



**Combined  
Paper**

**Std. X - Algebra  
Chapter 1 and 3**

**Solutions**

**Q.1 Attempt any four of the following :**

(1)  $t_n = n^2 + n$

For  $n = 2$ ,  $t_2 = 2^2 + 2$

...[½ M]

$t_2 = 4 + 2 = 6$

For  $n = 3$ ,  $t_3 = 3^2 + 3$

...[½ M]

$t_3 = 9 + 2 = 12$

$\therefore t_2 = 6$  and  $t_3 = 12$

(2)  $x - 4x^2 + 5 = 0$

$\therefore 4x^2 - x - 5 = 0$

...[½ M]

Comparing with  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$a = 4$ ,  $b = -1$ ,  $c = -5$

...[½ M]

(3) Find the next two terms of the sequence 192, -96, 48, -24....

$t_5 = \frac{t_4}{-2}$

$t_5 = \frac{-24}{-2} = 12$

...[½ M]

$t_6 = \frac{t_5}{-2}$

$t_6 = \frac{12}{-2} = -6$

...[½ M]

$\therefore$  Next two terms are  $t_5 = 12$  and  $t_6 = -6$

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

$\therefore P^2 - 4P = 0$

...[½ M]

$\therefore$  Degree of the equation is 2 and  $a \neq 0$

Hence it is a quadratic equation

...[½ M]

(5) If  $a = 2.5$  and  $d = 1.5$

$\therefore$  First term =  $a = 2.5$

Second term =  $t_2 = a + d = 2.5 + 1.5$

$t_2 = 4$  ...[½ M]

Third term =  $t_3 = t_2 + d = 4 + 2.5$

$t_3 = 6.5$  ...[½ M]

**Q.2 Attempt any three of the following :**

1) The given A.P. **1, 7, 13, 19 ... ..**

First term =  $a = 1$

Common difference =  $7 - 1 = 6$  ...[½ M]

$t_n = a + (n - 1)d$  ...[½ M]

$t_{18} = 1 + (18 - 1) \times 6$

$t_{18} = 1 + 17 \times 6$  ...[½ M]

$t_{18} = 1 + 102 = 103$  ...[½ M]

Eighteen term of the given A.P. is 103

(2) Let the three consecutive terms in A.P. be

$a - d, a, a + d$  ...[½ M]

According to the condition

$\therefore a - d + a + a + d = 27$

$\therefore 3a = 27$

$\therefore a = 9$  ...[½ M]

$a(a - d)(a + d) = 504$

$(9 - d)(9 + d) = \frac{504}{9}$  ...[½ M]

$9^2 - d^2 = \frac{504}{9}$

$81 - d^2 = 56$

$d^2 = 81 - 56$

$d^2 = 25$

$d = \pm 5$  ...[½ M]

The three terms are 14, 9, 4 OR 4, 9, 14 ...[½ M]

(3) One root of the quadratic equation is 4

Hence it satisfies the equation ...[½ M]

$$\therefore \text{Substitute } x = 4 \text{ in } x^2 - 7x + k = 0$$

$$\therefore (4)^2 - 7 \times 4 + k = 0 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$\therefore 16 - 28 + k = 0 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$\therefore -12 + k = 0$$

$$\therefore k = 12 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

Hence value of k is 12

(4) The given equation is  $2x^2 + 5\sqrt{3}x + 16 = 0$

Compare it with  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  ...[½ M]

$$a = 2, b = 5\sqrt{3}, c = 16$$

$$\Delta = b^2 - 4ac$$

$$\Delta = (5\sqrt{3})^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 16 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$\Delta = 25 \times 3 - 128$$

$$\Delta = 75 - 128 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$\Delta = -53$$

$$\therefore \Delta < 0 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$\therefore$  No real roots for the equation.

**Q.3 Attempt any Two of the following :**

(1) The given equation is  $3y^2 + 7y + 1 = 0$

Divide throughout by 3

$$3y^2 + 7y + 1 = 0$$

$$y^2 + \frac{7}{3}y = -\frac{1}{3} \quad \dots(1) \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$\therefore \text{Third term} = \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \text{co-efficient of } y \right)^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{7}{3} \right)^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{7}{6} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{49}{36} \quad \dots[½ M]$$

Adding this on both sides of equation (1)

$$y^2 + \frac{7}{3}y + \frac{49}{36} = -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{49}{36}$$

$$\left(y + \frac{7}{6}\right)^2 = \frac{-12 + 49}{36}$$

$$\left(y + \frac{7}{6}\right)^2 = \frac{37}{36} \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore y + \frac{7}{6} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{37}{36}}$$

$$\therefore y = -\frac{7}{6} + \sqrt{\frac{37}{36}} \quad \text{OR} \quad y = -\frac{7}{6} - \sqrt{\frac{37}{36}}$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{-7 + \sqrt{37}}{6} \quad \text{OR} \quad y = \frac{-7 - \sqrt{37}}{6} \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore \text{Solution set } \left\{ \left( \frac{-7 + \sqrt{37}}{6}, \frac{-7 - \sqrt{37}}{6} \right) \right\} \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

