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## POLYNOMIALS

## SUMMARY

- Polynomials of degrees 1, 2 and 3 are called linear, quadratic and cubic polynomials, respectively.
- A quadratic polynomial in  $x$  with real coefficients is of the form  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a, b, c$  are real numbers with  $a \neq 0$ .
- If  $p(x)$  is a polynomial in  $x$ , and if  $k$  is any real number, then the value obtained by replacing  $x$  by  $k$  in  $p(x)$ , is called the value of  $p(x)$  at  $x = k$ , and is denoted by  $p(k)$ .
- A real number  $k$  is said to be a zero of a polynomial  $p(x)$ , if  $p(k) = 0$ .
- The zeroes of a polynomial  $p(x)$  are precisely the  $x$ -coordinates of the points, where the graph of  $y = p(x)$  intersects the  $x$ -axis.
- A polynomial  $p(x)$  of degree  $n$  has at most  $n$  zeroes.
- A quadratic polynomial can have at most 2 zeroes and a cubic polynomial can have at most 3 zeroes.
- If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , then
 
$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a}, \quad \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$
- If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the zeroes of the cubic polynomial  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , then
 
$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \frac{-b}{a}, \quad \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = \frac{c}{a},$$
 and  $\alpha\beta\gamma = \frac{-d}{a}$ .
- If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial, then quadratic polynomial will be
 
$$x^2 - (\text{sum of zeroes})x + \text{product of zeroes}$$
 i.e.,  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta$ .

- If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the zeroes of a cubic polynomial, then cubic polynomial will be
 
$$x^3 - (\text{sum of zeroes})x^2 + (\text{sum of product of zeroes taken two at a time})x - \text{product of zeroes}$$
 i.e.,  $x^3 - (\alpha + \beta + \gamma)x^2 + (\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha)x - \alpha\beta\gamma$ .
- The division algorithm states that given any polynomial  $p(x)$  and any non-zero polynomial  $g(x)$ , there are polynomials  $q(x)$  and  $r(x)$  such that
 
$$p(x) = g(x)q(x) + r(x)$$
 where  $r(x) = 0$  or  $\text{degree } r(x) < \text{degree } g(x)$ .

## VERY SHORT ANSWERS (VSA) TYPE QUESTIONS

## MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS

- Which of the following expressions is a polynomial?
 

(a) $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} + 1$	(b) $x^2 + \sqrt{x} + 1$
(c) $y^{\frac{1}{2}} - 3y + 2$	(d) $\sqrt{2}y^3 + \sqrt{3}y$

**Sol.**  $x^3 + \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x} + 1$  can be written as

$$x^3 + x^{-2} + x^{-1} + 1.$$

It is not a polynomial because it contains terms having negative integral exponents.

It is not a polynomial because in

$$x^2 + \sqrt{x} + 1, \text{ the power of } \sqrt{x} \text{ or } x^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ is } \frac{1}{2},$$

which is not a whole number.

It is not a polynomial because power of

$$y^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ is } -\frac{1}{2}, \text{ which is not a whole number.}$$

Yes, it is a polynomial because it satisfies the condition of a polynomial.

Hence, option (d) is correct.

2. If  $p(x) = g(x) \times q(x) + r(x)$ , then degree of  $q(x)$  is always less than

- (a) the degree of  $g(x)$
- (b) the degree of  $p(x)$
- (c) the degree of  $r(x)$
- (d) or equal to degree of  $p(x)$

- Sol. The division algorithm states that given any polynomial  $p(x)$  and any non-zero polynomial  $g(x)$ , there are polynomials  $q(x)$  and  $r(x)$  such that

$$p(x) = g(x) \times q(x) + r(x)$$

Where  $r(x) = 0$

or degree of  $r(x) <$  degree of  $g(x)$ .

Hence, option (d) is correct.

3. Polynomial of degree  $n$  has

- (a) only 1 zero
- (b) atmost  $n$  zeroes
- (c) exactly  $n$  zeroes
- (d) more than  $n$  zeroes

- Sol. The polynomial  $p(x)$  of degree  $n$  has atmost  $n$  zeroes.

