

## TRANSFORMATION OF EQUATIONS

Let's examine a polynomial equation.

$$a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + a_2x^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = 0 \quad \dots (1)$$

The root of the given equation is denoted as  $x$ . To derive a new equation with a general root  $y$ , where  $y = f(x)$ , substitute  $x$  with  $g(y)$  in (i), where  $x = g(y)$  is obtained from  $y = f(x)$ , subject to a certain condition. Let's illustrate this process.

**Ex.** If  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  represent the roots of the equation  $x^3 + x^2 + x + 9 = 0$ , determine the equation whose roots are  $\frac{\alpha+1}{\alpha-1}$ ,  $\frac{\beta+1}{\beta-1}$ ,  $\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1}$

**Sol.** Let  $y = \frac{x+1}{x-1} \Rightarrow x = \frac{y+1}{y-1}$

Hence to obtain new equation replace  $x$  by  $\frac{x+1}{x-1}$  which is given by.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x+1}{x-1}\right) + 9 &= 0 \\ (x+1)^3 + (x+1)^2(x-1) + (x+1)(x-1)^2 + 9(x-1)^3 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 12x^3 - 24x^2 + 28x - 8 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow 3x^3 - 6x^2 + 7x - 2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$