

€ SOLUTION SPECIAL ALGEBRA

1. (c) $2x + \frac{2}{x} = 3 \quad x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{3}{2}$
 $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} + 2 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 - 3 \times \frac{3}{2} + 2 = \frac{7}{8}$

2. (d) $x + \frac{1}{x} = p$
 $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = p^3 - 3p$
 $\therefore x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6} = (p^3 - 3p)^2 - 2$
 $= p^6 - 6p^4 + 9p^2 - 2$

3. (a) $3x^2 + 5x + 3 = 0$
 $3x(x + \frac{1}{x}) = -5x$
 $x + \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{5}{3}$
 $\therefore x + \frac{1}{x} = \left(-\frac{5}{3}\right)^3 - 3\left(-\frac{5}{3}\right) = \frac{10}{27}$

4. $a = \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}, b = \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}$
 $a = 5 - 2\sqrt{6}, b = 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$
 $ab = 1$ i.e. reciprocal, $a + \frac{1}{a} = 10$
 $\frac{a^2}{b} + \frac{b^2}{a} = a^3 + \frac{1}{a^3} = 10^3 - 3 \times 10 = 970$

5. (a) $\frac{2p}{p^2 - 2p + 1} = \frac{1}{4}$
 $p^2 - 2p + 1 = 8p$
 $p\left(p + \frac{1}{p}\right) = 10p$
 $\therefore p + \frac{1}{p} = 10$

6. (b) $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 66 \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{66 - 2} = \pm 8$
then $\frac{x^2 - 1 + 2x}{x} = \frac{x\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) + 2x}{x}$
 $= \frac{8x + 2x}{x} = 10$
or $= \frac{-8x + 2x}{x} = -6$
 \therefore Required value = (10, -6)

7. (b) $n = 7 \quad 4\sqrt{3} \quad \frac{1}{n} = 7 - 4\sqrt{3} \quad n + \frac{1}{n} = 14$
 $\left(\sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 = n + \frac{1}{n} + 2 = 14 + 2 = 16$
 $\therefore \sqrt{n} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{16} = 4$

8. (a) $x + \frac{1}{x} = \frac{25}{12} = x - \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{25}{12}\right)^2 - 4} = \frac{7}{12}$
 $x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \left(\frac{25}{12}\right)^2 - 2 = \frac{337}{144}$
Then $x^4 - \frac{1}{x^4} = \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)$
 $= \frac{337}{144} \times \frac{25}{15} \times \frac{7}{12} = \frac{58975}{20736}$

9. (a) $x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4} = 194 = x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = \sqrt{194 + 2} = 14$
 $x + \frac{1}{x} = \sqrt{14 + 2} = 4$
Then $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 4^3 - 3 \times 4 = 52$

10. $xy + yz + zx = 0$
put $x = \frac{1}{2}, y = -1$ & $z = -1$
then $\frac{1}{x^2 - yz} + \frac{1}{y^2 - zx} + \frac{1}{z^2 - xy} = 0$

11. (c) $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{b}{a} = 2$
 $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{a} = 1$
i.e., $a = b$
 $\therefore a - b = 0$

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

$$x^3 = 1$$

$$\text{then } x^{252} + \frac{1}{x^{252}} = (x^3)^{84} \frac{1}{(x^3)^{84}}$$

$$= 1 + 1 = 2$$

14. $x + \frac{1}{x} = -\sqrt{3}$

$$x^3 + \frac{1}{x^3} = 0$$

$$x^6 = -1$$

$$x^{67} + x^{53} + x^{43} + x^{29} + x^{24} + x^{12} + x^6 + 3$$

$$= (x^6)^{11}x + \frac{(x^6)^9}{x} + (x^6)^7 \cdot x + \frac{(x^6)^5}{x} + (x^6)^4 + (x^6)^2$$

$$+ x^6 + 3$$

$$= -x - \frac{1}{x} - x - \frac{1}{x} + 1 + 1 - 1 + 3$$

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

$$= -2 \times -(\sqrt{3}) + 4 = 2(\sqrt{3} + 2)$$

15. $(x+3)^2 + (y-5)^2 + (z+2)^2 = 0$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x+3=0 \\ y-5=0 \\ z+2=0 \end{array} \right\} x=-3, y=5, z=-2$$

$$\text{then } \sqrt{x+y+z} = 0$$

16. $a = x + y, b = x - y, c = x + 2y$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca$$

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

$$3(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) = (a+b+c)^2$$

$$2(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) - 2(ab + bc + ca) = 0$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca = 0$$

17.(a)

18. $x + y = z$

$$x + y + (-z) = 0$$

$$\text{then } x^3 + y^3 + (-z)^3 - 3xy(-z) = 0$$

19. (b) 20. (c) 21. (c) 22. (d) 23. (b)

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