

## **SSLC CLASS NOTES – CHAPTER 8**

# **Polynomials**

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# Polynomials

$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

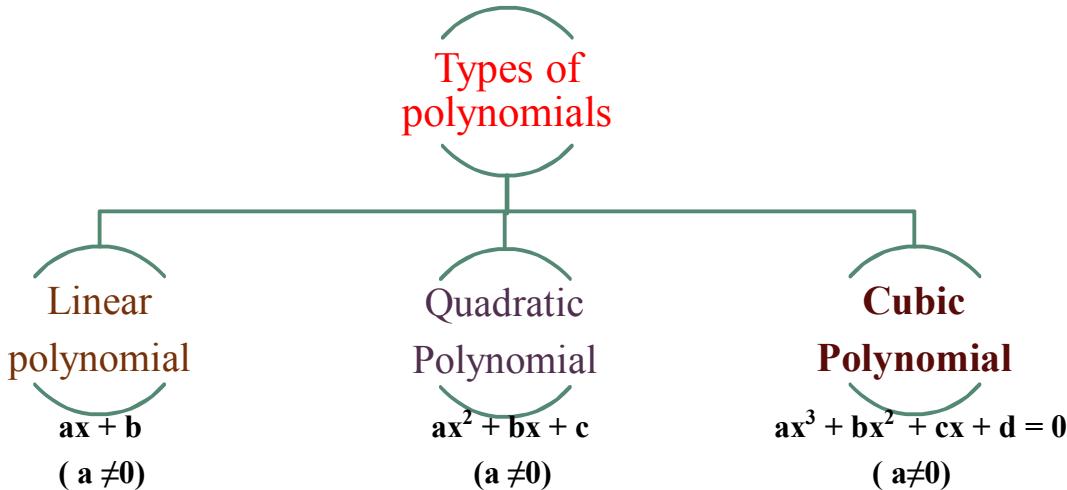
X – Variable, n – Positive number,  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$  Constants. Variables should be non-negative

**Degree of a polynomials:**

The highest exponent of the variable in a polynomial is called its degree.

**Constant polynomial:** The polynomials of the form  $f(x) = 10$

**zero polynomial:** The constant polynomial 0 or  $f(x) = 0$



**Zero of a polynomial:**

If  $p(x)$  is a polynomial and  $k$  is any real number such that  $p(k) = 0$ , then  $k$  is called a zero of the polynomial  $p(x)$ .

**Example:** The zeros of  $f(x) = x^2 - 5x + 6$  is 2 and 3.

Because  $f(2) = 0$  and  $f(3) = 0$

**Division algorithm for polynomial:**  $P(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$

$P(x)$  = Dividend,  $g(x)$  = Divisor,  $q(x)$  = quotient,  $r(x)$  = remainder

**Remainder Therorem:**

If a polynomial  $p(x)$  is divided by a linear polynomial  $(x - a)$ , then the remainder is  $p(a)$

If  $p(x)$  is divided by  $(x + a)$ , then the remainder is  $p(-a)$

If  $p(x)$  is divided by  $(ax + b)$ , then the remainder is  $P\left(\frac{-b}{a}\right)$ .

**Factor Therorem:** If  $p(a) = 0$ , then  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $p(x)$ .

When  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $p(x)$ , then  $p(a) = 0$

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### ILLUSTRATIVE PROBLEMS

Example1: Find the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $x^2 + 14x + 48$  and verify them

The given polynomial is  $x^2 + 14x + 48$ .

Sol: By factorising the quadratic polynomial we get,

$$x^2 + 14x + 48 = (x + 8)(x + 6)$$

The value of  $x^2 + 14x + 48$  is zero, When  $x + 8 = 0$  or  $x + 6 = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow x = -8 \text{ or } x = -6$$

The zeroes of the polynomial  $x^2 + 14x + 48$  are (-8) and (-6).

Let us verify the results by substituting the values.

$$p(x) = x^2 + 14x + 48 = (-8)^2 + 14(-8) + 48 = 64 - 112 + 48 = 0 \Rightarrow p(-8) = 0$$

$$p(-6) = (-6)^2 + 14(-6) + 48 = 36 - 84 + 48 \Rightarrow p(-6) = 0$$

Example2: Find the zeroes of the polynomial  $x^2 - 3$  and verify them

$$p(x) = x^2 - 3 \text{ By factorisation, } x^2 - 3 = x^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2 = (x + \sqrt{3})(x - \sqrt{3})$$

So, the value of  $(x^2 - 3)$  is zero when  $x = \sqrt{3}$  and  $x = -\sqrt{3}$

$\therefore$  the zeroes of  $(x^2 - 3)$  are  $\sqrt{3}$  and  $-\sqrt{3}$

$$\text{Verification: } P(\sqrt{3}) = (\sqrt{3})^2 - 3 = 3 - 3 = 0$$

$$P(-\sqrt{3}) = (-\sqrt{3})^2 - 3 = 3 - 3 = 0$$

### Exercise 8.1

- Find the degree of the following polynomials.

Sl.No.	Polynomials	Degree
(i)	$x^2 - 9x + 20$	2
(ii)	$2x + 4 + 6x^2$	2
(iii)	$x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$	3
(iv)	$x^3 + 17x - 21 - x^2$	3
(v)	$\sqrt{3}x^3 + 19x + 14$	3

- If  $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 11x + 6$  then find the value of (i)  $f(0)$  (ii)  $f(1)$  (iii)  $f(-1)$  (iv)  $f(2)$  (v)  $f(-3)$ .

$$f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 11x + 6$$

$$(i) f(0) = 2(0)^3 + 3(0)^2 - 11(0) + 6$$

$$f(0) = 0 + 0 - 0 + 6$$

$$f(0) = 6$$

$$(ii) f(1) = 2(1)^3 + 3(1)^2 - 11(1) + 6$$

$$f(1) = 2(1) + 3(1) - 11(1) + 6$$

$$f(1) = 2 + 3 - 11 + 6$$

$$f(1) = 11 - 11$$

$$f(1) = 0$$

$$(iii) f(-1) = 2(-1)^3 + 3(-1)^2 - 11(-1) + 6$$

$$f(-1) = -2 + 3 + 11 + 6$$

$$f(-1) = 18$$

$$(iv) f(2) = 2(2)^3 + 3(2)^2 - 11(2) + 6$$

$$f(2) = 2(8) + 3(4) - 11(2) + 6$$

$$f(2) = 16 + 12 - 22 + 6$$

$$f(2) = 12$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(v)} \quad f(-3) &= 2(-3)^3 + 3(-3)^2 - 11(-3) + 6 \\
 f(-3) &= 2(-27) + 3(9) - 11(-3) + 6 \\
 f(-3) &= -54 + 27 + 33 + 6 \\
 f(-3) &= 12
 \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the values of the following polynomials.

