

## Polynomials

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- 89 When  $g(x)$  is divided by  $x^2 + x - 6$  the remainder is  $7x + 13$ .  
What is the remainder when  $g(x)$  is divided by  $x + 3$ ?
- (A)  $-8$   
(B)  $-5$   
(C)  $34$   
(D)  $55$
- 90 Consider the polynomial  $P(x) = 3x^3 + 3x + a$ .  
If  $x - 2$  is a factor of  $P(x)$ , what is the value of  $a$ ?
- (A)  $-30$   
(B)  $-18$   
(C)  $18$   
(D)  $30$
- 91 Consider the polynomial  $P(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 + 2x + a$ .  
If  $x - 1$  is a factor of  $P(x)$ , what is the value of  $a$ ?
- (A)  $-6$   
(B)  $-5$   
(C)  $5$   
(D)  $6$
- 92 The polynomial  $P(x) = x^4 - kx^3 - 2x + 33$  has  $(x - 3)$  as a factor.  
What is the value of  $k$ ?
- (A)  $-5$   
(B)  $-4$   
(C)  $4$   
(D)  $5$
- 93 It is known that two of the roots of the equation  $3x^3 + x^2 - kx + 6 = 0$  are reciprocals of each other. What is the value of  $k$ ?
- (A)  $-2$   
(B)  $6$   
(C)  $7$   
(D)  $17$

- 94 The polynomial  $f(x) = 2x^2 + kx + 4$  can be expressed as  $f(x) = (x - 2)g(x) + 6$ .  
Which of the following is the correct expression for  $g(x)$ ?
- (A)  $2x - 1$   
(B)  $2x + 1$   
(C)  $2x - 3$   
(D)  $2x + 3$
- 95 If  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 - 4x + 1 = 0$  what is the value of  $\alpha\beta\gamma$ ?
- (A)  $-4$   
(B)  $-1$   
(C)  $1$   
(D)  $4$
- 96 If  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x - 6 = 0$  what is the value of  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ ?
- (A)  $-6$   
(B)  $-4$   
(C)  $4$   
(D)  $6$
- 97 If  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$  what is the value of  $\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha$ ?
- (A)  $-3$   
(B)  $-2$   
(C)  $2$   
(D)  $3$
- 98 Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be the roots of  $3x^3 + 8x^2 - 1 = 0$ .  
What is the value of  $(\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta})(\beta + \frac{1}{\gamma})(\gamma + \frac{1}{\alpha})$ ?
- (A)  $-\frac{8}{3}$   
(B)  $-\frac{1}{3}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{3}$   
(D)  $\frac{2}{3}$

99 Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be the roots of  $2x^3 + x^2 - 4x + 9 = 0$ .

What is the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{\alpha\gamma} + \frac{1}{\beta\gamma}$ ?

- (A)  $-\frac{1}{2}$
- (B)  $-\frac{1}{9}$
- (C)  $\frac{1}{9}$
- (D)  $\frac{1}{2}$

100 Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be the roots of  $x^3 - 4x + 1 = 0$ .

What is the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma}$ ?

- (A)  $-4$
- (B)  $-1$
- (C)  $1$
- (D)  $4$

101 Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be the roots of  $4x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$ .

What is the value of  $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma}$ ?

- (A)  $-\frac{3}{2}$
- (B)  $-\frac{2}{3}$
- (C)  $\frac{2}{3}$
- (D)  $\frac{3}{2}$

102 Let  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  be the roots of  $x^3 - 3x + 2 = 0$ .

What is the value of  $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2$ ?

