q^b = r^c = k$ [Where k is constant]

$\therefore p = k^{\frac{1}{a}}; q = k^{\frac{1}{b}}; r = k^{\frac{1}{c}}$

Given, $pqr = 1$

Or, $k^{\frac{1}{a}} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{b}} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{c}} = 1$

Or, $k^{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}} = k^0$

Or, $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$

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

Or, $\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right)^3 = \left(-\frac{1}{c}\right)^3$ [cubing both sides]

Or, $\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + 3\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}\right) \frac{1}{a} \frac{1}{b} = -\frac{1}{c^3}$

Or, $\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + 3\left(-\frac{1}{c}\right) \frac{1}{a} \frac{1}{b} = -\frac{1}{c^3}$

Or, $\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} - \frac{3}{abc} = -\frac{1}{c^3}$

$\therefore \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} = \frac{3}{abc}$ (Shown)

Question 18 $f(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + a, g(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$

and $p = \frac{bc(a+d)}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{ca(b+d)}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{ab(c+d)}{(c-a)(c-b)}$ are

three algebraic expressions. [RAJUK Uttara Model College, Dhaka]

a. Resolve into factors of $g(x)$. 2

b. Find the value of 'a' if $(3x + 2)$ is a factor of the polynomial $f(x)$. 4

c. Simplify p . 4

Solution to the question no. 18

a Given,

$g(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$
 $= x(x^2 + x - 6)$
 $= x(x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6)$
 $= x\{x(x + 3) - 2(x + 3)\}$
 $= x(x + 3)(x - 2)$ (Ans.)

b Given, $f(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + a$

Since $(3x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$. So if $f(x)$ is divided by $(3x + 2)$ the remainder will be zero. That is-

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

Or, $18\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 + 15\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + a = 0$

Or, $-18 \cdot \frac{8}{27} + 15 \cdot \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{3} + a = 0$

Or, $-\frac{16}{3} + \frac{20}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + a = 0$

Or, $a = \frac{16}{3} - \frac{20}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$

Or, $a = \frac{16 - 20 - 2}{3}$

Or, $a = \frac{-6}{3}$

$\therefore a = -2$ (Ans.)

c Given expression,

$$= \frac{bc(a+d)}{(a-b)(a-c)} + \frac{ca(b+d)}{(b-c)(b-a)} + \frac{ab(c+d)}{(c-a)(c-b)}$$

$$= \frac{bc(a+d)}{-(a-b)(c-a)} + \frac{ca(b+d)}{-(b-c)(a-b)} + \frac{ab(c+d)}{-(c-a)(b-c)}$$

$$= \frac{bc(a+d)(b-c) + ca(b+d)(c-a) + ab(c+d)(a-b)}{-(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}$$

$$= \frac{abc(b-c) + abc(c-a) + abc(a-b) + d\{bc(b-c) + ca(c-a) + ab(a-b)\}}{-(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}$$

But its numerator, $abc(b-c) + abc(c-a) + abc(a-b) = 0$

and $bc(b-c) + ca(c-a) + ab(a-b) = -(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)$

$$\therefore \text{Given expression} = \frac{0 + d\{-(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)\}}{-(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}$$

$$= \frac{-d(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)}{-(a-b)(b-c)(c-a)} = d \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ▶ 19 $a^x = b^y = c^z$, where $a \neq b \neq c$, $M = \frac{p^{\frac{3}{2}} + pq}{pq - q^3} - \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{p-q}}$

[RAJUK Uttara Model College, Dhaka]

a. If $ab = c^2$ then, prove that, $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{2}{z}$. 2

b. If $abc = 1$ then, prove that, $\frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3} + \frac{1}{z^3} = \frac{3}{xyz}$. 4

c. Show that, $M = \frac{\sqrt{p}}{q}$. 4

Solution to the question no. 19

a See example-11 of ch-9.1 in Higher Math text book.

b Let, $a^x = b^y = c^z = k$ [Where k is constant]

$$\therefore a = k^{\frac{1}{x}}$$

$$b = k^{\frac{1}{y}}$$

$$c = k^{\frac{1}{z}}$$

Given, $abc = 1$

$$\text{Or, } k^{\frac{1}{x}} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{y}} \cdot k^{\frac{1}{z}} = 1$$

$$\text{Or, } k^{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}} = k^0 \quad [\because k^0 = 1]$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = -\frac{1}{z}$$

Cubing both sides,

$$\left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}\right)^3 = \left(-\frac{1}{z}\right)^3$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3} + 3\left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}\right) \frac{1}{x} \frac{1}{y} = -\frac{1}{z^3}$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3} + 3\left(-\frac{1}{z}\right) \frac{1}{x} \frac{1}{y} = -\frac{1}{z^3}$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3} - \frac{3}{xyz} = -\frac{1}{z^3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3} + \frac{1}{z^3} = \frac{3}{xyz} \text{ (Proved)}$$

c $M = \frac{p^{\frac{3}{2}} + pq}{pq - q^3} - \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{p-q}}$

$$= \frac{p(\sqrt{p+q})}{q(p-q^2)} - \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{p-q}} \quad [\because p^{\frac{3}{2}} = p \cdot p^{\frac{1}{2}} = p\sqrt{p}]$$

$$= \frac{p(\sqrt{p+q})}{q\{(\sqrt{p})^2 - (q)^2\}} - \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{p-q}}$$

$$= \frac{p(\sqrt{p+q})}{q(\sqrt{p+q})(\sqrt{p-q})} - \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{p-q}}$$

$$= \frac{p}{q(\sqrt{p-q})} - \frac{\sqrt{p}}{\sqrt{p-q}} = \frac{p - q\sqrt{p}}{q(\sqrt{p-q})}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{p}(\sqrt{p-q})}{q(\sqrt{p-q})} \quad [\because p = p^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot p^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{p} \cdot \sqrt{p}]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{p}}{q} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ▶ 20 $f(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + c$, $g(x) = x^2 - 4x - 7$ and $h(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$ are three polynomials of variable x .

[Dhaka Residential Model School and College, Dhaka]

a. Resolve $h(x)$ into factors. 2

b. If $(3x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$. Find the value of c . 4

c. Express $\frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$ as partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 20

a Given, $h(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$

If $x = -1$ then $h(-1) = 0$.