(i)  $g(x) = 7x^2 + 2x + 14$  when  $x = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x) &= 7x^2 + 2x + 14 \\
 \Rightarrow g(1) &= 7(1)^2 + 2(1) + 14 \\
 \Rightarrow g(1) &= 7 + 2 + 14 \\
 \Rightarrow g(1) &= 23
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $p(x) = -x^3 + x^2 - 6x + 5$  when  $x = 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(2) &= -(2)^3 + (2)^2 - 6(2) + 5 \\
 p(2) &= -8 + 4 - 12 + 5 \\
 p(2) &= -20 + 9 \\
 p(2) &= -11
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $P(x) = 2x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x + 13$  when  $x = -1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= 2x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x + 13 \\
 p(-1) &= 2(-1)^2 + \frac{1}{4}(-1) + 13 \\
 p(-1) &= 2 - \frac{1}{4} + 13 \\
 p(-1) &= \frac{8-1+52}{4} \\
 p(-1) &= \frac{59}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

(v)  $p(x) = 2x^4 - 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 2$  when  $x = -2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(-2) &= 2(-2)^4 - 3(-2)^3 - 3(-2)^2 + 6(-2) - 2 \\
 p(-2) &= 2(16) - 3(-8) - 3(4) + 6(-2) - 2 \\
 p(-2) &= 32 + 24 - 12 - 12 - 2 \\
 p(-2) &= 32 - 2 \\
 p(-2) &= 30
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Verify whether the indicated numbers are zeroes of the polynomials in each of the following cases.

(i)  $f(x) = 3x + 1$ ,  $x = \frac{-1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) &= 3\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) + 1 \\
 f\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) &= -1 + 1 \\
 f\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) &= 0 \\
 \therefore x = \frac{-1}{3} &\text{ is the Zero of } f(x) = 3x + 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $p(x) = x^2 - 4$ ,  $x = 2$  and  $x = -2$

If  $x = 2$  then,

$$p(2) = 2^2 - 4$$

$$p(2) = 4 - 4$$

$$p(2) = 0$$

If  $x = -2$  then,

$$p(-2) = (-2)^2 - 4$$

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$$p(-2) = 4 - 4$$

$$p(-2) = 0$$

$\therefore x = 2$  and  $-2$  are the zeros of  $p(x) = x^2 - 4$ .

(iii)  $g(x) = 5x - 8$ ,  $x = \frac{4}{5}$

$$g\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) - 8$$

$$g\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 4 - 8$$

$$g\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = -4$$

$\therefore x = \frac{4}{5}$  is the zero of  $g(x) = 5x - 8$ .

(iv)  $p(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 11x - 3$ ,  $x = 3$ ,  $x = -1$  and  $x = \frac{-1}{3}$

If  $x = 3$  then,

$$p(3) = 3(3)^3 - 5(3)^2 - 11(3) - 3$$

$$p(3) = 3(27) - 5(9) - 11(3) - 3$$

$$p(3) = 81 - 45 - 33 - 3$$

$$p(3) = 81 - 81$$

$$p(3) = 0$$

$\therefore x = 3$  is the zero of  $p(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 11x - 3$ .

$x = -1$  then,

$$p(-1) = 3(-1)^3 - 5(-1)^2 - 11(-1) - 3$$

$$p(-1) = 3(-1) - 5(1) - 11(-1) - 3$$

$$p(-1) = -3 - 5 + 11 - 3$$

$$p(-1) = -11 + 11$$

$$p(-1) = 0$$

$\therefore x = -1$  is the zero of  $p(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 11x - 3$ .

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

$$p\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = 3\left(\frac{-1}{27}\right) - 5\left(\frac{1}{9}\right) - 11\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) - 3$$

$$p\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{-1}{9}\right) - \left(\frac{5}{9}\right) + \left(\frac{11}{3}\right) - 3$$

$$p\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = \frac{-1}{9} - \frac{5}{9} + \frac{33}{9} - \frac{27}{9}$$

$$p\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = \frac{-33}{9} + \frac{33}{9}$$

$$p\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = \frac{-33+33}{9}$$

$$p\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) = 0$$

$\therefore x = \frac{-1}{3}$  is the zero of  $p(x) = 3x^3 - 5x^2 - 11x - 3$

5. Find the zeroes of the following quadratic polynomials and verify.

(i)  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 4$

$$= x^2 + 2x + 2x + 4$$

$$= x(x + 2) + 2(x + 2)$$

$$= (x + 2)(x + 2)$$

If  $x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$  then  $x + 2 = 0$

If  $x + 2 = 0$  then  $x = -2$  is the zero of  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x + 4$

Verification:

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$$f(-2) = (-2)^2 + 4(-2) + 4$$

$$f(2) = 4 - 8 + 4$$

$$f(2) = 8 - 8$$

$$f(2) = 0$$

(ii)  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 15$

$$= x^2 - 5x + 3x - 15$$

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

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

If  $x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$  then  $x - 5 = 0$  or  $(x + 3) = 0$

If  $x - 5 = 0$  then  $x = 5$  and If  $(x + 3) = 0$  then  $x = -3$  are the zeros of  $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - 15$

Verification,

$$f(5) = 5^2 - 2(5) - 15$$

$$f(2) = 25 - 10 - 15$$

$$f(2) = 25 - 25$$

$$f(2) = 0$$

$$f(3) = (-3)^2 - 2(-3) - 15$$

$$f(2) = 9 + 6 - 15$$

$$f(2) = 15 - 25$$

$$f(2) = 0$$

(iii)  $f(a) = 4a^2 - 49$

$$= (2a)^2 - 7^2$$

$$= (2a + 7)(2a - 7)$$

If  $4a^2 - 49 = 0$  then  $2a + 7 = 0$  or  $(2a - 7) = 0$

If  $2a + 7 = 0$  then  $2a = -7 \Rightarrow a = \frac{-7}{2}$  and if  $(2a - 7) = 0$  then  $2a = 7 \Rightarrow a = \frac{7}{2}$  are the zeros of  $f(a) = 4a^2 - 49$

Verification,

$$f(a) = 4a^2 - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right) = 4\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right)^2 - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right) = 4\left(\frac{49}{4}\right) - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right) = 49 - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{-7}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$f(a) = 4a^2 - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) = 4\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) = 4\left(\frac{49}{4}\right) - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) = 49 - 49$$

$$f\left(\frac{7}{2}\right) = 0$$

(iv)  $f(a) = 2a^2 - 2\sqrt{2}a + 1$

$$(\sqrt{2}a)^2 - 2\sqrt{2}a + 1$$

$$(\sqrt{2}a - 1)^2$$

$$(\sqrt{2}a - 1)^2$$

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If  $f(a) = 2a^2 - 2\sqrt{2}a + 1 = 0$  then  $\sqrt{2}a - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{2}a = 1 \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Verification,

$$f(a) = 2a^2 - 2\sqrt{2}a + 1$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 - 2\sqrt{2}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 1$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 2 + 1$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 1 - 2 + 1$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 2 - 2$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) = 0$$

6. If  $x = 1$  is the zero of the polynomial  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x + k$  find the value of  $k$ .

