

# Polynomials



## SOLUTIONS

### EXERCISE - 2.1

1. (i) The given graph is parallel to  $x$ -axis, it does not intersect the  $x$ -axis.  
 $\therefore$  It has no zero.
- (ii) The given graph intersects the  $x$ -axis at one point only.  
 $\therefore$  It has one zero.
- (iii) The given graph intersects the  $x$ -axis at three points.  
 $\therefore$  It has three zeroes.
- (iv) The given graph intersects the  $x$ -axis at two points.  
 $\therefore$  It has two zeroes.
- (v) The given graph intersects the  $x$ -axis at four points.  
 $\therefore$  It has four zeroes.
- (vi) The given graph meets the  $x$ -axis at three points.  
 $\therefore$  It has three zeroes.

### EXERCISE - 2.2

1. (i) We have,  $p(x) = x^2 - 2x - 8$   
 $= x^2 + 2x - 4x - 8 = x(x + 2) - 4(x + 2) = (x - 4)(x + 2)$   
 For  $p(x) = 0$ , we must have  $(x - 4)(x + 2) = 0$   
 Either  $x - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 4$  or  $x + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -2$   
 $\therefore$  The zeroes of  $x^2 - 2x - 8$  are 4 and -2  
 Now, sum of the zeroes  $= 4 + (-2) = 2 = \frac{-(-2)}{1}$   
 $= \frac{-(\text{Coefficient of } x)}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$   
 Product of zeroes  $= 4 \times (-2) = -8 = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$   
 Thus, the relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients in the polynomial  $x^2 - 2x - 8$  is verified.
- (ii) We have,  $p(s) = 4s^2 - 4s + 1$   
 $= 4s^2 - 2s - 2s + 1 = 2s(2s - 1) - 1(2s - 1)$   
 $= (2s - 1)(2s - 1)$   
 For  $p(s) = 0$ , we have,  $(2s - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow s = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\therefore$  The zeroes of  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$  are  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$   
 Sum of the zeroes  $= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 = \frac{-(-4)}{4} = \frac{-(\text{Coefficient of } s)}{\text{Coefficient of } s^2}$   
 and product of zeroes  $= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } s^2}$   
 Thus, the relationship between the zeroes and coefficients in the polynomial  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$  is verified.
- (iii) We have,  $p(x) = 6x^2 - 3 - 7x$

$$= 6x^2 - 7x - 3 = 6x^2 - 9x + 2x - 3 = 3x(2x - 3) + 1(2x - 3)$$

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

For  $p(x) = 0$ , we have,

$$\text{Either } (3x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{or } (2x - 3) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2}$$

Thus, the zeroes of  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x$  are  $-\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{3}{2}$ .

$$\text{Now, sum of the zeroes} = -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{7}{6} = \frac{-(-7)}{6}$$

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

$$\text{and product of zeroes} = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{-3}{6}$$

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

Thus, the relationship between the zeroes and coefficients in the polynomial  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x$  is verified.

$$(iv) \text{ We have, } p(u) = 4u^2 + 8u = 4u(u + 2)$$

For  $p(u) = 0$ , we have

$$\text{Either } 4u = 0 \Rightarrow u = 0$$

$$\text{or } u + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow u = -2$$

$\therefore$  The zeroes of  $4u^2 + 8u$  are 0 and -2.

Now,  $4u^2 + 8u$  can be written as  $4u^2 + 8u + 0$ .

$$\text{Sum of the zeroes} = 0 + (-2) = -2 = \frac{-(8)}{4}$$

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

$$\text{and the product of zeroes} = 0 \times (-2) = 0 = \frac{0}{4}$$

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

Thus, the relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients in the polynomial  $4u^2 + 8u$  is verified.

$$(v) \text{ We have, } p(t) = t^2 - 15 = (t^2) - (\sqrt{15})^2$$

$$= (t + \sqrt{15})(t - \sqrt{15}) \quad [\because a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)]$$

