

Chapter 7 Ratio and Proportion Ex 7.2

Question 1.

Find the value of x in the following proportions:

(i) $10 : 35 = x : 42$

(ii) $3 : x = 24 : 2$

(iii) $2.5 : 1.5 = x : 3$

(iv) $x : 50 :: 3 : 2$

Solution:

(i) $10 : 35 = x : 42$

$$\Rightarrow 35 \times x = 10 \times 42$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{10 \times 42}{35} = 2 \times 6 = 12$$

(ii) $3 : x = 24 : 2$

$$\Rightarrow x \times 24 = 3 \times 2$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{3 \times 2}{24} = \frac{1}{4}$$

(iii) $2.5 : 1.5 = x : 3$

$$\Rightarrow 1.5 \times x = 2.5 \times 3$$

$$x = \frac{2.5 \times 3}{1.5} = 5.0$$

(iv) $x : 50 :: 3 : 2$

$$\Rightarrow x \times 2 = 50 \times 3$$

$$x = \frac{50 \times 3}{2} = 75$$

Question 2.

Find the fourth proportional to

(i) 3, 12, 15

(ii) 13, 14, 15

(iii) 1.5, 2.5, 4.5

(iv) 9.6 kg, 7.2 kg, 28.8 kg

Solution:

(i) Let fourth proportional to 3, 12, 15 be x .

then $3 : 12 :: 15 : x$

$$\Rightarrow 3 \times x = 12 \times 15$$

$$x = \frac{12 \times 15}{3} = 60$$

(ii) Let fourth proportional to $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}$ be x

then $\frac{1}{3} : \frac{1}{4} :: \frac{1}{5} : x$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \times x = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{1} = \frac{3}{20}$$

(iii) Let fourth proportional to

1.5, 2.5, 4.5 be x

then $1.5 : 2.5 :: 4.5 : x$

$$\therefore 1.5 \times x = 2.5 \times 4.5$$

$$x = \frac{2.5 \times 4.5}{1.5} = 7.5$$

(iv) Let fourth proportional to 9.6 kg, 7.2 kg, 28.8 kg be x

then $9.6 : 7.2 :: 28.8 : x$

$$\Rightarrow 9.6 \times x = 7.2 \times 28.8$$

$$x = \frac{7.2 \times 28.8}{9.6} = 21.6$$

Question 3.

Find the third proportional to

(i) 5, 10

(ii) 0.24, 0.6

(iii) Rs. 3, Rs. 12

(iv) 5^{14} and 7.

Solution:

(i) Let x be the third proportional to 5, 10,
then $5 : 10 :: 10 : x$

$$\therefore 5 \times x = 10 \times 10 \Rightarrow x = \frac{10 \times 10}{5} = 20$$

\therefore Third proportional = 20

(ii) Let x be the third proportional to 0.24, 0.6
then $0.24 : 0.6 :: 0.6 : x$

$$\therefore 0.24 \times x = 0.6 \times 0.6$$

$$x = \frac{0.6 \times 0.6}{0.24} = 1.5$$

\therefore Third proportional = 1.5

(iii) Let x be the third proportional to
Rs. 3 and Rs. 12

then Rs. 3 : Rs. 12 :: Rs. 12 : x

$$\therefore x = \frac{12 \times 12}{3} = 48$$

\therefore Third proportional = Rs. 48

(iv) Let x be the third proportional to $5\frac{1}{4}$ and 7

$$\text{then } 5\frac{1}{4} : 7 :: 7 : x \Rightarrow \frac{21}{4} : 7 :: 7 : x$$

$$\therefore \frac{21}{4} \times x = 7 \times 7$$

$$x = \frac{7 \times 7 \times 4}{21} = \frac{28}{3} = 9\frac{1}{3}$$

\therefore Third proportional = $9\frac{1}{3}$

Question 4.

Find the mean proportion of:

(i) 5 and 80

(ii) 112 and 175

(iii) 8.1 and 2.5

(iv) $(a - b)$ and $(a^3 - a^2b)$, $a > b$

Solution:

(i) Let x be the mean proportion of 5 and 80,
then $5 : x :: x : 80$

$$x^2 = 5 \times 80$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{5 \times 80} = \sqrt{400} = 20$$

$$x = 20$$

Hence mean proportion = 20

(ii) Let x be the mean proportion of $\frac{1}{12}$ and $\frac{1}{75}$

$$\text{then } \frac{1}{12} : x :: x : \frac{1}{75}$$

$$\therefore x^2 = \frac{1}{12} \times \frac{1}{75} = \frac{1}{900}$$

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{900}} = \frac{1}{30}$$

Hence the mean proportion = $\frac{1}{30}$

(iii) Let the x be the mean proportion of 8.1 and 2.5

$$\therefore 8.1 : x :: x : 2.5$$

$$\therefore x^2 = 8.1 \times 2.5$$

$$\therefore x = \sqrt{8.1 \times 2.5} = \sqrt{20.25} = 4.5$$

Hence mean proportion = 4.5

(iv) Let x be the mean proportion to $(a - b)$ and $(a^3 - a^2 b)$, $a > b$

$$\text{then } (a - b) : x :: x : (a^3 - a^2 b)$$

$$x^2 = (a - b) (a^3 - a^2 b)$$

$$= (a - b) a^2 (a - b) = a^2 (a - b)^2$$

$$\therefore x = a (a - b)$$

Hence the mean proportion = $a (a - b)$

Question 5.

