

**CBSE Test Paper 02**  
**Chapter 2 polynomials**

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1. If ' $\alpha$ ' and ' $\beta$ ' are the zeroes of the polynomial  $x^2 - 6x + 8$ , then the value of  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  is **(1)**
- 8
  - 6
  - 12
  - 9
2. A polynomial of degree \_\_\_\_\_ is called a linear polynomial. **(1)**
- 1
  - 3
  - 2
  - 0
3. If  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $-\sqrt{2}$  are the zeroes of  $2x^4 - 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 2$ , then the other zeroes are **(1)**
- 2 and  $-\frac{1}{2}$
  - 2 and  $-\frac{1}{2}$
  - $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $-\frac{1}{2}$
  - 1 and  $\frac{1}{2}$
4. If ' $\alpha$ ' and ' $\beta$ ' are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , then  $\alpha + \beta =$  **(1)**
- $\frac{-b}{a}$
  - $\frac{-c}{a}$
  - $\frac{c}{a}$
  - $\frac{b}{a}$
5. The degree of a biquadratic polynomial is **(1)**
- 2
  - 4
  - 3
  - 1
6. Find a quadratic polynomial, whose sum and product of zeros are -5 and 6 respectively. **(1)**

7. Sum and product of zeroes of a quadratic polynomial are 0 and  $\sqrt{15}$  respectively. Find the quadratic polynomial. **(1)**
8. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = x^2 - 5x + 4$ , find the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} - 2\alpha\beta$ . **(1)**
9. If one zero of  $2x^2 - 3x + k$  is reciprocal to the other, then find the value of k **(1)**
10. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $p(x) = x^2 - p(x + 1) - c$  such that  $(\alpha + 1)(\beta + 1) = 0$ , what is the value of c? **(1)**
11. Find the value of b for which the polynomial  $2x^3 + 9x^2 - x - b$  is divisible by  $2x + 3$  **(2)**
12.  $\alpha, \beta$  are zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $x^2 - (k + 6)x + 2(2k - 1)$ . Find the value of k if  $\alpha + \beta = \frac{1}{2}\alpha\beta$ . **(2)**
13. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the polynomial  $f(x) = 5x^2 - 7x + 1$ , find the value of  $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)$ . **(2)**
14. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of the quadratic polynomial  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 1$ , find a quadratic polynomial whose zeros are  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$ . **(3)**
15. Obtain all zeros of the polynomial  $(2x^3 - 4x - x^2 + 2)$ , if two of its zeros are  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $-\sqrt{2}$  **(3)**
16. Find the zeroes of the quadratic polynomial  $5x^2 + 8x - 4$  and verify the relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients of the polynomial. **(3)**
17. Find the zeroes of the polynomial  $y^2 + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{5}y - 5$  by factorisation method and verify the relationship between the zeroes and coefficient of the polynomials. **(3)**
18. If two zeroes of the polynomial  $p(x) = x^4 - 6x^3 - 26x^2 + 138x - 35$  are  $2 \pm \sqrt{3}$ . Find the other zeroes. **(4)**
19. Given that  $x - \sqrt{5}$  is a factor of the polynomial  $x^3 - 3\sqrt{5}x^2 - 5x + 15\sqrt{5}$ , find all the zeroes of the polynomial. **(4)**
20. If the polynomial  $x^4 - 6x^3 + 16x^2 - 25x + 10$  is divided by  $(x^2 - 2x + k)$ , the remainder comes out to be  $x + a$ , find k and a. **(4)**

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**Solution**

1. d. 9

**Explanation:** Here  $a = 1, b = -6, c = 8, \alpha + \beta = 6, \alpha\beta = 8$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} &= \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)[\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - \alpha\beta]}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)[\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + 2\alpha\beta - 3\alpha\beta]}{\alpha\beta} \\ &= \frac{(\alpha + \beta)[(\alpha + \beta)^2 - 3\alpha\beta]}{\alpha\beta} \\ &= \frac{6[6^2 - 3 \times 8]}{8} = 9 \end{aligned}$$

2. a. 1

**Explanation:** A polynomial of degree 1 is called a linear polynomial. Example  $4x + 3, 65y$  are linear polynomials.

3. d. 1 and  $\frac{1}{2}$

**Explanation:** Since  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $-\sqrt{2}$  are the zeroes of  $2x^4 - 3x^3 - 3x^2 + 6x - 2$ , then  $(x - \sqrt{2})$  and  $(x + \sqrt{2})$  are the factors of given polynomial i.e.,  $(x - \sqrt{2})(x + \sqrt{2}) = (x^2 - 2)$  is a factor of given polynomial.

