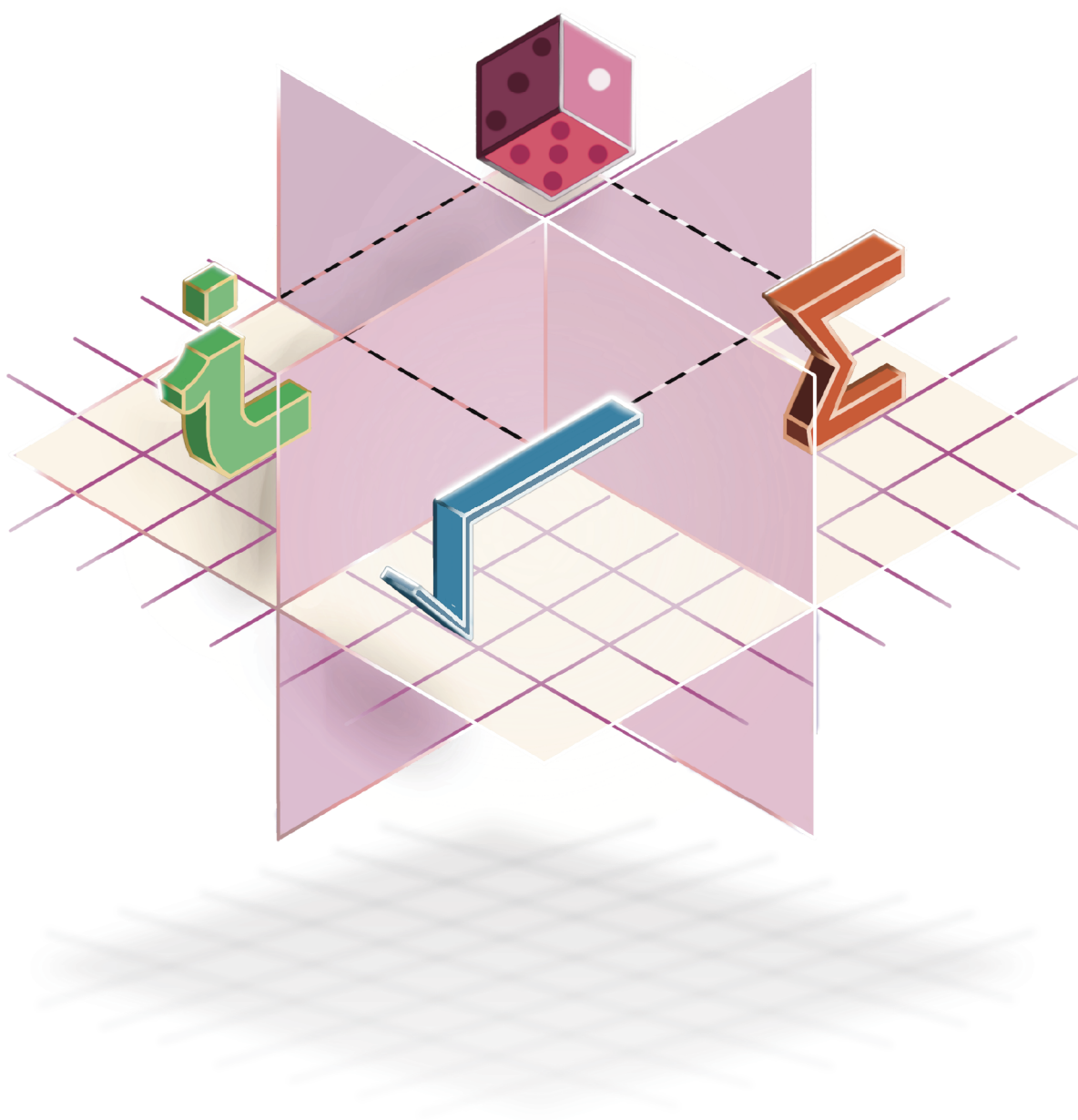


Mathematics

Class 11





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1. BINOMIAL THEOREM

If $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$(a + b)^n = {}^nC_0 a^n b^0 + {}^nC_1 a^{n-1} b^1 + {}^nC_2 a^{n-2} b^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n a^0 b^n$$

REMARKS :

1. If the index of the binomial is n then the expansion contains $n + 1$ terms.
2. In each term, the sum of indices of a and b is always n .
3. Coefficients of the terms in binomial expansion equidistant from both the ends are equal.
4. $(a-b)^n = {}^nC_0 a^n b^0 - {}^nC_1 a^{n-1} b^1 + {}^nC_2 a^{n-2} b^2 - \dots + (-1)^n {}^nC_n a^0 b^n$.

