



1: Which of the following expressions are polynomials in one variable, and which are not? State reasons for your answer:

(i) $3x^2 - 4x + 15$

(ii) $y^2 + 2\sqrt{3}$

(iii) $3\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2}x$

(iv) $x - 4/x$

(v) $x^{12} + y^3 + t^{50}$

Answer:

(i) $3x^2 - 4x + 15$

It is a polynomial of x .

(ii) $y^2 + 2\sqrt{3}$

It is a polynomial of y .

(iii) $3\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{2}x$

It is not a polynomial since the exponent of $3\sqrt{x}$ is a rational term.

(iv) $x - 4/x$

It is not a polynomial since the exponent of $-4/x$ is not a positive term.

(v) $x^{12} + y^3 + t^{50}$

It is a three-variable polynomial, x , y and t .

2: Write the degrees of each of the following polynomials:

(i) $7x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x + 12$

(ii) $12 - x + 2x^3$

(iii) $5y - \sqrt{2}$

(iv) 7

(v) 0



Answer:

As we know, degree is the highest power in the polynomial

(i) Degree of the polynomial $7x^3 + 4x^2 - 3x + 12$ is 3

(ii) Degree of the polynomial $12 - x + 2x^3$ is 3

(iii) Degree of the polynomial $5y - \sqrt{2}$ is 1

(iv) Degree of the polynomial 7 is 0

(v) Degree of the polynomial 0 is *undefined*.

3: Classify the following polynomials as linear, quadratic, cubic and biquadratic polynomials:

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

(ii) $3x - 2$

(iii) $2x + x^2$

(iv) $3y$

(v) $t^2 + 1$

(vi) $7t^4 + 4t^3 + 3t - 2$

Answer:

(i) $x + x^2 + 4$: It is a quadratic polynomial as its degree is 2.

(ii) $3x - 2$: It is a linear polynomial as its degree is 1.

(iii) $2x + x^2$: It is a quadratic polynomial as its degree is 2.

(iv) $3y$: It is a linear polynomial as its degree is 1.

(v) $t^2 + 1$: It is a quadratic polynomial as its degree is 2.

(vi) $7t^4 + 4t^3 + 3t - 2$: It is a biquadratic polynomial as its degree is 4.



4. Write the coefficient of x in $\sqrt{3}-2\sqrt{2}x+6x^2$.

Answer: The coefficient of x is $-2\sqrt{2}$

5. State whether the following expression is polynomial or not. In the case of a polynomial, write its degree.

$$x^4 - x^{3/2} + x - 3.$$

Answer: The power of x in the given expression is not a whole number.

It is not a polynomial.

6. State whether the following expression is polynomial or not. In the case of a polynomial, write its degree - $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \sqrt{2}x + 2$.

Answer: Given expression is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}x^2 - \sqrt{2}x + 2$.

\therefore All the exponents of x are whole numbers and the highest exponent of x is 3.

It is a polynomial of degree 2.

7. Write the coefficient of x^3 in $x+3x^2-5x^3+x^4$.

Answer: A coefficient is a multiplicative factor in some term of a polynomial, a series, or any expression; it is usually a number but may be any expression.

The coefficient of x^3 in $x+3x^2-5x^3+x^4$ is -5

In each of the following, use the factor theorem to find whether polynomial $g(x)$ is a factor of polynomial $f(x)$ or, not:

$$8: f(x) = 2x^3 - 9x^2 + x + 12, g(x) = 3 - 2x$$

Answer:

If $g(x)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, then the remainder will be zero that is $g(x) = 0$.

$$g(x) = 3 - 2x = 0, \text{ then } x = 3/2$$

$$\text{Remainder} = f(3/2)$$

Now,

$$f(3/2) = 2(3/2)^3 - 9(3/2)^2 + (3/2) + 12$$

$$= 2 \times 27/8 - 9 \times 9/4 + 3/2 + 12$$

$$= 27/4 - 81/4 + 3/2 + 12$$



$$= 0/4$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore, $g(x)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

$$9: f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6; g(x) = x - 3$$

Answer:

If $g(x)$ is a factor of $f(x)$, then the remainder will be zero that is $g(x) = 0$.