Therefore $(x + 1)$ is a factor of $h(x)$.

$$\therefore h(x) = x^3 - x^2 - 10x - 8$$

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

$$= x^2(x + 1) - 2x(x + 1) - 8(x + 1)$$

$$= (x + 1)(x^2 - 2x - 8)$$

$$= (x + 1)(x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8)$$

$$= (x + 1)\{x(x - 4) + 2(x - 4)\}$$

$$= (x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4) \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b Given, $f(x) = 18x^3 + 15x^2 - x + c$

Since $(3x + 2)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, according to inverse

theorem of factor theorem, $f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$

$$\text{Here, } f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 18\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 + 15\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 - \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + c$$

$$= -18 \cdot \frac{8}{27} + 15 \cdot \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{3} + c$$

$$= -\frac{16}{3} + \frac{20}{3} + \frac{2}{3} + c$$

$$= \frac{-16 + 20 + 2 + 3c}{3} = \frac{6 + 3c}{3}$$

According to condition, $f\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{6 + 3c}{3} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 6 + 3c = 0$$

$$\therefore c = -2 \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Given, $g(x) = x^2 - 4x - 7$

From 'a' we get,

$$h(x) = (x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)$$

$$\therefore \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)}$$

$\therefore \frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)}$ is a proper fraction.

$$\text{Let, } \frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)} \equiv \frac{A}{x + 1} + \frac{B}{x + 2} + \frac{C}{x - 4} \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides of (i) by $(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)$ we get,

$$x^2 - 4x - 7 \equiv A(x + 2)(x - 4) + B(x + 1)(x - 4) + C(x + 1)(x + 2) \dots (ii)$$

The equation (ii) is true for all values of x .

Putting $x = -1$ in equation (ii) we get,

$$1 + 4 - 7 = A(-1 + 2)(-1 - 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 = A(-5) \therefore A = \frac{2}{5}$$

Putting $x = -2$ in equation (ii) we get,

$$4 + 8 - 7 = B(-2 + 1)(-2 - 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 5 = B(-1)(-6) \therefore B = \frac{5}{6}$$

Putting $x = 4$ in equation (ii) we get,

$$16 - 16 - 7 = C(4 + 1)(4 + 2)$$

$$\text{Or, } -7 = C(5)(6) \therefore C = -\frac{7}{30}$$

Now putting the values of A, B, C in equation (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2 - 4x - 7}{(x + 1)(x + 2)(x - 4)} \equiv \frac{2}{5(x + 1)} + \frac{5}{6(x + 2)} - \frac{7}{30(x - 4)}$$

This is the expression of the given fraction into the partial fraction.

Question ▶ 21 $f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$ and $g(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 6x$ are two algebraic expressions. [Milestone College, Dhaka]

- Resolve $g(x)$ into factors. 2
- If $f(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $(x - m)$ and $(x - n)$ where $m \neq n$, then show that $m^2 + n^2 + mn + 5m + 5n + 6 = 0$ 4
- Express $\frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{g(x)}$ into partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 21

a Given,

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= x^3 + x^2 - 6x \\ &= x(x^2 + x - 6) \\ &= x(x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6) \\ &= x\{x(x + 3) - 2(x + 3)\} \\ &= x(x + 3)(x - 2) \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

b Given,

$$f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$$

If we divide $f(x)$ by $(x - m)$ the remainder will be $f(m)$.

$$\therefore f(m) = m^3 + 5m^2 + 6m + 8$$

Again, If we divide $f(x)$ by $(x - n)$ the remainder will be $f(n)$.

$$\therefore f(n) = n^3 + 5n^2 + 6n + 8$$

According to the question $f(m) = f(n)$

$$\text{Or, } m^3 + 5m^2 + 6m + 8 = n^3 + 5n^2 + 6n + 8$$

$$\text{Or, } m^3 - n^3 + 5(m^2 - n^2) + 6(m - n) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (m - n)(m^2 + mn + n^2) + 5(m + n)(m - n) + 6(m - n) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (m - n)(m^2 + mn + n^2 + 5m + 5n + 6) = 0$$

Since $m \neq n$, therefore, $m - n \neq 0$

$$\therefore m^2 + mn + n^2 + 5m + 5n + 6 = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$$

c $\frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{g(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x^3 + x^2 - 6x} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x^2 + x - 6)}$

$$= \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{g(x)} = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)}$$

$$\text{Suppose, } \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)} \equiv \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x - 2} + \frac{C}{x + 3} \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $x(x - 2)(x + 3)$ in (i) we get,

$$x^2 - 9x - 6 \equiv A(x - 2)(x + 3) + Bx(x + 3) + Cx(x - 2) \dots (ii)$$

Which is true for all values of x .

Now putting the value of $x = 0$ is both sides of (ii) we get,

$$0 - 0 - 6 = A(0 - 2)(0 + 3) + 0 + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -6 = -6A$$

$$\therefore A = 1$$

Again, putting the value of $x = 2$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$2^2 - 9 \cdot 2 - 6 = 0 + B \cdot 2(2 + 3) + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -20 = 10B$$

$$\therefore B = -2$$

Putting the value of $x = -3$ in both sides of (ii) we get,

$$(-3)^2 - 9(-3) - 6 = 0 + 0 + C(-3)(-3 - 2)$$

$$\text{Or, } 30 = 15C$$

$$\therefore C = 2$$

Putting the value of A, B, C in (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{x - 2} + \frac{2}{x + 3} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ▶ 22 $P = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 3)}$ and $Q = a^{-3} + b^{-3} + c^{-3}$

are two equations. [Bangladesh International School & College, Dhaka]

- Test whether Q is cyclic or not. 2
- If $Q = \frac{3}{abc}$, show that $bc + ca + ab = 0$ or $a = b = c$. 4
- Express P as a sum of partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 22

a Given $Q(a, b, c) = a^{-3} + b^{-3} + c^{-3}$

$$= \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3}$$

$$\therefore Q(b, c, a) = \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{1}{a^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3}$$

$$= g(a, b, c)$$

$\therefore Q$ is cycle expression (Ans.)

b Given, $Q = a^{-3} + b^{-3} + c^{-3}$

$$\text{and } Q = \frac{3}{abc}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} = \frac{3}{abc}$$

$$\text{then, } \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} - \frac{3}{abc} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^3 - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{1}{b} \cdot \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 \right\} = 0$$

$$\left[\because x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x + y + z) \{(x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2\} \right]$$

$$\therefore \text{Either, } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{bc + ca + ab}{abc} = 0$$

$$\therefore bc + ca + ab = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 0$$

But, the sum of squares of two or more expressions will be zero if and only if their values will be zero individually.

$$\text{So, } \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 = 0 \quad \text{Again, } \left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{b}; [\therefore a = b]$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{c}; [\therefore b = c]$$

$$\therefore a = b = c$$

Therefore if $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = \frac{3}{abc}$, then $bc + ca + ab = 0$

or, $a = b = c$ (Shown)

$$\text{c} \quad \text{Suppose, } P = \frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x-2)(x+3)} \equiv \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-2} + \frac{C}{x+3} \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $x(x-2)(x+3)$ in (i) we get,

$$x^2 - 9x - 6 \equiv A(x-2)(x+3) + Bx(x+3) + Cx(x-2) \dots (ii)$$

Which is true for all values of x .

