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Special Question – Quantitative Aptitude

English

Directions 1 – 2 : Answer the questions based on the information given below.

Equation(i): $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

Equation(ii): $py^2 + qy + d = 0$

The value of q is the smallest natural number while the value of a is the smallest prime number. The value of c is equal to 45 more than the twice of a hundred. The value of b is one more than ten times the value of a. The value of p is equal to the value of q. The value of d is 132.

Find the negative root of equation(i) is what percent of the negative root of equation(ii).

1. 145.83%
2. 150.35%
3. 144.44%
5. 140.00%

Q:2 Find the sum of the square of positive roots.

1. 150
2. 155
3. 170
5. 140

Directions 3 – 4 : Answer the questions based on the information given below.

In a class of 30 students, the average score in a mathematics test was 75. The teacher mistakenly recorded one student's score as 65 instead of 95.

Equation(1): $x^2 + 23x + c = 0$

Equation(2): $y^2 + 21y + c/2 = 0$

The value of c is equal to the correct average score of the students.

Q:3 Find the sum of the square of the roots of both equations except common roots.

1. 30
2. 25
3. 15
5. 10

Q:4 Which root is common in both equations?

1. -12
2. -19
3. -17
5. -21

Q:5 Answer the questions based on the information given below.

In a cricket tournament, a batsman scores the following runs in six innings: 40, 20, 15, 25, 55, and 25.

Equation(i): $x^2 - x - c = 0$

Equation(ii): $2y^2 - 7y - c = 0$

The value of c is equal to the average runs scored by the batsman per inning

Find the sum of all the roots of both equations.

1. $9/5$
2. $4/3$
3. $9/2$
5. $3/2$

Answer Key

1. (1) 2. (3) 3. (4) 4. (2) 5. (3)

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is **Option 1** i.e. **145.83%**.

The value of q is the smallest natural number = $q = 1$

The value of a is the smallest prime number = $a = 2$

The value of c is equal to 45 more than twice a hundred = $c = 2 \times 100 + 45 = 200 + 45 = 245$

The value of b is one more than ten times the value of a

$$b = 10 \times 2 + 1 = 20 + 1 = 21$$

The value of p is equal to the value of q

$$p = 1$$

The value of $d = 132$

Putting values in the equation

$$\text{Equation (i): } 2x^2 + 21x - 245 = 0$$

$$\text{Equation (ii): } 1y^2 + 1y - 132 = 0$$

Solving Equation (i)

$$2x^2 + 21x - 245 = 0$$

$$2x^2 - 14x + 35x - 245 = 0$$

$$2x(x - 7) + 35(x - 7) = 0$$

$$(2x + 35)(x - 7) = 0$$

$$x = -35/2, 7$$

Solving Equation (ii)

$$1y^2 + 1y - 132 = 0$$

$$y^2 + 12y - 11y - 132 = 0$$

$$y(y + 12) - 11(y + 12) = 0$$

$$(y - 11)(y + 12) = 0$$

$$y = 11, -12$$

Now, according to the question

Negative root of equation (i) is what percent of the negative root of equation (ii) = $-35/2 / -12 \times 100 = 35/24 \times 100 = 145.83\%$

Q:2 The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **170**.

The value of q is the smallest natural number = $q = 1$

The value of a is the smallest prime number = $a = 2$

The value of c is equal to 45 more than twice a hundred = $c = 2 \times 100 + 45 = 200 + 45 = 245$

