

# POLYNOMIALS

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Polynomial is a mathematical expression of one or more algebraic terms each of which consists of a constant multiplied by one or more variable raised to a non-negative integral power such as  $(ax^2 + bx + c)$

Kinds of Polynomial :—

- \* A monomial is a polynomial with only one term, such as  $3x$ ,  $4xy$ ,  $7$  and  $3x^2y^3$  etc
- \* A bimomial is a polynomial with exactly two terms such as  $x+3$ ,  $4x^2+5x$ ,  $x+2y^7$  etc
- \* A trinomial is a polynomial with exactly three terms such as  $x^4+3x^3-2$ ,  $3x^2+3x+2$  etc

Another special kind of polynomial is quadratic equation which is polynomial of degree 2. It looks like  $ax^2+bx+c$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are constant.

Another one is Cubic polynomial. which has degree 3. It looks like  $ax^3+bx^2+cx+c$

Some more examples

$3x^2+2 \rightarrow$  Quadratic,  $3x^3+2 \rightarrow$  Cubic polynomial.

**Q 1)** Which of the following expression are polynomials in one variable and which are not? state reason for your answer.

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

Sol: → Polynomial in one variable 'x'

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

Sol Polynomial in one variable 'y'

iii)  $3\sqrt{t} + \sqrt{2}$

Sol It is not a polynomial as power of t is not a whole number.

iv)  $y + \frac{2}{y}$

Sol: → This is not a polynomial as again power of y in second term is not a whole number

v)  $x^{10} + y^3 + t^{50}$

Sol: → This is not a polynomial in one variable but a polynomial in 3 variable.

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**Q2)** Write the coefficients of  $x^2$  in each of the following:

i)  $2 + x^2 + x$

Sol: → Coefficient of  $x^2$  is 1

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

Sol: → Coefficient of  $x^2 = -1$

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iii)  $\frac{\pi}{2}x^2+x$

Sol: → Coefficient of  $x^2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$

iv)  $\sqrt{2}x - 1$

Sol: →  $x^2$  is not present hence no coefficient

Q3 Give one example each of a binomial of degree 35, and of a monomial of degree 100

Sol  $x^{35}+5$  is a binomial of degree 35

$2y^{100}$  is a monomial of degree 100

Q4 Write the degree of each of the following polynomials:

i)  $5x^3+4x^2+7x$

Sol: → Degree is 3 as highest power

ii)  $4-y^2$

Sol → Degree is 2

iii)  $st-\sqrt{7}$

Sol: → Degree is 1

iv) 3

Sol → Degree is 0

Q5 Classify the following as linear, quadratic and cubic Polynomials:

i)  $x^2+x$

Sol: → quadratic polynomial

ii)  $x-x^3$  → cubic polynomial

iii)  $y+y^2+$  → quadratic polynomial

iv)  $1+x$  → linear polynomial

v)  $3t$  → linear polynomial

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vi)  $r^2$  → quadratic polynomial

vii)  $Tx^3$  → Cubic polynomial

### Zero of a Polynomial

A zero or root of a polynomial function is a number that when plugged in for the variable, makes the function equal to zero.

Note: → Every linear polynomial has one and only one zero

→ A polynomial can have more than one zero e.g. quadratic equations have 2 zero Cubic have 3 zeroes

→ A zero of polynomial need not to be zero.

∴ → 0 may be a zero of polynomial.

Q1 Find the value of polynomial  $5x - 4x^2 + 3$  at  
i)  $x = 0$     ii)  $x = -1$     iii)  $x = 2$

Sol:  $\rightarrow$  Let  $P(x) = 5x - 4x^2 + 3$

Put  $x = 0$

$$\therefore P(0) = 5(0) - 4(0)^2 + 3$$

$$\Rightarrow P(0) = 0 - 0 + 3$$

$\Rightarrow$  At  $x = 0$  value of given  $P(x) = 3$   
ie  $\boxed{P(0) = 3}$

ii) Now  $P(-1) = 5(-1) - 4(-1)^2 + 3$   
 $= -5 - 4 + 3$   
 $= -6$   
 $\therefore \boxed{P(-1) = -6}$

iii)  $P(2) = 5(2) - 4(2)^2 + 3$   
 $= 10 - 16 + 3$   
 $\Rightarrow \boxed{P(2) = -3}$

