

Q1. 【SMO Junior 2017 R1 Q26】

If every root of the polynomial $x^2 + 4x - 5$ is also a root of the polynomial $2x^3 + 9x^2 + bx + c$, find the value of $b^2 + c^2$.

Q2(a). 【SMO Junior 2010 R1 Q22】

Given that $169(157 - 77x)^2 + 100(201 - 100x)^2 = 26(77x - 157)(1000x - 2010)$, find the value of x .

Q2(b). 【SMO Junior 2006 R1 Q25】

What is the product of the real roots of the equation

$$\frac{x^2 + 90x + 2027}{3} = \sqrt{x^2 + 90x + 2055} ?$$

Q3. 【SMO Junior 2021 R1 Q20】

20. What is the number of positive integers c such that the equation

$$x^2 - 2021x + 100c = 0$$

has real roots?

Q4. 【SMO Junior 2007 R1 Q28】

Find the value of a such that the two equations $x^2 + ax + 1 = 0$ and $x^2 - x - a = 0$ have one common real root.

Q5(a). 【SMO Junior 2022 R1 Q10】

10. If a and b are distinct solutions to the equation

$$x^2 + 10x + 20 = 0,$$

what is the value of $a^4 + b^4$?

Q5(b). 【SMO Junior 2008 R1 Q30】

Let a and b be the roots of $x^2 + 2000x + 1 = 0$ and let c and d be the roots of $x^2 - 2008x + 1 = 0$. Find the value of $(a + c)(b + c)(a - d)(b - d)$.

Q6. 【SMO Junior 2009 R1 Q30】

Find the value of the smallest positive integer m such that the equation

$$x^2 + 2(m + 5)x + (100m + 9) = 0$$

has only integer solutions.

Q7. 【SMO Junior 2016 R1 Q31】

If a and b are integers and $\sqrt{3-2\sqrt{2}}$ is one of the roots of the equation $x^2 + ax + b = 0$, find the value of $a - b$.

Practice:

1. 【SMO Junior 2016 R1 Q8】

Two real numbers u and v satisfy the following equations respectively.

$$2015u^2 + 2016u + 1 = 0$$

$$v^2 + 2016v + 2015 = 0$$

If $uv \neq 1$, find the value of $\frac{u}{v}$.

2. 【SMO Junior 2005 R1 Q26】

Find the sum of all possible values of a such that the following equation has real root in x :

$$(x-a)^2 + (x^2 - 3x + 2)^2 = 0.$$

3. 【SMO Junior 2008 R1 Q28】

Let α and β be the roots of $x^2 - 4x + c = 0$, where c is a real number. If $-\alpha$ is a root of $x^2 + 4x - c = 0$, find the value of $\alpha\beta$.

4. 【SMO Junior 2012 R1 Q1】

Let α and β be the roots of the quadratic equation $x^2 + 2bx + b = 1$. Find the smallest possible value of $(\alpha - \beta)^2$.

5. 【SMO Junior 2013 R1 Q16】

16. Suppose that x_1 and x_2 are the two roots of the equation $(x-2)^2 = 3(x+5)$. What is the value of the expression $x_1x_2 + x_1^2 + x_2^2$?

6. 【SMO Junior 2021 R1 Q15】

How many integers k are there such that the quadratic equation

$$kx^2 + 20x + 20 - k = 0$$

has only integer solutions?