

SOLVED EXERCISE 1.4

Solve the following equations.

$$(1) 2x + 5 = \sqrt{7x + 16}$$

Solution:

$$2x + 5 = \sqrt{7x + 16} \quad \text{(i)}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(2x + 5)^2 = (\sqrt{7x + 16})^2$$

$$4x^2 + 20x + 25 = 7x + 16$$

$$4x^2 + 20x - 7x + 25 - 16 = 0$$

$$4x^2 + 13x + 9 = 0$$

$$4x^2 + 9x + 4x + 9 = 0$$

$$x(4x + 9) + 1(4x + 9) = 0$$

$$(x + 1)(4x + 9) = 0$$

Either $x + 1 = 0$ or $4x + 9 = 0$

$$x = -1 \quad 4x = -9$$

$$x = -\frac{9}{4}$$

Check:

Put $x = -1$ in eq. (i), we get

$$2(-1) + 5 = \sqrt{7(-1) + 16} \Rightarrow -2 + 5 = \sqrt{-7 + 16}$$

$$3 = \sqrt{9} \Rightarrow 3 = 3 \text{ (which is true)}$$

Put $x = -\frac{9}{4}$ in eq. (i), we get

$$2\left(-\frac{9}{4}\right) + 5 = \sqrt{7\left(-\frac{9}{4}\right) + 16} \Rightarrow -\frac{9}{2} + 5 = \sqrt{-\frac{63}{4} + 16}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (Which is true)}$$

Thus, solution set = $\left\{-1, -\frac{9}{4}\right\}$

$$2) \sqrt{x + 3} = 3x - 1$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{x + 3} = 3x - 1 \quad \text{(i)}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

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

$$x+3 = 9x^2 - 6x + 1$$

$$9x^2 - 6x + 1 - x - 3 = 0$$

$$9x^2 - 7x - 2 = 0$$

$$9x^2 - 9x + 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$9x(x-1) + 2(x-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore (9x+2)(x-1) = 0$$

Either $9x+2=0$ or $x-1=0$

$$9x = -2 \quad x = 1$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{9}$$

Check:

Put $x = -\frac{2}{9}$ in eq (i), we get

$$\sqrt{-\frac{2}{9} + 3} = 3\left(-\frac{2}{9}\right) - 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{25}{9}} = -\frac{2}{3} - 1$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{25}{9}} = -\frac{5}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{5}{3} \neq -\frac{5}{3} \text{ (which is not true)}$$

Put $x = 1$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{1+3} = 3(1) - 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{4} = 3 - 1$$

$2 = 2$ (Which is true).

Thus, solution set = {1}

(3) $4x = \sqrt{13x+14} - 3$

Solution:

$$4x = \sqrt{13x+14} - 3 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$4x + 3 = \sqrt{13x+14}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(4x+3)^2 = (\sqrt{13x+14})^2$$

$$16x^2 + 24x + 9 = 13x + 14$$

$$16x^2 + 24x - 13x + 9 - 14 = 0$$

$$16x^2 + 11x - 5 = 0$$

$$16x^2 + 16x - 5x - 5 = 0$$

$$16x(x+1) - 5(x+1) = 0$$

$$(16x-5)(x+1) = 0$$

Either $16x - 5 = 0$ or $x + 1 = 0$

$$16x = 5 \quad x = -1$$

$$x = \frac{5}{16}$$

Check:

Put $x = \frac{5}{16}$ in eq. (i), we get

$$4\left(\frac{5}{16}\right) = \sqrt{13\left(\frac{5}{16}\right) + 14} - 3 \Rightarrow \frac{5}{4} = \sqrt{\frac{65}{16} + 14} - 3$$

$$\frac{5}{4} = \sqrt{\frac{289}{16}} - 3 \Rightarrow \frac{5}{4} = \frac{17}{4} - 3$$

$$\frac{5}{4} = \frac{5}{4} \quad (\text{Which is true})$$

Put $x = -1$ in eq. (i), we get

$$4(-1) = \sqrt{13(-1) + 14} - 3 \Rightarrow -4 = \sqrt{-13 + 14} - 3$$

$$-4 = \sqrt{1} - 3 \Rightarrow -4 = 1 - 3 \\ -4 \neq -2 \quad (\text{Which is not true})$$