$x = 1$  is the zero of  $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + 4x + k$

$$\therefore f(1) = 1^3 - 2(1)^2 + 4(1) + k = 0$$

$$1 - 2 + 4 + k = 0$$

$$1 - 2 + 4 + k = 0$$

$$3 + k = 0$$

$$k = -3$$

7. For what value of  $k$ ,  $-4$  is the zero of polynomial  $x^2 - x - (2k + 2)$ .

$$f(x) = x^2 - x - (2k + 2)$$

$$f(-4) = 0$$

$$(-4)^2 - (-4) - (2k + 2) = 0$$

$$16 + 4 - (2k + 2) = 0$$

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

$$2k = 20 - 2 \Rightarrow k = \frac{18}{2} \Rightarrow k = 9$$

### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

Example 1: On dividing  $3x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 5$  by a polynomial  $g(x)$ , the quotient and remainder are  $(3x - 5)$  and  $(9x + 10)$  respectively. Find  $g(x)$ .

Sol:  $p(x) = [g(x) \times q(x)] + r(x)$  [Division algorithm for polynomials]

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{p(x)-r(x)}{q(x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{(3x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 5) - (9x + 10)}{(3x - 5)}$$

$$\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{3x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 5}{3x - 5}$$

$3x - 5$	$3x^3 + x^2 - 7x - 5$	$x^2 + 2x + 1$
	$3x^3 - 5x^2$	
	$6x^2 - 7x$	
	$6x^2 - 10x$	
	$3x - 5$	
	$3x - 5$	
	0	

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

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**Example 2 :** A polynomial  $p(x)$  is divided by  $(2x - 1)$ . The quotient and remainder obtained are  $(7x^2 + x + 5)$  and 4 respectively. Find  $p(x)$

$$p(x) = [g(x) \times q(x)] + r(x) \quad [\text{Division algorithm for polynomials}]$$

$$p(x) = (2x - 1)(7x^2 + x + 5) + 4$$

$$p(x) = 14x^3 + 2x^2 + 10x - 7x^2 - x - 5 + 4$$

$$p(x) = 14x^3 - 5x^2 + 9x - 1$$

$$\therefore \text{the dividend } p(x) = 14x^3 - 5x^2 + 9x - 1$$

**Example 3:** Find the quotient and remainder on dividing  $p(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 8$  by  $g(x) = x - 2$

$$\text{Sol: } p(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 8 \quad \therefore \text{degree of } p(x) \text{ is 3.}$$

$$g(x) = x - 2 \quad \therefore \text{degree of } g(x) \text{ is 1}$$

$\therefore$  degree of quotient  $q(x) = 3 - 1 = 2$  and degree of remainder  $r(x)$  is zero.

Let,  $q(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  (Polynomial of degree 2) and  $r(x) = k$  (constant polynomial)

By using division algorithm, we have

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

$$= x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 8 = (x - 2)(ax^2 + bx + c) + k$$

$$= ax^3 + bx^2 + cx - 2ax^2 - 2bx - 2c + k$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 6x^2 + 15x - 8 = ax^3 + (b - 2a)x^2 + (c - 2b)x - 2c + k$$

We have cubic polynomials on both the sides of the equation.

$\therefore$  Let us compare the coefficients of  $x^3, x^2, x$  and  $k$  to get the values of  $a, b, c$ .  
i.e., (i)  $a = 1$ ,

$$(ii) b - 2a = -6 \Rightarrow b - 2 \times 1 = -6 \Rightarrow b - 2 = -6 \Rightarrow b = -6 + 2 \Rightarrow b = -4$$

$$(iii) c - 2b = 15 \Rightarrow c - 2 \times (-4) = 15 \Rightarrow c + 8 = 15 \Rightarrow c = 15 - 8 \Rightarrow c = 7$$

$$(iv) -2c + k = -8 \Rightarrow -2 \times 7 + k = -8 \Rightarrow -14 + k = -8 \Rightarrow k = -8 + 14 \Rightarrow k = 6$$

$$q(x) = ax^2 + bx + c = (1)x^2 + (-4)x + 7 = x^2 - 4x + 7 \text{ and } r(x) = k = 6$$

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $x^2 - 4x + 7$  and remainder is 6.

**Example 4 :** What must be subtracted from  $6x^4 + 13x^3 + 13x^2 + 30x + 20$ , so that the resulting polynomial is exactly divisible by  $3x^2 + 2x + 5$ ?

$$\text{Sol: } p(x) = g(x) \times q(x) + r(x) \quad [\text{Division algorithm for polynomials}]$$

$$\therefore p(x) - r(x) = g(x) \times q(x)$$

It is clear that RHS of the above equation is divisible by  $g(x)$ . i.e., the divisor.

$\therefore$  LHS is also divisible by the divisor.

Therefore, if we subtract remainder  $r(x)$  from dividend  $p(x)$ , then it will be exactly

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$3x^2 + 2x + 5$	$6x^4 + 13x^3 + 13x^2 + 30x + 20$	$2x^2 + 3x - 1$
	$6x^4 + 4x^3 + 10x^2$	
	$+ 9x^3 + 3x^2 + 30x$	
	$+ 9x^3 + 6x^2 + 15x$	
	$- 3x^2 + 15x + 20$	
	$- 3x^2 - 2x - 5$	
	$+ 17x + 25$	

∴ We get the quotient  $2x^2 + 3x - 1$  and the remainder is  $+ 17x + 25$

∴ If we subtract  $+ 17x + 25$  from  $6x^4 + 13x^3 + 13x^2 + 30x + 20$  it will be exactly divisible by  $3x^2 + 2x + 5$

**Example 5:** What must be added to the polynomial  $p(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 1$  so that the resulting polynomial is exactly divisible by  $x^2 + 2x - 3$

we know,  $p(x) = [g(x) \times q(x)] + r(x)$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) - r(x) = g(x) \times q(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) + \{-r(x)\} = g(x) \times q(x)$$

Thus, if we add  $-r(x)$  to  $p(x)$ , then the resulting polynomial is divisible by  $g(x)$ .

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

Hence, we should add  $(x - 2)$  to  $p(x)$  so that the resulting polynomial is exactly divisible by  $g(x)$ .

