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POLYNOMIALS

Polynomials :- The algebraic expression in which the degree of each term is whole number is called polynomial. It is denoted by $p(x)$.

The general form of a polynomial in x is

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

where,

$a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$ are real numbers.

- The highest of variable in polynomial is called its degree.

Based on the degree of polynomial, it has 3 types

i) Linear Polynomial

ii) Quadratic Polynomial

iii) Cubic Polynomial

① Linear Polynomial :- If the degree of polynomial is 1, then it is called as linear polynomial.

The general form of linear polynomial is

$$p(x) = ax + b ; a \neq 0 \text{ \& } a \text{ \& } b \text{ are real no.s}$$

For e.g. $p(x) = x + 3$, $p(x) = 4x - 5$ etc.

② Quadratic Polynomial :- If the degree of polynomial is 2, then it is called as quadratic polynomial & its general form is

$$p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c ; a \neq 0 \text{ \& } a, b, c \text{ are real nos}$$

③ For e.g. $p(x) = x^2 + 5x + 6$,
 $p(x) = x^2 - 4$ etc

③ Cubic Polynomial :- If degree of polynomial is three then it is called as cubic polynomial & its general form is

$$p(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d , a \neq 0 \text{ \& } a, b, c, d \text{ are real nos}$$

For e.g. :- $p(x) = x^3 - x^2 + 2x + 3$
 $p(x) = 4x^3 + 4x^2 + 8$ etc

* Zeros of Polynomial *

The values of variables for which the value of polynomial $p(x)$ becomes zero is called zero of polynomial.

For a linear polynomial $p(x) = ax + b$, it has only 1 zero,

For a quadratic polynomial, it has 2 zeroes & for cubic polynomial it has 3 zeroes.

① NOTE :- Graph of linear polynomial is a straight line & it intersects x -axis in one & only one point.

② NOTE :- Graph of quadratic polynomial is curve shape i.e. parabola

If $a > 0$ then parabola opens upwards & $a < 0$ then parabola opens downwards.

Relation between zeros & coefficients of Polynomial

- ① If α is the zero of linear polynomial

$$p(x) = ax + b$$

then, $\alpha = \frac{-b}{a}$

- ② If α & β are the zeros of quadratic polynomial

$$p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$\alpha + \beta = -b/a$ & $\alpha\beta = c/a$

- ③ If α , β & γ are zeros of cubic polynomial,

$$p(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -b/a,$$

$$\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = c/a,$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = -d/a$$

NOTE :- If α & β are the roots of quadratic polynomial

~~$p(x)$~~ then $p(x)$ is given by

$$p(x) = k [x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta]$$

* Division Algorithm for Polynomials

If $p(x)$ & $g(x)$ are any two polynomials with $g(x) \neq 0$, then we can find polynomials $q(x)$ and $r(x)$ such that,

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

where $r(x) = 0$ or degree of $r(x) < \text{degree of } g(x)$

This result is known as the Division Algorithm for polynomials.

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

$$\begin{array}{r} x - 3 \\ x^2 - 2 \overline{) x^3 - 3x^2 + 5x - 3} \\ \underline{\ominus x^3 + 0x^2 + 2x} \\ - 3x^2 + 7x - 3 \\ \underline{\oplus 3x^2 + 0x + 6} \\ 7x - 9 \end{array}$$

◦ ~~Quotient~~ = $x - 3$

~~Remainder~~ = $7x - 9$

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

$$\begin{array}{r} \rightarrow \\ -x^2 + 2 \overline{) x^4 + 0x^3 + 0x^2 - 5x + 6} \\ \underline{(-) x^4 \quad (+) 0x^3 \quad (-) 2x^2} \\ 2x^2 - 5x + 6 \\ \underline{(+2x^2 \quad (+) 0x \quad (-) 4} \\ -5x + 10 \end{array}$$

2] Check whether the first polynomial is a factor of second polynomial by dividing the second polynomial by the first polynomial:

$$(i) t^2 - 3, \quad 2t^4 + 3t^3 - 2t^2 - 9t - 12$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \rightarrow \\ t^2 - 3 \overline{) 2t^4 + 3t^3 - 2t^2 - 9t - 12} \\ \underline{(-) 2t^4 \quad (+) 0t^3 \quad (-) 6t^2} \\ 3t^3 + 4t^2 - 9t - 12 \\ \underline{(-) 3t^3 \quad (+) 0t^2 \quad (-) 9t \quad (-) 12} \\ 4t^2 - 12 \\ \underline{(-) 4t^2 \quad (+) 12} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

Yes \therefore Hence Proved

$$(ii) \deg q(x) = \deg r(x)$$

→ Let us assume the division of $x^6 + x^2$ by x^4 .

$$\text{Here } p(x) = x^6 + x^2$$

$$g(x) = x^4$$

$$q(x) = x^2 \text{ \& } r(x) = x^2$$

By division algorithm,

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

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

$$x^6 + x^2 = x^6 + x^2$$

$$\therefore \deg q(x) = \deg r(x)$$

$$(iii) \deg r(x) = 0$$

→ Let us assume the division of $x^3 + 1$ by x^2 .

$$\text{Here, } p(x) = x^3 + 1$$

$$g(x) = x^2, \quad q(x) = x \text{ \& } r(x) = 1$$

Clearly, the degree of $r(x) = 0$
(as $1 = 1x^0$)