Now putting the value of $x = 0$ is both sides of (ii) we get,

$$0 - 0 - 6 = A(0-2)(0+3) + 0 + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -6 = -6A$$

$$\therefore A = 1$$

Again, putting the value of $x = 2$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$2^2 - 9 \cdot 2 - 6 = 0 + B \cdot 2(2+3) + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -20 = 10B$$

$$\therefore B = -2$$

Putting the value of $x = -3$ in both sides of (ii) we get,

$$(-3)^2 - 9 \cdot (-3) - 6 = 0 + 0 + C(-3)(-3-2)$$

$$\text{Or, } 30 = 15C$$

$$\therefore C = 2$$

Putting the value of A, B, C in (i) we get,

$$\frac{x^2 - 9x - 6}{x(x-2)(x+3)} \equiv \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{x-2} + \frac{2}{x+3} \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

$$\text{Question 23} \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}, p(x) = x^4 + 3x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x + 4,$$

$$f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8 \quad [\text{Mirpur Girls' Ideal Laboratory Institute, Dhaka}]$$

- Determine $g^{-1}(-1)$. 2
- If $f(a)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $x-p$ and $x-q$ where $p \neq q$ show that, $p^2 + q^2 + pq + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0$ 4
- Express $\frac{x}{p(x)}$ as partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 23

$$\text{a} \quad \text{Give, } g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$$

$$\text{Let, } g(x) = y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$$

$$\therefore x = g^{-1}(y)$$

$$\text{Now, } y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3x-1}}$$

$$\text{Or, } \sqrt{3x-1} = \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x-1 = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x = \frac{1}{y^2} + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } x = \frac{1+y^2}{3y^2}$$

$$\therefore g^{-1}(y) = \frac{1+y^2}{3y^2}$$

$$\therefore g^{-1}(-1) = \frac{1+(-1)^2}{3 \cdot (-1)^2} = \frac{2}{3} \quad (\text{Ans.})$$

b Similar to Example-6, Chapter-2 of your textbook. Page-47.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c} \quad \text{Given, } p(x) &= x^4 + 3x^3 + 4x^2 + 6x + 4 \\ &= x^4 + x^3 + 2x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x^2 + 2x + 4x + 4 \\ &= x^3(x+1) + 2x^2(x+1) + 2x(x+1) + 4(x+1) \\ &= (x+1)(x^3 + 2x^2 + 2x + 4) \\ &= (x+1)\{x^2(x+2) + 2(x+2)\} \\ &= (x+1)(x+2)(x^2+2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{p(x)} = \frac{x}{(x+1)(x+2)(x^2+2)}$$

$$\text{Let, } \frac{x}{(x+1)(x+2)(x^2+2)} \equiv \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+2} \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad \text{Multiplying both sides of (i) by } (x+1)(x+2)(x^2+2), \\ x &= A(x+2)(x^2+2) + B(x+1)(x^2+2) + (Cx+D)(x+1) \\ &(x+2) \dots \dots \dots \text{(ii)} \end{aligned}$$

Which is true for all values of x ,

Now, putting $x = -1$ in (ii),

$$-1 = A\{(-1)+2\}\{(-1)^2+2\}$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 = A(1 \cdot 3)$$

$$\text{Or, } -1 = 3A$$

$$\therefore A = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Putting $x = -2$ in (ii)

$$-2 = B\{(-2)+1\}\{(-2)^2+2\}$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 = B(-1) \times 6$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 = -6B$$

$$\text{Or, } B = \frac{1}{3}$$

Equating the co-efficients of x^3 from (ii),

$$A + B + C = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + C = 0$$

$$\therefore C = 0$$

$$\text{and } 2A + B + 3C + D = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{3} + 3 \cdot 0 + D = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } -\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + D = 0$$

$$\therefore D = \frac{1}{3}$$

Putting values of A, B, C, D in (i)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{(x+1)(x+2)(x^2+2)} &= -\frac{1}{3(x+1)} + \frac{1}{3(x+2)} + \frac{1}{3(x^2+2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left(-\frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{x+2} + \frac{1}{x^2+2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Which is the required partial fraction. (Ans.)

Question ▶ 24 If $f(m) = m^3 + 5m^2 + 6m + 8$ and $h(m) = \frac{2m}{(m+1)(m^2+1)^2}$ are two algebraic expressions.

[Baridhara Scholars' Institution (BSI), Dhaka]

- Find the value of $f(-3)$. 2
- If $f(m)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $(m-p)$ and $(m-q)$ where $p \neq q$, show that $p^2 + q^2 + pq + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0$. 4
- Express $h(m)$ as a sum of partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 24

a Given,
 $f(m) = m^3 + 5m^2 + 6m + 8$
 $\therefore f(-3) = (-3)^3 + 5(-3)^2 + 6(-3) + 8$
 $= -27 + 45 - 18 + 8$
 $= 53 - 45$
 $= 8$ (Ans.)

b Given,
 $f(m) = m^3 + 5m^2 + 6m + 8$
 If we divide $f(m)$ by $(m-p)$ the remainder will be $f(p)$.
 $\therefore f(p) = p^3 + 5p^2 + 6p + 8$
 Again, If we divide $f(m)$ by $(m-q)$ the remainder will be $f(q)$.
 $\therefore f(q) = q^3 + 5q^2 + 6q + 8$
 According to the question, $f(p) = f(q)$
 Or, $p^3 + 5p^2 + 6p + 8 = q^3 + 5q^2 + 6q + 8$
 Or, $p^3 - q^3 + 5(p^2 - q^2) + 6(p - q) = 0$
 Or, $(p - q)(p^2 + pq + q^2) + 5(p + q)(p - q) + 6(p - q) = 0$
 Or, $(p - q)(p^2 + pq + q^2 + 5p + 5q + 6) = 0$
 Since $p \neq q$, therefore $p - q \neq 0$
 $\therefore p^2 + pq + q^2 + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0$ (Shown)

c Given, $h(m) = \frac{2m}{(m+1)(m^2+1)^2}$
 $\frac{2m}{(m+1)(m^2+1)^2} = \frac{A}{m+1} + \frac{Bm+C}{m^2+1} + \frac{Dm+E}{(m^2+1)^2}$ (i)
 Multiplying both sides by $(m+1)(m^2+1)^2$ in equation (i) we get,
 $2m = A(m^2+1)^2 + (Bm+C)(m+1)(m^2+1) + (Dm+E)(m+1)$ (ii)
 Substituting the value of $m = -1$ in equation (ii) we get,
 $2(-1) = A(1+1)^2$
 Or, $-2 = 4A$
 Or, $A = -\frac{2}{4}$
 $\therefore A = -\frac{1}{2}$
 From (ii)
 $2m = A(m^4 + 2m^2 + 1) + (Bm + C)(m^3 + m + m^2 + 1) + Dm^2 + Dm + Em + E$
 Or, $2m = Am^4 + 2Am^2 + A + Bm^4 + Bm^2 + Bm^3 + Bm + Cm^3 + Cm + Cm^2 + C + Dm^2 + Dm + Em + E$
 $\therefore 2m = (A+B)m^4 + (B+C)m^3 + (2A+B+C+D)m^2 + (B+C+D+E)m + (A+C+E)$
 Equating the coefficients of m^4, m^3, m^2 and m we get,
 $A+B=0$
 Or, $-\frac{1}{2} + B = 0$ [$\because A = -\frac{1}{2}$]
 $\therefore B = \frac{1}{2}$
 Again, $B+C=0$
 Or, $\frac{1}{2} + C = 0$
 $\therefore C = -\frac{1}{2}$