### Exercise – 8.2

1. Divide  $p(x)$  by  $g(x)$  in each of the following cases and verify division algorithm.

(i)  $p(x) = x^2 + 4x + 4$  ;  $g(x) = x + 2$

$x+2$	$x^2 + 4x + 4$	$x + 2$
	$x^2 + 2x$	
	$2x + 4$	
	$2x + 4$	
	0	

$$p(x) = x^2 + 4x + 4; \quad g(x) = x + 2; \quad q(x) = x + 2; \quad r(x) = 0$$

$$g(x).q(x) + r(x)$$

$$= (x+2)(x+2) + 0 = x^2 + 4x + 4 = p(x)$$

(ii)  $p(x) = 2x^2 - 9x + 9$  ;  $g(x) = x - 3$

$x - 3$	$2x^2 - 9x + 9$	$2x - 3$
	$2x^2 - 6x$	
	$-3x + 9$	
	$-3x + 9$	
	0	

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$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= 2x^2 - 9x + 9; g(x) = x - 3; q(x) = 2x - 3; r(x) = 0 \\
 g(x).q(x) + r(x) &= (x - 3)(2x - 3) + 0 \\
 &= 2x^2 - 6x - 3x + 9 + 0 \\
 &= 2x^2 - 9x + 9 \\
 &= p(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii)  $p(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 6; g(x) = x + 1$

x+1	$x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 6$ $x^3 + x^2$	$x^2 + 3x - 8$
	$3x^2 - 5x$ $3x^2 + 3x$	
	$-8x + 6$ $-8x - 8$	
		+14

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 6 \\
 g(x) &= x + 1; q(x) = x^2 + 3x - 8; r(x) = 14 \\
 g(x).q(x) + r(x) &= (x + 1)(x^2 + 3x - 8) + 14 \\
 &= x^3 + x^2 + 3x^2 + 3x - 8x - 8 + 14 \\
 &= x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 6 = p(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

(iv)  $p(x) = x^4 - 3x^2 - 4; g(x) = x + 2$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= x^4 - 3x^2 - 4; g(x) = x + 2 \\
 q(x) &= x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 2; r(x) = 0 \\
 g(x).q(x) + r(x) &= (x + 2)(x^3 - 2x^2 + x - 2) + 0 \\
 &= x^4 + 2x^3 - 2x^3 - 4x^2 + x^2 + 2x - 2x - 4 \\
 &= x^4 - 3x^2 - 4 = p(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

(v)  $p(x) = x^3 - 1; g(x) = x - 1$

x - 1	$x^3 + 0x^2 + 0x - 1$ $x^3 - x^2$	$x^2 + x + 1$
	$x^2 + 0x$ $x^2 - x$	
	$x - 1$ $x - 1$	
	0	

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$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= x^3 - 1; g(x) = x - 1 \\
 q(x) &= x^2 + x + 1; r(x) = 0 \\
 g(x).q(x) + r(x) &= (x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1) + 0 \\
 &= x^3 - x^2 + x^2 - x + x - 1 \\
 &= x^3 - 1 = p(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

(iv)  $p(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x + 9; g(x) = x^2 + 2x - 3$

$x^2+2x-3$	$x^4 + 0x^3 - 4x^2 + 12x + 9$ $x^4 + 2x^3 - 3x^2$	$x^2 - 2x + 3$
	$-2x^3 - x^2 + 12x$ $-2x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x$	
	$+ 3x^2 + 6x + 9$ $3x^2 + 6x - 9$	
		18

$$p(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x + 9; g(x) = x^2 + 2x - 3$$

$$q(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3; r(x) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x).q(x) + r(x) &= (x^2 + 2x - 3)(x^2 - 2x + 3) + 18 \\
 &= x^4 + 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 2x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x + 3x^2 + 6x - 9 + 18 \\
 &= x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x + 9 = p(x)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Find the divisor  $g(x)$ , when the polynomial  $p(x) = 4x^3 + 2x^2 - 10x + 2$  is divided by  $g(x)$  and the quotient and remainder obtained are  $(2x^2 + 4x + 1)$  and 5 respectively.

$$p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$$

$$g(x) = \frac{p(x)-r(x)}{q(x)}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{4x^3 + 2x^2 - 10x + 2 - 5}{2x^2 + 4x + 1}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{4x^3 + 2x^2 - 10x - 3}{2x^2 + 4x + 1}$$

$2x^2 + 4x + 1$	$4x^3 + 2x^2 - 10x - 3$ $4x^3 + 8x^2 + 2x$	$2x - 3$
	$-6x^2 - 12x - 3$ $-6x^2 - 12x - 3$	
	0	

$$g(x) = 2x - 3$$

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

$$p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$$

$$g(x) = \frac{p(x)-r(x)}{q(x)}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 - 3x^2 + x + 2 - 2x + 4}{x - 2}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x^3 - 3x^2 - x + 6}{x - 2}$$

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$x - 2$	$x^3 - 3x^2 - x + 6$ $x^3 - 2x^2$	$x^2 - x - 3$
	$-x^2 - x$ $-x^2 + 2x$	
	$-3x + 6$ $-3x + 6$	
	0	

$$g(x) = x^2 - x - 3$$

4. A polynomial  $p(x)$  is divided by  $g(x)$ , the obtained quotient  $q(x)$  and the remainder  $r(x)$  are given in the table. Find  $p(x)$  in each case.

Sl.No.	$p(x)$	$g(x)$	$q(x)$	$r(x)$
i	$x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x + 2$	$x - 2$	$x^2 - x + 1$	4
ii	$2x^3 + 7x^2 + 11x + 16$	$x + 3$	$2x^2 + x + 5$	$3x + 1$
iii	$2x^4 + 7x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$	$2x + 1$	$x^3 + 3x^2 - x + 1$	0
iv	$x^4 - 2x^3 + 2x - 3$	$x - 1$	$x^3 - x^2 - x - 1$	$2x - 4$
v	$x^6 + 2x^5 - x^4 + x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 5$	$x^2 + 2x + 1$	$x^4 - 2x^2 + 5x - 7$	$4x + 12$

(i)  $p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$

$$p(x) = (x - 2)(x^2 - x + 1) + 4$$

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

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

(ii)  $p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$

$$p(x) = (x + 3)(2x^2 + x + 5) + (3x + 1)$$

$$p(x) = 2x^3 + 6x^2 + x^2 + 3x + 5x + 15 + 3x + 1$$

$$p(x) = 2x^3 + 7x^2 + 11x + 16$$

(iii)  $p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$

$$p(x) = (2x + 1)(x^3 + 3x^2 - x + 1) + 0$$

$$p(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 + 6x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x^2 - x + 2x + 1$$

$$p(x) = 2x^4 + 7x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

(iv)  $p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$

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

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

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

$$p(x) = (x^2 + 2x + 1)(x^4 - 2x^2 + 5x - 7) + 4x + 12$$

$$p(x) = x^6 + 2x^5 + x^4 - 2x^4 - 4x^3 - 2x^2 + 5x^3 + 10x^2 + 5x - 7x^2 - 14x - 7 + 4x + 12$$

$$p(x) = x^6 + 2x^5 - x^4 + x^3 + x^2 - 5x + 5$$

5. Find the quotient and remainder on dividing  $p(x)$  by  $g(x)$  in each of the following cases, without actual division.