$$g(x) = x - 3 = 0$$

$$\text{or } x = 3$$

$$\text{Remainder} = f(3)$$

Now,

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

$$= 27 - 54 + 33 - 6$$

$$= 60 - 60$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore, $g(x)$ is a factor of $f(x)$

Using the factor theorem, factorize each of the following polynomials:

$$10: x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x + 10$$

Answer:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x + 10$$

$$\text{Constant term} = 10$$

Factors of 10 are $\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$

$$\text{Let } x + 1 = 0 \text{ or } x = -1$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 6(-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 10 = 10 - 10 = 0$$



$$f(-1) = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x + 2 = 0 \text{ or } x = -2$$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 - 6(-2)^2 + 3(-2) + 10 = -8 - 24 - 6 + 10 = -28$$

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

$$\text{Let } x - 2 = 0 \text{ or } x = 2$$

$$f(2) = (2)^3 - 6(2)^2 + 3(2) + 10 = 8 - 24 + 6 + 10 = 0$$

$$f(2) = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x - 5 = 0 \text{ or } x = 5$$

$$f(5) = (5)^3 - 6(5)^2 + 3(5) + 10 = 125 - 150 + 15 + 10 = 0$$

$$f(5) = 0$$

Therefore, $(x + 1)$, $(x - 2)$ and $(x - 5)$ are factors of $f(x)$

$$\text{Hence } f(x) = (x + 1)(x - 2)(x - 5)$$

$$\mathbf{11: x^4 - 7x^3 + 9x^2 + 7x - 10}$$

Answer:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x^4 - 7x^3 + 9x^2 + 7x - 10$$

$$\text{Constant term} = -10$$

$$\text{Factors of } -10 \text{ are } \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 5, \pm 10$$

$$\text{Let } x - 1 = 0 \text{ or } x = 1$$

$$f(1) = (1)^4 - 7(1)^3 + 9(1)^2 + 7(1) - 10 = 1 - 7 + 9 + 7 - 10 = 0$$

$$f(1) = 0$$

$$\text{Let } x + 1 = 0 \text{ or } x = -1$$

$$f(-1) = (-1)^4 - 7(-1)^3 + 9(-1)^2 + 7(-1) - 10 = 1 + 7 + 9 - 7 - 10 = 0$$

$$f(-1) = 0$$



Let $x - 2 = 0$ or $x = 2$

$$f(2) = (2)^4 - 7(2)^3 + 9(2)^2 + 7(2) - 10 = 16 - 56 + 36 + 14 - 10 = 0$$

$$f(2) = 0$$

Let $x - 5 = 0$ or $x = 5$

$$f(5) = (5)^4 - 7(5)^3 + 9(5)^2 + 7(5) - 10 = 625 - 875 + 225 + 35 - 10 = 0$$

$$f(5) = 0$$

Therefore, $(x - 1)$, $(x + 1)$, $(x - 2)$ and $(x - 5)$ are factors of $f(x)$

$$\text{Hence } f(x) = (x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 2)(x - 5)$$

12: If $x = 1/2$ is a zero of the polynomial $f(x) = 8x^3 + ax^2 - 4x + 2$, find the value of a .

Answer:

If $x = 1/2$ is a zero of the polynomial $f(x)$, then $f(1/2) = 0$

$$8(1/2)^3 + a(1/2)^2 - 4(1/2) + 2 = 0$$

$$8 \times 1/8 + a/4 - 2 + 2 = 0$$

$$1 + a/4 = 0$$

$$a = -4$$

13: If $x+1$ is a factor of $x^3 + a$, then write the value of a .