Thus, solution set = $\left\{\frac{5}{16}\right\}$

4. $\sqrt{3x + 100} - x = 4$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{3x + 100} - x = 4 \quad \text{(i)}$$

$$\sqrt{3x + 100} = x + 4$$

Squaring both sides

$$(\sqrt{3x + 100})^2 = (x + 4)^2$$

$$3x + 100 = x^2 + 8x + 16$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 - 3x - 100 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 5x - 84 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 12x - 7x - 84 = 0$$

$$x(x + 12) - 7(x + 12) = 0$$

Either $x - 7 = 0$ or $x + 12 = 0$
 $x = 7$ $x = -12$

Check:

Put $x = 7$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{3(7) + 100} - 7 = 4 \Rightarrow \sqrt{21 + 100} - 7 = 4$$

$$\sqrt{121} - 7 = 4 \Rightarrow 11 - 7 = 4$$

$$4 = 4 \quad (\text{Which is true})$$

Put $x = -12$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{3(-12)+100}-(-12) &= 4 \Rightarrow \sqrt{-36+100}+12 = 4 \\ \sqrt{64} &= 12 = 4 \Rightarrow 8+12 = 4 \\ 20 &\neq 4 \quad (\text{Which is not true})\end{aligned}$$

Thus, Solution set = {7}

$$(5) \quad \sqrt{x+5} + \sqrt{x+21} = \sqrt{x+60}$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{x+5} + \sqrt{x+21} = \sqrt{x+60} \quad \dots \quad (i)$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(\sqrt{x+5} + \sqrt{x+21})^2 = (\sqrt{x+60})^2$$

$$(x+5) + (x+21) + 2\sqrt{(x+5)(x+21)} = x+60$$

$$x+5+x+21+2\sqrt{x^2+26x+105} = x+60$$

$$2x+26+2\sqrt{x^2+26x+105} = x+60$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2+26x+105} = x+60-2x-26$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2+26x+105} = -x+34$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2+26x+105} = -(x-34)$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(2\sqrt{x^2+26x+105})^2 = [-(x-34)]^2$$

$$4(x^2+26x+105) = x^2 - 68x + 1156$$

$$4x^2 + 104x + 420 = x^2 - 68x + 1156$$

$$4x^2 - x^2 + 104x + 68x + 420 - 1156 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 172x - 736 = 0$$

Here a = 3, b = 172, c = -736

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-172 \pm \sqrt{(172)^2 - 4(3)(-736)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{-172 \pm \sqrt{29584 + 8832}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-172 \pm \sqrt{38416}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-172 - 196}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{-172 + 196}{6}$$

$$x = -\frac{368}{6}, \quad x = \frac{24}{6}$$

$$x = -\frac{184}{3}, \quad x = 4$$

Check:

$x = -\frac{184}{3}$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{-\frac{184}{3} + 5} + \sqrt{-\frac{184}{3} + 21} = \sqrt{-\frac{184}{3} + 60}$$

$$\sqrt{-\frac{169}{3}} + \sqrt{-\frac{121}{3}} = \sqrt{-\frac{4}{3}} \quad (\text{Which is not true})$$

Put $x = 4$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{4+5} + \sqrt{4+21} = \sqrt{4+60}$$

$$\sqrt{9} + \sqrt{25} = \sqrt{64}$$

$$3+5=8$$

$$8=8 \quad (\text{Which is true})$$

Thus, solution set = {8}

$$(6) \sqrt{x-1} + \sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{x+6}$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{x-1} + \sqrt{x-2} + \sqrt{x+6} \quad \text{_____ (i)}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

