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1. (1) If $x^3 - mx + 1 = 0$, express

$\frac{1}{x^3} (x^4 - 3x^2 + 2x^3 - 3x + 1)$ as a function of m

(2) If $x + y = m$, and $xy = n$, express $x^3 + y^3$, and $\frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3}$ in terms of m and n .

1. (1) $x^3 - mx + 1 = 0$, $\therefore x^3 + 1 = mx$.

$$\frac{1}{x^3} \{x^4 + 2x^2 + 1 - 3x(x^3 + 1)\} =$$

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

$$\frac{1}{x^3} \{m^2 x^3 - 3x \cdot mx\} = m^2 - 3m.$$

$$(2) x^3 + y^3 = (x+y)^3 - 3xy(x+y) = m^3 - 3mn,$$

$$\frac{1}{x^3} + \frac{1}{y^3} = \frac{x^3 + y^3}{x^3 y^3} = \frac{(x+y)^3 - 3xy}{x^3 y^3} = \frac{m^3 - 3n}{n^3}.$$

$$2. \text{ If } cx + sy = \sqrt{a^2 c^2 + b^2 s^2}$$

$$-sx + cy = \sqrt{a^2 s^2 + b^2 c^2}$$

$$\text{and } c^2 + s^2 = 1,$$

$$\text{then } x^2 + y^2 = a^2 + b^2.$$

$$2. c^2 x^2 + s^2 y^2 + 2csxy = a^2 c^2 + b^2 s^2$$

$$s^2 x^2 + c^2 y^2 - 2csxy = a^2 s^2 + b^2 c^2$$

$$\therefore x^2(c^2 + s^2) + y^2(c^2 + s^2) = a^2(c^2 + s^2) + b^2(c^2 + s^2);$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = a^2 + b^2.$$

3. If a, b be integers, and $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{4}$, then a is a multiple of 3, and b is the same multiple of 4.

3. Bookwork.

4. (1) Simplify

$$\sqrt{x^2 - y^2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \sqrt{x^2 - y^2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}.$$

(2) Extract the square root of

$$\frac{x^2}{9y^2} + \frac{2x}{3y} + \frac{11}{9} + \frac{2y}{3x} + \frac{y^2}{9x^2}.$$

$$4. (1) \sqrt{x^2 - y^2} \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \sqrt{x^2 - y^2}$$

$$\sqrt{x^2 + x^2 y^2 + y^2}$$

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

$$(x^2 + xy + y^2)(x^2 + xy + y^2)(x^2 - xy + y^2)$$

$$= (x-y)(x+y)(x^2 - xy + y^2)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$$

$$= x^4 - y^4.$$

$$(2) \text{ Sq. root } = \frac{x}{3y} + 1 + \frac{y}{3x}.$$

5. Solve the equations

$$(1) x + \frac{24}{3x+1} = 2x - 3\frac{1}{2}.$$

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

$$5. (1) \frac{24}{3x+1} = x - \frac{7}{2}.$$

$$\therefore 24 = 3x^2 + x - \frac{21x}{2} - \frac{7}{2},$$

$$\therefore 48 = 6x^2 - 19x - 7, 6x^2 - 19x - 55 = 0,$$

$$(6x+11)(x-5) = 0, x = -\frac{11}{6} \text{ or } 5.$$

$$(2) 6x + \sqrt{x} - 2 = 0,$$

$$\sqrt{x} = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{1+48}}{12} = \frac{-1+7}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } -\frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{1}{4} \text{ or } \frac{1}{4}.$$

6. Solve the equations

$$(1) x - y = 3, xy = 18.$$

$$(2) x^2 - xy = 3, x^2 - y^2 = 5.$$

$$(3) x - y = a, y - z = b, z + x = c.$$

$$6. (1) x - y = 3 \quad xy = 18, \quad x - \frac{1}{x} = 3.$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 18 = 0,$$

$$(x-6)(x+3) = 0,$$

$$x = 6 \text{ or } -3,$$

$$y = 3 \text{ or } -6.$$

$$(2) x^2 - xy = 3, (1) \frac{x}{x+y} = \frac{3}{5},$$

$$x^2 - y^2 = 5, (2) \frac{x}{x+y} = \frac{3}{5},$$

$$5x = 3x + 3y,$$

$$2x = 3y,$$

$$\frac{2}{3}x = y,$$

$$x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^2 = 5, \text{ and } x = \pm 3, y = \pm 2.$$