If a , 12, 16 and b are in continued proportion find a and b .

Solution:

∵ a, 12, 16, b are in continued proportion, then

$$\frac{a}{12} = \frac{12}{16} = \frac{16}{b} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{12} = \frac{12}{16} \Rightarrow 16a = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{144}{16} = 9$$

$$\text{and } \frac{12}{16} = \frac{16}{b} \Rightarrow 12b = 16 \times 16 = 256$$

$$b = \frac{256}{12} = \frac{64}{3} = 21\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Hence } a = 9, b = \frac{64}{3} \text{ or } 21\frac{1}{3}$$

Question 6.

What number must be added to each of the numbers 5, 11, 19 and 37 so that they are in proportion? (2009)

Solution:

Let x be added to 5, 11, 19 and 37 to make them in proportion.

$$5 + x : 11 + x :: 19 + x : 37 + x$$

$$\Rightarrow (5 + x)(37 + x) = (11 + x)(19 + x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 185 + 5x + 37x + x^2 = 209 + 11x + 19x + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 185 + 42x + x^2 = 209 + 30x + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 42x - 30x + x^2 - x^2 = 209 - 185$$

$$\Rightarrow 12x = 24 \Rightarrow x = 2$$

∴ Least number to be added = 2

Question 7.

What number should be subtracted from each of the numbers 23, 30, 57 and 78 so that the remainders are in proportion? (2004)

Solution:

Let x be subtracted from each term, then

$23 - x$, $30 - x$, $57 - x$ and $78 - x$ are proportional

$$23 - x : 30 - x :: 57 - x : 78 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{23 - x}{30 - x} = \frac{57 - x}{78 - x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (23 - x)(78 - x) = (30 - x)(57 - x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1794 - 23x - 78x + x^2$$

$$= 1710 - 30x - 57x + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 101x + 1794 = x^2 - 87x + 1710$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 101x + 1794 - x^2 + 87x - 1710 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -14x + 84 = 0 \Rightarrow 14x = 84$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{84}{14} = 6$$

Hence 6 is to be subtracted

Question 8.

If $2x - 1$, $5x - 6$, $6x + 2$ and $15x - 9$ are in proportion, find the value of x .

Solution:

$\because 2x - 1$, $5x - 6$, $6x + 2$ and $15x - 9$ are in proportion.

$$\text{then } (2x - 1)(15x - 9) = (5x - 6)(6x + 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 30x^2 - 18x - 15x + 9 = 30x^2 + 10x - 36x - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 30x^2 - 33x + 9 = 30x^2 - 26x - 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 30x^2 - 33x - 30x^2 + 26x = -12 - 9$$

$$\Rightarrow -7x = -21$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-21}{-7} = 3$$

Hence $x = 3$

Question 9.

If $x + 5$ is the mean proportion between $x + 2$ and $x + 9$, find the value of x .

Solution:

$\because x + 5$ is the mean proportion between $x + 2$ and $x + 9$, then

$$(x + 5)^2 = (x + 2)(x + 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 10x + 25 = x^2 + 11x + 18$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 10x - x^2 - 11x = 18 - 25$$

$$\Rightarrow -x = -7$$

$$\therefore x = 7$$

Question 10.

What number must be added to each of the numbers 16, 26 and 40 so that the resulting numbers may be in continued proportion?

Solution:

Let x be added to each number then

$16 + x$, $26 + x$ and $40 + x$

are in continued proportion.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{16 + x}{26 + x} = \frac{26 + x}{40 + x}$$

Cross Multiplying,

$$(16 + x)(40 + x) = (26 + x)(26 + x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 640 + 16x + 40x + x^2 = 676 + 26x + 26x + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 640 + 56x + x^2 = 676 + 52x + x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 56x + x^2 - 52x - x^2 = 676 - 640$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 36 \Rightarrow x = \frac{36}{4} = 9$$

$\therefore 9$ is to be added.

Question 11.

Find two numbers such that the mean proportional between them is 28 and the third proportional to them is 224.

Solution:

Let the two numbers are a and b .

\because 28 is the mean proportional

$\therefore a : 28 :: 28 : b$

$$\therefore ab = (28)^2 = 784 \Rightarrow a = \frac{784}{b} \quad \dots(i)$$

\because 224 is the third proportional

$\therefore a : b :: b : 224$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = 224a \quad \dots(ii)$$

Substituting the value of a in (ii)

$$b^2 = 224 \times \frac{784}{b} \Rightarrow b^3 = 224 \times 784$$

$$\Rightarrow b^3 = 175616 = (56)^3$$

$$\therefore b = 56$$

Now substituting the value of b in (i)

$$a = \frac{784}{56} = 14$$

Hence numbers are 14, 56

Question 12.

If b is the mean proportional between a and c , prove that a , c , $a^2 + b^2$, and $b^2 + c^2$ are proportional.