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

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

$$x+1+x-2+2\sqrt{x^2-x-2}=x+6$$

$$2x - 1 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} = x + 6$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} = x + 6 - 2x + 1$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} = -x + 7$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} = -(x - 7)$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(2\sqrt{x^2 - x - 2})^2 = [-(x - 7)]^2$$

$$4(x^2 - x - 2) = x^2 - 14x + 49$$

$$4x^2 - 4x - 8 = x^2 - 14x + 49$$

$$4x^2 - x^2 - 4x + 14x - 8 - 49 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 10x - 57 = 0$$

Here $a = 3, b = 10, c = -57$

$$x = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{(10)^2 - 4(3)(-57)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{100 + 684}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{784}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-10 \pm 28}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-10 - 28}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad x = \frac{-10 + 28}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-38}{6} \quad x = \frac{18}{6}$$

$$x = -\frac{19}{3} \quad x = 3$$

Check:

Put $x = -\frac{19}{3}$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{-\frac{19}{3} + 1} + \sqrt{\frac{-19}{3} - 2} = \sqrt{-\frac{19}{3} + 6}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{-16}{3}} + \sqrt{\frac{-25}{3}} = \sqrt{-\frac{1}{3}} \quad (\text{Which is not true})$$

Put $x = 3$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{3+1} + \sqrt{3-2} = \sqrt{3+6}$$

$$\sqrt{4} + \sqrt{1} = \sqrt{9}$$

$$2+1=3$$

3 = 3 (Which is true) ♦

Thus, solution set = {3}

$$(7) \quad \sqrt{11-x} + \sqrt{6-x} = \sqrt{27-x}$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{11-x} + \sqrt{6-x} = \sqrt{27-x} \quad \text{----- (i)}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(\sqrt{11-x} + \sqrt{6-x})^2 = (\sqrt{27-x})^2$$

$$(11-x) + (6-x) + 2\sqrt{(11-x)(6-x)} = 27-x$$

$$11-x + 6-x + 2\sqrt{(11-x)(6-x)} = 27-x$$

$$17 - 2x + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 17x + 66} = 27-x$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2 - 17x + 66} = 27-x - 17 + 2x$$

$$2\sqrt{x^2 - 17x + 66} = 10+x$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(2\sqrt{x^2 - 17x + 66})^2 = (10+x)^2$$

$$4(x^2 - 17x + 66) = 100 + 20x + x^2$$

$$4x^2 - 68x + 264 = x^2 + 20x + 100$$

$$4x^2 - x^2 - 68x + 20x + 264 - 100 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 88x + 164 = 0$$

Here $a = 3, b = -88, c = 164$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-88) \pm \sqrt{(-88)^2 - 4(3)(164)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{88 \pm \sqrt{7744 - 1968}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{88 \pm \sqrt{5776}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{88 \pm 76}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{88 - 76}{6}, \quad x = \frac{88 + 76}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{12}{6}, \quad x = \frac{164}{6}$$

$$x = 2 \quad x = \frac{82}{3}$$

Check:

Put $x = 2$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{11-2} + \sqrt{6-2} = \sqrt{27-2}$$

$$\sqrt{9} + \sqrt{4} = \sqrt{25}$$

$$3 + 2 = 5 \Rightarrow 5 = 5 \text{ (Which is true)}$$

Put $x = \frac{82}{3}$ in eq. (i), we get

$$\sqrt{11-\frac{82}{3}} + \sqrt{6-\frac{82}{3}} = \sqrt{27-\frac{82}{3}}$$

$$\sqrt{-\frac{49}{3}} + \sqrt{-\frac{64}{3}} = \sqrt{-\frac{1}{3}} \text{ (Which is not true)}$$