Hence, option (b) is correct.

4. Graph of a quadratic polynomial is a

- (a) straight line
- (b) circle
- (c) parabola
- (d) ellipse

- Sol. Graph of a quadratic polynomial is a parabola.

Hence, option (c) is correct.

5. Quadratic polynomial having zeroes 1 and -2 is

- (a)  $x^2 - x + 2$
- (b)  $x^2 - x - 2$
- (c)  $x^2 + x - 2$
- (d)  $x^2 + x + 2$

- Sol. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial, then quadratic polynomial will be

$x^2 - (\text{sum of zeroes})x + \text{product of zeroes}$

i.e.,  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - [1 + (-2)]x + 1(-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x - 2$$

Hence, option (c) is correct.

6. The quadratic polynomial, the sum of whose zeroes is 0 and one zero is 5 is,

- (a)  $x^2 - 5$
- (b)  $x^2 - 25$
- (c)  $x^2 + 25$
- (d) none

- Sol. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the polynomial.

It is given that, sum of zeroes = 0

$$\text{i.e., } \alpha + \beta = 0$$

$$\text{If } \alpha = 5, \text{ then } 5 + \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \beta = -5$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } p(x) &= x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta \\ &= x^2 - 0x + (-5)(5) \\ &= x^2 - 25 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, option (b) is correct.

7. The zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $x^2 + 88x + 125$  are

- (a) both positive
- (b) both negative
- (c) one positive and one negative
- (d) both equal

- Sol. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the zeroes of the given polynomial.

$$\text{Then } \alpha + \beta = 88 \text{ and } \alpha\beta = 125$$

If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial, then quadratic polynomial will be  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta$ .

This is possible only when  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are both negative.

Hence, option (b) is correct.

8. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of  $2x^2 + 5x - 9$ , then the value of  $\alpha\beta$  is

- (a)  $\frac{-5}{2}$
- (b)  $\frac{5}{2}$
- (c)  $\frac{-9}{2}$
- (d)  $\frac{9}{2}$

- Sol. We know that if  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$

$$\text{then, } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

Here  $\alpha\beta = \frac{-9}{2}$

Hence, option (c) is correct.

9. Which of the following is a true statement?

- (a)  $x^2 + 5x - 3$  is a linear polynomial.
- (b)  $x^2 + 4x - 1$  is a binomial.
- (c)  $x + 1$  is monomial.
- (d)  $5x^2$  is a monomial.

Sol.  $x^2 + 5x - 3$  is a quadratic polynomial,  $x^2 + 4x - 1$  is a trinomial and  $x + 1$  is a binomial.  $5x^2$  is a monomial.

Hence, option (d) is correct.

10. If one zero of  $3x^2 + 8x + k$  be the reciprocal of the other, then  $k$  is

- (a) 3
- (b) -3
- (c)  $\frac{1}{3}$
- (d)  $-\frac{1}{3}$

Sol. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , then  $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$ .

Here,  $a = 3, b = 8, c = k$

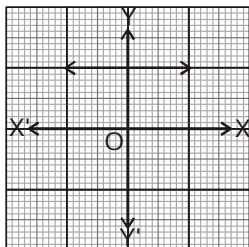
Let one zero be  $\alpha$  and other be  $\frac{1}{\alpha}$ .

Then  $\alpha \times \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{k}{3}$

$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{k}{3} \Rightarrow k = 3$

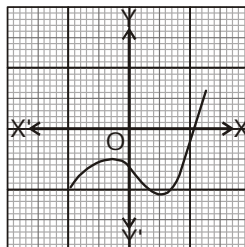
Hence, option (a) is correct.

11. The graph of  $y = p(x)$  is given in the following figure. Find the number of zeroes of  $p(x)$ . [NCERT]



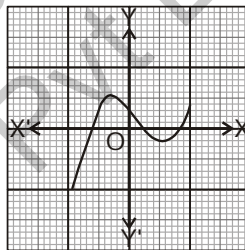
Sol. The number of zeroes is 0 as the graph does not cut the x-axis at any point.

