

## Factor Theorem

### EXERCISE - 7.1

- Q1. Find the remainder (without division) on dividing  $f(x)$  by  $(x-2)$  where (i)  $f(x) = 5x^2 - 7x + 4$  (ii)  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 7x^2 + 3$ .

Sol. Let  $x-2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 2$

(i) Substituting the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(2) = 5(2)^2 - 7(2) + 4$$

$$f(2) = 5(2)^2 - 7(2) + 4 = 20 - 14 + 4 = 10.$$

Hence remainder = 10.

(ii)  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 7x^2 + 3$

$$f(2) = 2(2)^3 - 7(2)^2 + 3 = 16 - 28 + 3 = -9$$

Hence remainder = -9.

- Q2. Using remainder theorem, find the remainder on dividing  $f(x)$  by  $(x+3)$  where (i)  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 1$   
(ii)  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 5x + 1$

Sol. Let  $x+3 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -3$ .

Substituting the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

(i)  $f(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 1$

$$f(-3) = 2(-3)^2 - 5(-3) + 1 = 18 + 15 + 1 = 34.$$

(ii)  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 7x^2 - 5x + 1$

$$f(-3) = 3(-3)^3 + 7(-3)^2 - 5(-3) + 1$$

$$= -81 + 63 + 15 + 1$$

$$= -2.$$

Q3. Find the remainder (without division) on dividing  $f(x)$  by  $(2x+1)$  where (i)  $f(x) = 4x^2 + 5x + 3$  (ii)  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 4x + 11$

Sol. Let  $2x+1=0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

(i)  $f(x) = 4x^2 + 5x + 3$

$$f(-\frac{1}{2}) = 4(-\frac{1}{2})^2 + 5(-\frac{1}{2}) + 3 = 4(\frac{1}{4}) - \frac{5}{2} + 3 = 4 - \frac{5}{2} + \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{remainder} = \frac{3}{2}$$

(ii)  $f(x) = 3x^3 - 7x^2 + 4x + 11$

$$f(-\frac{1}{2}) = 3(-\frac{1}{2})^3 - 7(-\frac{1}{2})^2 + 4(-\frac{1}{2}) + 11 = -\frac{3}{8} - \frac{7}{4} + 9 \\ = \frac{-3 - 14 + 72}{8} = \frac{55}{8} ; 6\frac{7}{8}$$

Q4. (i) find the remainder (without division) when  $2x^3 - 3x^2 + 7x - 8$  is divided by  $(x-1)$ .

(ii) find the remainder (without division) on dividing  $3x^2 + 5x - 9$  by  $(3x+2)$ .

Sol. (i) Let  $x-1=0 \Rightarrow x = 1$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x^2 + 7x - 8$$

$$f(1) = 2(1)^3 - 3(1)^2 + 7(1) - 8 = 2 - 3 + 7 - 8 = -2.$$

(ii) Let  $3x+2=0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{2}{3}$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = 3x^2 + 5x - 9$$

$$f(-\frac{2}{3}) = 3(-\frac{2}{3})^2 + 5(-\frac{2}{3}) - 9 = \frac{12}{9} - \frac{10}{3} - 9$$

$$= \frac{12 - 30 - 81}{9} = -\frac{99}{9} = -11$$

- Q5. When  $kx^3 + 9x^2 + 4x - 10$  is divided by  $(x+1)$ , the remainder is  
 Q. Find the value of  $k$ .

Sol. Let  $x+1=0 \Rightarrow x = -1$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = kx^3 + 9x^2 + 4x - 10$$

$$f(-1) = k(-1)^3 + 9(-1)^2 + 4(-1) - 10 = -k + 9 - 4 - 10 = -k - 5$$

$$\text{Remainder} = 2, \text{ then } -k - 5 = 2 \Rightarrow k = -7.$$

- Q6. Using remainder theorem, find the value of 'a' if the division of  $x^3 + 5x^2 - ax + b$  by  $(x-1)$  leaves the remainder 2a.

Sol. Let  $x-1=0 \Rightarrow x = 1$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 - ax + b$$

$$f(1) = (1)^3 + 5(1)^2 - a(1) + b = 12 - a.$$

$$\text{remainder} = 2a$$

$$12 - a = 2a \Rightarrow 3a = 12 \Rightarrow a = 4.$$

- Q7. (i) what number must be subtracted from  $2x^2 - 5x$  so that the resulting polynomial leaves the remainder 2 when divided by  $2x+1$ ?