(i)  $p(x) = x^2 + 7x + 10$ ;  $g(x) = x - 2$

The degree of  $p(x) = 2$

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The degree of  $g(x) = 1$

$\therefore$  The degree of  $q(x) = 2 - 1 = 1$

$\therefore$  The degree of  $r(x) = 1 - 1 = 0$

$\therefore$  Let  $q(x) = ax + b$  and  $r(x) = c$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 10 = (x - 2)(ax + b) + c$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 10 = ax^2 - 2ax + bx - 2b + c$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 10 = ax^2 - (2a - b)x - 2b + c$$

$\therefore$  Let us compare the coefficients

$$(i) a = 1,$$

$$(ii) -2a + b = 7 \Rightarrow -2 - b = 7 \Rightarrow b = 9$$

$$(iii) -2b + c = 10 \Rightarrow -2(9) + c = 10 \Rightarrow -18 + c = 10 \Rightarrow c = 10 + 18 = 28$$

$\therefore$  Quotient  $q(x) = x + 9$  and Remainder  $r(x) = 28$

(ii)  $p(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x + 2; g(x) = x - 3$

The degree of  $p(x) = 3$

The degree of  $g(x) = 1$

$\therefore$  The degree of  $q(x) = 3 - 1 = 1$

$\therefore$  The degree of  $r(x) = 1 - 1 = 0$

$\therefore$  Let  $q(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  and  $r(x) = d$

$$p(x) = g(x).q(x) + r(x)$$

$$x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x + 2 = (x - 3)(ax^2 + bx + c) + d$$

$$x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x + 2 = ax^3 - 3ax^2 + bx^2 - 3bx + cx - 3c + d$$

$$x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x + 2 = ax^3 - (3a - b)x^2 - (3b - c)x - 3c + d$$

$\therefore$  Let us compare the coefficients,

$$(i) a = 1,$$

$$(ii) -3a + b = 4 \Rightarrow -3(1) + b = 4 \Rightarrow -3 + b = 4 \Rightarrow b = 7$$

$$(iii) 3b - c = 6 \Rightarrow 3(7) - c = 6 \Rightarrow 21 - c = 6 \Rightarrow -c = 6 - 21 \Rightarrow c = 15$$

$$(iv) -3c + d = 2 \Rightarrow -3(15) + d = 2 \Rightarrow -45 + d = 2 \Rightarrow d = 2 + 45 \Rightarrow d = 47$$

$\therefore$  Quotient  $q(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$

$\therefore$  Quotient  $q(x) = x^2 + 7x + 15$  and remainder  $r(x) = 47$

6. What must be subtracted from  $(x^3 + 5x^2 + 5x + 8)$  so that the resulting polynomial is exactly divisible by  $(x^2 + 3x - 2)$ ?

$x^2 + 3x - 2$	$x^3 + 5x^2 + 5x + 8$ $x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x$	$x + 2$
	$2x^2 + 7x + 8$ $2x^2 + 6x - 4$	
	$x + 12$	

$\therefore$  If we subtract  $(x + 12)$  from  $(x^3 + 5x^2 + 5x + 8)$  it will be exactly divisible by  $(x^2 + 3x - 2)$

7. What should be added to the polynomial  $(7x^3 + 4x^2 - x - 10)$  so that the resulting polynomial is exactly divisible by  $(2x^2 + 3x - 2)$ ?

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$x^2 + 2x + 1$	$x^4 + 0x^3 + 0x^2 + 0x - 1$ $x^4 + 2x^3 + x^2$	$x^2 - 2x + 3$
	$-2x^3 - x^2 + 0x$ $-2x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x$	
	$+3x^2 + 2x - 1$ $3x^2 + 6x + 3$	
	$-4x - 4$	

Hence, we should add  $(4x + 4)$  to  $p(x)$  so that the resulting polynomial is exactly divisible by  $g(x)$

### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1:** Find the remainder when  $p(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 + 3x + 1$  is divided by  $(x-1)$

Sol. By remainder theorem, the required remainder is equal to  $p(1)$

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

$$\therefore p(1) = 1^3 - 4(1)^2 + 3(1) + 1 = 1 - 4 + 3 + 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{the required remainder} = p(1) = 1$$

**Example 2:** Find the remainder when  $p(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 2x - 4$  is divided by  $g(x) = 3x - 1$

Sol. Here,  $g(x) = 3x - 1$ . To apply Remainder theorem,  $(3x-1)$  should be converted to  $(x - a)$  form.

$$3x - 1 \Rightarrow x - \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow g(x) = \left(x - \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$p(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 2x - 4$$

$$\therefore p\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 - 6\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - 4 = \frac{1}{27} - \frac{6}{9} + \frac{2}{3} - 4 = \frac{1 - 18 + 18 - 108}{27} = \frac{-107}{27}$$

$$\therefore \text{the required remainder} = p\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{-107}{27}$$

**Example 3:** The polynomials  $(ax^3 + 3x^2 - 13)$  and  $(2x^3 - 4x + a)$  are divided by  $(x-3)$ .

If the remainder in each case is the same, find the value of  $a$

Sol. Let  $p(x) = ax^3 + 3x^2 - 13$  and  $g(x) = 2x^3 - 4x + a$

By remainder theorem, the two remainders are  $p(3)$  and  $g(3)$  By the given

condition,  $p(3) = g(3)$

$$\therefore p(3) = a \cdot 3^3 + 3 \cdot 3^2 - 13 = 27a + 27 - 13 = 27a + 14$$

$$g(3) = 2 \cdot 3^3 - 4 \cdot 3 + a = 54 - 12 + a = 42 + a$$

Since  $p(3) = g(3)$ , we get  $27a + 14 = 42 + a$

$$\therefore 26a = 28 \therefore$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{28}{26} = \frac{14}{13}$$

**Example 4:** Two polynomials  $(2x^3 + x^2 - 6ax + 7)$  and  $(x^3 + 2ax^2 - 12x + 4)$  are divided by  $(x+1)$  and  $(x-1)$  respectively. If  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are the remainders and  $2R_1 + 3R_2 = 27$ , find the value of ' $a$ '

Sol: Let  $p(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 - 6ax + 7$  and  $f(x) = x^3 + 2ax^2 - 12x + 4$

$R_1$  is the remainder when  $p(x)$  is divided by  $(x + 1)$

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$$\therefore P(-1) = R_1$$

$$\Rightarrow R_1 = 2(-1)^3 + (-1)^2 - 6a(-1) + 7$$

$$\Rightarrow R_1 = -2 + 1 + 6a + 7 \Rightarrow R_1 = 6a + 6$$

$R_2$  is the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x-1)$

$$\therefore f(1) = R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow R_2 = 1^3 + 2a(1)^2 - 12(1) + 4$$

$$\Rightarrow R_2 = 1 + 2a - 12 + 4 \Rightarrow R_2 = 2a - 7$$

$$2R_1 + 3R_2 = 27 \Rightarrow 2(6a+6) + 3(2a-7) = 27 \Rightarrow 12a + 12 + 6a - 21 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow 18a - 9 = 27 \Rightarrow 18a = 36 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

### Exercise 8.3

- I In each of the following cases, use the remainder theorem and find the remainder when  $p(x)$  is divided by  $g(x)$ . Verify the result by actual division.