Answer:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x^3 + a$$

If $x+1$ is a factor of $x^3 + a$ then $f(-1) = 0$

$$(-1)^3 + a = 0$$

$$-1 + a = 0$$

$$\text{or } a = 1$$



14. Evaluate the following by using factors:

(i) $(979)^2 - (21)^2$

(ii) $(99.9)^2 - (0.1)^2$

Answer:

(i) $(979)^2 - (21)^2$

We know that

$$= (979 + 21) (979 - 21)$$

So we get

$$= 1000 \times 958$$

$$= 958000$$

(ii) $(99.9)^2 - (0.1)^2$

We know that

$$= (99.9 + 0.1) (99.9 - 0.1)$$

So we get

$$= 100 \times 99.8$$

$$= 9980$$

15. Question 1: If $f(x) = 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 17x + 12$, find

(i) $f(2)$

(ii) $f(-3)$

(iii) $f(0)$

Answer:

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 17x + 12$$

(i) $f(2) = 2(2)^3 - 13(2)^2 + 17(2) + 12$



$$= 2 \times 8 - 13 \times 4 + 17 \times 2 + 12$$

$$= 16 - 52 + 34 + 12$$

$$= 62 - 52$$

$$= 10$$

$$(ii) f(-3) = 2(-3)^3 - 13(-3)^2 + 17 \times (-3) + 12$$

$$= 2 \times (-27) - 13 \times 9 + 17 \times (-3) + 12$$

$$= -54 - 117 - 51 + 12$$

$$= -222 + 12$$

$$= -210$$

$$(iii) f(0) = 2 \times (0)^3 - 13(0)^2 + 17 \times 0 + 12$$

$$= 0 - 0 + 0 + 12$$

$$= 12$$

16. If $a + b = 8$ and $ab = 15$, find the value of $a^4 + a^2b^2 + b^4$.

Answer:-

$$a^4 + a^2b^2 + b^4$$

Above terms can be written as,

$$a^4 + 2a^2b^2 + b^4 - a^2b^2$$

$$(a^2)^2 + 2a^2b^2 + (b^2)^2 - (ab)^2$$

$$(a^2 + b^2)^2 - (ab)^2$$

$$(a^2 + b^2 + ab)(a^2 + b^2 - ab)$$

$$a + b = 8, ab = 15$$

$$\text{So, } (a + b)^2 = 8^2$$

$$a^2 + 2ab + b^2 = 64$$



$$a^2 + 2(15) + b^2 = 64$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + 30 = 64$$

By transposing,

$$a^2 + b^2 = 64 - 30$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 34$$

Then, $a^4 + a^2b^2 + b^4$

$$= (a^2 + b^2 + ab) (a^2 + b^2 - ab)$$

$$= (34 + 15) (34 - 15)$$

$$= 49 \times 19$$

$$= 931$$

17. If $p(x)=x^3-5x^2+4x-3$ and $g(x)=x-2$, show that $p(x)$ is not a multiple of $g(x)$.

Answer: Given, $P(x)=x^3-5x^2+4x-3$

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

$$\text{Put } g(x)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow x=2$$

Now, $p(2)$ should be 0 if $p(x)$ is a multiple of $g(x)$

so,

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

$$p(2)=8-20+8-3$$

$$p(2)=16-23$$

$$p(2)=-7$$

since the remainder is not zero, $p(x)$ is not a multiple of $g(x)$.