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

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{x^2-2} \overline{2x^2-3x+1} \\ x^2-2 \overline{) 2x^4-3x^3-3x^2+6x-2} \\ \underline{2x^4 \phantom{-3x^3} - 4x^2} \phantom{+6x-2} \\ \phantom{2x^4} - 3x^3 + x^2 + 6x - 2 \\ \underline{-3x^3 \phantom{+x^2} + 6x} \phantom{-2} \\ \phantom{-3x^3} x^2 - 2 \\ \underline{x^2 - 2} \\ \phantom{x^2-2} 0 \end{array}$$

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

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

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

$$\therefore \text{Other zeroes are } x - 1 = 0 \text{ and } 2x - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ and } x = \frac{1}{2}$$

4. a.  $\frac{-b}{a}$

**Explanation:** If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial

$$ax^2 + bx + c,$$

$\therefore$  Sum of the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c = \frac{-(\text{coefficient of } x)}{\text{coefficient of } x^2}$   
 then  $\alpha + \beta = \frac{-b}{a}$

5. b. 4

**Explanation:** Biquadratic polynomial is a polynomial of the fourth degree.

$$\text{Biquadratic polynomial} = a(x^2)^2 + b(x)^2 + c = ax^4 + bx^2 + c$$

6. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be the zeros of the required polynomial.

$$\text{Then, } (\alpha + \beta) = -5 \text{ and } \alpha\beta = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = x^2 - (-5)x + 6 \\ &= x^2 + 5x + 6. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the required polynomial is  $f(x) = x^2 + 5x + 6$ .

7. Here sum of zeroes,  $S = 0$

$$\text{Product of zeroes, } P = \sqrt{15}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Quadratic polynomial } p(x) &= x^2 - (S)x + P \\ &= x^2 - 0x + \sqrt{15} \\ &= x^2 + \sqrt{15} \end{aligned}$$

8. We have,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of the quadratic polynomial.  $f(x) = x^2 - 5x + 4$

$$\text{Sum of zeros: } \alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{\text{coefficient of } x}{\text{coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{product of zeros: } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{constant term}}{\text{coefficient of } x^2}$$

We have  $a=1, b=-5$  and  $c=4$ .

$$\text{Sum of the roots} = \alpha + \beta = 5$$

$$\text{Product of the roots} = \alpha\beta = 4$$

So,

$$\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} - 2\alpha\beta = \frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha\beta} - 2\alpha\beta$$

$$5/4 - 2 \times 4 = 5/4 - 8 = (5 - 32)/4 = -27/4$$

$$\text{Hence, we get the result of } \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} - 2\alpha\beta = -\frac{27}{4}$$

9. Let be the two zeroes of the given polynomial.

$$\text{Then, } \alpha \times \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{\text{Constant\_term}}{\text{Coefficient}(x^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{k}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 2$$

10. It is given that:

$$p(x) = x^2 - px - p - c$$

Here  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -p$  and  $c = -p - c$

$$\therefore \alpha + \beta = p \text{ and } \alpha\beta = (-p - c)$$

$$\therefore (\alpha + 1)(\beta + 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha\beta + \alpha + \beta + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -p - c + p + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow c = 1$$