(i)  $p(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x + 8 \quad g(x) = x - 3$

By Remainder theorem  $r(x) = p(3)$

$$p(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x + 8$$

$$p(3) = 3^3 + 3(3)^2 - 5(3) + 8$$

$$p(3) = 27 + 3(9) - 5(3) + 8$$

$$p(3) = 27 + 27 - 15 + 8$$

$$p(3) = 62 - 15$$

$$\mathbf{p(3) = 47}$$

(ii)  $p(x) = 4x^3 - 10x^2 + 12x - 3 \quad g(x) = x + 1$

By Remainder theorem  $r(x) = p(-1)$

$$p(x) = 4x^3 - 10x^2 + 12x - 3$$

$$p(-1) = 4(-1)^3 - 10(-1)^2 + 12(-1) - 3$$

$$p(3) = -4 - 10 - 12 - 3$$

$$\mathbf{p(3) = -29}$$

(iii)  $p(x) = 2x^4 - 5x^2 + 15x - 6 \quad g(x) = x - 2$

By Remainder theorem  $r(x) = p(2)$

$$p(x) = 2x^4 - 5x^2 + 15x - 6$$

$$p(2) = 2(2)^4 - 5(2)^2 + 15(2) - 6$$

$$p(2) = 32 - 5 \times 4 + 30 - 6$$

$$p(2) = 32 - 20 + 30 - 6$$

$$\mathbf{p(2) = 36}$$

$$\mathbf{p(3) = -29}$$

(iv)  $p(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 14x - 3 \quad g(x) = 2x - 1$

By Remainder theorem  $r(x) = p(\frac{1}{2})$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = 4\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 12\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 14\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 3$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = 4\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) - 12\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 14\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 3$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 3 + 7 - 3$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{2} + 1$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2}$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{2}$$

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(v)  $p(x) = 7x^3 - x^2 + 2x - 1 \quad g(x) = 1 - 2x$

By Remainder theorem  $r(x) = p(-\frac{1}{2})$

$$p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 7\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 1$$

$$p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 1 - 1$$

$$p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{7}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{7-2}{8}$$

$$p\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{5}{8}$$

2. If the polynomials  $(2x^3 + ax^2 + 3x - 5)$  and  $(x^3 + x^2 - 4x - a)$  leave the same remainder when divided by  $(x-1)$ , find the value of  $a$ .

If  $g(x) = x-1$  then  $r(x) = p(1)$

$$p(x) = 2x^3 + ax^2 + 3x - 5$$

$$p(1) = 2(1)^3 + a(1)^2 + 3(1) - 5$$

$$p(1) = 2 + a + 3 - 5$$

$$p(1) = a \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$p(x) = (x^3 + x^2 - 4x - a)$$

$$p(1) = 1^3 + 1^2 - 4(1) - a$$

$$p(1) = 1 + 1 - 4 - a$$

$$p(1) = -2 - a \text{ ----- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2)

$$a = -2 - a$$

$$2a = -2$$

$$a = -1$$

3. The polynomials  $(2x^3 - 5x^2 + x + a)$  and  $(ax^3 + 2x^2 - 3)$  when divided by  $(x-2)$  leave the remainder  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  respectively. Find the value of 'a' in each of the following cases.

$$R_1 = p(2)$$

$$p(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + x + a$$

$$p(2) = 2(2)^3 - 5(2)^2 + 2 + a$$

$$R_1 = 2(8) - 5(4) + 2 + a$$

$$R_1 = 16 - 20 + 2 + a$$

$$R_1 = -2 + a$$

$$R_2 = p(2)$$

$$p(x) = ax^3 + 2x^2 - 3$$

$$R_2 = a(2)^3 + 2(2)^2 - 3$$

$$R_2 = 8a + 2(4) - 3$$

$$R_2 = 8a + 8 - 3$$

$$R_2 = 8a + 5$$

(i)  $R_1 = R_2$

$$-2 + a = 8a + 5$$

$$-8a + a = 2 + 5$$

$$-7a = 7$$

$$a = -1$$

(ii)  $2R_1 + R_2 = 0$

$$2(-2 + a) + 8a + 5 = 0$$

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$$-4 + 2a + 8a + 5 = 0$$

$$10a + 1 = 0$$

$$10a = -1$$

$$a = \frac{-1}{10}$$

$$(iii) R_1 - 2R_2 = 0$$

$$-2 + a - 2(8a + 5) = 0$$

$$-15a - 12 = 0$$

$$a = \frac{-12}{15}$$

$$a = \frac{-4}{5}$$

### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

**Example 1:** Show that  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of the polynomial  $(x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 20)$

Sol. Let  $p(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 20$

By factor theorem,  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $p(x)$  if  $p(-2) = 0$ .

$\therefore$  It is sufficient to show that  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $p(x)$ .

$$\text{Now, } p(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 20$$

$$\therefore p(-2) = (-2)^3 - 4(-2)^2 - 2(-2) + 20 = -8 - 16 + 4 + 20 = 0$$

$\therefore (x + 2)$  is a factor of  $p(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 2x + 20$

**Example 2:** Show that  $(x - 1)$  is a factor of  $(x^n - 1)$ .

Sol. Let  $p(x) = x^n - 1$

In order to show that  $(x - 1)$  is a factor of  $(x^n - 1)$ , it is

sufficient to show that  $p(1) = 0$ . Now,  $p(x) = x^n - 1$

$$\therefore p(1) = 1^n - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$\therefore (x - 1)$  is a factor of  $(x^n - 1)$

**Example 3:** Find the value of  $a$ , if  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $(x^3 - a^2x + x + 2)$ .