Again, $2A + B + C + D = 0$
 Or, $2(-\frac{1}{2}) + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + D = 0$
 Or, $-1 + D = 0$
 $\therefore D = 1$
 Again, $B + C + D + E = 2$
 Or, $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + 1 + E = 2$
 Or, $E = 2 - 1$
 $\therefore E = 1$

Now, substituting the values of A, B, C, D and E in (i), we get,

$$\frac{2m}{(m+1)(m^2+1)^2} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{m+1} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}m - \frac{1}{2}}{m^2+1} + \frac{m+1}{(m^2+1)^2}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2(m+1)} + \frac{m-1}{2(m^2+1)} + \frac{m+1}{(m^2+1)^2}$$

Which is the desired partial fractions.

Question ▶ 25 $(x-1)$ is a factor of the polynomial $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$ and all co-efficients of the polynomial are integers and $p \neq 0, s \neq 0$. another expression $h(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x + a$

[Chetona Model Academy (CMA), Dhaka]

- Show that, $p + q + r + s = 0$. 2
- If $p = 1, q = 5, r = 6$ and $s = 8$ and $g(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $x - k$ and $x - l$ where $k \neq l$ then show that, $k^2 + l^2 + k + l + 5k + 5l + 6 = 0$. 4
- Express $\frac{1}{h(x)}$ as partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 25

a Given,
 $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$
 $(x-1)$ is a factor of $g(x)$
 i.e. $g(1) = 0$
 or, $p(1)^3 + q(1)^2 + r(1) + s = 0$
 $\therefore p + q + r + s = 0$ (Shown)

b Here,
 $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$
 and $p = 1, q = 5, r = 6, s = 8$
 $\therefore g(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$
 If we divide $g(x)$ by $(x-k)$ and $(x-l)$ the remainder will be $g(k)$ and $g(l)$ respectively
 $g(k) = g(l)$
 Or, $k^3 + 5k^2 + 6k + 8 = l^3 + 5l^2 + 6l + 8$
 Or, $k^3 - l^3 + 5(k^2 - l^2) + 6(k - l) = 0$
 Or, $(k-l)(k^2 + kl + l^2) + 5(k+l)(k-l) + 6(k-l) = 0$
 Or, $(k-l)(k^2 + kl + l^2 + 5k + 5l + 6) = 0$
 Since $k \neq l$, therefore $(k-l) \neq 0$
 $\therefore k^2 + l^2 + k + l + 5k + 5l + 6 = 0$. (Shown)

c Given expression,
 $h(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x + 1$
 $\therefore h(1) = 1^4 - 2 \cdot 1^3 + 2 \cdot 1^2 - 2 \cdot 1 + 1$
 $= 1 - 2 + 2 - 2 + 1$
 $= 0$
 $\therefore (x-1)$ is a factor of $h(x)$
 Now, $h(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 2x^2 - 2x + 1$
 $= x^4 - x^3 - x^3 + x^2 + x^2 - x - x + 1$
 $= x^3(x-1) - x^2(x-1) + x(x-1) - 1(x-1)$
 $= (x-1)(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$
 $= (x-1)\{x^2(x-1) + 1(x-1)\}$
 $= (x-1)^2(x^2+1)$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{h(x)} = \frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+1)}$$

$$\text{Let, } \frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{(x-1)} + \frac{B}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{Cx+D}{(x^2+1)} \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides of (i) with $(x-1)^2(x^2+1)$ we get,
 $1 = A(x-1)(x^2+1) + B(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x-1)^2 \dots (ii)$

Which is true for all values of x .

Now, putting $x = 1$ we get,

$$1 = B(1^2 + 1)$$

$$\text{Or, } 2B = 1$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{1}{2}$$

Putting $B = \frac{1}{2}$ in (ii) we get,

$$1 = A(x-1)(x^2+1) + \frac{1}{2}(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x-1)^2$$

$$\text{Or, } 1 = A(x^3 + x - x^2 - 1) + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2} + (Cx+D)(x^2 - 2x + 1)$$

$$\text{Or, } 1 = A(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1) + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2} + Cx^3 - 2Cx^2 + Cx + Dx^2 - 2Dx + D$$

$$\text{Or, } 1 = x^3(A+C) + x^2\left(-A + \frac{1}{2} - 2C + D\right) + x(A+C-2D) + \left(-A + \frac{1}{2} + D\right) \dots (iii)$$

Now equating the co-efficients of x^3 , x^2 , x on both sides we get—

$$A + C = 0 \dots (iv)$$

$$-A - 2C + D + \frac{1}{2} = 0 \dots (v)$$

$$A + C - 2D = 0 \dots (vi)$$

$$-A + \frac{1}{2} + D = 1 \dots (vii)$$

Now, $A + C - 2D = 0$

$$\text{Or, } 2D = A + C$$

$$\text{Or, } 2D = 0 [\because A + C = 0]$$

$$\text{Or, } D = 0$$

Putting $D = 0$ in (vii) we get—

$$-A + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{Or, } -A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Or, } A = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Again, $A + C = 0$

$$\therefore C = -A = \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+1)} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{(x-1)} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}x}{x^2+1} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 26 $f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$ and $g(a) = \frac{1}{a(a^2+1)}$ are two algebraic equation. [Rajshahi Cantonment Public School & College, Rajshahi]

- Determine the value of $f(-3)$. 2
- If $f(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $(x-p)$ and $(x-q)$ where $p \neq q$, show that $p^2 + q^2 + pq + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0$. 4
- Express $g(a)$ into partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 26

a Given,
 $f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$
 $\therefore f(-3) = (-3)^3 + 5(-3)^2 + 6(-3) + 8$
 $= -27 + 45 - 18 + 8$
 $= 53 - 45$
 $= 8 \text{ (Ans.)}$

b Given,
 $f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$
 If we divide $f(a)$ by $(x-p)$ the remainder will be $f(p)$.
 $\therefore f(p) = p^3 + 5p^2 + 6p + 8$
 Again, if we divide $f(a)$ by $(x-q)$ the remainder will be $f(q)$.
 $\therefore f(q) = q^3 + 5q^2 + 6q + 8$
 According to the question $f(p) = f(q)$
 $\text{Or, } p^3 + 5p^2 + 6p + 8 = q^3 + 5q^2 + 6q + 8$
 $\text{Or, } p^3 - q^3 + 5(p^2 - q^2) + 6(p - q) = 0$
 $\text{Or, } (p - q)(p^2 + pq + q^2) + 5(p + q)(p - q) + 6(p - q) = 0$
 $\text{Or, } (p - q)(p^2 + pq + q^2 + 5p + 5q + 6) = 0$
 Since $p \neq q$, therefore, $p - q \neq 0$
 $\therefore p^2 + pq + q^2 + 5p + 5q + 6 = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$

c See the text book example-7; Page-62.

