

P What is the length of the segment of the line $y + 7x = 26$ which lies inside the circle $x^2 + y^2 - 2y = 24$?

Solution: $y=26-7x$, $x^2 + y^2 - 2y - 24=0$ by substitution $x^2 + (26-7x)^2 - 2(26-7x) - 24 = 0$;
 $50x^2 - 350x + 600 = 0$; $x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$; $(x-3)(x-4)=0$; $x = 3$ then $y = 5$; $x = 4$ then $y = -2$
 $d((3, 5), (4, -2)) = \sqrt{(4-3)^2 + (-2-5)^2} = \sqrt{50} = 5\sqrt{2}$

1. The equation $x^6 + 5x^5 + 5x^4 - 7x^3 - 9x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$ has 2 rational roots and 4 irrational roots. Find the sum of the irrational roots.

Solution: The sum of the roots of the given equation is $-\frac{b}{a}$. Checking the possible rational roots $\pm 2, \pm 1$ you'll find $x^6 + 5x^5 + 5x^4 - 7x^3 - 9x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$ $(x-1)(x+2)(x^4 + 4x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x - 1) = 0$
 Then the sum of the 4 irrational roots is -4.

2. Solve for x : $\sum_{r=0}^4 \binom{4}{r} 5^{4-r} x^r = 64$

Solution: In sigma notation $(a+b)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} a^{n-r} b^r$ therefore, $\sum_{r=0}^4 \binom{4}{r} 5^{4-r} x^r = 64$ is the same as $(x+5)^4 = 64$; $x = -5 \pm 2\sqrt{2}$

3. The equation $5^x + \frac{10}{5^x} = 7$ has $x=1$ as a solution. Find another solution.

Solution:

$$5^x + \frac{10}{5^x} = 7 \quad \therefore (5^x)^2 - 7(5^x) + 10 = 0 \quad \therefore (5^x - 5)(5^x - 2) = 0 \quad x=1; 5^x = 2 \quad x = \log_5 2 = \frac{\log 2}{\log 5}$$

4. If $\cos(9x) - \cos(7x) = 0$, find the number of solutions for x , where $0 < x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Solution: $\cos(9x) - \cos(7x) = 0$; $\cos(8x + x) - \cos(8x - x) = 0$;

$\cos(8x)\cos x - \sin(8x)\sin x - [\cos(8x)\cos x + \sin(8x)\sin x] = 0$

$-2\sin(8x)\sin x = 0$; $\sin(8x)\sin x = 0$; $8x = \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi$; $x = \frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{2}$, so the number of solutions is 4.

5. What is the coefficient of x^2 in the expansion of $\left(4x^2 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)^7$?

$$\text{Solution: } \left(4x^2 + \frac{1}{2x}\right)^7 = \dots + \binom{7}{4} (4x^2)^3 \left(\frac{1}{2x}\right)^4 + \dots \quad \frac{7!}{4!3!} (2^6) \left(\frac{1}{2^4}\right) x^2 = 140x^2,$$

so coefficient is 140.

6. What expression must be used in order to rationalize the denominator in $\frac{1}{3 - \sqrt[3]{2}}$?

Solution: $a^3 - b^3 = (a-b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$ where $a = 3$ and $b = \sqrt[3]{2}$. The numerator and denominator must be multiplied by $9 + 3\sqrt[3]{2} + \sqrt[3]{4}$ in order to get $a^3 - b^3 = (3)^3 - (\sqrt[3]{2})^3 = 27 - 2 = 25$

7. If $N^{\log_2 3} = 8$, what is $N^{(\log_2 3)^2}$?

$$\text{Solution: } N^{\log_2 3} = 8 \quad [N^{\log_2 3}]^{\log_2 3} = 8^{\log_2 3} \quad N^{(\log_2 3)^2} = 2^{3 \log_2 3} \quad N^{(\log_2 3)^2} = 2^{\log_2 3^3} = 27$$

8. Find the slope(s) of the line(s) formed when graphing $y = |2x - 4| + |4 - x|$?

$$\text{Solution: } y = |2x - 4| + |4 - x| = \begin{cases} -3x + 8, & \text{if } x \leq 2 \\ x, & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 3x - 8, & \text{if } x \geq 4 \end{cases} \quad y = mx + b \quad \text{where } m = -3, 1, 3$$

9. Find x if $\sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}} - \sqrt{5 - 2\sqrt{6}} = x\sqrt{x}$.

$$\text{Solution: Squaring both sides of } \sqrt{5 + 2\sqrt{6}} - \sqrt{5 - 2\sqrt{6}} = x\sqrt{x} \text{ you get}$$

$$5 + 2\sqrt{6} - 2\sqrt{25 - 24} + 5 - 2\sqrt{6} = x^3 \quad 8 = x^3 \quad x = 2$$

10. Solve $x^4 - x^3 - 19x^2 + 49x - 30 < 0$. State your final answer in interval notation.

$$\text{Solution: The possible rational roots are } \pm(1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30). \text{ Using synthetic division,}$$

$$x^4 - x^3 - 19x^2 + 49x - 30 < 0 \Rightarrow (x+5)(x-1)(x-2)(x-3) < 0$$

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-5 0 1 2 3

$$(-5, 1) \cup (2, 3)$$