2. GENERAL TERM AND MIDDLE TERMS IN EXPANSION OF $(a + b)^n$

$$t_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

t_{r+1} is called a general term for all $r \in \mathbb{W}$ and $0 \leq r \leq n$. Using this formula we can find any term of the expansion.

MIDDLE TERM(S):

1. In $(a + b)^n$ if n is even then the number of terms in the expansion is odd. Therefore there is only one middle

term and it is $\left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right)^{\text{th}}$ term.

2. In $(a + b)^n$, if n is odd then the number of terms in the expansion is even. Therefore there are two middle

terms and those are $\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)^{\text{th}}$ and $\left(\frac{n+3}{2}\right)^{\text{th}}$ terms.

3. NUMERICALLY GREATEST TERM

The term with greatest numerical/absolute value in the expansion of $(a + b)^n$ can be found in following way

- (i) Find the value of $\frac{n+1}{1 + \left|\frac{a}{b}\right|}$
- (ii) If it equals an integer, say m , then t_m and t_{m+1} are numerically greatest terms.
- (iii) If it is not an integer, then t_{m+1} is numerically greatest

term (where m is the integral part of $\frac{n+1}{1 + \left|\frac{a}{b}\right|}$).

Also middle terms in binomial expansions have the greatest binomial coefficients. (${}^nC_0, {}^nC_1, {}^nC_2, \dots, {}^nC_n$ are called Binomial Coefficients).

4. BINOMIAL COEFFICIENTS

The coefficients ${}^nC_0, {}^nC_1, {}^nC_2, \dots, {}^nC_n$ in the expansion of $(a+b)^n$ are called the binomial coefficients and denoted by $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ respectively

Now

$$(1+x)^n = {}^nC_0 x^0 + {}^nC_1 x^1 + {}^nC_2 x^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n x^n \quad \dots (i)$$

Put $x = 1$.

$$(1+1)^n = {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 + \dots + {}^nC_n$$

$$\therefore 2^n = {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 + \dots + {}^nC_n$$

$$\therefore {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 + \dots + {}^nC_n = 2^n$$

$$\therefore C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_n = 2^n$$

$\therefore$ The sum of all binomial coefficients is 2^n .

Put $x = -1$, in equation (i),

$$(1-1)^n = {}^nC_0 - {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 - \dots + (-1)^n {}^nC_n$$

$$\therefore 0 = {}^nC_0 - {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 - \dots + (-1)^n {}^nC_n$$

$$\therefore {}^nC_0 - {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 - {}^nC_3 + \dots + (-1)^n {}^nC_n = 0$$



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_2 + {}^nC_4 + \dots &= {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_3 + {}^nC_5 + \dots \\ \therefore C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots &= C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots \\ C_0, C_2, C_4, \dots &\text{ are called as even coefficients} \\ C_1, C_3, C_5, \dots &\text{ are called as odd coefficients} \\ \text{Let } C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots &= C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots = k \\ \text{Now } C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \dots + C_n &= 2^n \\ \therefore (C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots) + (C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots) &= 2^n \\ \therefore k + k = 2^n \\ 2k &= 2^n \\ \therefore k &= \frac{2^n}{2} \\ \therefore k &= 2^{n-1} \\ \therefore C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots &= C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots = 2^{n-1} \\ \therefore \text{The sum of even coefficients} &= \text{The sum of odd coefficients} \\ &= 2^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Properties of Binomial Coefficient