For  $p(t) = 0$ , we have

$$\text{Either } (t + \sqrt{15}) = 0 \Rightarrow t = -\sqrt{15}$$

$$\text{or } t - \sqrt{15} = 0 \Rightarrow t = \sqrt{15}$$

$\therefore$  The zeroes of  $t^2 - 15$  are  $-\sqrt{15}$  and  $\sqrt{15}$

Now, we can write  $t^2 - 15$  as  $t^2 + 0t - 15$ .

$$\therefore \text{ Sum of the zeroes} = -\sqrt{15} + \sqrt{15} = 0 = \frac{-(-0)}{1}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Product of zeroes} &= (-\sqrt{15}) \times (\sqrt{15}) = \frac{-(15)}{1} \\ &= \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } t^2}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the relationship between zeroes and the coefficients in the polynomial  $t^2 - 15$  is verified.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(vi) We have, } p(x) &= 3x^2 - x - 4 \\ &= 3x^2 + 3x - 4x - 4 = 3x(x+1) - 4(x+1) = (x+1)(3x-4)\end{aligned}$$

For  $p(x) = 0$ , we have

$$\text{Either } (x+1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1$$

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

$\therefore$  The zeroes of  $3x^2 - x - 4$  are  $-1$  and  $4/3$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now, sum of the zeroes} &= (-1) + \frac{4}{3} = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{-(-1)}{3} \\ &= \frac{-(\text{Coefficient of } x)}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and product of zeroes} &= (-1) \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{(-4)}{3} \\ &= \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the relationship between the zeroes and coefficients in the polynomial  $3x^2 - x - 4$  is verified.

$$\text{2. (i) Since, sum of the zeroes, } (\alpha + \beta) = \frac{1}{4}$$

Product of the zeroes,  $\alpha\beta = -1$

$\therefore$  The required quadratic polynomial is

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta \\ = x^2 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)x + (-1) = x^2 - \frac{1}{4}x - 1 = \frac{1}{4}(4x^2 - x - 4)\end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\frac{1}{4}(4x^2 - x - 4)$  and  $(4x^2 - x - 4)$  have same zeroes, therefore  $(4x^2 - x - 4)$  is the required quadratic polynomial.

$$\text{(ii) Since, sum of the zeroes, } (\alpha + \beta) = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Product of zeroes, } \alpha\beta = \frac{1}{3}$$

$\therefore$  The required quadratic polynomial is  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta$

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

Since,  $\frac{1}{3}(3x^2 - 3\sqrt{2}x + 1)$  and  $(3x^2 - 3\sqrt{2}x + 1)$  have same zeroes, therefore

$(3x^2 - 3\sqrt{2}x + 1)$  is the required quadratic polynomial.

(iii) Since, sum of zeroes,  $(\alpha + \beta) = 0$

Product of zeroes,  $\alpha\beta = \sqrt{5}$

$\therefore$  The required quadratic polynomial is  $x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta$

$$= x^2 - (0)x + \sqrt{5} = x^2 + \sqrt{5}$$

(iv) Since, sum of zeroes,  $(\alpha + \beta) = 1$

Product of zeroes,  $\alpha\beta = 1$

$\therefore$  The required quadratic polynomial is

$$x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta = x^2 - (1)x + 1 = x^2 - x + 1$$

(v) Since, sum of the zeroes,  $(\alpha + \beta) = -\frac{1}{4}$

Product of zeroes,  $\alpha\beta = 1/4$

$\therefore$  The required quadratic polynomial is

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - (\alpha + \beta)x + \alpha\beta \\ = x^2 - \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)x + \frac{1}{4} = x^2 + \frac{x}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}(4x^2 + x + 1)\end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\frac{1}{4}(4x^2 + x + 1)$  and  $(4x^2 + x + 1)$  have same zeroes, therefore, the required quadratic polynomial is  $(4x^2 + x + 1)$ .

(vi) Since, sum of zeroes,  $(\alpha + \beta) = 4$  and product of zeroes,  $\alpha\beta = 1$

$\therefore$  The required quadratic polynomial is

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