Solution:

\because b is the mean proportional between a and c , then,

$$b^2 = a \times c \Rightarrow b^2 = ac \quad \dots(i)$$

Now a , c , $a^2 + b^2$ and $b^2 + c^2$ are in proportion

$$\text{if } \frac{a}{c} = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\text{if } a(b^2 + c^2) = c(a^2 + b^2)$$

$$\text{if } a(ac + c^2) = c(a^2 + ac) \quad [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$\text{if } ac(a + c) = a^2c + ac^2$$

$$\text{if } ac(a + c) = ac(a + c) \quad \text{which is true.}$$

Hence proved.

Question 13.

If b is the mean proportional between a and c, prove that (ab + bc) is the mean proportional between (a² + b²) and (b² + c²).

Solution:

b is the mean proportional between a and c then

$$b^2 = ac \dots(i)$$

Now if (ab + bc) is the mean proportional

between (a² + b²) and (b² + c²), then

$$(ab + bc)^2 = (a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)$$

$$\text{Now L.H.S.} = (ab + bc)^2 = a^2 b^2 + b^2 c^2 + 2ab^2 c$$

$$= a^2 (ac) + ac (c)^2 + 2a ac \cdot c \quad [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$= a^3 c + ac^3 + 2a^2 c^2$$

$$= ac (a^2 + c^2 + 2ac) = ac (a + c)^2$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = (a^2 + b^2)(b^2 + c^2)$$

$$= (a^2 + ac)(ac + c^2) \quad [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$= a(a + c)c(a + c) = ac(a + c)^2$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Question 14.

If y is mean proportional between x and z, prove that xyz (x + y + z)³ = (xy + yz + zx)³.

Solution:

∵ y is the mean proportional between

x and z, then

$$y^2 = xz \dots(i)$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = xyz (x + y + z)^3$$

$$= xz, y (x + y + z)^3$$

$$= y^2 y (x + y + z)^3 \quad [\text{from (i)}]$$

$$= y^3 (x + y + z)^3 = [y(x + y + z)]^3$$

$$= [xy + y^2 + yz]^3 = (xy + yz + zx)^3 \quad (\text{from } i)$$

$$= \text{R.H.S.}$$

Question 15.

If a + c = mb and 1b+1d=mc, prove that a, b, c and d are in proportion.

Solution:

$$a + c = mb \text{ and } \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{d} = \frac{m}{c}$$

$$a + c = mb$$

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = m \quad (\text{Dividing by } b) \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{d} = \frac{m}{c}$$

$$\frac{c}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = m \quad (\text{Multiplying by } c) \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii),

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{b} = \frac{c}{b} + \frac{c}{d} \Rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$$

Hence, a , b , c and d are proportional.

Question 16.

If $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b} = \frac{z}{c}$, prove that

$$(i) \frac{x^3}{a^2} + \frac{y^3}{b^2} + \frac{z^3}{c^2} = \frac{(x+y+z)^3}{(a+b+c)^2}$$

$$(ii) \left[\frac{a^2x^2 + b^2y^2 + c^2z^2}{a^3x + b^3y + c^3z} \right]^3 = \frac{xyz}{abc}$$

$$(iii) \frac{ax - by}{(a+b)(x-y)} + \frac{by - cz}{(b+c)(y-z)} + \frac{cz - ax}{(c+a)(z-x)} = 3$$

Solution:

$$\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b} = \frac{z}{c}$$

$$\therefore x = ak, y = bk, z = ck$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) L.H.S.} &= \frac{x^3}{a^2} + \frac{y^3}{b^2} + \frac{z^3}{c^2} \\ &= \frac{a^3 k^3}{a^2} + \frac{b^3 k^3}{b^2} + \frac{c^3 k^3}{c^2} \\ &= a k^3 + b k^3 + c k^3 = k^3 (a + b + c) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{(x + y + z)^3}{(a + b + c)^2} \\ &= \frac{(ak + bk + ck)^3}{(a + b + c)^2} = \frac{k^3 (a + b + c)^3}{(a + b + c)^2} \\ &= k^3 (a + b + c) \end{aligned}$$

Hence L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) L.H.S.} &= \left[\frac{a^2 x^2 + b^2 y^2 + c^2 z^2}{a^3 x + b^3 y + c^3 z} \right]^3 \\ &= \left[\frac{a^2 \cdot a^2 k^2 + b^2 \cdot b^2 k^2 + c^2 \cdot c^2 k^2}{a^3 \cdot a \cdot k + b^3 \cdot b k + c^3 \cdot c k} \right]^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left[\frac{a^4 k^2 + b^4 k^2 + c^4 k^2}{a^4 k + b^4 k + c^4 k} \right]^3$$

$$= \left[\frac{k^2 (a^4 + b^4 + c^4)}{k (a^4 + b^4 + c^4)} \right]^3 = k^3$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = \frac{xyz}{abc} = \frac{ak \cdot bk \cdot ck}{abc} = k^3$$

\therefore L.H.S = R.H.S

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) L.H.S} & \frac{ax - by}{(a+b)(x-y)} + \frac{by - cz}{(b+c)(y-z)} \\ & \quad + \frac{cz - ax}{(c+a)(z-x)} \\ & = \frac{a \cdot ak - b \cdot bk}{(a+b)(ak - bk)} + \frac{b \cdot bk - c \cdot ck}{(b+c)(bk - ck)} \\ & \quad + \frac{c \cdot ck - a \cdot ak}{(c+a)(ck - ak)} \\ & = \frac{a^2 k - b^2 k}{(a+b)k(a-b)} + \frac{b^2 k - c^2 k}{(b+c)k(b-c)} \\ & \quad + \frac{c^2 k - a^2 k}{(c+a)k(c-a)} \\ & = \frac{k(a^2 - b^2)}{k(a^2 - b^2)} + \frac{k(b^2 - c^2)}{k(b^2 - c^2)} + \frac{k(c^2 - a^2)}{k(c^2 - a^2)} \\ & = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3 = \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Question 17.