- (i) $C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_n = 2^n$
- (ii) $C_0 - C_1 + C_2 - \dots + (-1)^n C_n = 0$
- (iii) $C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots = C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots = 2^{n-1}$
- (iv) ${}^nC_r = {}^nC_{n-r} \Rightarrow r_1 = r_2 \text{ or } r_1 + r_2 = n$
- (v) ${}^nC_r + {}^nC_{r-1} = {}^{n+1}C_r$
- (vi) $r {}^nC_r = n {}^{n-1}C_{r-1}$

Some Important Results

- (i) Differentiating $(1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_nx^n$,
on both sides we have,
 $n(1+x)^{n-1} = C_1 + 2C_2x + 3C_3x^2 + \dots + nC_nx^{n-1} \dots (1)$
Put $x = 1$
 $\Rightarrow n2^{n-1} = C_1 + 2C_2 + 3C_3 + \dots + nC_n$
Put $x = -1$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = C_1 - 2C_2 + \dots + (-1)^{n-1}nC_n$
Differentiating (1) again and again we will have
different results.
- (ii) Integrating $(1+x)^n$, we have,
$$\frac{(1+x)^{n+1}}{n+1} + C = C_0x + \frac{C_1x^2}{2} + \frac{C_2x^3}{3} + \dots + \frac{C_nx^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

(where C is a constant)

$$\text{Put } x = 0, \text{ we get } C = -\frac{1}{(n+1)}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{(1+x)^{n+1} - 1}{n+1} = C_0x + \frac{C_1x^2}{2} + \frac{C_2x^3}{3} + \dots + \frac{C_nx^{n+1}}{n+1} \dots (2)$$

Put $x = 1$ in (2) we get

$$\frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{n+1} = C_0 + \frac{C_1}{2} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{n+1}$$

Put $x = -1$ in (2) we get,

$$\frac{1}{n+1} = C_0 - \frac{C_1}{2} + \frac{C_2}{3} - \dots$$

5. BINOMIAL THEOREM FOR ANY INDEX

If n is any real number and $|x| < 1$ then

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

Here there are infinite number of terms in the expansion,
The general term is given by

$$t_{r+1} = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-r+1)x^r}{r!}, r \geq 0$$

NOTES :

- (i) Expansion is valid only when $-1 < x < 1$
- (ii) nC_r can not be used because it is defined only for natural number, so nC_r will be written as
$$\frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-r+1)}{r!}$$
- (iii) As the series never terminates, the number of terms in the series is infinite.
- (iv) If first term is not 1, then make it unity in the following way. $(a+x)^n = a^n(1+x/a)^n$ if $\left|\frac{x}{a}\right| < 1$



NOTES :

While expanding $(a + b)^n$ where n is a negative integer or a fraction, reduce the binomial to the form in which the first term is unity and the second term is numerically less than unity.

Particular expansion of the binomials for negative index, $|x| < 1$

$$1. \quad \frac{1}{1+x} = (1+x)^{-1}$$

$$= 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + x^4 - x^5 + \dots$$

$$2. \quad \frac{1}{1-x} = (1-x)^{-1}$$

$$= 1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + \dots$$

$$3. \quad \frac{1}{(1+x)^2} = (1+x)^{-2}$$

$$= 1 - 2x + 3x^2 - 4x^3 + \dots$$

$$4. \quad \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = (1-x)^{-2}$$

$$= 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + \dots$$

6. MULTINOMIAL EXPANSION

In the expansion of $(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^m$ where $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ are independent variables, we have

- (i) Total number of terms $= {}^{m+n-1}C_{n-1}$
- (ii) Coefficient of $x_1^{r_1} x_2^{r_2} x_3^{r_3} \dots x_n^{r_n}$ (where $r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_n = m, r_i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$) is $\frac{m!}{r_1! r_2! \dots r_n!}$

- (iii) Sum of all the coefficients is obtained by putting all the variables x_i equal to 1.