11.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \phantom{2x+3} \overline{x^2 + 3x - 5} \\
 2x+3 \overline{) 2x^3 + 9x^2 - x - b} \\
 \underline{2x^3 + 3x^2} \phantom{-x - b} \\
 \phantom{2x+3} \overline{6x^2 - x - b} \\
 \phantom{2x+3} \underline{6x^2 + 9x} \phantom{-b} \\
 \phantom{2x+3} \overline{-10x - b} \\
 \phantom{2x+3} \underline{-10x - 15} \\
 \phantom{2x+3} \phantom{-10x - 15} \overline{+ \phantom{-b}} \\
 \phantom{2x+3} \phantom{-10x - 15} \overline{15 - b}
 \end{array}$$

If the polynomial  $2x^3 + 9x^2 - x - b$  is divisible by  $2x + 3$ , then the remainder must be zero.

$$\text{So, } 15 - b = 0, b = 15$$

12. Polynomial is  $x^2 - (k + 6)x + 2(2k - 1)$ .

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = \frac{k+6}{1} = k + 6$$

$$\text{and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{2(2k-1)}{1} = 4k - 2$$

$$\text{Now, } \alpha + \beta = \frac{1}{2} \alpha\beta$$

$$k + 6 = \frac{1}{2} (4k - 2)$$

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

$$k = 7$$

13. Compare  $f(x) = 5x^2 - 7x + 1$  with  $ax^2 + bx + c$  we get,  
 $a = 5$ ,  $b = -7$  and  $c = 1$

Since  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeros of  $5x^2 - 7x + 1$ , we have

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{(-7)}{5} = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} = \frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha\beta}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{7}{5}}{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$= \frac{7}{5} \times \frac{5}{1}$$

$$= 7$$

14. Here it is given that the zeros of  $f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x + 1$  are  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$

Here  $a=3$ ,  $b=-4$  and  $c=1$

$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = -\left(-\frac{4}{3}\right) = \frac{4}{3} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Let S and P denote respectively the sum and product of the zeros of the polynomial

whose zeroes are  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$ , then

$$S = \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} + \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} = \frac{\alpha^3 + \beta^3}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)}{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3 - 3 \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{4}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{28}{9} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\text{and, } P = \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta} \times \frac{\beta^2}{\alpha} = \alpha\beta = \frac{1}{3} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Hence the polynomial with zeros  $\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta}$  and  $\frac{\beta^2}{\alpha}$  is

$$g(x) = x^2 - Px + S = 0$$

putting values of P and S from (1) and (2) we get the polynomial

$$g(x) = x^2 - \frac{28}{9}x + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{or } g(x) = 9x^2 - 28x + 3$$

15. The given polynomial is:

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 2.$$

It is given that the two zeroes of the above polynomial are  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $-\sqrt{2}$

Therefore,  $(x - \sqrt{2})(x + \sqrt{2}) = (x^2 - 2)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

Now we divide  $(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 - 4x + 2$  by  $(x^2 - 2)$ , we obtain

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

Where quotient =  $(2x - 1)$

$$\therefore f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow (x^2 - 2)(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - \sqrt{2})(x + \sqrt{2})(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - \sqrt{2}) = 0 \text{ or } (x + \sqrt{2}) = 0 \text{ or } (2x - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{2} \text{ or } x = -\sqrt{2} \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Hence, all zeros of  $f(x)$  are  $\sqrt{2}$ ,  $-\sqrt{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

$$16. p(x) = 5x^2 + 8x - 4 = 0$$

$$= 5x^2 + 10x - 2x - 4 = 0$$

$$= 5x(x + 2) - 2(x + 2) = 0$$

$$= (x + 2)(5x - 2) = 0$$

Hence, zeroes are  $-2$  and  $\frac{2}{5}$

**Verification:** Sum of zeroes =  $-2 + \frac{2}{5} = \frac{-8}{5}$

Product of zeroes =  $(-2) \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = \frac{-4}{5}$

Again sum of zeroes =  $-\frac{\text{Coeff. of } x}{\text{Coeff. of } x^2} = \frac{-8}{5}$

Product of zeroes =  $\frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coeff. of } x^2} = \frac{-4}{5}$