If $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f}$ prove that :

(i) $(b^2 + d^2 + f^2) (a^2 + c^2 + e^2) = (ab + cd + ef)^2$

(ii) $\frac{(a^3 + c^3)^2}{(b^3 + d^3)^2} = \frac{e^6}{f^6}$

(iii) $\frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{c^2}{d^2} + \frac{e^2}{f^2} = \frac{ac}{bd} + \frac{ce}{df} + \frac{ae}{df}$

(iv) $bd f \left[\frac{a+b}{b} + \frac{c+d}{d} + \frac{e+f}{f} \right]^3$
 $= 27 (a+b) (c+d) (e+f)$

Solution:

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = \frac{e}{f} = k(\text{say})$$

$$\therefore a = bk, c = dk, e = fk$$

(i) L.H.S. = $(b^2 + d^2 + f^2) (a^2 + c^2 + e^2)$
 $= (b^2 + d^2 + f^2) (b^2 k^2 + d^2 k^2 + f^2 k^2)$
 $= (b^2 + d^2 + f^2) k^2 (b^2 + d^2 + f^2)$
 $= k^2 (b^2 + d^2 + f^2)$

R.H.S = $(ab + cd + ef)^2$
 $= (b \cdot kb + dk \cdot d + fk \cdot f)^2$
 $= (kb^2 + kd^2 + kf^2) = k^2 (b^2 + d^2 + f^2)^2$
 $\therefore \text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$

(ii) L.H.S $\frac{(a^3 + c^3)^2}{(b^3 + d^3)^2} = \frac{(b^3 k^3 + d^3 k^3)^2}{(b^3 + d^3)^2}$
 $= \frac{[k^3 (b^3 + d^3)]^2}{(b^3 + d^3)^2} = \frac{k^6 (b^3 + d^3)^2}{(b^3 + d^3)^2} = k^6$

R.H.S = $\frac{e^6}{f^6} = \frac{f^6 k^6}{f^6} = k^6$

$\therefore \text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$

$$(iii) \text{ L.H.S} = \frac{a^2}{b^2} + \frac{c^2}{d^2} + \frac{e^2}{f^2} = \frac{b^2 k^2}{b^2} + \frac{d^2 k^2}{d^2} + \frac{f^2 k^2}{f^2} = k^2 + k^2 + k^2 = 3k^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S} &= \frac{ac}{bd} + \frac{ce}{df} + \frac{ae}{bf} \\ &= \frac{bk \cdot dk}{b \cdot d} + \frac{dk \cdot fk}{d \cdot f} + \frac{bk \cdot fk}{b \cdot f} \\ &= k^2 + k^2 + k^2 = 3k^2 \\ \therefore \text{L.H.S} &= \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (iv) \text{ L.H.S} &= b d f \left[\frac{a+b}{b} + \frac{c+d}{d} + \frac{e+f}{f} \right]^3 \\ &= b d f \left[\frac{bk+b}{b} + \frac{dk+d}{d} + \frac{fk+f}{f} \right]^3 \\ &= b d f \left[\frac{b(k+1)}{b} + \frac{d(k+1)}{d} + \frac{f(k+1)}{f} \right]^3 \\ &= b d f (k+1 + k+1 + k+1)^3 \\ &= b d f (3k+3)^3 = 27 b d f (k+1)^3 \\ \text{R.H.S} &= 27 (a+b) (c+d) (e+f) \\ &= 27 (bk+b) (dk+d) (fk+f) \\ &= 27 b (k+1) d (k+1) f (k+1) \\ &= 27 b d f (k+1)^3 \\ \therefore \text{L.H.S} &= \text{R.H.S} \end{aligned}$$

Question 18.

If $ax = by = cz$; prove that

$$\underline{x^2yz + y^2zx + z^2xy = bca^2 + cab^2 + abc^2}$$

Solution:

Let $ax = by = cz = k$

$$\therefore x = \frac{k}{a}, y = \frac{k}{b}, z = \frac{k}{c}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \frac{x^2}{yz} + \frac{y^2}{zx} + \frac{z^2}{xy}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{k^2}{a^2}}{\frac{k}{b} \cdot \frac{k}{c}} + \frac{\frac{k^2}{b^2}}{\frac{k}{c} \cdot \frac{k}{a}} + \frac{\frac{k^2}{c^2}}{\frac{k}{a} \cdot \frac{k}{b}} = \frac{\frac{k^2}{a^2}}{\frac{k^2}{bc}} + \frac{\frac{k^2}{b^2}}{\frac{k^2}{ca}} + \frac{\frac{k^2}{c^2}}{\frac{k^2}{ab}}$$

$$= \frac{k^2}{a^2} \times \frac{bc}{k^2} + \frac{k^2}{b^2} \times \frac{ca}{k^2} + \frac{k^2}{c^2} \times \frac{ab}{k^2}$$

$$= \frac{bc}{a^2} + \frac{ca}{b^2} + \frac{ab}{c^2} = \text{R.H.S}$$

Question 19.