Thus, Solution set = {2}

$$(8) \quad \sqrt{4a+x} - \sqrt{a-x} = \sqrt{a}$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{4a+x} - \sqrt{a-x} = \sqrt{a}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(\sqrt{4a+x} - \sqrt{a-x})^2 = (\sqrt{a})^2$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 4a + x - a + x - 2\sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2} &= a \\
 3a + 2x - 2\sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2} &= a \\
 -2\sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2} &= a - 3a - 2x \\
 -2\sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2} &= -2a - 2x \\
 -2\sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2} &= -2(a + x) \\
 \Rightarrow \sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2} &= (a + x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\sqrt{4a^2 - 3ax - x^2})^2 &= (a + x)^2 \\
 4a^2 - 3ax - x^2 &= a^2 + x^2 + 2ax \\
 -x^2 - x^2 - 3ax - 2ax + 4a^2 - a^2 &= 0 \\
 -2x^2 - 5ax + 3a^2 &= 0 \\
 -(2x^2 + 5ax - 3a^2) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow 2x^2 + 5ax - 3a^2 &= 0 \\
 2x^2 + 6ax - ax - 3a^2 &= 0 \\
 2x(x + 3a) - a(x + 3a) &= 0 \\
 (2x - a)(x + 3a) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Either $2x - a = 0$ or $x + 3a = 0$

$$2x = a \quad x = -3a$$

$$x = \frac{a}{2}$$

Thus, Solution set = $\left\{-3a, \frac{a}{2}\right\}$

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

Solution:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + x + 1} - \sqrt{x^2 + x - 1} = 1 \quad \text{(i)}$$

Let $x^2 + x = y$

So eq. (i) becomes

$$\sqrt{y+1} - \sqrt{y-1} = 1$$

Squaring both sides, we get

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

$$(y+1) + (y-1) - 2\sqrt{(y+1)(y-1)} = 1$$

$$y+1+y-1-2\sqrt{y^2-1}=1$$

$$2y-2\sqrt{y^2-1}=1$$

$$-2\sqrt{y^2-1}=1-2y$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(-2\sqrt{y^2-1})^2=(1-2y)^2$$

$$4(y^2-1)=1-4y+4y+4y^2$$

$$4y^2-4=1-4y+4y^2$$

$$4y^2-4-1+4y-4y^2=0$$

$$4y-5=0$$

$$y = \frac{5}{4}$$

Put $y = \frac{5}{4}$ in $x^2 + x = y$, we get

$$x^2 + x = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 4x = 5$$

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

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

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{(4)^2 - 4(4)(-5)}}{2(4)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 80}}{8}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{96}}{8}$$

$$x = \frac{88 \pm 76}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm 4\sqrt{6}}{8} = \frac{4(-1 \pm \sqrt{6})}{8} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$(10) \quad \sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 8} + \sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 2} = 3$$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 8} + \sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 2} = 3 \quad \text{_____ (i)}$$

Let $x^2 + 3x = y$

So eq. (i) becomes

$$\sqrt{y+8} - \sqrt{y+2} = 3$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(\sqrt{y+8} + \sqrt{y+2})^2 = 9$$

$$(y+8) + (y+2) + 2\sqrt{(y+8)(y+2)} = 9$$

$$y+8 + y+2 + 2\sqrt{y^2 + 10y + 16} = 9$$

$$2y + 10 + 2\sqrt{y^2 + 10y + 16} = 9$$

$$2\sqrt{y^2 + 10y + 16} = 9 - 2y - 10$$

$$2\sqrt{y^2 + 10y + 16} = -2y - 1$$

$$2\sqrt{y^2 + 10y + 16} = -(2y + 1)$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(2\sqrt{y^2 + 10y + 16})^2 = [-(2y + 1)]^2$$

