

CBSE Class-10 Mathematics  
NCERT solution  
Chapter - 2  
Polynomials - Exercise 2.2

1. Find the zeroes of the following quadratic polynomials and verify the relationship between the zeros and the coefficients.

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

(ii)  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$

(iii)  $6x^2 - 3 - 7x$

(iv)  $4u^2 + 8u$

(v)  $t^2 - 15$

(vi)  $3x^2 - x - 4$

Ans. (i)  $x^2 - 2x - 8$

Comparing given polynomial with general form of quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ ,

We get  $a = 1$ ,  $b = -2$  and  $c = -8$

We have,  $x^2 - 2x - 8$

$$= x^2 - 4x + 2x - 8$$

$$= x(x-4) + 2(x-4) = (x-4)(x+2)$$

Equating this equal to 0 will find values of 2 zeroes of this polynomial.

$$(x-4)(x+2) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow x = 4, -2$  are two zeroes.

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = 4 + (-2) = 2 =$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{-(-2)}{1} = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{Product of zeroes} = 4 \times (-2) = -8$$

$$= \frac{-8}{1} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

**(ii)**  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$

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

We have,  $4s^2 - 4s + 1$

$$= 4s^2 - 2s - 2s + 1$$

$$= 2s(2s-1) - 1(2s-1)$$

$$= (2s-1)(2s-1)$$

Equating this equal to 0 will find values of 2 zeroes of this polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow (2s-1)(2s-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore, two zeroes of this polynomial are  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 = \frac{-(-1)}{1} \times \frac{4}{4} = \frac{-(-4)}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{Product of Zeroes} = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$\text{(iii) } 6x^2 - 3 - 7x \Rightarrow 6x^2 - 7x - 3$$

Here,  $a = 6$ ,  $b = -7$  and  $c = -3$

We have,  $6x^2 - 7x - 3$

$$= 6x^2 - 9x + 2x - 3$$

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

Equating this equal to 0 will find values of 2 zeroes of this polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow (2x-3)(3x+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3}{2}, \frac{-1}{3}$$

Therefore, two zeroes of this polynomial are  $\frac{3}{2}, \frac{-1}{3}$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{-1}{3} = \frac{9-2}{6} = \frac{7}{6} = \frac{-(-7)}{6} = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{Product of Zeroes} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{-1}{3} = \frac{-1}{2} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{(iv) } 4u^2 + 8u$$

Here,  $a = 4$ ,  $b = 8$  and  $c = 0$

$$4u^2 + 8u = 4u(u+2)$$

Equating this equal to 0 will find values of 2 zeroes of this polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow 4u(u+2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u = 0, -2$$

Therefore, two zeroes of this polynomial are 0, -2

Sum of zeroes =  $0 - 2 = -2$

$$= \frac{-2}{1} \times \frac{4}{4} = \frac{-8}{4} = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

Product of Zeroes =  $0 \times -2 = 0$

$$= \frac{0}{4} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

(v)  $t^2 - 15$

Here,  $a = 1$ ,  $b = 0$  and  $c = -15$

We have,  $t^2 - 15 \Rightarrow t^2 = 15 \Rightarrow t = \pm \sqrt{15}$

Therefore, two zeroes of this polynomial are  $\sqrt{15}, -\sqrt{15}$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \sqrt{15} + (-\sqrt{15}) = 0 = \frac{0}{1} = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{Product of Zeroes} = \sqrt{15} \times (-\sqrt{15}) = -15$$

$$= \frac{-15}{1} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

(vi)  $3x^2 - x - 4$

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

We have,  $3x^2 - x - 4 = 3x^2 - 4x + 3x - 4$

$$= x(3x-4) + 1(3x-4) = (3x-4)(x+1)$$

Equating this equal to 0 will find values of 2 zeroes of this polynomial.

$$\Rightarrow (3x-4)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{3}, -1$$

Therefore, two zeroes of this polynomial are  $\frac{4}{3}, -1$

$$\text{Sum of zeroes} = \frac{4}{3} + (-1) = \frac{4-3}{3} = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{-(-1)}{3} = \frac{-b}{a} = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{Product of Zeroes} = \frac{4}{3} \times (-1) = \frac{-4}{3} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

**2. Find a quadratic polynomial each with the given numbers as the sum and product of its zeroes respectively.**

(i)  $\frac{1}{4}, -1$

(ii)  $\sqrt{2}, 13$

(iii)  $0, \sqrt{5}$

(iv)  $1, 1$

(v)  $\frac{-1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$

(vi)  $4, 1$

Ans. (i)  $\frac{1}{4}, -1$

Let quadratic polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are two zeroes of above quadratic polynomial.

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{-b}{a}$$

$$\alpha \times \beta = -1 = \frac{-1}{1} \times \frac{4}{4} = \frac{-4}{4} = \frac{c}{a}$$

On comparing, we get

$$\therefore a = 4, b = -1, c = -4$$

Putting the values of a, b and c in quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get

Quadratic polynomial which satisfies above conditions =  $4x^2 - x - 4$

(ii)  $\sqrt{2}, \frac{1}{3}$

Let quadratic polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two zeros of above quadratic polynomial.

$$\alpha + \beta = \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{3} = \frac{-b}{a}$$

$$\alpha \times \beta = \frac{1}{3} \text{ which is equal to } \frac{c}{a}$$

On comparing, we get

$$\therefore a = 3, b = -3\sqrt{2}, c = 1$$

Putting the values of a, b and c in quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get

Quadratic polynomial which satisfies above conditions =  $3x^2 - 3\sqrt{2}x + 1$ .

(iii)  $0, \sqrt{5}$

Let quadratic polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two zeros of above quadratic polynomial.

$$\alpha + \beta = 0 = \frac{0}{1} = \frac{-b}{a}$$

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

On comparing, we get

$$\therefore a = 1, b = 0, c = \sqrt{5}$$

Putting the values of a, b and c in quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get

Quadratic polynomial which satisfies above conditions  $= x^2 + \sqrt{5}$

**(iv)** 1, 1

Let quadratic polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two zeros of above quadratic polynomial.

$$\alpha + \beta = 1 = \frac{-(-1)}{1} = \frac{-b}{a}$$

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

On comparing, we get

$$\therefore a = 1, b = -1, c = 1$$

Putting the values of a, b and c in quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get

Quadratic polynomial which satisfies above conditions  $= x^2 - x + 1$

**(v)**  $\frac{-1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}$

Let quadratic polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two zeros of above quadratic polynomial.

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{-1}{4} = \frac{-b}{a}$$

$$\alpha \times \beta = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{c}{a}$$

On comparing, we get

$$\therefore a = 4, b = 1, c = 1$$

Putting the values of a, b and c in quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get

Quadratic polynomial which satisfies above conditions =  $4x^2 + x + 1$

**(vi)** 4, 1

Let quadratic polynomial be  $ax^2 + bx + c$

Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be two zeros of above quadratic polynomial.

$$\alpha + \beta = 4 \frac{-(-4)}{1} = \frac{-b}{a}$$

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

On comparing, we get

$$\therefore a = 1, b = -4, c = 1$$

Putting the values of a, b and c in quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , we get

Quadratic polynomial which satisfies above conditions =  $x^2 - 4x + 1$