If a, b, c and d are in proportion, prove that:

(i) $(5a + 7b)(2c - 3d) = (5c + 7d)(2a - 3b)$

(ii) $(ma + nb) : b = (mc + nd) : d$

(iii) $(a^4 + c^4) : (b^4 + d^4) = a^2 c^2 : b^2 d^2$.

(iv) $\frac{a^2 + ab}{c^2 + cd} = \frac{b^2 - 2ab}{d^2 - 2cd}$

(v) $\frac{(a+c)^3}{(b+d)^3} = \frac{a(a-c)^2}{b(b-d)^2}$

(vi) $\frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{a^2 - ab + b^2} = \frac{c^2 + cd + d^2}{c^2 - cd + d^2}$

(vii) $\frac{a^2 + b^2}{c^2 + d^2} = \frac{ab + ad - bc}{bc + cd - ad}$

(viii) $abcd \left[\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{1}{d^2} \right]$
 $= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$

Solution:

∵ a, b, c, d are in proportion

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} = k(\text{say})$$

$$a = bk, c = dk.$$

$$(i) \text{ L.H.S.} = (5a + 7b)(2c - 3d)$$

$$= (5 \cdot bk + 7b)(2dk - 3d)$$

$$= k(5b + 7b)k(2d - 3d)$$

$$= k^2(12b) \times (-d) = -12bdk^2$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = (5c + 7d)(2a - 3b)$$

$$= (5dk + 7d)(2kb - 3b)$$

$$= k(5d + 7d)k(2b - 3b)$$

$$= k^2(12d)(-b) = -12k^2bd = -12bdk^2$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S}$$

$$(ii) (ma + nb) : b = (mc + nd) : d$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ma + nb}{b} = \frac{mc + nd}{d}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \frac{mbk + nb}{b} = \frac{b(mk + n)}{b}$$

$$= mk + n$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{mc + nd}{d} = \frac{mdk + nd}{d}$$

$$= \frac{d(mk + n)}{d} = mk + n.$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

$$(iii) (a^4 + c^4) : (b^4 + d^4) = a^2 c^2 : b^2 d^2$$

$$\frac{a^4 + c^4}{b^4 + d^4} = \frac{a^2 c^2}{b^2 d^2}$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \frac{a^4 + c^4}{b^4 + d^4} = \frac{b^4 k^4 + d^4 k^4}{b^4 + d^4}$$

$$= \frac{k^4 (b^4 + d^4)}{(b^4 + d^4)} = k^4$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{a^2 c^2}{b^2 d^2} = \frac{k^2 b^2 \cdot k^2 d^2}{b^2 \cdot d^2} = k^4$$

Hence L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$(iv) \text{ L.H.S.} = \frac{a^2 + ab}{c^2 + cd} = \frac{k^2 b^2 + bk \cdot b}{k^2 d^2 + dk \cdot d}$$

$$= \frac{kb^2 (k+1)}{d^2 k (k+1)} = \frac{b^2}{d^2}$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{b^2 - 2ab}{d^2 - 2cd} = \frac{b^2 - 2 \cdot bkb}{d^2 - 2dkd}$$

$$= \frac{b^2 (1-2k)}{d^2 (1-2k)} = \frac{b^2}{d^2}$$

\therefore L.H.S. = R.H.S

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v) L.H.S.} &= \frac{(a+c)^3}{(b+d)^3} = \frac{(bk+dk)^3}{(b+d)^3} \\ &= \frac{k^3(b+d)^3}{(b+d)^3} = k^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{a(a-c)^2}{b(b-d)^2} = \frac{bk(bk-dk)^2}{b(b-d)^2} \\ &= \frac{bk \cdot k^2 (b-d)^2}{b(b-d)^2} = k^3 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore L.H.S = R.H.S.

$$\text{(vi) L.H.S} = \frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{a^2 - ab + b^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{b^2k^2 + bk \cdot b + b^2}{b^2k^2 - bk \cdot b + b^2} \\ &= \frac{b^2(k^2 + k + 1)}{b^2(k^2 - k + 1)} = \frac{k^2 + k + 1}{k^2 - k + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = \frac{c^2 + cd + d^2}{c^2 - cd + d^2}$$

$$= \frac{d^2k^2 + dkd + d^2}{d^2k^2 - dk \cdot d + d^2}$$

$$= \frac{d^2 (k^2 + k + 1)}{d^2 (k^2 - k + 1)} = \frac{k^2 + k + 1}{k^2 - k + 1}$$