Question 27 If $f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$, and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2(x^2+1)}$ are two algebraic expressions.

[Millennium Scholastic School & College, Bogura]

- Define : Algebraic expression. 2
- If $f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$, yields the same remainder upon division by $(x-a)$ and $(x-b)$, Where $a \neq b$, show that, $a^2 + b^2 + ab + 5a + 5b + 6 = 0$ 4
- Express $g(x)$ into partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 27

a **Algebraic expression :**
 When one or more members and symbols representing numbers are combined meaningfully by any one or more signs, then a new symbol representing numbers is created. This symbol is called algebraic expression.

b Given,
 $f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$
 If we divide $f(x)$ by $(x-a)$ the remainder will be $f(a)$.
 $\therefore f(a) = a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8$
 Again, If we divide $f(a)$ by $(x-b)$ the remainder will be $f(b)$.
 $\therefore f(b) = b^3 + 5b^2 + 6b + 8$
 According to the question $f(a) = f(b)$
 $\text{Or, } a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8 = b^3 + 5b^2 + 6b + 8$
 $\text{Or, } a^3 - b^3 + 5(a^2 - b^2) + 6(a - b) = 0$
 $\text{Or, } (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) + 5(a + b)(a - b) + 6(a - b) = 0$
 $\text{Or, } (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2 + 5a + 5b + 6) = 0$
 Since $a \neq b$, therefore, $a - b \neq 0$
 $\therefore a^2 + ab + b^2 + 5a + 5b + 6 = 0 \text{ (Shown)}$

c $\frac{1}{x^2(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+1} + \frac{Ex+F}{(x^2+1)^2}$ (i)
 Multiplying both sides by $x^2(x+1)^2$ of (i), we get
 $1 = Ax(x^2+1)^2 + B(x^2+1)^2 + (Cx+D)(x^2(x^2+1) + (Ex+F)x^2)$
 $\text{Or, } 1 = Ax(x^4 + 2x^2 + 1) + B(x^4 + 2x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x^4 + x^2) + (Ex + F)x^2$
 $\text{Or, } 1 = A(x^5 + 2x^3 + x) + B(x^4 + 2x^2 + 1) + C(x^5 + x^3) + D(x^4 + x^2) + Ex^3 + Fx^2$

Or, $1 \equiv (A + C)x^5 + (B + D)x^4 + (2A + C + E)x^3 + (2B + D + F)x^2 + Ax + B$ — (ii)

Equating the coefficients of x^5, x^4, x^3, x^2, x and constant of a (ii), we get

$A + C = 0$ — (a)

$B + D = 0$ — (b)

$2A + C + E = 0$ — (c)

$2B + D + F = 0$ — (d)

$A = 0$ — (e)

$B = 1$ — (f)

From (a) and (e), we get,

$A = 0$

$\therefore C = 0$

From (c),

$2 \cdot 0 + E = 0$

$\therefore E = 0$

From (b) and (f),

$B = 1$

$\therefore B + D = 0$

Or, $1 + D = 0$

$\therefore D = -1$

From (d),

$2 \times 1 - 1 + F = 0$

Or, $1 + F = 0$

$\therefore F = -1$

Putting the values of A, B, C, D, E, F in (i)

we get $\frac{1}{x^2(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{0}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{0 \cdot x - 1}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{0 \cdot x - 1}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$

$\therefore \frac{1}{x^2(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{1}{x^2+1} - \frac{1}{(x^2+1)^2}$ (Ans.)

Question 28 $F(p, q, r) = p^{-3} + q^{-3} + r^{-3} - 3p^{-1}q^{-1}r^{-1}$ and

$g(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 4}$ [Cantonment Public School & College, Saidpur]

- Show that $x + 1$ is the factor of $4x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x - 4$. 2
- If $f(p, q, r) = 0$, then show that $p = q = r$ or $pq + qr + rp = 0$. 4
- Express as the sum of partial fractions of $g(x)$. 4

Solution to the question no. 28

a Let, $f(x) = 4x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x - 4$
 $\therefore f(-1) = 4(-1)^4 - 5(-1)^3 + 5(-1) - 4$
 $= 4 + 5 - 5 - 4$
 $= 9 - 9$
 $= 0$

$\therefore (x + 1)$ is a factor of $4x^4 - 5x^3 + 5x - 4$ (Shown)

b If $f(p, q, r) = 0$
 Then, $p^{-3} + q^{-3} + r^{-3} - 3p^{-1}q^{-1}r^{-1} = 0$

Or, $\frac{1}{p^3} + \frac{1}{q^3} + \frac{1}{r^3} - \frac{3}{pqr} = 0$

Or, $\left(\frac{1}{p}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{q}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^3 - 3\frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{1}{q} \cdot \frac{1}{r} = 0$

Or, $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r}\right) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 \right\}$

$[\because x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2}(x+y+z) \{(x-y)^2 + (y-z)^2 + (z-x)^2\}]$

$\therefore \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{r} = 0$

Or, $\frac{qr + rp + pq}{pqr} = 0$

$\therefore pq + qr + rp = 0$

Or, $\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{r}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{p}\right)^2 = 0$

But the sum of squares of two or more expressions will be zero if and only if their values will be zero individually.

So, $\left(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right)^2 = 0$

Again, $\left(\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{r}\right)^2$

Or, $\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q} = 0$

Or, $\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{r} = 0$

Or, $\frac{q-p}{pq} = 0$

Or, $\frac{r-q}{qr} = 0$

Or, $q - p = 0$

Or, $r - q = 0$

$\therefore q = p$

$\therefore r = q$

$\therefore p = q = r$.

Therefore, $p = q = r$ or $pq + qr + rp = 0$ (Shown)

c Given, $g(x) = \frac{x^2}{x^2 - 4}$

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

Let, $\frac{x^2}{(x+2)(x-2)} = 1 + \frac{A}{x+2} + \frac{B}{x-2}$ (i)

Multiplying both sides by $(x+2)(x-2)$, we get

$x^2 = (x+2)(x-2) + A(x-2) + B(x+2)$ (ii)

Putting $x = 2$ in (ii) we get,

$2^2 = (2+2)(2-2) + A(2-2) + B(2+2)$

Or, $4 = 0 + 0 + 4B$

Or, $4B = 4$

$\therefore B = 1$

Again putting $x = -2$ in (ii) we get,

$(-2)^2 = (-2+2)(-2-2) + A(-2-2) + B(-2+2)$

Or, $4 = 0 - 4A + 0$

Or, $4 = -4A$

$\therefore A = -1$

Now from (i), we get,

$\frac{x^2}{x^2 - 4} = 1 - \frac{1}{x-2} + \frac{1}{x-2}$ (Ans.)