- (ii) what number must be added to  $2x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x$  so that the resulting polynomial leaves the remainder -2 when divided by  $2x-3$ ?

Sol. (i) Let 'a' be subtracted from  $2x^2 - 5x$ .

Dividing  $2x^2 - 5x$  by  $2x+1$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x+1) 2x^2 - 5x - a \\ \underline{- 2x^2 - x} \\ \hline - 6x - a \\ \underline{- 6x - 3} \\ \hline + + \\ - a + 3 \end{array}$$

Here remainder is  $(3-a)$ .

but we are given that remainder is 2.

$$3-a = 2 \Rightarrow a = 1$$

$\therefore$  Hence 1 is to be subtracted.

(ii) let 'a' be added to  $2x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x$  dividing it by  $2x-3$ , then

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x-3) 2x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x + a \\ \underline{- 2x^3 - 3x^2} \\ \hline + + \\ - 4x^2 + 2x \\ \underline{- 4x^2 + 6x} \\ \hline - 4x + a \\ \underline{- 4x + 6} \\ \hline a - 6 \end{array}$$

But remainder is -2, then

$$a - 6 = -2 \Rightarrow a = 4$$

$\therefore$  Hence 4 is to be added.

- Q8. The polynomials  $kx^3 + 3x^2 - 4$  and  $2x^3 - 5x + 4k$  when divided by  $(x+3)$  leave the same remainder. Find the value of  $k$ .

Sol. let  $x+3=0 \Rightarrow x = -3$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = kx^3 + 3x^2 - 4$$

$$f(-3) = k(-3)^3 + 3(-3)^2 - 4 = -27k + 27 - 4 \\ = -27k + 23 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

and  $f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x + 4k$

$$f(-3) = 2(-3)^3 - 5(-3) + 4k = -54 + 15 + 4k \\ = -39 + 4k \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Remainder is same in both cases,

from (i) & (ii),

$$\begin{aligned} -27k + 23 &= -39 + 4k \\ \Rightarrow -27k + 4k &= -39 - 23 \\ \Rightarrow -23k &= -62 \Rightarrow k = 2 \end{aligned}$$

- Q9. By factor theorem, show that  $(x+3)$  and  $(2x-1)$  are factors of  $2x^2 + 5x - 3$ .

Sol. let  $x+3=0 \Rightarrow x = -3$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 5x - 3$$

$$f(-3) = 2(-3)^2 + 5(-3) - 3 = 18 - 15 - 3 = 0$$

$\therefore x+3$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

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

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 5x - 3$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 5\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{5}{2} - 3 \\ = 3 - 3 = 0$$

$\therefore 2x-1$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

$\therefore$  Hence proved.

Q10. Show that  $(x-2)$  is a factor of  $3x^2 - x - 10$ . Hence factorise  $3x^2 - x - 10$ .

Sol. let  $x-2=0 \Rightarrow x=2$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = 3x^2 - x - 10$$

$$f(2) = 3(2)^2 - 2 - 10 = 12 - 12 = 0$$

$\therefore (x-2)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

Dividing  $(3x^2 - x - 10)$  by  $(x-2)$ , we get

$$(x-2) \overline{) 3x^2 - x - 10} (3x+5$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -3x^2 + 6x \\ \hline 5x - 10 \\ -5x + 10 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore 3x^2 - x - 10 = (x-2)(3x+5)$$

Q11. Show that  $(x-1)$  is a factor of  $x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5$ . Hence factorise  $x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5$ .

Sol. let  $x-1=0 \Rightarrow x=1$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ ,

$$f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5$$

$$f(1) = (1)^3 - 5(1)^2 - (1) + 5 = 1 - 5 - 1 + 5 = 0$$

$\therefore (x-1)$  is a factor of  $x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5$ .

Now dividing  $f(x)$  by  $(x-1)$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (x-1) x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5 (x^2 - 4x - 5) \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{+} \\
 - 4x^2 - x \\
 \underline{- 4x^2 + 4x} \\
 - 5x + 5 \\
 \underline{+} \quad \underline{-} \\
 \textcircled{0}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^3 - 5x^2 - x + 5 &= (x-1)(x^2 - 4x - 5) = (x-1)(x^2 - 5x + x - 5) \\
 &= (x-1)[x(x-5) + 1(x-5)] \\
 &= (x-1)(x+1)(x-5)
 \end{aligned}$$

Q12. Show that  $(x-3)$  is a factor of  $x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9$ . Hence factorise  $x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9$ .