12. The graph of  $y = p(x)$  is given in the following figure. Find the number of zeroes of  $p(x)$ . [NCERT]



Sol. The number of zeroes is 1 as the graph intersects the x-axis at only 1 point.

13. The graph of  $y = p(x)$  is given in the following figure. Find the number of zeroes of  $p(x)$ . [NCERT]



Sol. The number of zeroes is 3 as the graph intersects the x-axis at 3 points.

14. Find a quadratic polynomial with  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$  as the sum and product of its zeroes respectively. [NCERT]

Sol. Let the polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$  and its zeroes be  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

$$\alpha + \beta = \sqrt{2} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{3} = \frac{-b}{a}, \quad ab = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{c}{a}$$

If  $a = 3$ , then  $b = -3\sqrt{2}, c = 1$ .

Therefore, the quadratic polynomial is

$$3x^2 - 3\sqrt{2}x + 1.$$

15. Find a quadratic polynomial with 1 and 1 as the sum and product of its zeroes respectively. [NCERT]

Sol. Let the polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$  and its zeroes be  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

$$\alpha + \beta = 1 = \frac{-b}{a}, \quad ab = 1 = \frac{c}{a}$$

If  $a = 1$ , then  $b = -1$ ,  $c = 1$ .

Therefore, the quadratic polynomial is  $x^2 - x + 1$ .

16. Find a quadratic polynomial with  $-\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  as the sum and product of its zeroes respectively. [NCERT]

Sol. Let the polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$  and its zeroes be  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-1}{4} = \frac{-b}{a}, \quad \alpha\beta = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{c}{a}$$

If  $a = 4$ , then  $b = 1$ ,  $c = 1$ .

Therefore, the quadratic polynomial is  $4x^2 + x + 1$ .

17. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a polynomial such that  $\alpha + \beta = -6$  and  $\alpha\beta = 5$ , then find the polynomial.

Sol. Sum of the zeroes =  $\alpha + \beta = -6$

Product of the zeroes =  $\alpha\beta = 5$

Required quadratic polynomial is

$$x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - (-6)x + 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 6x + 5 = 0$$

18. If the sum of the zeroes of the polynomial  $p(x) = (k^2 - 14)x^2 - 2x - 12$  is 1, then find the value of  $k$ .

Sol. Given that,  $p(x) = (k^2 - 14)x^2 - 2x - 12$

$$\text{Sum of the zeroes} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-(-2)}{k^2 - 14} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2}{k^2 - 14} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = k^2 - 14$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm\sqrt{16} \Rightarrow k = \pm 4$$

### SHORT ANSWER (SA) TYPE I QUESTIONS

19. Divide the polynomial  $p(x)$  by the polynomial  $q(x)$  and find the quotient and remainder. [NCERT]

$$p(x) = x^4 - 5x + 6, \quad q(x) = 2 - x^2$$

Sol.  $p(x) = x^4 - 5x + 6 = x^4 + 0x^3 - 5x + 6$   
 $q(x) = 2 - x^2 = -x^2 + 2$

$$\begin{array}{r} -x^2 - 2 \\ \hline -x^2 + 2 \bigg) x^4 + 0x^3 - 5x + 6 \\ \underline{-x^4 + 2x^2} \phantom{+ 6} \\ 2x^2 - 5x + 6 \\ \underline{-2x^2 + 4} \phantom{+ 6} \\ -5x + 10 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Quotient} = -x^2 - 2$$

$$\text{Remainder} = -5x + 10$$

20. Check whether the first polynomial is a factor of the second polynomial by dividing the second polynomial by the first polynomial. [NCERT]

$$t^2 - 3, 2t^4 + 3t^3 - 2t^2 - 9t - 12$$

Sol.  $t^2 - 3 = t^2 + 0t - 3$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2t^2 + 3t + 4 \\ \hline t^2 + 0t - 3 \bigg) 2t^4 + 3t^3 - 2t^2 - 9t - 12 \\ \underline{-2t^4 + 0t^3 + 6t^2} \phantom{- 9t - 12} \\ 3t^3 + 4t^2 - 9t - 12 \\ \underline{-3t^3 + 0t^2 + 9t} \phantom{- 12} \\ 4t^2 + 0t - 12 \\ \underline{-4t^2 + 0t + 12} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Since the remainder is 0,

