

and (v) find a value of x which shall make the expression—

$$\frac{x^2 - 4x + 6}{x - 4} + \frac{x^2 - 2x + 3}{x - 2} - \frac{2x^2 + 9}{x}$$

equal to 0

12. A rectangular field contains 30 acres, and if it were 44 yards longer and 30 yards narrower its area would be the same: find its length and breadth.

Algebra.—For Civil Service Senior (Old Regulations). Time allowed: 3 hours.

1. Divide $\frac{1}{4}x^5 - \frac{1}{3}x^4 - \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{1}{9}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{18}$ by $\frac{5}{4}x^2 - \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{3}$

2. Simplify—

$$(i.) \frac{9a^3 + 6a^2b - 12ab^2 - 8b^3}{18a^3 + 9a^2b - 5ab^2 - 2b^3}$$

$$(ii.) \frac{11(x+2)}{6x^2+7x-3} + \frac{11x+12}{12x^2-13x+3} + \frac{11x-30}{8x^2+6x-9}$$

3. If $a + b + c = 0$, prove $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 = 3abc$

Find the factors of—

$$(i.) 4a^2b^2 - (a^2 + b^2 - c^2)^2$$

$$(ii.) a^4 + 4$$

$$(iii.) x^3 - 8x^2 - x + 8$$

$$(iv.) x^3 - 4x^2 + x + 6$$

$$(v.) (y + z - 2x)^3 + (z + x - 2y)^3 + (x + y - 2z)^3$$

4. Solve the equations—

$$(i.) \frac{x-5}{x-6} - \frac{x-6}{x-7} - \frac{x-1}{x-2} + \frac{x-2}{x-3} = 0$$

$$(ii.) 4abx^2 + 2x(a-b)^2 - (a-b)^2 = 0$$

$$(iii.) (x^2 - 5x + 2)^2 = x^2 - 5x + 22$$

$$(iv.) \begin{cases} 14x^2 - 5xy - 13y^2 + 22 = 0 \\ 3x^2 + 5xy - 4y^2 + 12 = 0 \end{cases}$$

5. If α and β are the roots of the equation $x^2 - px + q = 0$, and α and γ are the roots of the equation $x^2 - Px + Q = 0$, find α, β, γ .

6. Describe the method of proof called "Mathematical Induction." Employ it to prove—

$$1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left\{ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right\}^2$$

7. Simplify—

$$(i.) \frac{12x^7y^2 - 4x^6y^3 - 23x^5y^4 + 9x^4y^5 - 9x^3y^6}{8x^6y^3 - 14x^5y^4 - 9x^4y^5}$$

$$(ii.) \left(\frac{x}{x-y} \right)^3 + \left(\frac{y}{x+y} \right)^3 \times \frac{\frac{x}{x-y} - \frac{y}{x+y}}{\left(\frac{x}{x-y} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{y}{x+y} \right)^2} \times \left(\frac{x}{x-y} \right)^2 - \frac{xy}{x^2 - y^2} + \left(\frac{y}{x+y} \right)^2$$

8. Solve the equations—

$$(i.) \frac{(x-1)^2}{4} + \frac{(x-2)^2}{2} = x^2 - \frac{(x-9)(x-8)}{4}$$

$$(ii.) \frac{x+m}{x^2+mx+m^2} - \frac{x-m}{x^2-mx+m^2} = \frac{m^4}{x(x^4+x^2m^2+m^4)}$$

$$(iii.) \left. \begin{aligned} x &= 2y \\ \frac{4x+7y}{5} - 1 &= \frac{2}{3}(4x-6y+1) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$(iv.) \left. \begin{aligned} \frac{x-a}{p} &= \frac{y-b}{q} = \frac{z-c}{r} \\ l(x-a) + m(y-b) + n(z-c) &= 1 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$(v.) \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9+x} = 9$$

9. A can do a piece of work in a hours, B in b hours, and C in c hours: how long will they take all working together?

10. Two bodies move in the same direction round a circle 999 ft. in circumference, and are together every 37 seconds: if the velocity of one is four times that of the other, what are their velocities?

Algebra.—For Class D, and for Civil Service Junior. Time allowed: 3 hours.

1. Find the value of—

$$\left\{ \left(\frac{x^2}{y^3} + \frac{1}{x} \right) \div \left(\frac{x}{y^2} - \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x} \right) \right\} \times \frac{-y}{x+y}$$

when $x = \frac{1}{2}$, $y = \frac{1}{3}$.

2. Find the sum of—

$$3(a+b) - 4(a+b)^2 + 5(a+b)^3; (a+b)^2 - 2(a+b)^3 - (a+b)^3 + 2(a+b)^2 - (a+b)$$

in its simplest form.