- (A)  $-3$
- (B)  $0$
- (C)  $6$
- (D)  $8$

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	Solution	Criteria
89	$g(x) = (x^2 + x - 6)Q(x) + (7x + 13)$ $= (x + 3)(x - 2)Q(x) + (7x + 13)$ Remainder when $g(x)$ is divided by $(x + 3)$ is $g(-3)$ $g(-3) = 7 \times -3 + 13 = -8$	1 Mark: A
90	$P(x) = 3x^3 + 3x + a$ $P(2) = 3(2)^3 + 3(2) + a = 0 \text{ (} x - 2 \text{ is a factor of } P(x)\text{)}$ $24 + 6 + a = 0$ $a = -30$	1 Mark: A
91	$P(x) = 2x^3 + x^2 + 2x + a$ $P(1) = 2 \times 1^3 + 1^2 + 2 \times 1 + a = 0 \text{ (} x - 1 \text{ is a factor of } P(x)\text{)}$ $2 + 1 + 2 + a = 0$ $a = -5$	1 Mark: B
92	$P(x) = x^4 - kx^3 - 2x + 33$ $P(3) = 3^4 - k \times 3^3 - 2 \times 3 + 33 = 0 \text{ (} x - 3 \text{ is a factor of } P(x)\text{)}$ $81 - 27k - 6 + 33 = 0$ $108 - 27k = 0$ $k = 4$	1 Mark: C
93	Let the roots be $\alpha, \frac{1}{\alpha}$ and $\beta$ . $3x^3 + x^2 - kx + 6 = 0$ $\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a}$ $\alpha \times \frac{1}{\alpha} \times \beta = -\frac{6}{3}$ $\beta = -2$ Substitute $\beta = -2$ into the equation $3(-2)^3 + (-2)^2 - k(-2) + 6 = 0$ $-24 + 4 + 2k + 6 = 0$ $2k = 14$ $k = 7$	1 Mark: C

94	$f(x) = (x - 2)g(x) + 6 \text{ then } f(2) = 6$ $f(2) = 2 \times 2^2 + k \times 2 + 4 = 6$ $12 + 2k = 6$ $2k = -6$ $k = -3$ $2x^2 - 3x + 4 = (x - 2)g(x) + 6$ $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = (x - 2)g(x)$ $(x - 2)(2x + 1) = (x - 2)g(x)$ $g(x) = (2x + 1)$	1 Mark: B
95	$\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a} = -\frac{1}{1} = -1$	1 Mark: B
96	$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a} = 4$	1 Mark: C
97	$\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{3}{1} = 3$	1 Mark: D
98	$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{8}{3} \qquad \alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a} = -\frac{-1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$ $\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = \frac{c}{a} = 0$ $\left(\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)\left(\beta + \frac{1}{\gamma}\right)\left(\gamma + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right) = \left(\alpha\beta + \frac{\alpha}{\gamma} + 1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)\left(\gamma + \frac{1}{\alpha}\right)$ $= \alpha\beta\gamma + \beta + \alpha + \frac{1}{\gamma} + \gamma + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ $= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{8}{3} + 3 + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma}$ $= \frac{1}{3} - \frac{8}{3} + 3 + \frac{\alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \alpha\gamma}{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ $= \frac{2}{3}$	1 Mark: D
99	$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{1}{2} \qquad \alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a} = -\frac{9}{2}$ $\frac{1}{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{\alpha\gamma} + \frac{1}{\beta\gamma} = \frac{\alpha + \beta + \gamma}{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{-\frac{9}{2}} = \frac{1}{9}$	1 Mark: C

100	$\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{-4}{1} = -4$ $\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a} = -\frac{1}{1} = -1$ $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma}{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ $= \frac{-4}{-1} = 4$	1 Mark: D
101	$\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{3}{4}$ $\alpha\beta\gamma = -\frac{d}{a} = -\frac{-2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma}{\alpha\beta\gamma}$ $= \frac{\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{2}$	1 Mark: D
102	$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = -\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{0}{1} = 0$ $\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{-3}{1} = -3$ $(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 + 2(\alpha\beta + \alpha\gamma + \beta\gamma)$ $0 = \alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 + 2 \times -3$ $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2 = 6$	1 Mark: C