2) Number of rows in the meeting hall are 20, 24, 28..... ...[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]

which is in A.P. with

First term = a = 20

Common difference = d = 24 - 20 = 4

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...[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]

Hall has 30 rows  $\therefore n = 30$

To find the total number of seats in the hall

i.e.  $S_{30}$

$$\therefore S_n = \frac{n}{2} [2a + (n-1)d] \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore S_{30} = \frac{30}{2} [2 \times 20 + (30-1) \times 4]$$

$$\therefore S_{30} = 15 [40 + (29) \times 4] \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore S_{30} = 15 [40 + 116]$$

$$\therefore S_{30} = 15 [156] \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore S_{30} = 2340 \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

Hence total number of seats in the hall are 2340

- (3) Let the breadth of the rectangle be 'x' cm  
 Hence length of the rectangle is 'x+2' cm ...[½ M]  
 According to the condition  
 $l \times b = \text{area of rectangle}$  ...[½ M]  
 $x \times (x + 2) = 24$   
 $x^2 = 2x - 24 = 0$   
 $x^2 + 6x - 4x - 24 = 0$  ...[½ M]  
 $x \times (x + 6) - 4 \times (x + 6) = 0$   
 $(x + 6)(x - 4) = 0$  ...[½ M]  
 $x + 6 = 0$  or  $x - 4 = 0$   
 $\therefore x = -6$  or  $x = 4$  ...[½ M]  
 But the length cannot be negative  $\therefore x = -6$  is not acceptable  
 Hence breadth of the rectangle is 4cms ...[½ M]  
 Hence length of the rectangle is  $x + 2 = 4 + 2 = 6$ cms

**Q.4 Attempt any one of the following :**

$$(1) \quad 2\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - 9\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) + 14 = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Let } \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = m$$

$$\therefore \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) = m^2 - 2 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

Substitute in equation (1)

$$2(m^2 - 2) - 9(m) + 14 = 0$$

$$2m^2 - 4 - 9m + 14 = 0 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$2m^2 - 9m + 10 = 0$$

$$2m^2 - 4m - 5m + 10 = 0$$

$$2m \times (m - 2) - 5 \times (m - 2) = 0$$

$$(2m - 5)(m - 2) = 0 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

$$\therefore 2m - 5 = 0 \text{ OR } m - 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore 2m = 5$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{5}{2} \text{ or } m = 2 \quad \dots[½ M]$$

Re-substitute  $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) = m$

$$x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5}{2} \text{ OR } x + \frac{1}{x} = 2 \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

Considering  $x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{5}{2}$

Multiplying throughout by  $2x$

$$2x^2 + 2 = 5x$$

$$\therefore 2x^2 - 5x + 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore 2x^2 - 4x - x + 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore 2x \times (x - 2) - 1 \times (x - 2) = 0$$

$$\therefore (x - 2)(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x - 2 = 0 \text{ OR } 2x - 1 = 0 \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore x = 2 \text{ OR } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

Considering  $x + \frac{1}{x} = 2$

Multiplying  $x$  on both sides

$$x^2 + 1 = 2x$$

$$\therefore x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore (x - 1)^2 = 0 \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$\therefore x - 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Solution set} = \left\{1, 2, \frac{1}{2}\right\} \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

(2)  $t_{11} = 16$  and  $t_{21} = 29$

Let the first term =  $a$ , common difference =  $d$

$$t_n = [a + (n - 1)d] \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$t_{11} = [a + (11 - 1)d]$$

$$16 = [a + 10d] \quad \dots[\frac{1}{2} \text{ M}]$$

$$a + 10d = 16 \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$t_{21} = [a + (21-1)d]$$

$$29 = [a + 20d]$$

$$a + 20d = 29 \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

...[½ M]

Subtracting (1) from (2)

$$10d = 13$$

$$\therefore d = \frac{13}{10} = 1.3$$

...[½ M]

Substitute in equation (1)

$$a + 10 \times \frac{13}{10} = 16$$

$$a + 13 = 16$$

$$a = 16 - 13 = 3$$

$$\therefore a = 3$$

...[½ M]

$$t_n = [a + (n-1)d]$$

$$\therefore t_{34} = [3 + (34-1) \times 1.3]$$

$$\therefore t_{34} = [3 + (33) \times 1.3]$$

$$\therefore t_{34} = [3 + 42.9]$$

$$\therefore t_{34} = 45.9$$

...[½ M]

n such that  $t_n = 55$ 

$$t_n = [a + (n-1)d]$$

$$\therefore 55 = [3 + (n-1) \times 1.3]$$

$$\therefore 55 - 3 = [(n-1) \times 1.3]$$

$$\therefore 52 = [(n-1) \times 1.3]$$

$$\therefore \frac{52}{1.3} = (n-1)$$

$$\therefore 40 = n - 1$$

$$\therefore n = 40 + 1$$

$$\therefore n = 41$$

...[½ M]

First term =  $a = 3$ Common difference =  $d = 1.3$ 

$$t_{34} = 45.9$$

n such that  $t_n = 55 = 41$ 

...[½ M]