



NCERT solutions for class 9 Maths Polynomials Ex 2.3

Q1. Find the remainder when $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$ is divided by

(i) $x + 1$

(ii) $x - \frac{1}{2}$

(iii) x

(iv) $x + \pi$

(v) $5 + 2x$

Ans: (i) $x + 1$

We need to find the zero of the polynomial $x + 1$.

$$x + 1 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x = -1$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial $x + 1$ in the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$, to get

$$p(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$$

$$p(0) = (-1)^3 + 3(-1)^2 + 3(-1) + 1$$

$$= -1 + 3 - 3 + 1$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore, we conclude that on dividing the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$ by $x + 1$, we will get the remainder as 0.

(ii) $x - \frac{1}{2}$

We need to find the zero of the polynomial $x - \frac{1}{2}$.

$$x - \frac{1}{2} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial $x - \frac{1}{2}$ in the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$, to get

$$p(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$$

$$p\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{8} + 3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{3}{2} + 1 \\
&= \frac{1+6+12+8}{8} \\
&= \frac{27}{8}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude that on dividing the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$ by $x - \frac{1}{2}$, we will get the remainder as $\frac{27}{8}$.

(iii) x

We need to find the zero of the polynomial x .

$$x = 0$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial x in the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$, to get

$$\begin{aligned}
p(x) &= x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1 \\
p(0) &= (0)^3 + 3(0)^2 + 3(0) + 1 \\
&= 0 + 0 + 0 + 1 \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude that on dividing the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$ by x , we will get the remainder as 1.

(iv) $x + \pi$

We need to find the zero of the polynomial $x + \pi$.

$$x + \pi = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -\pi$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial $x + \pi$ in the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$, to get

$$\begin{aligned}
p(x) &= x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1 \\
p(-\pi) &= (-\pi)^3 + 3(-\pi)^2 + 3(-\pi) + 1 \\
&= -\pi^3 + 3\pi^2 - 3\pi + 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude that on dividing the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$ by $x + \pi$, we will get the remainder as $-\pi^3 + 3\pi^2 - 3\pi + 1$.

$$(v)^{5+2x}$$

We need to find the zero of the polynomial $5 + 2x$.

$$5 + 2x = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x = -\frac{5}{2}$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial $5 + 2x$ in the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$, to get

$$p(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} p\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) &= \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)^3 + 3\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 + 3\left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) + 1 \\ &= -\frac{125}{8} + 3\left(\frac{25}{4}\right) - \frac{15}{2} + 1 \\ &= -\frac{125}{8} + \frac{75}{4} - \frac{15}{2} + 1 \\ &= \frac{-125 + 150 - 60 + 8}{8} \\ &= -\frac{27}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude that on dividing the polynomial $x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + 1$ by $5 + 2x$, we will get the remainder as $-\frac{27}{4}$.

Q2. Find the remainder when $x^3 - ax^2 + 6x - a$ is divided by $x - a$.

Ans: We need to find the zero of the polynomial $x - a$.

$$x - a = 0 \quad \Rightarrow x = a$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial $x - a$ in the polynomial $x^3 - ax^2 + 6x - a$, to get

$$p(x) = x^3 - ax^2 + 6x - a$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(a) &= (a)^3 - a(a)^2 + 6(a) - a \\
 &= a^3 - a^3 + 6a - a \\
 &= 5a
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude that on dividing the polynomial $x^3 - ax^2 + 6x - a$ by $x - a$, we will get the remainder as $5a$.

Q3. Check whether $7 + 3x$ is a factor of $3x^3 + 7x$.

Ans: We know that if the polynomial $7 + 3x$ is a factor of $3x^3 + 7x$, then on dividing the polynomial $3x^3 + 7x$ by $7 + 3x$, we must get the remainder as 0.

We need to find the zero of the polynomial $7 + 3x$.

$$7 + 3x = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x = -\frac{7}{3}$$

While applying the remainder theorem, we need to put the zero of the polynomial $7 + 3x$ in the polynomial $3x^3 + 7x$, to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x) &= 3x^3 + 7x \\
 &= 3\left(-\frac{7}{3}\right)^3 + 7\left(-\frac{7}{3}\right) = 3\left(-\frac{343}{27}\right) - \frac{49}{3} \\
 &= -\frac{343}{9} - \frac{49}{3} = \frac{-343 - 147}{9} \\
 &= \frac{-490}{9}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that on dividing the polynomial $3x^3 + 7x$ by $7 + 3x$, we will get the remainder as $\frac{-490}{9}$, which is not 0.

Therefore, we conclude that $7 + 3x$ is not a factor of $3x^3 + 7x$.

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