Quasi-algebraic functions
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Antonio Salmeri denotes as "quasi-algebraic" those functions of x and [x] which are algebraic in x. (Gior. di Mat., vol. 91, 1963). Those functions described by him, and those considered in this report, are algebraic in [x] also.

Solutions of linear equations are first considered.

If x is real and positive, and $\left\{\begin{array}{c} n\\ x\end{array}\right\}$ is the sum of powers of $\left(\begin{array}{c} x\\ \end{array}\right)^n+\left(\begin{array}{c} x-1\end{array}\right)^n+\left(\begin{array}{c} x-1\end{array}\right)^n$ positive terms, it is a quasi-algebraic function. If, in this function, $\left[\begin{array}{c} x\\ \end{array}\right]$ is replaced by x, we obtain the associated function $\left\{\begin{array}{c} x\\ \end{array}\right\}$. The two functions and their difference are studeed in some detail.

The paper then considers the possibility of replacing the real number x by the complex number x+yi.