Sol. Let  $x-3=0 \Rightarrow x=3$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9$$

$$f(3) = (3)^3 - 7(3)^2 + 15(3) - 9 = 27 - 63 + 45 - 9 = 0$$

$\therefore (x-3)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

Now dividing by  $(x-3)$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (x-3) x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9 (x^2 - 4x + 3) \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{+} \\
 - 4x^2 + 15x \\
 \underline{- 4x^2 + 12x} \\
 3x - 9 \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{+} \\
 \textcircled{0}
 \end{array}$$

$$x^3 - 7x^2 + 15x - 9 = (x-3)(x^2 - 4x + 3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (x-3)[x^2 - x - 3x + 3] \\
 &= (x-3)[x(x-1) - 3(x-1)] \\
 &= (x-3)(x-3)(x-1) \\
 &= (x-3)^2(x-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Q13. Show that  $(2x+1)$  is a factor of  $4x^3 + 12x^2 + 11x + 3$ .  
 Hence factorise  $4x^3 + 12x^2 + 11x + 3$ .

$$\text{Sd.} \quad \text{let } 2x+1=0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = 4x^3 + 12x^2 + 11x + 3.$$

$$\begin{aligned}f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 12\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 11\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 3 \\&= -\frac{1}{2} + 3 - \frac{11}{2} + 3 = -6 + 6 = 0\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (2x+1)$  is a factor of  $4x^3 + 12x^2 + 11x + 3$ .

Now dividing  $f(x)$  by  $(2x+1)$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x+1) 4x^3 + 12x^2 + 11x + 3 \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{4x^3 + 2x^2} \\
 \hline
 10x^2 + 11x \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{10x^2 + 5x} \\
 \hline
 6x + 3 \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{6x} \\
 \hline
 (0)
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 4x^3 + 12x^2 + 11x + 3 &= (2x+1)(2x^2 + 5x + 3) \\
 &= (2x+1)(2x^2 + 2x + 3x + 3) \\
 &= (2x+1)[2x(x+1) + 3(x+1)] \\
 &= (x+1)(2x+1)(2x+3).
 \end{aligned}$$

- Q14. Show that  $(2x+1)$  is a factor of  $2x^3 + 5x^2 - 11x - 14$ . Hence factorise the given expression completely, using the factor theorem.

$$\text{Sol. } \text{Let } 2x+7=0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{7}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f\left(-\frac{7}{2}\right) &= 2\left(-\frac{7}{2}\right)^3 + 5\left(-\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - 11\left(-\frac{7}{2}\right) - 14 \\
 &= -\frac{343}{4} + \frac{245}{4} + \frac{77}{8} - 14 \\
 &= \frac{-343 + 245 + 154 - 56}{4} \\
 &\equiv 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $(2x+7)$  is the factor of the given expression.  
on dividing  $2x^3 + 5x^2 - 11x - 14 = 0$  by  $2x+7$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x+7) 2x^3 + 5x^2 - 11x - 14 \\
 \underline{-} \quad \underline{-} \\
 \underline{\underline{-2x^2 - 11x}}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2x^5 + 5x^2 - 11x - 14 &= (2x+7)(x^2 - x - 2) \\
 &= (2x+7)(x^2 - 2x + x - 2) \\
 &= (2x+7)[x(x-2) + 1(x-2)] \\
 &= (x+1)(x-2)(2x+7)
 \end{aligned}$$

Q15. Use factor theorem to factorise the following polynomials completely : (i)  $x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$  (ii)  $x^3 - 13x - 12$ .

