

CBSE Test Paper 05
Chapter 2 Polynomials

1. If one zero of the polynomial $p(x) = (a^2 + 9)x^2 + 45x + 6a$ is reciprocal of the other, then the value of 'a' is **(1)**
 - a. 2
 - b. 3
 - c. 0
 - d. 1
2. If $x - 2$ is a factor of the polynomial $3x^3 - 7x^2 + kx - 16$, then the value of 'k' is **(1)**
 - a. -10
 - b. 10
 - c. -2
 - d. 2
3. The zeroes of a polynomial $x^2 - 7x + 12$ are **(1)**
 - a. both positive
 - b. both negative
 - c. both equal
 - d. one positive and one negative
4. Given that one of the zeroes of the cubic polynomial $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ is zero, then the product of the other two zeroes is **(1)**
 - a. $\frac{-c}{a}$
 - b. $\frac{b}{a}$
 - c. $\frac{-b}{a}$
 - d. $\frac{c}{a}$
5. If ' α ' and ' β ' are the zeroes of the polynomial $3x^2 + 11x - 4$, then the value of $\alpha^2 + \beta^2$ is **(1)**
 - a. $\frac{150}{9}$
 - b. $\frac{145}{9}$
 - c. $\frac{152}{9}$
 - d. $\frac{144}{9}$

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6. If α, β are zeroes of $x^2 + 5x + 5$, find the value of $\alpha^{-1} + \beta^{-1}$. **(1)**
 7. If -4 is a zero of the polynomial $x^2 - x - (2k + 2)$ then find the value of k. **(1)**
 8. Find a cubic polynomial with the sum, sum of the product of its zeros taken two at a time, and product of its zeroes as 3, -1 and - 3 respectively. **(1)**
 9. If $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$. If $a + c = b$, then find one of its zeroes. **(1)**
 10. If α and β are the roots of equation $ax^2 - bx + c = 0$, then find the value of $\alpha + \beta$. **(1)**
 11. If the polynomial $6x^4 + 8x^3 + 17x^2 + 21x + 7$ is divided by another polynomial $3x^2 + 4x + 1$, then what will be the quotient and remainder? **(2)**
 12. Find the zeroes of $4x^2 + 24x + 36$ and verify the relationship between the zeroes and their coefficients. **(2)**
 13. Divide the polynomial $p(x) = x^2 - 5x + 16$ by the polynomial $g(x) = x - 2$ and find the quotient and the remainder. **(2)**
 14. On dividing $x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x + 2$ by $g(x)$, quotient and remainder were $(x^2 - 2)$ and $(5x + 10)$ respectively. Find $g(x)$. **(3)**
 15. Find a cubic polynomial whose zeros are 3, 5 and -2. **(3)**
 16. Find the quadratic polynomial whose zeroes are 2 and -6 respectively. Verify the relation between the coefficients and zeroes of the polynomial. **(3)**
 17. Obtain all the zeroes of $2x^4 - 7x^3 - 13x^2 + 63x - 45$ if two of its zeroes are 1 and 3. **(3)**
 18. If α and β are the zeroes of the polynomial $x^2 + 4x + 3$, find the polynomial whose zeroes are $1 + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ and $1 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$. **(4)**
 19. Polynomial $x^4 + 7x^3 + 7x^2 + px + q$ is exactly divisible by $x^2 + 7x + 12$, then find the value of p and q. **(4)**
 20. If two zeroes of a polynomial $x^3 + 5x^2 + 7x + 3$ are - 1 and - 3, then find the third zero. **(4)**

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Solution

1. b. 3

Explanation: Let one zero be β then the other zero will be $\frac{1}{\alpha}$

$$\text{Since } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow \alpha \times \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{6a}{a^2+9}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{6a}{a^2+9}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6a = a^2 + 9$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 - 6a + 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a - 3)(a - 3) = 0 \quad a - 3 = 0 \text{ and } a - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 3 \text{ and } a = 3$$

2. b. 10

Explanation: If the polynomial $3x^3 - 7x^2 + kx - 16$ is exactly divisible by $x - 2$, then

$$p(2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(2)^3 - 7(2)^2 + k \times 2 - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 24 - 28 + 2k - 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -20 + 2k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 10$$

3. a. both positive

Explanation: $x^2 - 7x + 12$

$$= x^2 - 4x - 3x + 12 = 0$$

$$= x(x - 4) - 3(x - 4) = 0$$

$$= (x - 4)(x - 3) = 0$$

$$\therefore x - 4 = 0 \text{ or } x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 4 \text{ or } x = 3$$

4. d. $\frac{c}{a}$

Explanation: Let α, β, γ are the zeroes of the given polynomial. Given : $\alpha = 0$

To find: $\beta\gamma$ Since, $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = \frac{c}{a}$

$$\therefore 0 \times \beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma \times 0 = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow \beta\gamma = \frac{c}{a}$$