Question 29 $f(x) = \frac{x+3}{1-2x}$ is a function and $P(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 1$ is a polynomial with variable x .

[Cantonment English School & College, Chattogram]

- Find the domain of $f(x)$. 2
- Show that $f(x)$ is one-one function. Also find the range of $f(x)$. 4
- Express $\frac{P(x)}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$ as partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 29

a Given, $f(x) = \frac{x+3}{1-2x}$

$f(x)$ will be defined if and only if

$1 - 2x \neq 0$

Or, $2x \neq 1$

$\therefore x \neq \frac{1}{2}$

\therefore Domain = $\mathbb{R} - \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\}$ (Ans.)

b For any $x_1, x_2 \in \text{domain } f$, $f(x)$ will be one-one if and only if $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$, then $x_1 = x_2$

Let, $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{x_1 + 3}{1 - 2x_1} = \frac{x_2 + 3}{1 - 2x_2}$$

$$\text{Or, } (x_1 + 3)(1 - 2x_2) = (1 - 2x_1)(x_2 + 3)$$

$$\text{Or, } x_1 - 2x_1x_2 + 3 - 6x_2 = x_2 - 2x_1x_2 + 3 - 6x_1$$

$$\text{Or, } x_1 + 6x_1 = x_2 + 6x_2 - 2x_1x_2 + 3 + 2x_1x_2 - 3$$

$$\text{Or, } 7x_1 = 7x_2$$

$$\therefore x_1 = x_2$$

\therefore The function $f(x)$ is one-one (Shown)

Let, $y = f(x)$, then $x = f^{-1}(y)$

$$\text{Or, } y = \frac{x + 3}{1 - 2x}$$

$$\text{Or, } y - 2xy = x + 3$$

$$\text{Or, } x + 2xy = y - 3$$

$$\text{Or, } x(1 + 2y) = y - 3$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{y - 3}{1 + 2y}$$

If we put $y = -\frac{1}{2}$ then the function will be undefined.

$$\therefore \text{Range} = \mathbb{R} - \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \right\} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

■ The expression is $\frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 2x - 3}$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 2x - 3} = \frac{x(x^2 - 2x - 3) + 3x + 1}{x^2 - 2x - 3} = x + \frac{3x + 1}{(x - 3)(x + 1)}$$

Now, $\frac{3x + 1}{(x - 3)(x + 1)}$ is a proper fraction.

$$\text{Let, } \frac{3x + 1}{(x - 3)(x + 1)} = \frac{A}{x - 3} + \frac{B}{x + 1} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Multiplying $(x - 3)(x + 1)$ in both sides of (i)

$$3x + 1 = A(x + 1) + B(x - 3) \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

Putting $x = -1$ in both sides of (ii)

$$3(-1) + 1 = A(-1 + 1) + B(-1 - 3)$$

$$\text{Or, } -3 + 1 = A \cdot 0 - 4B$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 = -4B$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Again, putting $x = 3$ to both sides of (ii)

$$3 \cdot 3 + 1 = A(3 + 1) + B(3 - 3)$$

$$\text{Or, } 9 + 1 = 4A + B \cdot 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 10 = 4A$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{10}{4} = \frac{5}{2}$$

Putting values of A & B in (i)

$$\frac{3x + 1}{(x - 3)(x + 1)} = \frac{\frac{5}{2}}{x - 3} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{x + 1} = x + \frac{5}{2(x - 3)} + \frac{1}{2(x + 1)}$$

\therefore Required partial fraction

$$\frac{x^3 - 2x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 2x - 3} = x + \frac{5}{2(x - 3)} + \frac{1}{2(x + 1)} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 30 $F(x) = \frac{3x}{x - 1}$ is a function.

[Bangladesh Mahila Somitee Girls' High School & College, Chattogram]

a. Determine general term of the sequence $1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, \dots$

b. If $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then determine whether the function F one-one and onto or not. 4

c. Express $F(x^4)$ as sum of partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 30

a Here, the sequence,

$$1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}, \dots$$

\therefore First term, $a = 1$

$$\text{Common ratio, } r = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{General or } n^{\text{th}} \text{ term} &= ar^{n-1} \\ &= 1 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{n-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{n-1} \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

b Given, $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $F(x) = \frac{3x}{x - 1}$

For $x_1, x_2 \in \text{Dom } F$,

let $x_1, x_2 \in \text{Dom } F$,

The function will be one one if and only if $F(x_1) = F(x_2)$

then $x_1 = x_2$

$$\therefore F(x_1) = F(x_2)$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{3x_1}{x_1 - 1} = \frac{3x_2}{x_2 - 1}$$

$$\text{Or, } 3x_1x_2 - 3x_1 = 3x_1x_2 - 3x_2$$

$$\text{Or, } -3x_1 = -3x_2$$

$$\text{Or, } x_1 = x_2$$

so, $F(x)$ is one-one

Again, for any $y \in \text{Range of } F$,

Let

$$y = f(x)$$

$$\text{Or, } y = \frac{3x}{x - 1}$$

$$\text{Or, } xy - y = 3x$$

$$\text{Or, } xy - 3x = y$$

$$\text{Or, } x(y - 3) = y$$

$$\text{Or, } x = \frac{y}{y - 3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f\left(\frac{y}{y - 3}\right) &= \frac{3 \cdot \frac{y}{y - 3}}{\frac{y}{y - 3} - 1} \\ &= \frac{3y}{y - y + 3} \\ &= \frac{3y}{3} \\ &= y = f(x) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is onto function

Therefore, $f(x)$ is one-one and onto. (Ans.)

c Given, $F(x) = \frac{3x}{x - 1}$

$$\therefore F(x^4) = \frac{3x^4}{x^4 - 1}$$

$$= \frac{3x^4 - 3 + 3}{x^4 - 1}$$

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

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

Let, $\frac{3}{(x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 + 1)} \equiv \frac{A}{x - 1} + \frac{B}{x + 1} + \frac{Cx + D}{x^2 + 1}$ (i)

Multiplying both sides by $(x - 1)(x + 1)(x^2 + 1)$, we get,
 $3 \equiv A(x + 1)(x^2 + 1) + B(x - 1)(x^2 + 1)$

$$+ (Cx + D)(x - 1)(x + 1)$$

Or, $3 \equiv A(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1) + B(x^3 - x^2 + x - 1)$
 $+ Cx^3 + Dx^2 - Cx - D$ (ii)