Q2 Find  $P(0)$ ,  $P(1)$  and  $P(2)$  for each of the following polynomials!  $\rightarrow$

i)  $P(y) = y^2 - y + 1$

Sol  $P(0) = (0)^2 - (0) + 1 = 1$   
 $P(1) = (1)^2 - (1) + 1 = 1$   
 $P(2) = (2)^2 - (2) + 1 = 3$

ii)  $P(t) = 2 + t + 2t^2 - t^3$

Sol:  $\rightarrow P(0) \rightarrow 2 + 0 + 2(0)^2 - (0)^3$   
 $\rightarrow 2 + 0 + 0 - 0 = 2$

$$P(1) = 2 + (1) + 2(1)^2 - (1)^3$$
  
 $= 2 + 1 + 2 - 1$

$$P(1) = 4$$

$$P(2) = 2 + (2) + 2(2)^2 - (2)^3$$
  
 $= 2 + 2 + 8 - 8$

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$$\text{iii) } P(x) = x^3$$

$$P(0) = (0)^3 = 0$$

$$P(1) = (1)^3 = 1$$

$$P(2) = (2)^3 = 8$$

$$\text{iv) } P(x) = 6(x-1)(x+1)$$

$$P(0) = (0-1)(0+1)$$

$$= (-1)(+1)$$

$$P(0) = -1 \text{ Ans}/\|$$

$$P(1) = (1-1)(1+1)$$

$$P(1) = 0 \text{ Ans}/\|$$

$$P(2) = (2-1)(2+1)$$

$$P(2) = 3 \text{ Ans}/\|$$

Q3 Verify whether the following are zeroes of the polynomial indicated against them

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

Sol : →

$$\begin{aligned}P\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) &= 3\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1 \\&= -1 + 1 \\&= 0 \quad \text{Ans}/\end{aligned}$$

ii)  $P(x) = 5x - \pi$ ,  $x = \frac{4}{5}$

Sol : →  $P\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 5\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) - \pi$

$$= 4 - \pi \quad \text{Ans}/$$

iii)  $P(x) = x^2 - 1$ ,  $x = 1, -1$

$$\begin{aligned}P(1) &= (1)^2 - 1 \\&= 1 - 1 = 0 \quad \text{Ans}/\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(-1) &= (-1)^2 - 1 \\&= 1 - 1 = 0 \quad \text{Ans}/\end{aligned}$$

iv)  $P(x) = (x+1)(x-2)$ ,  $x = -1, 2$

$$\begin{aligned}P(-1) &= (-1+1)(2-2) \\&= 0 \quad \text{Ans}/\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(2) &= (2+1)(2-2) \\&= 3(0) \\&= 0 \quad \text{Ans}/\end{aligned}$$

v)  $P(x) = x^2$ ,  $x = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}P(0) &= (0)^2 \\&= 0 \quad \text{Ans}/\end{aligned}$$

vi)  $P(x) = kx + m$ ,  $x = -\frac{m}{k}$

Sol : →  $P\left(-\frac{m}{k}\right) = k\left(-\frac{m}{k}\right) + m = -mk + mk = 0$

vii)  $P(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ ,  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}$

$$\begin{aligned}P\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) &= 3\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - 1 \\&= 3 - 1 = 2\end{aligned}$$

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

$$3(4) - 1 = 12 - 1 = 11 \quad \text{Ans}/$$

$$vi) P(x) = kx + m, x = -\frac{m}{k}$$

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

$$P\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 3\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2 - 1 \\ 3(4) - 1 = 12 - 1 = 11 \quad Ans/1$$

$$viii) P(x) = 2x + 1, x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 = 1 + 1 = 2 \quad Ans/1$$

Q4 Find the zero of the polynomial in each of the following cases.

$$i) P(x) = x + 5$$

$$Sol \quad Put \ P(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -5$$

$\therefore -5$  is zero of given polynomial

$$ii) P(x) = x - 5$$

$$Sol : \rightarrow Put \ P(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x - 5 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 5$$

$\therefore +5$  is zero of given  $P(x)$

$$iii) P(x) = 2x + 5$$

$$Put \ P(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 2x + 5 = 0 \Rightarrow 2x = -5 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$\therefore -\frac{5}{2}$  is zero of given  $P(x)$