

- **Non-terminating Repeating (or Recurring) Decimals:** The decimal expansion obtained from  $\frac{p}{q}$  repeats periodically, then it is called non-terminating repeating (or recurring) decimal.
- Just divide the numerator by the denominator of a fraction. If you end up with a remainder of 0, you have a terminating decimal otherwise repeating or recurring decimal.
- The sum or difference of a rational and an irrational number is irrational.
- The product and quotient of a non-zero rational and an irrational number is irrational.
- Let  $x = \frac{p}{q}$  be a rational number, such that the prime factorization of  $q$  is of the form  $2^m 5^n$ , where  $n$  and  $m$  are non-negative integers. Then,  $x$  has a decimal expansion which terminates.
- Let  $x$  be a rational number whose decimal expansion terminates. Then,  $x$  can be expressed in the form  $\frac{p}{q}$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are co-primes and the prime factorization of  $q$  is of the form  $2^m 5^n$ , where  $m$  and  $n$  are non-negative integers.
- Let  $x = \frac{p}{q}$  be a rational number, such that the prime factorization of  $q$  is not of the form  $2^m 5^n$ , where  $n$  and  $m$  are non-negative integers. Then,  $x$  has a decimal expansion which is non-terminating repeating.

## Know the Formulae

For two positive integers  $a$  and  $b$ , we have

$$\text{HCF}(a, b) \times \text{LCM}(a, b) = a \times b$$

or

$$\text{HCF}(a, b) = \frac{a \times b}{\text{LCM}(a, b)}$$

and

$$\text{LCM}(a, b) = \frac{a \times b}{\text{HCF}(a, b)}$$

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## UNIT II: ALGEBRA

### Chapter - 2 : Polynomials

## Revision Notes

### Zeros of a Polynomial and Coefficients of Quadratic Polynomials

- **Polynomial:** An algebraic expression in the form of  $a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$  (where  $n$  is a whole number and  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  are real numbers) is called a polynomial in one variable  $x$  of degree  $n$ .
- **Value of a Polynomial at a given point :** If  $p(x)$  is a polynomial in  $x$  and ' $\alpha$ ' is any real number, then the value obtained by putting  $x = \alpha$  in  $p(x)$ , is called the value of  $p(x)$  at  $x = \alpha$ .
- **Zero of a Polynomial:** A real number  $k$  is said to be a zero of a polynomial  $p(x)$ , if  $p(k) = 0$ . Geometrically, the zeroes of a polynomial  $p(x)$  are precisely the X-co-ordinates of the points, where the graph of  $y = p(x)$  intersects the X-axis.
  - (i) A linear polynomial has one and only one zero.
  - (ii) A quadratic polynomial has at most two zeroes.
  - (iii) A cubic polynomial has at most three zeroes.
  - (iv) In general, a polynomial of degree  $n$  has at most  $n$  zeroes.

➤ **Graphs of Different types of Polynomials:**

- **Linear Polynomial:** The graph of a linear polynomial  $p(x) = ax + b$  is a straight line that intersects X-axis at one point only.
- **Quadratic Polynomial:** (i) Graph of a quadratic polynomial  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is a parabola which opens upwards, if  $a > 0$  and intersects X-axis at a maximum of two distinct points.  
(ii) Graph of a quadratic polynomial  $p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  is a parabola which opens downwards, if  $a < 0$  and intersects X-axis at a maximum of two distinct points.
- **Cubic polynomial:** Graph of cubic polynomial  $p(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$  intersects X-axis at a maximum of three distinct points.

➤ **Relationship between the Zeroes and the Coefficients of a Polynomial :**

(i) Zero of a linear polynomial =  $\frac{(-1)^1 \text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x}$

If  $ax + b$  is a given linear polynomial, then zero of linear polynomial is  $-\frac{b}{a}$

(ii) In a quadratic polynomial,

$$\text{Sum of zeroes of a quadratic polynomial} = \frac{(-1)^1 \text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

$$\text{Product of zeroes of a quadratic polynomial} = \frac{(-1)^2 \text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2}$$

∴ If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the zeroes of a quadratic polynomial  $ax^2 + bx + c$ , then

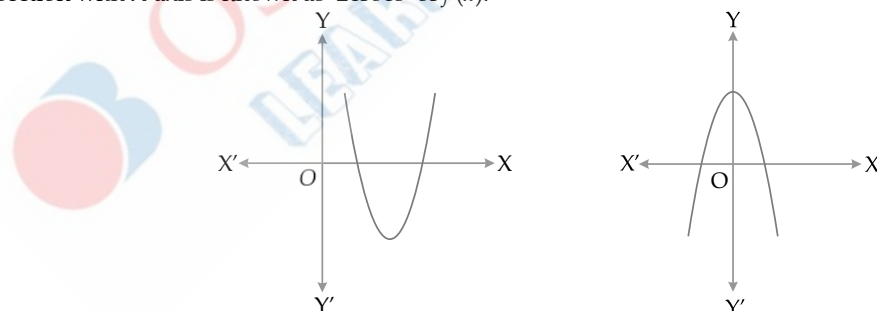
$$\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} \text{ and } \alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a}$$