SOLVED EXAMPLES

Example – 1

Expand

(i) $(2x^2+3)^4$ (ii) $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$

Sol. (i) $(2x^2+3)^4 =$

$$\begin{aligned} &= {}^4C_0(2x^2)^4(3)^0 + {}^4C_1(2x^2)^3(3)^1 + {}^4C_2(2x^2)^2(3)^2 + {}^4C_3(2x^2)^1(3)^3 + {}^4C_4(2x^2)^0(3)^4 \\ &= (1)16x^8(1) + 4(8x^6)(3) + 6(4x^4)(9) + 4(2x^2)27 + (1)(1)81 \end{aligned}$$

$$\because \begin{cases} {}^4C_0 = {}^4C_4 = 1, {}^4C_1 = {}^4C_3 = 4 \\ {}^4C_2 = \frac{4!}{2!2!} = \frac{4 \times 3 \times 2!}{2! \times 2} = 6 \end{cases}$$

$$= 16x^8 + 96x^6 + 216x^4 + 216x^2 + 81$$

(ii) $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^6 = {}^6C_0(2x^2)^6\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^0 -$

$${}^6C_1(2x^2)^5\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^1 + {}^6C_2(2x^2)^4\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 -$$

$${}^6C_3(2x^2)^3\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 + {}^6C_4(2x^2)^2$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^4 - {}^6C_5(2x^2)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^5 + {}^6C_6(2x^2)^0\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^6$$

$$= (1)64x^{12}(1) - (6)(32)x^{10} \times \frac{1}{x} + 15(16)x^8 \times \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$- 20 \times 8x^6 \times \frac{1}{x^3} + 15(4)x^4 \times \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$- 6(2x^2) \times \frac{1}{x^5} + (1)(1)\frac{1}{x^6}$$

$$\because \begin{cases} {}^6C_0 = {}^6C_6 = 1, {}^6C_1 = {}^6C_5 = 6 \\ {}^6C_2 = \frac{6!}{2!4!} = \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4!}{2 \times 4!} = 15 \\ {}^6C_3 = \frac{6!}{3!3!} = \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3!}{3 \times 2 \times 3!} = 20 \end{cases}$$

$$= 64x^{12} - 192x^9 + 240x^6 - 160x^3 + 60 - \frac{12}{x^3} + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

Example – 2

Expand $(1+x+x^2)^3$.

Sol. Let $y = x + x^2$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (1+x+x^2)^3 &= (1+y)^3 = {}^3C_0 + {}^3C_1 y + {}^3C_2 y^2 + {}^3C_3 y^3 \\ &= 1 + 3y + 3y^2 + y^3 = 1 + 3(x+x^2) + 3(x+x^2)^2 + (x+x^2)^3 \\ &= 1 + 3(x+x^2) + 3(x^2+2x^3+x^4) + \{ {}^3C_0 x^3(x^2)^0 + {}^3C_1 x^{3-1}(x^2)^1 \\ &\quad + {}^3C_2 x^{3-2}(x^2)^2 + {}^3C_3 x^0(x^2)^3 \} \\ &= 1 + 3(x+x^2) + 3(x^2+2x^3+x^4) + (x^3+3x^4+3x^5+x^6) \\ &= x^6 + 3x^5 + 6x^4 + 7x^3 + 6x^2 + 3x + 1 \end{aligned}$$



Example – 3

Prove that $(\sqrt{5} + 1)^5 - (\sqrt{5} - 1)^5 = 352$

Sol. $(\sqrt{5} + 1)^5 - (\sqrt{5} - 1)^5 =$

$$= \left[{}^5C_0(\sqrt{5})^5 + {}^5C_1(\sqrt{5})^4(1) + {}^5C_2(\sqrt{5})^3(1)^2 + {}^5C_3(\sqrt{5})^2(1)^3 + {}^5C_4(\sqrt{5})(1)^4 + {}^5C_5(\sqrt{5})^0(1)^5 \right]$$

$$- \left[{}^5C_0(\sqrt{5})^5 - {}^5C_1(\sqrt{5})^4(1) + {}^5C_2(\sqrt{5})^3(1)^2 - {}^5C_3(\sqrt{5})^2(1)^3 + {}^5C_4(\sqrt{5})(1)^4 - {}^5C_5(\sqrt{5})^0(1)^5 \right]$$

$$= 2[{}^5C_1 5^2 + {}^5C_3 \cdot 5 + {}^5C_5]$$

$$= 2[5 \times 25 + 10 \times 5 + 1]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} {}^5C_0 = {}^5C_5 = 1; {}^5C_4 = 5; \\ {}^5C_2 = {}^5C_3 = \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 1} = 10; {}^5C_1 = 5 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= 2[125 + 51]$$

$$= 352$$

Example – 4

Using binomial theorem compute $(99)^5$.