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

By factor theorem,  $(x - a)$  is a factor of  $p(x)$ , if  $p(a) = 0$ .

$$\therefore p(a) = a^3 - a^2 \cdot a + a + 2 = a^3 - a^3 + a + 2 = a + 2$$

$$\therefore a + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow a = -2$$

**Example 4:** Without actual division, prove that  $(x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x - 9)$  is exactly divisible by  $(x^2 + 2x - 3)$

Sol: Let  $p(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x - 9$  and  $g(x) = x^2 + 2x - 3$

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

Hence,  $(x + 3)$  and  $(x - 1)$  are factors of  $g(x)$

In order to prove that  $p(x)$  is exactly divisible by  $g(x)$ , it is sufficient to prove that  $p(x)$  is exactly divisible by  $(x + 3)$  and  $(x - 1)$

$\therefore$  Let us show that  $(x + 3)$  and  $(x - 1)$  are factors of  $p(x)$

$$\text{Now, } p(x) = x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x - 9$$

$$p(-3) = (-3)^4 - 4(-3)^2 + 12(-3) - 9 = 81 - 36 - 36 - 9 = 81 - 81 \Rightarrow p(-3) = 0$$

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$$p(1) = (1)^4 - 4(1)^2 + 12(1) - 9 = 1 - 4 + 12 - 9 = 13 - 13 \Rightarrow p(1) = 0$$

$\therefore$  (x+3) and (x-1) are factors of p(x)  $\square$  g(x) = (x+3)(x-1) is also a factor of p(x).

Hence, p(x) is exactly divisible by g(x). i.e.,  $(x^4 - 4x^2 + 12x - 9)$  is exactly divisible by  $(x^2 + 2x - 3)$

### Exercise – 8.4

- In each of the following cases, use factor theorem to find whether g(x) is a factor of the polynomial p(x) or not.

(i)  $p(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 20$        $g(x) = x - 2$

$$p(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 20$$

If  $g(x) = x - 2$  is the factor of  $p(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 20$  then  $p(2) = 0$

$$p(2) = 2^3 - 3(2)^2 + 6(2) - 20$$

$$p(2) = 8 - 12 + 12 - 20$$

$$p(2) = -12$$

$$p(2) \neq 0$$

$\therefore g(x) = x - 2$  is not the factor of  $p(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 20$

(ii)  $p(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 + 4x^2 - x - 7$        $g(x) = x + 2$

If  $g(x) = x + 2$  is the factor of  $p(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 + 4x^2 - x - 7$  then  $p(-2) = 0$

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

$$p(-2) = 2(16) + (-8) + 4(4) - (-2) - 7$$

$$p(-2) = 32 - 8 + 16 + 2 - 7$$

$$p(-2) = 35$$

$$p(-2) \neq 0$$

$\therefore g(x) = x + 2$  is not the factor of  $p(x) = 2x^4 + x^3 + 4x^2 - x - 7$

(iii)  $p(x) = 3x^4 + 3x^2 - 4x - 11$        $g(x) = x - \frac{1}{2}$

If  $g(x) = x - \frac{1}{2}$  is the factor of  $p(x) = 3x^4 + 3x^2 - 4x - 11$  then  $p(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$ .

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = 3(\frac{1}{2})^4 + 3(\frac{1}{2})^2 - 4(\frac{1}{2}) - 11$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{16} + \frac{3}{4} - 2 - 11$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3}{16} + \frac{3}{4} - 13$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{3+12-208}{16}$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{193}{16}$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) \neq 0$$

$\therefore g(x) = x - \frac{1}{2}$  is not the factor of  $p(x) = 3x^4 + 3x^2 - 4x - 11$

(iv)  $p(x) = 3x^3 + x^2 - 20x + 12$        $g(x) = 3x - 2$

If  $g(x) = 3x - 2$  is the factor of  $p(x) = 3x^3 + x^2 - 20x + 12$  then  $p(\frac{2}{3}) = 0$

$$p(\frac{2}{3}) = 3(\frac{2}{3})^3 + (\frac{2}{3})^2 - 20(\frac{2}{3}) + 12$$

$$p(\frac{2}{3}) = 3(\frac{8}{27}) + (\frac{4}{9}) - 20(\frac{2}{3}) + 12$$

$$p(\frac{2}{3}) = \frac{8}{9} + \frac{4}{9} - \frac{40}{3} + 12$$

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$$p\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{8+4-120+108}{9}$$

$$p\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{0}{9}$$

$$p\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 0$$

$\therefore g(x) = x - \frac{1}{2}$  is the factor of  $p(x) = 3x^4 + 3x^2 - 4x - 11$

(iv)  $p(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 2x^2 - 9x - 12 \quad g(x) = x^2 - 3$

If  $g(x) = x^2 - 3$  is the factor of  $p(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 2x^2 - 9x - 12$  then  $p(\sqrt{3}) = 0$  and  $p(-\sqrt{3}) = 0$ .

$$p(\sqrt{3}) = 2(\sqrt{3})^4 + 3(\sqrt{3})^3 - 2(\sqrt{3})^2 - 9(\sqrt{3}) - 12$$

$$p(\sqrt{3}) = 2(9) + 3(3\sqrt{3}) - 2(3) - 9(\sqrt{3}) - 12$$

$$p(\sqrt{3}) = 18 + 9\sqrt{3} - 6 - 9\sqrt{3} - 12$$

$$p(\sqrt{3}) = 18 - 18 + 9\sqrt{3} - 9\sqrt{3}$$

$$p(\sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$$p(-\sqrt{3}) = 2(-\sqrt{3})^4 + 3(-\sqrt{3})^3 - 2(-\sqrt{3})^2 - 9(-\sqrt{3}) - 12$$

$$p(-\sqrt{3}) = 2(9) - 3(3\sqrt{3}) - 2(3) - 9(\sqrt{3}) - 12$$

$$p(-\sqrt{3}) = 18 - 9\sqrt{3} - 6 + 9\sqrt{3} - 12$$

$$p(-\sqrt{3}) = 18 - 18 - 9\sqrt{3} + 9\sqrt{3}$$

$$p(-\sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$\therefore g(x) = x^2 - 3$  is the factors of  $p(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 - 2x^2 - 9x - 12$

2. If the factor of  $x^3 - 3x^2 + ax - 10$  is  $(x - 5)$  then find the value of 'a'

If  $(x - 5)$  is the factor of  $x^3 - 3x^2 + ax - 10$  then  $p(5) = 0$

$$p(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + ax - 10$$

$$p(5) = 0$$

$$5^3 - 3(5)^2 + 5a - 10 = 0$$

$$125 - 75 + 5a - 10 = 0$$

$$5a = -40$$

$$a = -8$$

3. If  $(x^3 + ax^2 - bx + 10)$  is divisible by  $x^2 - 3x + 2$ , find the values of a and b

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

$$(x^2 - 2x - x + 2)$$

$$x(x - 2) - 1(x - 2)$$

$$(x - 2)(x - 1)$$

If  $(x^2 - 3x + 2)$  is the factor of  $(x^3 + ax^2 - bx + 10)$  then  $p(2) = 0$  and  $p(1) = 0$

$$p(2) = (x^3 + ax^2 - bx + 10)$$

$$p(2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^3 + a(2)^2 - 2b + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 8 + 4a - 2b + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a - 2b = -18 \text{ ----- (1)}$$

$$p(1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1^3 + a(1)^2 - b + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + a - b + 10 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a - b = -11 \text{ ----- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2)