**Verified.**

$$17. y^2 + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{5}y - 5 = \frac{1}{2}(2y^2 + 3\sqrt{5}y - 10)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(2y^2 + 4\sqrt{5}y - \sqrt{5}y - 10)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}[2y(y + 2\sqrt{5}) - \sqrt{5}(y + 2\sqrt{5})]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(y + 2\sqrt{5})(2y - \sqrt{5})$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -2\sqrt{5}, \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \text{ are zeroes of the polynomial.}$$

If given polynomial is  $y^2 + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{5}y - 5$  then  $a = 1$ ,  $b = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{5}$  and  $c = -5$

Sum of zeroes =  $-2\sqrt{5} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} = \frac{-3\sqrt{5}}{2}$  ..... (i)

Also,  $\frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-3\sqrt{5}}{2}$  ..... (ii)

From (i) and (ii)

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

$$\text{Product of zeroes} = \dots 2\sqrt{5} \times \dots \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \dots = \dots 5 \dots \dots \dots \text{(iii)}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{c}{a} = \dots \frac{-5}{1} \dots = \dots -5 \dots \dots \dots \text{(iv)}$$

From (iii) and (iv)

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

18. As  $2 \pm \sqrt{3}$  are the zeroes of  $p(x)$ , so  $x - (2 \pm \sqrt{3})$  are the factors of  $p(x)$  and the product of factors,

$$\begin{aligned} & \{x - (2 + \sqrt{3})\} \{x - (2 - \sqrt{3})\} \\ &= \{(x - 2) - \sqrt{3}\} \{(x - 2) + \sqrt{3}\} \\ &= (x - 2)^2 - (\sqrt{3})^2 \\ &= x^2 - 4x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Dividing  $p(x)$  by  $x^2 - 4x + 1$

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

Factorising  $(x^2 - 2x - 35)$  we get

$$= (x + 5)(x - 7)$$

$$x = -5, 7$$

Hence, other two zeroes of  $p(x)$  are - 5 and 7.

19.

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 2\sqrt{5}x - 15 \\ x - \sqrt{5} \overline{) x^3 - 3\sqrt{5}x^2 - 5x + 15\sqrt{5}} \\ \underline{x^3 - \sqrt{5}x^2} \phantom{- 5x + 15\sqrt{5}} \\ -2\sqrt{5}x^2 - 5x \phantom{+ 15\sqrt{5}} \\ \underline{-2\sqrt{5}x^2 + 10x} \phantom{+ 15\sqrt{5}} \\ +15x - 15\sqrt{5} \\ \underline{+15x - 15\sqrt{5}} \\ 0 \end{array}$$



On factorising the quotient, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^2 - 2\sqrt{5}x - 15 &= x^2 - 3\sqrt{5}x + \sqrt{5}x - 15 \\
 &= x(x - 3\sqrt{5}) + \sqrt{5}(x - 3\sqrt{5}) \\
 &= (x + \sqrt{5})(x - 3\sqrt{5}) \\
 \therefore (x + \sqrt{5})(x - 3\sqrt{5}) &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow x &= -\sqrt{5}, 3\sqrt{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, all the zeroes are  $\sqrt{5}$ ,  $-\sqrt{5}$  and  $3\sqrt{5}$ .

20.

$$\begin{array}{r}
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 x^2 - 4x + (8 - k) \\
 x^2 - 2x + k \quad x^4 - 6x^3 + 16x^2 - 25x + 10 \\
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 x^4 - 2x^3 + kx^2 \\
 - \quad + \quad - \\
 \hline
 -4x^3 + (16 - k)x^2 - 25x + 10 \\
 -4x^3 + \quad \quad 8x^2 - 4kx \\
 \hline
 + \quad - \quad + \\
 (8 - k)x^2 - (25 - 4k)x + 10 \\
 (8 - k)x^2 - (16 - 2k)x + (8k - k^2) \\
 \hline
 - \quad + \quad - \\
 (2k - 9)x + (10 - 8k + k^2)
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

Given, remainder =  $x + a$

On comparing the multiples of  $x$

$$(2k - 9)x = 1$$

$$\text{or, } 2k - 9 = 1 \text{ or } k = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

On putting this value of  $k$  into other portion of remainder, we get

$$\text{and } a = 10 - 8k + k^2 = 10 - 40 + 25 = -5$$