∴ L.H.S = R.H.S

$$(vii) \text{ L.H.S} = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{c^2 + d^2} = \frac{b^2 k^2 + b^2}{d^2 k^2 + d^2}$$

$$= \frac{b^2 (k^2 + 1)}{d^2 (k^2 + 1)} = \frac{b^2}{d^2}$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = \frac{ab + ad - bc}{bc + cd - ad}$$

$$= \frac{bk \cdot b + bk \cdot d - b \cdot dk}{b \cdot kd + dk \cdot d - bk \cdot d}$$

$$= \frac{k(b^2 + bd - bd)}{k(bd + d^2 - bd)} = \frac{b^2}{d^2}$$

∴ L.H.S = R.H.S.

$$(viii) \text{ L.H.S.} = abcd \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{1}{d^2} \right)$$

$$= bk \cdot b \cdot dk \cdot d \left[\frac{1}{b^2 k^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{d^2 k^2} + \frac{1}{d^2} \right]$$

$$= k^2 b^2 d^2 \left[\frac{d^2 + d^2 k^2 + b^2 + b^2 k^2}{b^2 d^2 k^2} \right]$$

$$= d^2 (1 + k^2) + b^2 (1 + k^2) = (1 + k^2) (b^2 + d^2)$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$$

$$= b^2 k^2 + b^2 + d^2 k^2 + d^2$$

$$= b^2 (k^2 + 1) + d^2 (k^2 + 1) = (k^2 + 1) (b^2 + d^2)$$

∴ L.H.S = R.H.S.

Question 20.

If x, y, z are in continued proportion, prove that: $(x+y)^2(y+z)^2 = xz$. (2010)

Solution:

x, y, z are in continued proportion

$$\text{Let } \frac{x}{y} = \frac{y}{z} = k$$

$$\text{Then } y = kz$$

$$x = yk = kz \times k = k^2z$$

$$\text{Now L.H.S.} = \frac{(x+y)^2}{(y+z)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(k^2z + kz)^2}{(kz + z)^2} = \frac{\{kz(k+1)\}^2}{\{z(k+1)\}^2}$$

$$= \frac{k^2z^2(k+1)^2}{z^2(k+1)^2} = k^2$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{x}{z} = \frac{k^2z}{z} = k^2$$

\therefore L.H.S. = R.H.S.

Question 21.

If a, b, c are in continued proportion, prove that:

$$pa^2 + qab + rb^2 + qbc + rc^2 = ac$$

Solution:

Given a, b, c are in continued proportion

$$\frac{pa^2+qab+rb^2}{pb^2+qbc+rc^2} = \frac{a}{c}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = k$$

$$\Rightarrow a = bk \text{ and } b = ck \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = (ck)k = ck^2 \quad [\text{Using (i)}]$$

$$\text{and } b = ck$$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \frac{a}{c} = \frac{ck^2}{c} = k^2$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{p(ck^2)^2 + q(ck^2)ck + r(ck)^2}{p(ck)^2 + q(ck)c + rc^2}$$

$$= \frac{pc^2k^4 + qc^2k^3 + rc^2k^2}{pc^2k^2 + qc^2k + rc^2}$$

$$= \frac{c^2k^2}{c^2} \left[\frac{pk^2 + qk + r}{pk^2 + qk + r} \right] = k^2 \quad \dots(iii)$$

From (ii) and (iii), L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$\therefore b = ck, a = bk = c k k = ck^2$$

(i) L.H.S

$$= \frac{a+b}{b+c} = \frac{ck^2 + ck}{ck + c} = \frac{ck(k+1)}{c(k+1)} = k$$

$$\text{R.H.S} = \frac{a^2(b-c)}{b^2(a-b)}$$

$$= \frac{(ck^2)^2(ck-c)}{(ck)^2(ck^2-ck)}$$

$$= \frac{c^2k^4c(k-1)}{c^2k^2ck(k-1)}$$

Question 22.

If a, b, c are in continued proportion, prove that:

$$(i) \frac{a+b}{b+c} = \frac{a^2(b-c)}{b^2(a-b)}$$

$$(ii) \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3} = \frac{a}{b^2c^2} + \frac{b}{c^2a^2} + \frac{c}{a^2b^2}$$

$$(iii) a : c = (a^2 + b^2) : (b^2 + c^2)$$

$$(iv) a^2 b^2 c^2 (a^{-4} + b^{-4} + c^{-4}) = b^{-2} (a^4 + b^4 + c^4)$$

$$(v) abc(a+b+c)^3 = (ab+bc+ca)^3$$

$$(vi) (a+b+c)(a-b+c) = a^2 + b^2 + c^2$$

Solution:

As a, b, c, are in continued proportion

Let $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = k$

$$= \frac{c^3 k^4 (k-1)}{c^3 k^3 (k-1)} = k$$

\therefore L.H.S = R.H.S

$$(ii) \text{ L.H.S.} = \frac{1}{a^3} + \frac{1}{b^3} + \frac{1}{c^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(ck^2)^3} + \frac{1}{(ck)^3} + \frac{1}{c^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{c^3 k^6} + \frac{1}{c^3 k^3} + \frac{1}{c^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{c^3} \left[\frac{1}{k^6} + \frac{1}{k^3} + \frac{1}{1} \right]$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{a}{b^2 c^2} + \frac{b}{c^2 a^2} + \frac{c}{a^2 b^2}$$

$$= \frac{ck^2}{(ck)^2 c^2} + \frac{ck}{c^2 (ck^2)^2} + \frac{c}{(ck^2)^2 (ck)^2}$$

$$= \frac{ck^2}{c^4 k^2} + \frac{ck}{c^4 k^4} + \frac{c}{c^4 k^6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{1}{c^3 k^3} + \frac{1}{c^3 k^6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{c^3} \left[1 + \frac{1}{k^3} + \frac{1}{k^6} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{c^3} \left[\frac{1}{k^6} + \frac{1}{k^3} + 1 \right]$$

\therefore L.H.S = R.H.S.