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$$\begin{aligned}4a - 2b &= -18 \\a - b &= -11 \quad \text{-----Multiply by 2} \\4a - 2b &= -18 \\2a - 2b &= -22 \\2a &= 4\end{aligned}$$

$$a = 2$$

Substitute  $a = 2$  in (1),

$$4(2) - 2b = -18$$

$$8 - 2b = -18$$

$$-2b = -18 - 8$$

$$-2b = -26$$

$$b = 13$$

4. If both  $(x - 2)$  and  $(x - \frac{1}{2})$  are factors of  $(ax^2 + 5x + b)$  then, prove that  $a = b$ .

If  $(x - 2)$  is the factor of  $(ax^2 + 5x + b)$  then  $p(2) = 0$

$$p(x) = ax^2 + 5x + b$$

$$p(2) = 0$$

$$a(2)^2 + 5(2) + b = 0$$

$$4a + 10 + b = 0$$

$$4a + b = -10 \quad \text{-----}(1)$$

If  $(x - \frac{1}{2})$  is the factor of  $(ax^2 + 5x + b)$  then,  $p(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$

$$p(x) = ax^2 + 5x + b$$

$$p(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$a(\frac{1}{2})^2 + 5(\frac{1}{2}) + b =$$

$$\frac{a}{4} + \frac{5}{2} + b = 0$$

$$\frac{a+10+4b}{4} = 0$$

$$a + 10 + 4b = 0$$

$$a + 4b = -10 \quad \text{-----}(2)$$

$a + 4b = -10$  -----Multiply by 4

$$4a + 16b = -40 \quad \text{-----}(3)$$

From (1) and (3)

$$4a + b = -10$$

$$4a + 16b = -40$$

$$\underline{-15b = +30}$$

$$b = -2$$

Substitute  $b = -2$  in (1) then,

$$4a - 2 = -10$$

$$4a - 2 = -10 + 2$$

$$4a = -8$$

$$a = -2$$

$$\therefore a = b$$

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### ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

Example 1 : Divide  $3x^3 + 11x^2 + 34x + 106$  by  $x - 3$

3	3	11	-34	106	
		9	60		282
	3	20	94		388

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $3x^2 + 20x + 94$  and the remainder is 388.

Example 2; Divide  $x^6 - 2x^5 - x + 2$  by  $x - 2$

2	1	-2	0	0	0	-1	2	
		2	0	0	0	0	-2	
	1	0	0	0	0	-1	0	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $x^5 - 1$  and remainder is 0

### Exercise – 8.5

1. Find the quotient and remainder using synthetic division.

(i)  $(x^3 + x^2 - 3x + 5) \div (x - 1)$

1	1	1	-3	5	
		1	2	-1	
	1	2	-	4	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = x^2 + 2x - 1$  and remainder is  $r(x) = 4$

(ii)  $(3x^3 - 2x^2 + 7x - 5) \div (x + 3)$

-3	3	-2	7	-5	
		-9	33	-120	
	3	-11	40	-125	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = 3x^2 - 11x - 40$  and remainder is  $r(x) = -125$

(iii)  $(4x^3 - 16x^2 - 9x - 36) \div (x + 2)$

-2	4	-16	-9	-36	
		-8	48	-78	
	4	-24	39	-114	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = 4x^2 - 24x + 39$  and remainder is  $r(x) = -114$

(iv)  $(6x^4 - 29x^3 + 40x^2 - 12) \div (x - 3)$

3	6	-29	40	0	-12	
		18	-33	21	63	
	6	-11	7	21	51	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = 6x^3 - 11x^2 + 7x + 21$  and remainder is  $r(x) = 51$

(v)  $(8x^4 - 27x^2 + 6x + 9) \div (x + 1)$

-1	8	0	-27	6	9	
		-8	8	19	-25	
	8	-8	-19	25	-16	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = 8x^3 - 8x^2 - 19x + 25$  and remainder is  $r(x) = -16$

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(vi)  $(3x^3 - 4x^2 - 10x + 6) \div (3x - 2)$

$\frac{2}{3}$	3	-4	-10	6	
		2	$\frac{-4}{3}$	$\frac{-68}{9}$	
	3	-2	$\frac{-34}{3}$	$\frac{-14}{9}$	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{34}{9}$  and remainder is  $r(x) = \frac{-14}{9}$

(vii)  $(8x^4 - 2x^2 + 6x - 5) \div (4x + 1)$

$-\frac{1}{4}$	8	0	-2	6	-5	
		-2	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{-51}{32}$	
	8	-2	$\frac{-3}{2}$	$\frac{51}{8}$	$\frac{-211}{32}$	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = 2x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{3}{8}x + \frac{51}{32}$  and remainder is  $r(x) = \frac{-211}{32}$

(viii)  $(2x^4 - 7x^3 - 13x^2 + 63x - 48) \div (2x - 1)$

$\frac{1}{2}$	2	-7	-13	63	-48	
		1	-3	-8	$\frac{55}{2}$	
	2	-6	-16	55	$\frac{-41}{2}$	

$\therefore$  the quotient is  $q(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 - 8x + \frac{55}{2}$  and remainder is  $r(x) = \frac{-41}{2}$

2. If the quotient obtained on dividing  $(x^4 + 10x^3 + 35x^2 + 50x + 29)$  by  $(x + 4)$  is  $(x^3 - ax^2 + bx + 6)$  then find a, b and also the remainder

$(x^4 + 10x^3 + 35x^2 + 50x + 29) \div (x + 4)$

-4	1	10	35	50	29	
		-4	-24	-44	-24	
	1	6	11	6	$\frac{-41}{2}$	

$q(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6; r(x) = 5$

By Comparing  $x^3 - ax^2 + bx + 6$  and  $x^3 + 6x^2 + 11x + 6$

$-a = 6 \Rightarrow a = -6$  முத்து  $b = 11; r(x) = 5$

3. If the quotient obtained on dividing  $(8x^4 - 2x^2 + 6x - 7)$  by  $(2x + 1)$  is  $(4x^3 + px^2 - qx + 3)$  then find p, q and also the remainder.

$(8x^4 - 2x^2 + 6x - 7) \div (2x + 1)$

$-\frac{1}{2}$	8	0	-2	6	-7	
		-4	2	0	-3	
	8	-4	0	6	$\frac{-10}{2}$	

$q(x) = (8x^3 - 4x^2 + 6)\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow q(x) = 4x^3 - 2x^2 + 3$

$r(x) = -10$

By Comparing  $4x^3 + px^2 - qx + 3$  and  $4x^3 - 2x^2 + 3$

$p = -2$  முத்து  $q = 0; r(x) = -10$