Sol. (i)  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$

Let  $x = -1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= (-1)^3 + 2(-1)^2 - 5(-1) - 6 \\ &= -1 + 2 + 5 - 6 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (x+1)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

Now dividing  $f(x)$  by  $x+1$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r} x+1 ) \overline{x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6} \\ \underline{-x^3 - x^2} \\ \hline x^2 - 5x \\ \underline{-x^2 - x} \\ \hline -6x - 6 \\ \underline{-6x - 6} \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f(x) &= (x+1)(x^2 + x - 6) = (x+1)(x^2 + 3x - 2x - 6) \\ &= (x+1)[x(x+3) - 2(x+3)] \\ &= (x+1)(x-2)(x+3) \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $x^3 - 13x - 12$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 13x - 12 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

putting  $x = -1$  in (i), we get

$$f(-1) = (-1)^3 - 13(-1) - 12 = -1 + 13 - 12 = 0$$

$\therefore (x+1)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

On dividing  $x^3 - 13x - 12$  by  $(x+1)$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (x+1) x^3 - 13x - 12 \quad (x^2 - x - 12 \\
 \underline{-} \frac{x^3 + x^2}{-x^2 - 13x} \\
 \underline{-} \frac{x^2 - x}{+} \\
 -12x - 12 \\
 \underline{-} \frac{+}{(0)}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^3 - 13x - 12 &= (x+1)(x^2 - x - 12) \\
 &= (x+1)(x^2 - 4x + 3x + 12) \\
 &= (x+1)[x(x-4) + 3(x+4)] \\
 &= (x+1)(x+3)(x-4)
 \end{aligned}$$

Q16. If  $(2x+1)$  is a factor of  $6x^3 + 5x^2 + ax - 2$ , find the value of  $a$ .

Sol. let  $2x+1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore f(x) &= 6x^3 + 5x^2 + ax - 2 \\
 f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) &= 6\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + 5\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + a\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) - 2 \\
 &= -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{4} + \frac{a}{2} - 2 \\
 &= \frac{-3+5-2a-8}{4} = \frac{-6-2a}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore 2x+1$  is a factor of  $f(x)$

Remainder = 0

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore -\frac{6-2a}{4} &= 0 \Rightarrow -6-2a = 0 \Rightarrow 2a = -6 \\
 &\Rightarrow a = -3.
 \end{aligned}$$

Q17. If  $(3x-2)$  is a factor of  $3x^3 - kx^2 + 21x - 10$ , find the value of  $k$ .

Sol. Let  $3x-2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{3}$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ ,

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - kx^2 + 21x - 10$$

$$f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 3\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 - k\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + 21\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - 10$$

$$= \frac{8}{9} - \frac{4k}{9} + 14 - 10$$

$$= \frac{8}{9} - \frac{4k}{9} + 4 = \frac{8-4k+36}{9} = \frac{44-4k}{9}$$

∴ Remainder is '0'

$$\therefore \frac{44-4k}{9} = 0 \Rightarrow 44-4k = 0 \Rightarrow k = 11.$$

Q18. what number must be added to  $4x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x$  so that the resulting polynomial has a factor  $2x+1$ ?

Sol. Let 'a' be added to  $4x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x$ , then

$$f(x) = 4x^3 - 8x^2 + 3x + a$$

$\therefore (2x+1)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ ,  $f(x) = 0$

$$\text{Now } 2x+1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 - 8\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 3\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + a$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} - 2 - \frac{3}{2} + a = -4 + a$$

$\therefore 2x+1$  is a factor.

$$f\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow -4 + a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4$$

$\therefore$  Hence 4 is to be added.

Q19. If  $(x-2)$  is a factor of  $2x^3 - x^2 - px - 2$ , then find the value of  $p$ . Factorize the above expression completely.

Sol. Let  $x-2=0 \Rightarrow x=2$

Now  $f(x) = 2x^3 - x^2 + px - 2$

$$\begin{aligned} f(2) &= 2(2)^3 - (2)^2 + p(2) - 2 \\ &= 16 - 4 + 2p - 2 \\ &= 2p + 10 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f(2) = 0$ , then  $2p+10=0 \Rightarrow p=-5$

Now the polynomial will be  $2x^3 - x^2 - 5x - 2$

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^3 - x^2 - 5x - 2 &= (x-2)(2x^2 + 3x + 1) \\ &= (x-2)(2x^2 + 2x + x + 1) \\ &= (x-2)[2x(x+1) + 1(x+1)] \\ &= (x+1)(x-2)(2x+1). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (x-2) \overline{)2x^3 - x^2 - 5x - 2} (2x^2 + 3x + 1) \\ \underline{-2x^3 - 4x^2} \\ \hline 3x^2 - 5x \\ \underline{-3x^2 - 6x} \\ \hline x - 2 \\ \underline{-x} \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

Q20. Find the value of the constants  $a$  and  $b$ , if  $(x-2)$  and  $(x+3)$  are both factors of the expression  $x^3 + ax^2 + bx - 12$ .

