



Exercise 2.6



1. Use synthetic division to find the quotient and the remainder, when

(i) $(x^2 + 7x - 1) \div (x + 1)$

Solution: $P(x) = x^2 + 7x - 1$

From divisor $x - a = x - (-1)$

$\therefore a = -1$

Now write co-efficient of divided in a row and $a = -1$ on the left side

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	1	7	-1
-1	↓	-1	-6
	1	6	-7

Depressed equation is $x + 6$
 Quotient = $Q(x) = x + 6$
 Remainder = $R = -7$

(ii) $(4x^3 - 5x + 15) \div (x + 3)$

Solution:

$$P(x) = 4x^3 - 5x + 15$$

$$4x^3 + 0x^2 - 5x + 15$$

From divisor $x - a = x - (-3)$
 $a = -3$

Now write co-efficient of divided in a row and $a = -3$ on the left side

	4	0	-5	15
-3	↓	-12	36	-93
	4	-12	31	-78

Depressed equation is $4x^2 - 12x + 31$
 Quotient = $Q(x) = 4x^2 - 12x + 31$
 Remainder = $R = -78$

(iii) $(x^3 + x^2 - 3x + 2) \div (x - 2)$

Solution:

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

From divisor $x - a = x - 2$
 $a = 2$

Now write co-efficient of divided in a row and $a = 2$ on the left side

	1	1	-3	2
2	↓	2	6	6
	1	3	3	8

Depressed equation is $x^2 + 3x + 3$
 Quotient = $Q(x) = x^2 + 3x + 3$
 Remainder = $R = 8$

2. Find the value of h using synthetic division, if 3 is the zero of the polynomial $2x^3 - 3hx^2 + 9$

Solution:

$a = 3$

$$P(x) = 2x^3 - 3hx^2 + 9$$

$$= 2x^3 - 3hx^2 + 0x + 9$$

Here $a = 3$

	2	$-3h$	0	9
3	↓	6	$-9h + 18$	$-27h + 54$
	2	$-3h + 6$	$-9h + 18$	$-27h + 63$

If 3 is zero of $P(x)$, then Remainder $R = 0$

Here, $R = -27h + 63 = 0$

$$27h + 63 = 0$$

$$-27h = -63$$

$$h = \frac{-63}{-27} = \frac{7}{3}$$

(ii) 1 is the zero of the polynomial $x^3 - 2hx^2 + 11$

Solution:

$$= P(x) = x^3 - 2hx^2 + 11$$

$$= x^3 - 2hx^2 + 0x + 11$$

Here $a = 1$

	1	$-2h$	0	11
1	↓	1	$-2h + 1$	$-2h + 11$
	1	$-2h + 1$	$-2h + 1$	$-2h + 12$

If 1 is zero of the polynomial, then Remainder $R = 0$

therefore $R = -2h + 12 = 0$

$$-2h + 12 = 0$$

$$-2h = -12$$

$$h = \frac{-12}{-2} = 6$$

(iii) -1 is the zero of the polynomial $2x^3 + 5hx - 23$

Solution:

$$P(x) = 2x^3 + 5hx - 23$$

$$= 2x^3 + 0x^2 + 5hx - 23$$

Here $a = -1$

	2	0	$5h$	-23
-1	↓	-2	2	$-5h - 23$
	2	-2	$5h + 2$	$-5h - 25$

If -1 is zero of the polynomial, then Remainder $R = 0$

therefore, $R = -5h - 25 = 0$

$$-5h - 25 = 0$$

$$h = \frac{-25}{-5} = -5$$



3. Use synthetic division to find the values of l and m , if

(i) $(x + 3)$ and $(x - 2)$ are the factors of the polynomial $x^3 + 4x^2 + 2lx + m$

Solution:

Let $P(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 + 2lx + m$

and $x - a = x - (-3)$

therefore $a = -3$

By synthetic division

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -3 & 1 & 4 & 2l & m \\ & \downarrow & -3 & -3 & -6l + 9 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & 2l - 3 & m - 6l + 9 \end{array}$$

Since -3 is zero of the polynomial, therefore, $R = 0$

$$R = m - 6l + 9 = 0$$

$$-6l + m + 9 = 0 \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Now Again $x - a = x - (-2)$

therefore $a = -2$

By synthetic division

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 2 & 1 & 4 & 2l & m \\ & \downarrow & 2 & 12 & 4l + 24 \\ \hline & 1 & 6 & 2l + 12 & m + 4l + 24 \end{array}$$

Since 2 is zero of the polynomial, therefore, $R = 0$

$$R = 4l + m + 24 = 0$$

$$4l + m + 24 = 0 \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

By Subtracting (ii) from (i) we get

$$-10l - 15 = 0$$

$$-10l = 15$$

$$l = \frac{15}{-10} = -\frac{3}{2}$$

by Putting $l = -\frac{3}{2}$ in (i), we get

$$-6\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) + m + 9 = 0$$

$$9 + m + 9 = 0$$

$$m = -9 - 9$$

$$m = -18$$

therefore, $l = -\frac{3}{2}$, $m = -18$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4l + m + 24 \\ -6l + m + 9 \\ \hline 10l - 15 = 0 \\ -10l = 15 \\ \hline l = \frac{15}{-10} = -\frac{3}{2} \end{array}$$

(ii) $(x - 1)$ and $(x + 1)$ are the factors of the polynomial $x^3 - 3lx^2 + 2mx + 6$

Solution:

Let $P(x) = x^3 - 3lx^2 + 2mx + 6$
 $x - a = x - 1$
 $\therefore a = 1$

Using synthetic division we get

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} 1 & 1 & -3l & 2m & 6 \\ & \downarrow & 1 & -3l+1 & 2m-3l+1 \\ \hline & 1 & -3l+1 & 2m-3l+1 & 2m-3l+7 \end{array}$$

Since 1 is zero of the polynomial, therefore, $R = 0$

$$R = 2m - 3l + 7 = 0$$

Thus $2m - 3l + 7 = 0 \dots \dots \dots (i)$

$$P(x) = x^3 - 3lx^2 + 2mx + 6$$

Again $x - a = x - (-1)$
 $\therefore a = -1$

Using synthetic division

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -1 & 1 & -3l & 2m & 6 \\ & \downarrow & -1 & 3l+1 & -2m-3l-1 \\ \hline & 1 & -3l-1 & 2m+3l+1 & -2m-3l+5 \end{array}$$

Since -1 is zero of the polynomial, therefore, $R = 0$

$$R = -2m - 3l + 5 = 0$$

Thus $-2m - 3l + 5 = 0$

By Subtracting (ii) from (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 4m + 2 &= 0 \\ m &= -\frac{2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Putting $m = -\frac{1}{2}$ in (i) we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - 3l + 7 &= 0 \\ -1 - 3l + 7 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$-3l = -7 + 1$$

$$-3l = -6$$

$$l = \frac{-6}{-3} = 2$$

therefore, $l = 2, m = -\frac{1}{2}$

4. Solve by using synthetic division, if
 (i) 2 is the root of the equation $x^3 - 28x + 48 = 0$

Solution:

Let, $P(x) = x^3 - 28x + 48$
 $= x^3 + 0x^2 - 28x + 48$

and $a = 2$

Using synthetic equation

2	1	0	-28	48
	↓	2	4	-48
	1	2	-24	0

Therefore depressed equation is

$$x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 6x - 4x - 24 = 0$$

$$x(x + 6) - 4(x + 6) = 0$$

$$(x + 6)(x - 4) = 0$$

$$x + 6 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = -6$$

or $x - 4 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = 4$

Hence 2, -6 and 4 are the roots of the given equation

(ii) 3 is the root of the equation $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 11x + 6 = 0$

Solution:

Let, $P(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 11x + 6$

and $a = 3$

By synthetic division

3	2	-3	-11	6
	↓	6	9	-6
	2	3	-2	0

Therefore depressed equation is:

$$2x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$$

$$2x^2 + 4x - x - 2 = 0$$

$$2x(x + 2)(2x - 1) = 0$$

$$x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = -2$$

or $2x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = \frac{1}{2}$

Hence 3, -2 and $\frac{1}{2}$ are the roots of the given equation

(iii) -1 is the root of the equation $4x^3 - x^2 - 11x - 6 = 0$

Solution:

Let, $P(x) = 4x^3 - x^2 - 11x - 6 = 0$

and $a = -1$



By synthetic division

	4	-1	-11	-6
-1	↓	-4	5	6
	4	-5	-6	0

Depressed equation is:

$$4x^2 - 5x - 6 = 0$$

$$4x^2 - 8x + 3x - 6 = 0$$

$$4x(x - 2) + 3(x - 2) = 0$$

$$(x - 2)(4x + 3) = 0$$

$$x - 2 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = 2$$

or $4x + 3 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = -\frac{3}{4}$

Hence $-1, 2$ and $-\frac{3}{4}$ are the roots of the given equation

5. Solve by using synthetic division, if

(i) 1 and 3 are the roots of equation $x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 = 0$

Solution:

Let, $P(x) = x^4 - 10x^2 + 9$
 $= x^4 + 0x^3 - 10x^2 + 0x + 9$

and $a = 1$

By synthetic division

	1	0	-10	0	9
1	↓	1	1	-9	-9
	1	1	-9	-9	0

Depressed equation is

$$x^3 + x^2 - 9x - 9 = 0$$

3 is again a root of the given equation therefore,

	1	1	-9	-9
3	↓	3	12	9
	1	4	3	0

Depressed equation is

$$x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0$$

$$x^2 + x + 3x + 3 = 0$$

$$x(x + 1) + 3(x + 1) = 0$$

$$(x + 1)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{gives } x = -1$$

or $-x + 3 = 0$ gives $x = -3$

Hence 1, 3, -1 and -3 are the roots of the given equation

(ii) 3 and -4 are the roots of the equation

$$x^4 + 2x^3 - 13x^2 - 14x + 24 = 0$$

Solution:

Let, $P(x) = x^4 + 2x^3 - 13x^2 - 14x + 24$

and $\alpha = 3$

By synthetic division

	1	2	-13	-14	24
1	↓	3	15	6	-24
	1	5	2	-8	0

Depressed equation is:

$$x^3 + 5x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

Again $\alpha = -4$

Therefore,

	1	5	2	-8
-4	↓	-4	-4	8
	1	1	-2	0

Depressed equation is:

$$x^2 + x - 2 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 2x - x - 2 = 0$$

$$x(x + 2) - 1(x + 2) = 0$$

$$(x + 2)(x - 1) = 0$$

$$x + 2 = 0 \quad \text{gives } x = -2$$

or $x - 1 = 0$ gives $x = 1$

Hence 3, -4, -2 and 1 are the roots of the given equation