18. Factorize:

(i) $ab(x^2 + y^2) - xy(a^2 + b^2)$

Answer:-

$$ab(x^2 + y^2) - xy(a^2 + b^2)$$

The above question can be written as,

$$abx^2 + aby^2 - xya^2 - xyb^2$$

Re-arranging the above we get,

$$abx^2 - xyb^2 + aby^2 - xya^2$$

Take out common in all terms,

$$bx(ax - by) + ay(by - ax)$$

$$bx(ax - by) - ay(ax - by)$$

$$(ax - by)(bx - ay)$$

(ii) $9x^2 - 4(y + 2x)^2$

Answer:-

$$9x^2 - 4(y + 2x)^2$$

Above question can be written as,

$$(3x)^2 - [2(y + 2x)]^2$$

$$(3x)^2 - (2y + 4x)^2$$

We know that, $a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$

$$(3x + 2y + 4x)(3x - 2y - 4x)$$

$$(7x + 2y)(-x - 2y)$$



19. Factorize:

(i) $(x + 4)^2 - 5xy - 20y - 6y^2$

Answer:-

$$(x + 4)^2 - 5xy - 20y - 6y^2$$

Above terms can be written as,

$$(x + 4)^2 - 5y(x + 4) - 6y^2$$

$$(x + 4)^2 - 6y(x + 4) + y(x + 4) - 6y^2$$

Take out common in all terms we get,

$$(x + 4)(x + 4 - 6y) + y(x + 4 - 6y)$$

$$(x - 6y + 4)(x + 4 + y)$$

(ii) $(x^2 - 2x^2) - 23(x^2 - 2x) + 120$

Answer:-

$$(x^2 - 2x^2) - 23(x^2 - 2x) + 120$$

Above terms can be written as,

$$(x^2 - 2x)^2 - 15(x^2 - 2x) - 8(x^2 - 2x) + 120$$

Take out common in all terms we get,

$$(x^2 - 2x)(x^2 - 2x - 15) - 8(x^2 - 2x - 15)$$

$$(x^2 - 2x - 15)(x^2 - 2x - 8)$$

(iii). $4(2a - 3)^2 - 3(2a - 3)(a - 1) - 7(a - 1)^2$

Answer:-

$$4(2a - 3)^2 - 3(2a - 3)(a - 1) - 7(a - 1)^2$$

Let us assume, $2a - 3 = p$ and $a - 1 = q$

$$\text{So, } 4p^2 - 3pq - 7q^2$$



Then, $4p^2 - 7pq + 4pq - 7q^2$

Take out common in all terms we get,

$$p(4p - 7q) + q(4p - 7q)$$

$$(4p - 7q)(p + q)$$

Now, substitute the value of p and q we get,

$$(4(2a - 3) - 7(a - 1))(2a - 3 + a - 1)$$

$$(8a - 12 - 7a + 7)(3a - 4)$$

$$(a - 5)(3a - 4)$$

(iv). $(2x^2 + 5x)(2x^2 + 5x - 19) + 84$

Answer:-

$$(2x^2 + 5x)(2x^2 + 5x - 19) + 84$$

Let us assume, $2x^2 + 5x = p$

$$\text{So, } (p)(p - 19) + 84$$

$$p^2 - 19p + 84$$

$$p^2 - 12p - 7p + 84$$

$$p(p - 12) - 7(p - 12)$$

$$(p - 12)(p - 7)$$

Now, substitute the value of p we get,

$$(2x^2 + 5x - 12)(2x^2 + 5x - 7)$$

(v). $27(x + y)^3 + 8(2x - y)^3$

Answer:-

$$27(x + y)^3 + 8(2x - y)^3$$

Above terms can be written as,



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

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

We know that, $a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$

Where, $a = 3(x + y)$, $b = 2(x - y)$

$$= [3(x + y) + 2(2x - y)] [(3(x + y))^3 - (3(x + y) \times 2(2x - y)) + (2(2x - y))^2]$$

$$= [3x + 3y + 4x - 2y] [9(x + y)^2 - 6(x + y)(2x - y) + 4(2x - y)^2]$$

$$= (7x - y) [9(x^2 + y^2 + 2xy) - 6(2x^2 - xy + 2xy - y^2) + 4(4x^2 + y^2 - 4xy)]$$

$$= (7x - y) [9x^2 + 9y^2 + 18xy - 12x^2 - 6xy - 6y^2 + 16x^2 + 4y^2 - 16xy]$$

$$= (7x - y) [13x^2 - 4xy + 19y^2]$$

(vi). $32a^2x^3 - 8b^2x^3 - 4a^2y^3 + b^2y^3$

Answer:-

$$32a^2x^3 - 8b^2x^3 - 4a^2y^3 + b^2y^3$$

Take out common in all terms we get,

$$8x^3(4a^2 - b^2) - y^3(4a^2 - b^2)$$

$$(4a^2 - b^2)(8x^3 - y^3)$$

Above terms can be written as,

$$((2a)^2 - b^2)((2x)^3 - y^3)$$

We know that, $a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$ and $(a^2 - b^2) = (a + b)(a - b)$

$$(2a + b)(2a - b)[(2x - y)((2x)^2 + 2xy + y^2)]$$

$$(2a + b)(2a - b)(2x - y)(4x^2 + 2xy + y^2)$$