Sol. Let  $x-2=0 \Rightarrow x=2$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx - 12$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(2) &= (2)^3 + a(2)^2 + b(2) - 12 \\
 &= 8 + 4a + 2b - 12 \\
 &= 4a + 2b - 4 \\
 \therefore x-2 &\text{ is a factor} \\
 \therefore 4a + 2b - 4 &= 0 \Rightarrow 4a + 2b = 4 \\
 \Rightarrow 2a + b &= 2 \quad \text{--- (i)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Again let  $x+3=0$ , then  $x=-3$

Sub the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(-3) &= (-3)^3 + a(-3)^2 + b(-3) - 12 \\
 &= -27 + 9a - 3b - 12 \\
 &= 9a - 3b - 39 \\
 x+3 &\text{ is a factor of } f(x) \\
 \therefore -39 + 9a - 3b &= 0 \Rightarrow 9a - 3b = 39 \\
 \Rightarrow 3a - b &= 13 \quad \text{--- (ii)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Adding (i) \& (ii), } 5a = 15 \Rightarrow a = 3.$$

Sub the value of 'a' in (i)

$$2(3) + b = 2 \Rightarrow b = -4.$$

$\therefore$  Hence  $a = 3, b = -4$ .

Q21. If  $(x+2)$  and  $(x-3)$  are factors of  $x^3 + ax^2 + b$ . find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . factorise the given expression.

Sol.

$$\text{If } x+2=0 \Rightarrow x = -2.$$

Sub the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ .

$$f(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + b.$$

$$f(-2) = (-2)^3 + a(-2) + b \\ = -8 - 2a + b$$

$\therefore x+2$  is a factor

$\therefore$  Remainder is zero.

$$-8 - 2a + b = 0 \Rightarrow 2a - b = -8 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Again let  $x-3=0 \Rightarrow x=3$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ ,

$$f(x) = x^3 + ax + b$$

$$f(3) = (3)^3 + a(3) + b = 27 + 3a + b$$

$(x-3)$  is a factor, remainder = 0

$$27 + 3a + b = 0 \Rightarrow 3a + b = -27 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$$\text{Adding (i) \& (ii), } 5a = -35 \Rightarrow a = -7$$

$$\text{Sub. the value of 'a' in (i), } 2(-7) - b = -8$$

$$\Rightarrow -14 - b = -8 \Rightarrow b = -6$$

$\therefore$  Hence  $a = -7, b = -6$

$(x+2)$  and  $(x-3)$  are the factors of  $x^3 + ax + b$

$$\Rightarrow x^3 - 7x - 6.$$

NOW dividing  $x^3 - 7x - 6$  by  $(x+2)(x-3)$  or  $x^2 - x - 6$ , we get

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - x - 6 ) \overline{x^3 - 7x - 6} ( x + 1 \\ \underline{- x^3 - x^2 - 6x} \\ \hline \phantom{x^2 - x - 6) } x^2 - x - 6 \\ \underline{- x^2 - x - 6} \\ \hline \phantom{x^2 - x - 6) } 0 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore x^3 - 7x - 6 = (x+1)(x+2)(x-3)$$

Q22.  $(x-2)$  is a factor of the expression  $x^3+ax^2+bx+b$ . When this expression is divided by  $(x-3)$ , it leaves the remainder 3. Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

Sol. As it is given that  $(x-2)$  is a factor of the expression

$$x^3+ax^2+bx+b \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$f(x) = x^3+ax^2+bx+b$$

$$f(2) = (2)^3+a(2)^2+b(2)+b = 8a+2b+14$$

$\therefore (x-2)$  is a factor, remainder = 0

$$8a+2b+14 = 0 \Rightarrow 2a+b+7=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a+b = -7 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

When exp (i) is divided by  $(x-3)$ , it leaves the remainder 3.

$$(x-3) \overline{)x^3+ax^2+bx+b} \quad (x^2+(3+a)x+(9+3a+b))$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3-3x^2 \\ - + \hline (3+a)x^2+bx \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (3+a)x^2-3(3+a)x \\ - + \hline (9+3a+b)x+b \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} (9+3a+b)x-3(9+3a+b) \\ - + \hline 33+9a+3b. \end{array}$$

$$\text{Remainder} = 33+9a+3b = 3 \quad (\text{given})$$

$$\Rightarrow 9a+3b = -30 \Rightarrow 3a+b = -10 \quad \text{--- (iii)}.$$

Subtracting (iii) from (ii),

$$\begin{array}{r} 2a+b = -7 \\ - 3a+b = -10 \\ \hline -a = 3 \Rightarrow a = -3. \end{array}$$

put  $a = -3$  in (iii) ~ we get

$$b = -1$$

$\therefore$  hence  $a = -3, b = -1$ .