5. b. $\frac{145}{9}$

Explanation: Here $a = 3, b = 11, c = -4$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } \alpha^2 + \beta^2 &= (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta \\ &= \left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)^2 - 2 \times \frac{c}{a} = \frac{b^2}{a^2} - \frac{2c}{a} = \frac{b^2 - 2ac}{a^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Putting the values of } a, b \text{ and } c, \text{ we get } &= \frac{(11)^2 - 2 \times 3 \times (-4)}{(3)^2} \\ &= \frac{121 + 24}{9} \\ &= \frac{145}{9} \end{aligned}$$

6. We know that sum of roots $= \alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = -5$$

$$\text{and product of roots} = \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow \alpha\beta = 5$$

Now the given expression is :

$$\alpha^{-1} + \beta^{-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{-5}{5} = -1$$

7. Given that, -4 is a zero of the polynomial $f(x) = x^2 - x - (2k + 2)$, so, we have

$$f(-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-4)^2 - (-4) - 2k - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 + 4 - 2k - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 18 - 2k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 9.$$

8. Any cubic polynomial is of the form $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$

$$= x^3 - (\text{sum of the zeroes}) x^2 + (\text{sum of the products of its zeroes taken two at a time}) x - (\text{product of the zeroes})$$

$$= x^3 - 3x^2 + (-1)x + (-3)$$

$$= x^3 - 3x^2 - x - 3$$

Hence, required cubic polynomial is $x^3 - 3x^2 - x - 3$

9. We have function $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ and $a + c = b$

using remainder theorem by putting $x = -1$ we get

$$p(-1) = a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + c$$

$$= a - b + c = a + c - b$$

$$= b - b = 0$$

$\therefore$ One zero is -1.

$$10. \text{ Sum of the roots} = -\frac{\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{or, } \alpha + \beta = -\left(\frac{-b}{a}\right) = \frac{b}{a}$$

11. On long division of $6x^4 + 8x^3 + 17x^2 + 21x + 7$ by $3x^2 + 4x + 1$ we get

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 + 5 \\ 3x^2 + 4x + 1 \overline{) 6x^4 + 8x^3 + 17x^2 + 21x + 7} \\ \underline{6x^4 + 8x^3 + 2x^2} \\ 15x^2 + 21x + 7 \\ \underline{15x^2 + 20x + 5} \\ x + 2 \end{array}$$

Quotient = $2x^2 + 5$, remainder = $x + 2$

$$12. p(x) = 4x^2 + 24x + 36$$

For zeroes, $p(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 4x^2 + 24x + 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(x^2 + 6x + 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + 3x + 3x + 9) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 3)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x + 3 = 0 \text{ or } x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -3, x = -3$$

$\therefore$ Zeroes are -3, -3.

After comparing $4x^2 + 24x + 36$ with $ax^2 + bx + c$, we get

Now, $a = 4$, $b = 24$, $c = 36$

$$\frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-24}{4} = -6 \dots\dots (i)$$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = -3 + (-3) = -6 \dots\dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{c}{a} = \frac{36}{4} = 9 \dots\dots (iii)$$

and, Product of zeroes = $(-3) \times (-3) = 9$ (iv)

From (iii) and (iv)

$$\text{Product of zeroes} = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{x-3} \\
 x-2 \overline{) x^2-5x+16} \\
 \underline{x^2-2x} \\
 -3x+16 \\
 \underline{-3x+6} \\
 +10
 \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Quotient = $x - 3$, Remainder = 10

14. Using, Dividend = Divisor $\times$ Quotient + Remainder

$$x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x + 2 = g(x) \times (x^2 - 2) + (5x + 10)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x + 2) - (5x + 10) = (x^2 - 2) \times g(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x + 2 - 5x - 10 = (x^2 - 2) \times g(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x - 8 = (x^2 - 2) \times g(x) \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 - 2) \text{ is a factor of } x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x - 8$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overline{x+4} \\
 x^2-2 \overline{) x^3+4x^2-2x-8} \\
 \underline{x^3} \underline{-2x} \\
 4x^2 -8 \\
 \underline{4x^2} \underline{-8} \\
 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x - 8 = (x^2 - 2) (x + 4)$$

$$\therefore g(x) = (x + 4) \text{ [On comparing with (i)]}$$

15. Let α, β and γ be the zeroes of the given polynomial.

Then, we have $\alpha = 3, \beta = 5$ and $\gamma = -2$

Hence

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 3 + 5 - 2 = 6 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = 3(5) + 5(-2) + (-2)3 = 15 - 10 - 6 = -1 \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = 3(5)(-2) = -30 \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Now, a cubic polynomial whose zeros are α, β and γ is equal to

$$p(x) = x^3 - (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)x^2 + (\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)x - \alpha\beta\gamma$$

On substituting values from (1),(2) and (3) we get

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= x^3 - (6)x^2 + (-1)x - (-30) \\ &= x^3 - 6x^2 - x + 30 \end{aligned}$$

16. Let $\alpha = 2$ and $\beta = -6$.

Then, required polynomial is given by $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = x^2 + 4x - 12$

Also, here sum of zeroes $= \alpha + \beta = 2 + (-6) = -4 = \frac{-(\text{Coefficients}(x))}{\text{coefficient}(x^2)}$

and product of zeroes $= \alpha\beta = 2(-6) = -12 = \frac{\text{Constant_term}}{\text{Coefficient}(x^2)}$

Polynomial $= x^2 - (\text{sum of zeros})x + \text{product of zeros}$

Polynomial $= x^2 - (-4)x + (-12) = x^2 + 4x - 12$

Hence, the required polynomial is $x^2 + 4x - 12$ and the relationship between zeroes and coefficients is verified.