therefore,  $t^2 - 3$  is a factor of

$$2t^4 + 3t^3 - 2t^2 - 9t - 12.$$

21. Check whether the first polynomial is a factor of the second polynomial by dividing the second polynomial by the first polynomial. [NCERT]

$$x^3 - 3x + 1, x^5 - 4x^3 + x^2 + 3x + 1$$

Sol.

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 1 \\ \hline x^3 - 3x + 1 \bigg) x^5 - 4x^3 + x^2 + 3x + 1 \\ \underline{-x^5 + 3x^3 + x^2} \phantom{+ 3x + 1} \\ -x^3 + 3x + 1 \\ \underline{-x^3 + 3x - 1} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Since, the remainder is  $2 \neq 0$ , therefore,  $x^2 - 3x + 1$  is not a factor of  $x^5 - 4x^3 + x^2 + 3x + 1$ .

22. If  $m$  and  $n$  are the zeroes of the polynomial  $ax^2 - 5x + c = 0$ , find the values of  $a$  and  $c$  when  $m + n = mn = 10$ .

Sol. Quadratic polynomial is  $ax^2 - 5x + c = 0$ .

Sum of the zeroes,  $m + n = 10$

$$\frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-(-5)}{a} = 10 \Rightarrow \frac{5}{a} = 10 \Rightarrow a = \frac{5}{10} \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}$$

Product of the zeroes,  $mn = 10$

$$\frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{c}{a} = 10 \Rightarrow c = 10a \Rightarrow c = 10 \times \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow c = 5$$

### SHORT ANSWER (SA) TYPE II QUESTIONS

23. Find the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$  and verify the relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients. [NCERT]

Sol.  $4s^2 - 4s + 1 = (2s - 1)^2$

The value of  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$  is zero when

$$2s - 1 = 0, \text{ i.e., } s = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore, the zeroes of  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$  are

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$= \frac{-(-4)}{4} = \frac{-(\text{Coefficient of } s)}{(\text{Coefficient of } s^2)}$$

Product of zeroes

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } s^2}$$

24. Find the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x$  and verify the relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients. [NCERT]

Sol.  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x = 6x^2 - 7x - 3$

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

The value of  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x$  is zero when

$$3x + 1 = 0 \text{ or } 2x - 3 = 0, \text{ i.e., } x = \frac{-1}{3} \text{ or } x = \frac{3}{2}$$

Therefore, the zeroes of  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x$  are

$$\frac{-1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{3}{2}.$$

Sum of zeroes

$$= \frac{-1}{3} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{7}{6} = \frac{-(-7)}{6} = \frac{-(\text{Coefficient of } x)}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

Product of zeroes

$$= \frac{-1}{3} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{-1}{2} = \frac{-3}{6} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

25. Find the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $t^2 - 15$  and verify the relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients. [NCERT]

Sol.  $t^2 - 15$

$$= t^2 - (\sqrt{15})^2 = (t - \sqrt{15})(t + \sqrt{15})$$

The value of  $t^2 - 15$  is zero when  $t - \sqrt{15} = 0$

$$\text{or } t + \sqrt{15} = 0, \text{ i.e., when } t = \sqrt{15} \text{ or } t = -\sqrt{15}$$

Therefore, the zeroes of  $t^2 - 15$  are  $\sqrt{15}$

$$\text{and } -\sqrt{15}.$$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \sqrt{15} + (-\sqrt{15}) = 0$$

$$= \frac{-0}{1} = \frac{-(\text{Coefficient of } t)}{(\text{Coefficient of } t^2)}$$

$$\text{Product of zeroes} = (\sqrt{15})(-\sqrt{15})$$

$$= -15 = \frac{-15}{1} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } t^2}$$