The value of b is one more than ten times the

value of a

$$b = 10 \times 2 + 1 = 20 + 1 = 21$$

The value of p is equal to the value of q

$$p = 1$$

The value of $d = 132$

Putting values in the equation

$$\text{Equation (i): } 2x^2 + 21x - 245 = 0$$

$$\text{Equation (ii): } 1y^2 + 1y - 132 = 0$$

Solving Equation (i)

$$2x^2 + 21x - 245 = 0$$

$$2x^2 - 14x + 35x - 245 = 0$$

$$2x(x - 7) + 35(x - 7) = 0$$

$$(2x + 35)(x - 7) = 0$$

$$x = -35/2, 7$$

Solving Equation (ii)

$$1y^2 + 1y - 132 = 0$$

$$y^2 + 12y - 11y - 132 = 0$$

$$y(y + 12) - 11(y + 12) = 0$$

$$(y - 11)(y + 12) = 0$$

$$y = 11, -12$$

Now, according to the question

The sum of the square of positive roots = $(7)^2 + (11)^2 = 49 + 121 = 170$

Q:3 The correct answer is **Option 4** i.e. **20**.

Correct total score = (Average score) \times (Number of students) + Difference

$$\text{Correct total score} = 75 \times 30 + 30$$

$$\text{Correct total score} = 2250 + 30 = 2280$$

$$\text{Correct average score} = 2280/30 = 76 = c$$

On putting the values of c in the equations

$$\text{Equation (1): } x^2 + 23x + 76 = 0$$

$$\text{Equation (2): } y^2 + 21y + 38 = 0$$

Now solving the equation,

$$\text{Equation (1): } x^2 + 23x + 76 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 19x + 4x + 76 = 0$$

$$x(x + 19) + 4(x + 19) = 0$$

$$(x + 4)(x + 19) = 0$$

$$x = -4, -19$$

$$\text{Equation (2): } y^2 + 21y + 38 = 0$$

$$y^2 + 19y + 2y + 38 = 0$$

$$y(y + 19) + 2(y + 19) = 0$$

$$(y + 2)(y + 19) = 0$$

$$y = -2, -19$$

Now, according to the question,

Sum of the Square of the roots except common roots = $(-4)^2 + (-2)^2 = 16 + 4 = 20$



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Q:4 The correct answer is **Option 2** i.e. **-19**.

Correct total score = (Average score) × (Number of students) + Difference

$$\text{Correct total score} = 75 \times 30 + 30$$

$$\text{Correct total score} = 2250 + 30 = 2280$$

$$\text{Correct average score} = 2280/30 = 76 = c$$

On putting the values of c in the equations

$$\text{Equation(1): } x^2 + 23x + 76 = 0$$

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Now solving the equation,

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$$x^2 + 19x + 4x + 76 = 0$$

$$x(x + 19) + 4(x + 19) = 0$$

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$$\text{Equation(2): } y^2 + 21y + 38 = 0$$

$$y^2 + 19y + 2y + 38 = 0$$

$$y(y + 19) + 2(y + 19) = 0$$

$$(y + 2)(y + 19) = 0$$

$$y = -2, -19$$

Now, according to the question,

The root which is common in both the equations = -19

Q:5 The correct answer is **Option 3** i.e. **9/2**.

Average runs scored by the batsman per inning = $(40 + 20 + 15 + 25 + 55 + 25)/6 = 180/6 = 30$

So, c = 30

On putting c = 30 in both equations

$$\text{Equation(i): } x^2 - x - 30 = 0$$

$$\text{Equation(ii): } 2y^2 - 7y - 30 = 0$$

Solving both the equations

$$\text{Equation(i): } x^2 - x - 30 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 5x - 30 = 0$$

$$x(x - 6) + 5(x - 6) = 0$$

$$(x + 5)(x - 6) = 0$$

$$x = -5, 6$$

$$\text{Equation(ii): } 2y^2 - 7y - 30 = 0$$

$$2y^2 - 12y + 5y - 30 = 0$$

$$2y(y - 6) + 5(y - 6) = 0$$

$$(2y + 5)(y - 6) = 0$$

$$y = -5/2, 6$$

Now, according to the question

Sum of all the roots = $(-5) + 6 + (-5/2) + 6$

$$\Rightarrow -5 - 5/2 + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow (-10 - 5)/2 + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow -15/2 + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow (-15 + 24)/2 = 9/2$$