

## EXERCISE 1.4

Express  $0.6 + 0.\bar{7} + 0.4\bar{7}$  in the form  $p/q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are integers and  $q \neq 0$ . Solution:

Let  $x = 0.6$

Multiply by 10 on L.H.S and R.H.S,

$$10x = 6$$

$$x = 6/10$$

$$x = 3/5$$

So, the  $p/q$  form of  $0.6 = 3/5$

Let  $y = 0.77777\dots$

Multiply by 10 on L.H.S and R.H.S,

$$10y = 7.7777\dots$$

$$10y - y = 7.777777\dots - 0.777777\dots$$

$$9y = 7$$

$$y = 7/9$$

So the  $p/q$  form of  $0.7777\dots = 7/9$

Let  $z = 0.47777\dots$

Multiply by 10 on L.H.S and R.H.S,

$$10z = 4.7777\dots$$

$$10z - z = 4.777777\dots - 0.4777777\dots$$

$$9z = 4.2999$$

$$z \approx 4.3/9$$

$$z = 43/90$$

So the  $p/q$  form of  $0.4777\dots = 43/90$

Therefore,  $p/q$  form of  $0.6 + 0.\bar{7} + 0.4\bar{7}$  is,

$$x + y + z = 3/5 + 7/9 + 43/90$$

$$= (54 + 70 + 43)/90$$

$$= 167/90$$

1. Simplify:

$$\frac{7\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{3}} - \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6} + 5} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}}$$

Solution:

$$\frac{7\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{3}} - \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{6} + 5} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}}$$

Let us first make the denominators same,

To make the denominators same, Cross multiply the first and second terms of the equation.

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{7\sqrt{3} \times (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5}) - (\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{3}) \times 2\sqrt{5}}{(\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{3}) \times (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5})} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{7\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{6} + 7\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{5} - (2\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{10} + 2\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{3}) \times (\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{5})} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{21\sqrt{2} + 7\sqrt{15} - 10\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{15}}{2\sqrt{15} + 5\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{15}} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{11\sqrt{2} - 5\sqrt{15}}{3\sqrt{15} + 8\sqrt{2}} - \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Now, again make the denominators same by cross-multiplying the obtained term and the third term of the given equation in the question.

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{(11\sqrt{2} - 5\sqrt{15}) \times (\sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}) - (3\sqrt{15} + 8\sqrt{2}) \times (3\sqrt{2})}{(3\sqrt{15} + 8\sqrt{2}) \times \sqrt{15} + 3\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{11\sqrt{30} + 66 - 75 - 15\sqrt{30} - 9\sqrt{30} - 48}{45 + 9\sqrt{30} + 8\sqrt{30} + 48} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{-13\sqrt{30} - 57}{17\sqrt{30} + 93} \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $\sqrt{2}=1.414$ ,  $\sqrt{3}=1.732$ , then find the value of

$$\frac{4}{3\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{4}{3\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2}}$$

Let us first make the denominators same by cross multiplication method

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4 \times (3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2}) + 3 \times (3\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2})}{(3\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2}) \times (3\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2})}$$

Observing the denominator, we can say that,

Denominator is of the form,

$$(a + b) \times (a - b) = (a^2 - b^2)$$

Here  $a = 3\sqrt{3}$

$b = 2\sqrt{2}$

$$a^2 = (3\sqrt{3})^2 = 27$$

$$b^2 = (2\sqrt{2})^2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{12\sqrt{3} + 8\sqrt{2} + 9\sqrt{3} - 6\sqrt{2}}{27 - 8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{21\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2}}{19}$$



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