Now, equating the co-efficient of x^3 , x^2 , x and constant term of (ii), we get,

$$A + B + C = 0 \text{ (a)}$$

$$A - B + D = 0 \text{ (b)}$$

$$A + B - C = 0 \text{ (c)}$$

$$A - B - D = 3 \text{ (d)}$$

From (a) and (c), we get, $C = 0$

From (b) and (d), we get, $2D = -3$

$$D = -\frac{3}{2}$$

Putting the value of C and D in (a) and (b), we get,

$$A + B = 0$$

$$A - B = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$2A = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$A = \frac{3}{4}$$

From (a), $B = -\frac{3}{4}$

Putting the value of A, B, C and D in equation (i), we get,

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

$$\therefore F(x^4) = 3 + \frac{3}{4(x - 1)} - \frac{3}{4(x + 1)} - \frac{3}{2(x^2 + 1)} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 31 $x - 1$ is a factor of the polynomial $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$ and all coefficients of the polynomial are integers and $p \neq 0$, $s \neq 0$ another Expression $Q(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16}$

[Navy Anchorage School and College, Chattogram]

- Show that, $p + q + r + s = 0$ 2
- If $p = 1$, $q = 5$, $r = 6$ and $s = 8$ and $g(x)$ yields the same remainder upon division by $x - a$ and $x - b$ where $a \neq b$ then show that $a^2 + b^2 + ab + 5a + 5b + 6 = 0$ 4
- Express $Q(x)$ as partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 31

- a** Given,
 $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$
 $(x - 1)$ is a factor of $g(x)$
 i.e. $g(1) = 0$
 Or, $p(1)^3 + q(1)^2 + r(1) + s = 0$
 $\therefore p + q + r + s = 0$ (Shown)

- b** Here,
 $g(x) = px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s$
 and $p = 1$, $q = 5$, $r = 6$, $s = 8$
 $\therefore g(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 + 6x + 8$
 If we divide $g(x)$ by $(x - a)$ and $(x - b)$ the remainder will be $g(a)$ and $g(b)$ respectively
 $g(a) = g(b)$
 Or, $a^3 + 5a^2 + 6a + 8 = b^3 + 5b^2 + 6b + 8$
 Or, $a^3 - b^3 + 5(a^2 - b^2) + 6(a - b) = 0$
 Or, $(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) + 5(a + b)(a - b) + 6(a - b) = 0$
 Or, $(a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2 + 5a + 5b + 6) = 0$
 Since $a \neq b$, therefore $(a - b) \neq 0$
 $\therefore a^2 + b^2 + ab + 5a + 5b + 6 = 0$. (Shown)

- c** Given,
 $Q(x) = \frac{x^3}{x^2 - 16}$
 $= \frac{x(x^2 - 16) + 16x}{x^2 - 16x} = x + \frac{16x}{x^2 - 16}$
 $= x + \frac{16x}{(x + 4)(x - 4)}$
 Suppose, $\frac{16x}{(x + 4)(x - 4)} \equiv \frac{A}{x + 4} + \frac{B}{x - 4}$ (i)

Multiplying both sides of (i) with $(x + 4)(x - 4)$ in (i) we get,

$$16x = A(x - 4) + B(x + 4) \text{ (ii)}$$

Which is true for all values of x .

Putting $x = -4$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$16 \times (-4) = A(-4 - 4) + B(-4 + 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } -64 = -8A$$

$$\therefore A = 8$$

Again, putting $x = 4$ both sides in (ii) we get,

$$16 \times 4 = A(4 - 4) + B(4 + 4)$$

$$\text{Or, } 64 = 8B$$

$$\therefore B = 8$$

Putting the value of A and B in (i) we get,

$$\frac{16x}{(x + 4)(x - 4)} = \frac{8}{x + 4} + \frac{8}{x - 4} = 8 \left(\frac{1}{x + 4} + \frac{1}{x - 4} \right)$$

$$\therefore Q(x) = x + 8 \left(\frac{1}{x + 4} + \frac{1}{x - 4} \right);$$

This is the expression of the given fraction into partial fraction. (Ans.)

Question 32 Let $f(x) = x^3$ [SCHOLARSHOME, Sylhet]

- Resolve into factor: $x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$ 2
- If $\frac{1}{f(a)} + \frac{1}{f(b)} + \frac{1}{f(c)} = \frac{3}{abc}$, then prove that, $ab + bc + ca = 0$ or, $a = b = c$. 4
- Express $\frac{f(x)}{f(x) - 1}$ into partial fractions. 4

Solution to the question no. 32

- a** Let, $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$
 The leading coefficient and constant term of $f(x)$ are 1 and -6
 The set of factors of the constant term -6 of $f(x) = \{1, -1, 2, -2, 3, -3, 6, -6\}$
 $\therefore f(1) = 1^3 + 2 \cdot 1^2 - 5 \cdot 1 - 6 = -8 \neq 0$
 $\therefore f(-1) = (-1)^3 + 2(-1)^2 - 5(-1) - 6 = -1 + 2 + 5 - 6 = 0$
 $\therefore \{x - (-1)\}$, that is $(x + 1)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6 &= x^3 + x^2 + x^2 + x - 6x - 6 \\ &= x^2(x + 1) + x(x + 1) - 6(x + 1) \\ &= (x + 1)(x^2 + x - 6) \\ &= (x + 1)(x - 2)(x + 3) \text{ (Ans.)} \end{aligned}$$

b Given, $f(x) = x^3$

$$\therefore f(a) = a^3$$

$$f(b) = b^3$$

$$f(c) = c^3$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{f(a)} + \frac{1}{f(b)} + \frac{1}{f(c)} = \frac{3}{abc}$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} - \frac{3}{abc} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^3 - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{1}{b} \cdot \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 \right\} = 0$$

$$\left[\because x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - 3xyz = \frac{1}{2} (x + y + z) \{ (x - y)^2 + (y - z)^2 + (z - x)^2 \} \right]$$

$$\therefore \text{Either } \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{bc + ca + ab}{abc} = 0$$

$$\therefore bc + ca + ab = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a}\right)^2 = 0$$

But, the sum of squares of two or more expressions will be zero if and only if their values will be zero individually.

$$\text{So, } \left(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Again, } \left(\frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{b} - \frac{1}{c} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{b} \therefore a = b$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{b} = \frac{1}{c} \therefore b = c$$

$$\therefore a = b = c$$

Therefore, if $\frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} = \frac{3}{abc}$, then $bc + ca + ab = 0$

Or, $a = b = c$ (Shown)

c Given, $f(x) = x^3$

$$\therefore \frac{f(x)}{f(x) - 1} = \frac{x^3}{x^3 - 1} = \frac{x^3 - 1 + 1}{x^3 - 1}$$