(iii) If  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the zeroes of a cubic polynomial  $ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , then

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = (-1)^1 \frac{b}{a} = -\frac{b}{a}, \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha = (-1)^2 \frac{c}{a} = \frac{c}{a} \text{ and } \alpha\beta\gamma = (-1)^3 \frac{d}{a} = -\frac{d}{a}$$

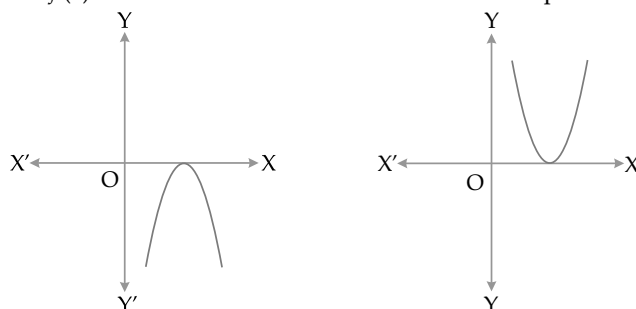
➤ **Discriminant of a Quadratic Polynomial:** For  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , where  $a \neq 0$ ,  $b^2 - 4ac$  is called its discriminant D. The discriminant D determines the nature of roots/zeroes of a quadratic polynomial.

**Case I :** If  $D > 0$ , graph of  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  will intersect the X-axis at two distinct points, x-co-ordinates of points of intersection with X-axis is known as 'zeroes' of  $f(x)$ .



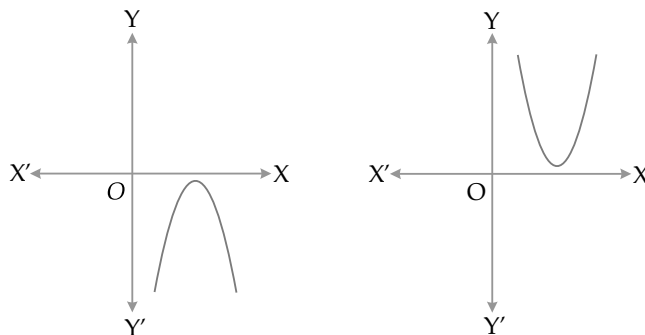
∴  $f(x)$  will have two zeroes and we can say that roots/zeroes of the two given polynomials are real and unequal.

**Case II :** If  $D = 0$ , graph of  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  will touch the X-axis at one point only.



∴  $f(x)$  will have only one 'zero' and we can say that roots/zeroes of the given polynomial are real and equal.

**Case III:** If  $D < 0$ , graph of  $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$  will neither touch nor intersect the X-axis.



$\therefore f(x)$  will not have any real zero.

## Know the Formulae

Relationship between the zeroes and the coefficients of a Polynomial :

S. No.	Type of polynomial	General form	Maximum Number of zeroes	Relationship between zeroes and coefficients
1.	Linear	$ax + b$ , where $a \neq 0$	1	$k = -\frac{b}{a}$ , i.e., $k = \frac{-\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x}$
2.	Quadratic	$ax^2 + bx + c$ , where $a \neq 0$	2	Sum of zeroes, $(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = -\frac{b}{a}$ Product of zeroes, $(\alpha\beta) = \frac{\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^2} = \frac{c}{a}$
3.	Cubic	$ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ , where $a \neq 0$	3	Sum of zeroes, $(\alpha + \beta + \gamma) = \frac{-\text{Coefficient of } x^2}{\text{Coefficient of } x^3} = -\frac{b}{a}$ Product of sum of zeroes taken two at a time, $(\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha) = \frac{\text{Coefficient of } x}{\text{Coefficient of } x^3} = \frac{c}{a}$ Product of zeroes, $(\alpha\beta\gamma) = \frac{-\text{Constant term}}{\text{Coefficient of } x^3} = -\frac{d}{a}$



### Mnemonics

**Concept: Formula**  $\rightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta = \frac{c}{a}$

**Amitabh Bachchan** went **Canada** **by** **aeroplane**.

**Interpretation:**

Amitabh's A  $\Rightarrow$  Alpha ( $\alpha$ )

Bachchan's B  $\Rightarrow$  Beta ( $\beta$ )

Canada's C  $\Rightarrow$  Constant (c)

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# CHAPTER -2 : POLYNOMIALS