- Q23. If  $ax^3 + 3x^2 + bx - 3$  has a factor  $(2x+3)$  and leaves remainder  $-3$  when divided by  $(x+2)$ , find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . With these values of  $a$  and  $b$ , factorize the given expression.

Sol. let  $2x+3 = 0$  then  $2x = -3 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{2}$

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ ,

$$f(x) = ax^3 + 3x^2 + bx - 3$$

$$f\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = a\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 + 3\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + b\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) - 3$$

$$= -\frac{27a}{8} + \frac{27}{4} - \frac{3b}{2} - 3$$

$\therefore 2x+3$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ , remainder = 0

$$-\frac{27a}{8} + \frac{27}{4} - \frac{3b}{2} - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -27a + 54 - 12b - 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -27a - 12b = -30$$

$$\Rightarrow 9a + 4b = 10 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

Again let  $x+2=0 \Rightarrow x = -2$ .

Sub. the value of  $x$  in  $f(x)$ ,

$$f(x) = ax^3 + 3x^2 + bx - 3$$

$$f(-2) = a(-2)^3 + 3(-2)^2 + b(-2) - 3$$

$$= -8a + 12 - 2b - 3$$

$$= -8a - 2b + 9$$

$\therefore$  remainder = -3

$$-8a - 2b + 9 = -3$$

$$\Rightarrow -8a - 2b = -12$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a+b=6 \quad \text{---(ii)}$$

Multiply (ii) by 4  $\Rightarrow 16a+4b=24$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{(i)} \Rightarrow \underline{-9a+4b=10} \\ 7a=14 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow a=2.$$

Sub. the value of 'a' in (i)

$$9(2)+4b=10 \Rightarrow 4b=-8 \Rightarrow b=-2.$$

$$\therefore \text{Hence } a=2, b=-2$$

$$f(x)=ax^3+3x^2+bx-3 = 2x^3+3x^2-2x-3$$

$\therefore 2x+3$  is a factor

: Dividing  $f(x)$  by  $x+2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x+3 ) 2x^3+3x^2-2x-3 ( x^2-1 \\ \underline{-2x^3-3x^2} \\ -2x-3 \\ \underline{-2x-3} \\ +7 \\ \hline (0) \end{array}$$

$$\therefore 2x^3+3x^2-2x-3 = (2x+3)(x^2-1)$$

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

Q24. Given  $f(x)=ax^2+bx+2$  and  $g(x)=bx^2+ax+1$ .

If  $x-2$  is a factor of  $f(x)$  but leaves the remainder -15 when it divides  $g(x)$ , find the values of  $a$  and  $b$  with these values of  $a$  and  $b$ , factorize the expression  $f(x)+g(x)+4x^2+7x$ .

sd.

$$\text{Given } f(x) = ax^2 + bx + 2, \quad g(x) = bx^2 + ax + 1$$

As  $x-2$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ ,  $f(2) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow a(2)^2 + b(2) + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a + 2b + 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + b + 1 = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

when  $g(x)$  divide by  $(x-2)$ , leaves remainder -15

$$g(2) = -15$$

$$\Rightarrow b(2)^2 + a(2) + 1 = -15$$

$$\Rightarrow 4b + 2a + 16 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2b + a + 8 = 0 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

from (1) & (2),

$$① \times 2 \Rightarrow 4a + 2b + 2 = 0$$

$$② \times 1 \Rightarrow \begin{array}{r} a + 2b + 8 = 0 \\ - \\ \hline 3a - 6 = 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow a = 2.$$

put the 'a' value in (1),  $2(2) + b + 1 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow b = -5.$$

$$\text{Now, } f(x) = ax^2 + bx + 2 = 2x^2 - 5x + 2$$

$$g(x) = bx^2 + ax + 1 = -5x^2 + 2x + 1$$

$$\text{so, } f(x) + g(x) = 2x^2 - 5x + 2 - 5x^2 + 2x + 1 + 4x^2 + 7x$$

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

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

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

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