$$4(y^2 + 10y + 16) = 4y^2 + 4y + 1$$

$$4y^2 + 40y + 64 = 4y^2 + 4y + 1$$

$$4y^2 - 4y^2 + 40y - 4y + 64 - 1 = 0$$

$$36y + 63 = 0$$

$$36y = -63$$

$$y = -\frac{63}{36}$$

Put $y = -\frac{63}{36}$ in $x^2 + 3x = y$, we get

$$x^2 + 3x = -\frac{53}{36}$$

$$\Rightarrow 36x^2 + 108x = -63$$

$$36x^2 + 108x + 63 = 0$$

Here $a = 36, b = 108, c = 63$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{108 \pm \sqrt{(108)^2 - 4(36)(63)}}{2(36)}$$

$$x = \frac{-108 \pm \sqrt{11664 + 9072}}{72}$$

$$x = \frac{-108 \pm \sqrt{2592}}{72}$$

$$x = \frac{108 \pm 36\sqrt{2}}{72}$$

$$x = \frac{36(-3 \pm \sqrt{2})}{72}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Thus, Solution set = $\left\{ \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{2}}{2} \right\}$

11) $\sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 9} + \sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 4} = 5$

Solution:

$$\sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 9} + \sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 4} = 5 \quad \text{_____ (i)}$$

Let $x^2 + 3x = y$

So eq. (i) becomes

$$\sqrt{y+9} + \sqrt{y+4} = 5$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(\sqrt{y+9} + \sqrt{y+4})^2 = 25$$

$$(y+9) + (y+4) + 2\sqrt{(y+9)(y+4)} = 25$$

$$y+9+y+4+2\sqrt{y^2+13y+36}=25$$

$$2y+13+2\sqrt{y^2+13y+36}=25$$

$$2\sqrt{y^2+13y+36}=25-2y-13$$

$$2\sqrt{y^2+13y+36}=25-2y+12$$

$$2\sqrt{y^2+13y+36}=25-2(y-6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{y^2+13y+36}=-(y-6)$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$(\sqrt{y^2+13y+36})^2[-(y-6)]^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}y^2 + 13y + 36 &= y^2 - 12y + 36 \\y^2 - y^2 + 13y + 12y + 36 - 36 &= 0 \\25y &= 0\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow Put $y = 0$ in $x^2 + x^2 + y$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 + 3x &= y \\x^2 + 3x &= 0 \\x^2 + 3x &= 0 \\x(x + 3) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Either $x = 0$ or $x + 3 = 0$

Thus, solution set = $\{-3, 0\}$

SOLVED MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISE • 1

Q1. Multiple Choice Questions:

Four possible answers are given for the following questions. Tick (\checkmark) the correct answer.

- (i) Standard form of quadratic equation is:
 - (a) $bx + c = 0$, $b \neq 0$
 - (b) $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, $a \neq 0$
 - (c) $ax^2 = bx$, $a \neq 0$
 - (d) $ax^2 = 0$, $a \neq 0$
- (ii) The number of terms in a standard quadratic equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is
 - (a) 1
 - (b) 2
 - (c) 3
 - (d) 4
- (iii) The number of methods to solve a quadratic equation is:
 - (a) 1
 - (b) 2
 - (c) 3
 - (d) 4
- (iv) The quadratic formula is:
 - (a)
$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$
 - (b)
$$\frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$
 - (c)
$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 + 4ac}}{2a}$$
 - (d)
$$\frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 + 4ac}}{2a}$$
- (v) Two linear factors of $x^2 - 15x + 56$ are:
 - (a) $(x - 7)$ and $(x + 8)$
 - (b) $(x + 7)$ and $(x - 8)$
 - (c) $(x - 7)$ and $(x - 8)$
 - (d) $(x + 7)$ and $(x + 8)$
- (vi) An equation, which remains unchanged when x is replaced by $\frac{1}{x}$ is called a/an
 - (a) Exponential equation
 - (b) Reciprocal equation
 - (c) Radical equation
 - (d) None of these
- (vii) An equation of the type $3^x + 3^{1-x} + 6 = 0$ is a/an:
 - (a) Exponential equation
 - (b) Radical equation