26. On dividing  $x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 2$  by a polynomial  $g(x)$ , the quotient and remainder were  $x - 2$  and  $-2x + 4$ , respectively. Find  $g(x)$ . [NCERT]

Sol.  $p(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 2$  (Dividend)

$g(x) = ?$  (Divisor)

Quotient =  $(x - 2)$

Remainder =  $(-2x + 4)$

Dividend = Divisor  $\times$  Quotient + Remainder

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

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

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

$g(x)$  is the quotient when we divide

$(x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 2)$  by  $(x - 2)$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - x + 1 \\ x-2 \overline{) x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 2} \\ \underline{x^3 - 2x^2} \phantom{+ 3x - 2} \\ -x^2 + 3x - 2 \\ \underline{-x^2 + 2x^2} \phantom{- 2} \\ + \phantom{- 2} \\ x - 2 \\ \underline{x - 2} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$\therefore g(x) = (x^2 - x + 1)$

27. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the polynomial  $x^2 - 2x - 1$ , then form a quadratic polynomial whose zeroes are  $2\alpha - 1$  and  $2\beta - 1$ .

Sol. The given polynomial is  $x^2 - 2x - 1$ .

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = \frac{-(-2)}{1} = 2$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = \frac{-1}{1} = -1$$

For the given zeroes,  $(2\alpha - 1)$  and  $(2\beta - 1)$

Sum of the zeroes =  $(2\alpha - 1) + (2\beta - 1)$

=  $2\alpha - 1 + 2\beta - 1$

=  $2\alpha + 2\beta - 2$

=  $2(\alpha + \beta) - 2$

=  $2 \times 2 - 2 = 4 - 2 = 2$

Product of the zeroes =  $(2\alpha - 1)(2\beta - 1)$

=  $4\alpha\beta - 2\beta - 2\alpha + 1$

=  $4\alpha\beta - 2(\alpha + \beta) + 1$

=  $4(-1) - 2(2) + 1$

=  $-4 - 4 + 1 = -7$

28. Find all the zeroes of the polynomial  $3x^3 + 10x^2 - 9x - 4$  if one of its zeroes is 1.

Sol. If one of the zeroes of the polynomial  $3x^3 + 10x^2 - 9x - 4$  is 1, then  $(x - 1)$  is a factor of the given polynomial.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^2 + 13x + 4 \\ x-1 \overline{) 3x^3 + 10x^2 - 9x - 4} \\ \underline{3x^3 - 3x^2} \phantom{- 9x - 4} \\ 13x^2 - 9x - 4 \\ \underline{13x^2 - 13x} \phantom{- 4} \\ 4x - 4 \\ \underline{4x - 4} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Now,  $(3x^3 + 10x^2 - 9x - 4)$

=  $(x - 1)(3x^2 + 13x + 4)$

=  $(x - 1)(3x^2 + 12x + x + 4)$

=  $(x - 1)\{3x(x + 4) + 1(x + 4)\}$

=  $(x - 1)\{(x + 4)(3x + 1)\}$

=  $(x - 1)(x + 4)(3x + 1)$

If  $x + 4 = 0$ , then  $x = -4$ .

If  $3x + 1 = 0$ , then  $x = \frac{-1}{3}$ .

Therefore, all zeroes of the given

polynomial are 1,  $-4$ , and  $\frac{-1}{3}$ .

29. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$ , find the value of  $(\alpha^4\beta^2 + \alpha^2\beta^4)$ .

Sol. We have,  $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 3$

Now,  $\alpha + \beta$

$$= \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-(-4)}{1} = 4$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha^4\beta^2 + \alpha^2\beta^4 &= \alpha^2\beta^2(\alpha^2 + \beta^2) \\ &= \alpha^2\beta^2(\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta - 2\alpha\beta) \\ &= \alpha^2\beta^2\{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta\} = (\alpha\beta)^2\{(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 2\alpha\beta\} \\ &= (3)^2\{(4)^2 - 2 \times 3\} = 9\{16 - 6\} = 9 \times 10 = 90 \end{aligned}$$