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

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

$$\text{Let, } \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)} = \frac{A}{x - 1} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 + x + 1} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides of (i) by $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$

$$\text{We get, } 1 = A(x^2 + x + 1) + (Bx + C)(x - 1) \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

Putting $x = 1$ in (ii) we get,

$$1 = A(1 + 1 + 1) + 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 3A = 1$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{1}{3}$$

Equating the co-efficients of x^2 , x , we get,

$$A + B = 0$$

$$A - B + C = 0$$

Putting $A = \frac{1}{3}$ in $A + B = 0$,

We get,

$$\frac{1}{3} + B = 0$$

$$\therefore B = -\frac{1}{3}$$

Putting $A = \frac{1}{3}$ and $B = -\frac{1}{3}$ in $A - B + C = 0$,

We get,

$$\frac{1}{3} - \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + C = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} + C = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } \frac{2}{3} + C = 0$$

$$\therefore C = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Putting the values of A, B and C in (i), we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)} &= \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{x - 1} + \frac{-\frac{1}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}}{x^2 + x + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{3(x - 1)} - \frac{\frac{x + 2}{3}}{x^2 + x + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{3(x - 1)} - \frac{x + 2}{3(x^2 + x + 1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{f(x)}{f(x) - 1} = 1 + \frac{1}{3(x - 1)} - \frac{x + 2}{3(x^2 + x + 1)} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question 33 $f(x) = \frac{x + 1}{3x - 1}$ and $g(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 - 4x}$.

[Secondary & Higher Secondary Education Board, Jashore]

- If $(x + 1)$ is a factor of $p(x) = x^2 - kx + 1$, find k . 2
- Find the domain of $f^{-1}(x)$. 4
- Express $g(x)$ in partial fraction. 4

Solution to the question no. 33

a Given,

$$p(x) = x^2 - kx + 1$$

Since $(x + 1)$ is a factor of $p(x)$

$$p(-1) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (-1)^2 - k(-1) + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } 1 + k + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } k = -2$$

Ans : $k = -2$

b Given, $f(x) = \frac{x + 1}{3x - 1}$

Let, $f^{-1}(x) = a$

$$\text{Or, } x = f(a)$$

$$\text{Or, } x = \frac{a + 1}{3a - 1}$$

$$\text{Or, } 3ax - x = a + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } 3ax - a = x + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } a(3x - 1) = x + 1$$

$$\text{Or, } a = \frac{x + 1}{3x - 1}$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x + 1}{3x - 1}$$

For $3x - 1 = 0$, or, $x = \frac{1}{3}$, $f^{-1}(x)$ will be undefined. But for all real number except $x = \frac{1}{3}$ the real values of $f^{-1}(x)$ will be obtained.

$$\therefore \text{Dom } f^{-1}(x) = \mathbb{R} - \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \right\} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

c Given,

$$g(x) = \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 - 4x}$$

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

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

$$\text{Let, } \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 - 4x} \equiv \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+2} + \frac{C}{x-2}$$

$$\text{Or, } x^2 + x - 1 = A(x+2)(x-2) + Bx(x-2) + Cx(x+2)$$

For, $x = 0$,

$$-1 = A.2(-2)$$

$$\text{Or, } A = \frac{1}{4}$$

For, $x = -2$

$$1 = B(-2)(-4)$$

$$\text{Or, } B = \frac{1}{8}$$

For, $x = 2$

$$5 = C.2.4$$

$$\text{Or, } C = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\therefore \frac{x^2 + x - 1}{x^3 - 4x} = \frac{1}{4x} + \frac{1}{8(x+2)} + \frac{5}{8(x-2)} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

Question ▶ 34 If $f(y) = \frac{y^3 - 2y^2 + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3}$, then—

(Jashore English School and College (JESC), Jashore)

a. Find $f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$

b. If $f(y) = 0$, find the value of y .

c. Express $f(y)$ as partial fractions.

Solution to the question no. 34

a Given, $f(y) = \frac{y^3 - 2y^2 + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3}$

$$\therefore f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 - 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 1}{\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - 2\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) - 3}$$

$$= \frac{-\frac{1}{27} - \frac{2}{9} + 1}{\frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{3} - 3}$$

$$= \frac{-1 - 6 + 27}{27} = \frac{1 + 6 - 27}{9}$$

$$= \frac{20}{27} \times \frac{9}{(-20)} = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore f\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{3} \text{ (Ans.)}$$

b If, $f(y) = 0$,

$$\therefore \frac{y^3 - 2y^2 + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3} = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } y^3 - 2y^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Let, } g(y) = y^3 - 2y^2 + 1$$

$$\therefore g(1) = (1)^3 - 2(1)^2 + 1 = 1 - 2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore (y - 1), \text{ is a factor of } g(y)$$

$$\text{Now, } y^3 - 2y^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } y^3 - y^2 - y^2 + y - y + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } y^2(y - 1) - y(y - 1) - 1(y - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } (y - 1)(y^2 - y - 1) = 0$$

$$\text{Either, } y - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{or, } y^2 - y - 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Or, } y = 1$$

Comparing this equation with

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ we get,

$$a = 1, b = -1, c = -1$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-1) \pm \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4.1(-1)}}{2.1}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

\therefore The values of y are $1, \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}, \frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2}$ (Ans.)

c The expression is $\frac{y^3 - 2y^2 + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3}$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{y^3 - 2y^2 + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3} = \frac{y(y^2 - 2y - 3) + 3y + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3}$$

$$= y + \frac{3y + 1}{(y - 3)(y + 1)}$$

Now, $\frac{3y + 1}{(y - 3)(y + 1)}$ is a proper fraction.

$$\text{Let, } \frac{3y + 1}{(y - 3)(y + 1)} \equiv \frac{A}{y - 3} + \frac{B}{y + 1} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Multiplying $(y - 3)(y + 1)$ to both sides of (i)

$$3y + 1 \equiv A(y + 1) + B(y - 3) \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

Putting $y = -1$ of equation (ii)

$$3(-1) + 1 = A(-1 + 1) + B(-1 - 3)$$

$$\text{Or, } -3 + 1 = A.0 - 4B$$

$$\text{Or, } -2 = -4B$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Again, putting $y = 3$ of equation (ii)

$$3.3 + 1 = A(3 + 1) + B(3 - 3)$$

$$\text{Or, } 9 + 1 = 4.A + B.0$$

$$\text{Or, } 10 = 4A$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{10}{4} = \frac{5}{2}$$

Putting values of A and B in (i)

$$\frac{3y + 1}{(y - 3)(y + 1)} = \frac{\frac{5}{2}}{y - 3} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{y + 1}$$

\therefore Required partial fraction,

$$\frac{y^3 - 2y^2 + 1}{y^2 - 2y - 3} = y + \frac{\frac{5}{2}}{y - 3} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{y + 1}$$

$$= y + \frac{5}{2(y - 3)} + \frac{1}{2(y + 1)} \text{ (Ans.)}$$