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POLYNOMIALS

ASSIGNMENT NO. 6

1. Factorise: $12(x^2 + 7)^2 - 8(x^2 + 7)(2x - 1) - 15(2x - 1)^2$
2. If (-1) is a zero of the polynomial $p(x) = ax^3 - x^2 + x + 4$, find the value of a .
3. If $(3x - 2)$ is a factor of $3x^3 + x^2 - 20x + 12$, find the other factors.
4. If $x = 2$ and $x = 0$ are the zeroes of the polynomial $f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + ax + b$, find the values of a and b .
5. Factorise: $x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6$
6. Without actual division, prove that $x^4 + 2x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x - 3$ is exactly divisible by $x^2 + 2x - 3$
7. Find the value of p if $(x - p)$ is a factor of $x^5 - p^2x^3 + 2x + p + 3$. Hence factorise $x^2 + 4px + 3$.
8. Evaluate the following: $\left(\frac{3}{2}x + 1\right)^3 - \frac{27x^2}{4} - \frac{9x}{2}$