17. Since, two zeroes are 1 and 3, therefore $(x - 1)(x - 3) = x^2 - 4x + 3$ is a factor of the given polynomial.

Now, we apply the division algorithm to the given polynomial and $x^2 - 4x + 3$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 + x - 15 \\ x^2 - 4x + 3 \overline{) 2x^4 - 7x^3 - 13x^2 + 63x - 45} \\ \underline{2x^4 - 8x^3 + 6x^2} \\ -x^3 - 19x^2 + 63x - 45 \\ \underline{x^3 - 4x^2 + 3x} \\ -15x^2 + 60x - 45 \\ \underline{-15x^2 + 60x - 45} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

So, $2x^4 - 7x^3 - 13x^2 + 63x - 45$

$= (x^2 - 4x + 3)(2x^2 + x - 15)$

Now, $2x^2 + x - 15 = 2x^2 + 6x - 5x - 15$

| by splitting the middle term

$= 2x(x + 3) - 5(x + 3) = (x + 3)(2x - 5)$

So, its zeroes are -3 and $\frac{5}{2}$

Therefore, all the zeroes of the given fourth-degree polynomial are 1, 3, -3 and $\frac{5}{2}$.

18. Since α and β are the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial $x^2 + 4x + 3$

So, $\alpha + \beta = -4$

and $\alpha\beta = 3$

Sum of zeroes of new polynomial $= 1 + \frac{\beta}{\alpha} + 1 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$

$$= \frac{\alpha\beta + \beta^2 + \alpha\beta + \alpha^2}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(-4)^2}{3} = \frac{16}{3}$$

Product of zeroes $= \left(1 + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right)$

$$= \left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha}\right) \left(\frac{\beta + \alpha}{\beta}\right)$$

$$= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^2}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$= \frac{(-4)^2}{3} = \frac{16}{3}$$

So required polynomial $= x^2 - (\text{Sum of the zeroes})x + \text{Product of the zeroes}$

$$= x^2 - \left(\frac{16}{3}\right)x + \frac{16}{3}$$

$$= \left(x^2 - \frac{16}{3}x + \frac{16}{3}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(3x^2 - 16x + 16)$$

19. Factors of $x^2 + 7x + 12$:

$$x^2 + 7x + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 4x + 3x + 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x(x + 4) + 3(x + 4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x + 4)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -4, -3 \dots (i)$$

Since $p(x) = x^4 + 7x^3 + 7x^2 + px + q$

If $p(x)$ is exactly divisible by $x^2 + 7x + 12$, then $x = -4$ and $x = -3$ are its zeroes. So putting $x = -4$ and $x = -3$.

$$p(-4) = (-4)^4 + 7(-4)^3 + 7(-4)^2 + p(-4) + q$$

$$\text{but } p(-4) = 0$$

$$\therefore 0 = 256 - 448 + 112 - 4p + q$$

$$0 = -4p + q - 80$$

$$\Rightarrow 4p - q = -80 \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } p(-3) = (-3)^4 + 7(-3)^3 + 7(-3)^2 + p(-3) + q$$

$$\text{but } p(-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 81 - 189 + 63 - 3p + q$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = -3p + q - 45$$

$$\Rightarrow 3p - q = -45 \dots (ii)$$

$$4p - q = -80$$

$$3p - q = -45$$

$$\begin{array}{r} - \quad + \quad + \\ \hline p = -35 \end{array}$$

On putting the value of p in eq. (i), we get,

$$4(-35) - q = -80$$

$$\Rightarrow -140 - q = -80$$

$$\Rightarrow -q = 140 - 80$$

$$\Rightarrow -q = 60$$

$$\therefore q = -60$$

Hence, $p = -35$, $q = -60$

20. $x = -1$ and $x = -3$ are zeroes.

$$\Rightarrow (x + 1)(x + 3) = x^2 + 4x + 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 4x + 3 \overline{) x^3 + 5x^2 + 7x + 3} \quad (x + 1) \\ \underline{x^3 + 4x^2 + 3x} \\ x^2 + 4x + 3 \\ \underline{x^2 + 4x + 3} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Since remainder = 0, therefore $(x + 1)$ is factor of $x^3 + 5x^2 + 7x + 3$.

So, required zero is given by putting $x + 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1$$

$\therefore$ The third zero is -1.