(iii) $a : c = (a^2 + b^2) : (b^2 + c^2)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{c} = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{b^2 + c^2}$$

$$\text{L.H.S. } \frac{a}{c} = \frac{ck^2}{c} = k^2$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{(ck^2)^2 + (ck)^2}{(ck)^2 + c^2}$$

$$= \frac{c^2 k^4 + c^2 k^2}{c^2 k^2 + c^2}$$

$$= \frac{c^2 k^2 (k^2 + 1)}{c^2 (k^2 + 1)} = k^2$$

\therefore L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(iv) L.H.S.} &= a^2 b^2 c^2 (a^{-4} + b^{-4} + c^{-4}) \\
&= a^2 b^2 c^2 \left[\frac{1}{a^4} + \frac{1}{b^4} + \frac{1}{c^4} \right] \\
&= \frac{a^2 b^2 c^2}{a^4} + \frac{a^2 b^2 c^2}{b^4} + \frac{a^2 b^2 c^2}{c^4} \\
&= \frac{b^2 c^2}{a^2} + \frac{c^2 a^2}{b^2} + \frac{a^2 b^2}{c^2} \\
&= \frac{(ck)^2 \cdot c^2}{(ck^2)^2} + \frac{c^2 (ck^2)^2}{(ck)^2} + \frac{(ck^2)^2 (ck)^2}{c^2} \\
&= \frac{c^2 k^2 \cdot c^2}{c^2 k^4} + \frac{c^2 \cdot c^2 k^4}{c^2 k^2} + \frac{c^2 k^4 \cdot c^2 k^2}{c^2} \\
&= \frac{c^2}{k^2} + \frac{c^2 k^2}{1} + \frac{c^2 k^6}{1} \\
&= c^2 \left[\frac{1}{k^2} + k^2 + k^6 \right] \\
&= \frac{c^2}{k^2} [1 + k^4 + k^8]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{R.H.S.} &= b^{-2} [a^4 + b^4 + c^4] \\
&= \frac{1}{b^2} [a^4 + b^4 + c^4] \\
&= \frac{1}{(ck)^2} [(ck^2)^4 + (ck)^4 + c^4] \\
&= \frac{1}{c^2 k^2} [c^4 k^8 + c^4 k^4 + c^4] \\
&= \frac{c^4}{c^2 k^2} [k^8 + k^4 + 1] \\
&= \frac{c^2}{k^2} [1 + k^4 + k^8]
\end{aligned}$$

\therefore L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(v) L.H.S.} &= abc (a + b + c)^3 \\
&= ck^2 \cdot ck \cdot c [ck^2 + ck + c]^3 \\
&= c^3 k^3 [c (k^2 + k + 1)]^3 \\
&= c^3 k^3 \cdot c^3 \cdot (k^2 + k + 1)^3 = c^6 k^3 (k^2 + k + 1)^3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{R.H.S.} &= (ab + bc + ca)^3 \\
&= (ck^2 \cdot ck + ck \cdot c + c \cdot ck^2)^3 \\
&= (c^2 k^3 + c^2 k + c^2 k^2)^3 = (c^2 k^3 + c^2 k^2 + c^2 k)^3 \\
&= [c^2 k (k^2 + k + 1)]^3 = c^6 k^3 (k^2 + k + 1)^3
\end{aligned}$$

\therefore L.H.S. = R.H.S.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(vi) L.H.S.} &= (a + b + c) (a - b + c) \\
&= (ck^2 + ck + c) (ck^2 - ck + c) \\
&= c (k^2 + k + 1) c (k^2 - k + 1) \\
&= c^2 (k^2 + k + 1) (k^2 - k + 1) \\
&= c^2 (k^4 + k^2 + 1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{R.H.S.} &= a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \\
&= (ck^2)^2 + (ck)^2 + (c)^2 \\
&= c^2 k^4 + c^2 k^2 + c^2 = c^2 (k^4 + k^2 + 1)
\end{aligned}$$

\therefore L.H.S. = R.H.S.

Question 23.