- 30. Find the value of  $k$  such that the polynomial  $x^2 - (k + 6)x + 2(2k - 1)$  has sum of its zeroes equal to half of their product.**

**Sol.** We have, the given polynomial  $x^2 - (k + 6)x + 2(2k - 1)$ .

According to the question,

Sum of its zeroes = Half of product of zeroes

$$\frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-\{-(k+6)\}}{1} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2(2k-1)}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k+6}{1} = \frac{2k-1}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow k + 6 = 2k - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2k - k = 6 + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 7$$

### LONG ANSWER (LA) TYPES QUESTIONS

- 31. If two zeroes of the polynomial  $x^4 - 6x^3 - 26x^2 + 138x - 35$  are  $2 \pm \sqrt{3}$ , find the other zeroes. [NCERT]**

**Sol.** Given that  $2 + \sqrt{3}$  and  $2 - \sqrt{3}$  are zeroes of the given polynomial.

$$\text{Therefore, } (x - 2 - \sqrt{3})(x - 2 + \sqrt{3})$$

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

$= x^2 - 4x + 1$  is a factor of the given polynomial.

For finding the remaining zeroes of the given polynomial, we will find the quotient by dividing  $x^4 - 6x^3 - 26x^2 + 138x - 35$  by  $x^2 - 4x + 1$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 2x - 35 \\ x^2 - 4x + 1 \overline{) x^4 - 6x^3 - 26x^2 + 138x - 35} \\ \underline{x^4 - 4x^3 + \quad x^2} \phantom{- 35} \\ -2x^3 - 27x^2 + 138x - 35 \\ \underline{-2x^3 + 8x^2 - 2x} \phantom{- 35} \\ + \quad - \quad + \\ -35x^2 + 140x - 35 \\ \underline{-35x^2 + 140x - 35} \\ + \quad - \quad + \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Clearly, } x^4 - 6x^3 - 26x^2 + 138x - 35 = (x^2 - 4x + 1)(x^2 - 2x - 35)$$

It can be observed that  $(x^2 - 2x - 35)$  is also a factor of the given polynomial.

$$(x^2 - 2x - 35) = (x - 7)(x + 5)$$

Therefore, the value of the polynomial is also zero when  $x - 7 = 0$  or  $x + 5 = 0$

i.e.,  $x = 7$  or  $-5$

Hence, 7 and  $-5$  are also zeroes of this polynomial.

- 32. Obtain all other zeroes of  $3x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 10x - 5$ , if two of its zeroes are**

$$\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}} \text{ and } -\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}. \quad \text{[NCERT]}$$

**Sol:**  $p(x) = 3x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 10x - 5$

Since the two zeroes are  $\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$  and  $-\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}$ ,

$$\therefore \left(x - \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}\right)\left(x + \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}\right) = \left(x^2 - \frac{5}{3}\right)$$

is a factor of  $3x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 10x - 5$ .

Therefore, we divide the given polynomial

$$\text{by } x^2 - \frac{5}{3}.$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3x^2 + 6x + 3 \\
 \hline
 x^2 + 0x - \frac{5}{3} \left. \vphantom{x^2 + 0x - \frac{5}{3}} \right) \begin{array}{r}
 3x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 10x - 5 \\
 \underline{3x^4 + 0x^3 - 5x^2} \\
 6x^3 + 3x^2 - 10x - 5 \\
 \underline{6x^3 + 0x^2 - 10x} \\
 3x^2 + 0x - 5 \\
 \underline{3x^2 + 0x - 5} \\
 0
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$$3x^4 + 6x^3 - 2x^2 - 10x - 5$$

$$= \left(x^2 - \frac{5}{3}\right)(3x^2 + 6x + 3)$$

$$= 3\left(x^2 - \frac{5}{3}\right)(x^2 + 2x + 1)$$

We factorise  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = (x + 1)^2$

Therefore, its zero is given by  $x + 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1$$

As it has the term  $(x + 1)^2$ , therefore, there will be 2 zeroes at  $x = -1$ .

Hence, the zeroes of the given

polynomial are  $\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}, -\sqrt{\frac{5}{3}}, -1$  and  $-1$ .



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