If a, b, c, d are in continued proportion, prove that:

$$(i) \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{b^3 + c^3 + d^3} = \frac{a}{d}$$

$$(ii) (a^2 - b^2)(c^2 - d^2) = (b^2 - c^2)^2$$

$$(iii) (a + d)(b + c) - (a + c)(b + d) = (b - c)^2$$

$$(iv) a : d = \text{triplicate ratio of } (a - b) : (b - c)$$

$$(v) \left(\frac{a-b}{c} + \frac{a-c}{b} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{d-b}{c} + \frac{d-c}{b} \right)^2 \\ = (a-d)^2 \left(\frac{1}{c^2} - \frac{1}{b^2} \right)$$

Solution:

a, b, c, d are in continued proportion

$$\therefore \frac{a}{b} = \frac{b}{c} = \frac{c}{d} = k (\text{say})$$

$$\therefore c = dk, b = ck = dk \cdot k = dk^2,$$

$$a = bk = dk^2 \cdot k = dk^3$$

$$(i) \text{ L.H.S.} = \frac{a^3 + b^3 + c^3}{b^3 + c^3 + d^3} \\ = \frac{(dk^3)^3 + (dk^2)^3 + (dk)^3}{(dk^2)^3 + (dk)^3 + d^3} \\ = \frac{d^3k^9 + d^3k^6 + d^3k^3}{d^3k^6 + d^3k^3 + d^3} \\ = \frac{d^3k^3(k^6 + k^3 + 1)}{d^3(k^6 + k^3 + 1)} = k^3$$

$$\text{R.H.S.} = \frac{a}{d} = \frac{dk^3}{d} = k^3$$

$$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(ii) \text{ L.H.S.} &= (a^2 - b^2)(c^2 - d^2) \\
&= [(dk^3)^2 - (dk^2)^2] [(dk)^2 - d^2] \\
&= (d^2 k^6 - d^2 k^4)(d^2 k^2 - d^2) \\
&= d^2 k^4 (k^2 - 1) d^2 (k^2 - 1) = d^4 k^4 (k^2 - 1)^2 \\
\text{R.H.S.} &= (b^2 - c^2)^2 = [(dk^2)^2 - (dk)^2]^2 \\
&= [d^2 k^4 - d^2 k^2]^2 = [d^2 k^2 (k^2 - 1)]^2 \\
&= d^4 k^4 (k^2 - 1)^2 \\
\therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(iii) \text{ L.H.S.} &= (a + d)(b + c) - (a + c)(b + d) \\
&= (dk^3 + d)(dk^2 + dk) - (dk^3 + dk)(dk^2 + d) \\
&= d(k^3 + 1)dk(k + 1) - dk(k^2 + 1)d(k^2 + 1) \\
&= d^2 k(k + 1)(k^3 + 1) - d^2 k(k^2 + 1)(k^2 + 1) \\
&= d^2 k [k^4 + k^3 + k + 1 - k^4 - 2k^2 - 1] \\
&= d^2 k [k^3 - 2k^2 + k] = d^2 k^2 [k^2 - 2k + 1] \\
&= d^2 k^2 (k - 1)^2 \\
\text{R.H.S.} &= (b - c)^2 = (dk^2 - dk)^2 = d^2 k^2 (k - 1)^2 \\
\therefore \text{L.H.S.} &= \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

(iv) $a : d =$ triplicate ratio of $(a - b) : (b - c)$
 $= (a - b)^3 : (b - c)^3$

$$\text{L.H.S.} = a : d = \frac{a}{d} = \frac{dk^3}{d} = k^3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{(a - b)^3}{(b - c)^3} \\ &= \frac{(dk^3 - dk^2)^3}{(dk^2 - dk)^3} = \frac{d^3 k^6 (k - 1)^3}{d^3 k^3 (k - 1)^3} = k^3 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$

(v) L.H.S. =

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{a-b}{c} + \frac{a-c}{b}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{d-b}{c} + \frac{d-c}{b}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{dk^3 - dk^2}{dk} + \frac{dk^3 - dk}{dk^2}\right)^2 \\ &\quad - \left(\frac{d - dk^2}{dk} + \frac{d - dk}{dk^2}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{dk^2(k-1)}{dk} + \frac{dk(k^2-1)}{dk^2}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \left(\frac{d(1-k^2)}{dk} + \frac{d(1-k)}{dk^2} \right)^2 \\
& = \left(k(k-1) + \frac{k^2-1}{k} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{1-k^2}{k} + \frac{1-k}{k^2} \right)^2 \\
& = \left(\frac{k^2(k-1) + (k^2-1)}{k} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{k(1-k^2) + 1-k}{k^2} \right)^2 \\
& = \left(\frac{k^3 - k^2 + k^2 - 1}{k} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{k - k^3 + 1 - k}{k^2} \right)^2 \\
& = \frac{(k^3 - 1)^2}{k^2} - \frac{(-k^3 + 1)^2}{k^4} \\
& = \frac{(k^3 - 1)^2}{k^2} - \frac{(1 - k^3)^2}{k^4} \\
& = \left(\frac{(k^3 - 1)^2}{k^2} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{k^2} \right) = \frac{(k^3 - 1)^2 (k^2 - 1)}{k^4} \\
& = \frac{(k^3 - 1)^2 (k^2 - 1)}{k^4} \\
& \text{R.H.S.} = (a - d)^2 \left(\frac{1}{c^2} - \frac{1}{b^2} \right) \\
& = (dk^3 - d)^2 \left(\frac{1}{d^2 k^2} - \frac{1}{d^2 k^4} \right) \\
& = d^2 (k^3 - 1)^2 \left(\frac{k^2 - 1}{d^2 k^4} \right) = \frac{(k^3 - 1)^2 (k^2 - 1)}{k^4} \\
& \therefore \text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$