Sol. $(99)^5 = (100-1)^5 = {}^5C_0(100)^5 - {}^5C_1(100)^4 + {}^5C_2(100)^3 - {}^5C_3(100)^2 + {}^5C_4(100)^1 - {}^5C_5(100)^0$

$$= (100)^5 - 5 \times (100)^4 + 10 \times (100)^3 - 10 \times (100)^2 + 5 \times 100 - 1$$

$$= 10^{10} - 5 \times 10^8 + 10^7 - 10^5 + 5 \times 10^2 - 1$$

$$= (10^{10} + 10^7 + 5 \times 10^2) - (5 \times 10^8 + 10^5 + 1)$$

$$= 10010000500 - 500100001 = 9509900499$$

Example – 5

Use the binomial theorem to find the exact value of $(10.1)^5$.

Sol. $(10.1)^5 = (10 + 0.1)^5$

$$= 10^5 + {}^5C_1 10^4 (.1) + {}^5C_2 10^3 (.1)^2 + {}^5C_3 10^2 (.1)^3 + {}^5C_4 10 (.1)^4 + {}^5C_5 (.1)^5$$

$$= 100000 + 5 \times 10^4 (.1) + 10 \times (10^3) (.01) + 10 \times 10^2 (.001) + 5 \times 10 (.0001) + 0.00001$$

$$= 100000 + 5000 + 100 + 1 + 0.005 + 0.00001 = 105101.00501$$

Example – 6

Prove that $\sum_{r=1}^5 {}^5C_r = 31$

Sol. $\sum_{r=1}^5 {}^5C_r = {}^5C_1 + {}^5C_2 + {}^5C_3 + {}^5C_4 + {}^5C_5$

$$= \frac{5!}{1!4!} + \frac{5!}{2!3!} + \frac{5!}{3!2!} + \frac{5!}{4!1!} + \frac{5!}{5!0!}$$

$$= \frac{5}{1} + \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2} + \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2} + \frac{5}{1} + 1$$

$$= 5 + 10 + 10 + 5 + 1 = 31$$

Example – 7

Find n, if ${}^nC_6 : {}^{n-3}C_3 = 33 : 4$.

Sol. Given, ${}^nC_6 : {}^{n-3}C_3 = 33 : 4$.

$$\therefore \frac{n!}{6!(n-6)!} \times \frac{3!(n-3-3)!}{(n-3)!} = \frac{33}{4}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{n!}{(n-3)!} \cdot \frac{3!}{6!} = \frac{33}{4} \quad \text{or } \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4} = \frac{33}{4}$$

$$\text{or } n(n-1)(n-2) = 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 33 = 11 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 5$$

$$\text{or } n(n-1)(n-2) = 11 \cdot (3 \cdot 3) \cdot (2 \cdot 5) = 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 \quad \therefore n = 11$$

Example – 8

If ${}^nC_8 = {}^nC_6$ determine n and hence nC_2 .

Sol. Given, ${}^nC_8 = {}^nC_6$

We know that ${}^nC_x = {}^nC_y$ then $x = y$ or $x + y = n$

$$\Rightarrow n = 8 + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 14$$

$$\text{Now } {}^nC_2 = {}^{14}C_2 = \frac{14 \times 13}{2!} = 91$$



Example – 9

If ${}^{15}C_{3r} = {}^{15}C_{r+3}$, find r .

Sol. We know that if ${}^nC_x = {}^nC_y$, then $x = y$ or $x + y = n$

$${}^{15}C_{3r} = {}^{15}C_{r+3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Either } 3r = r + 3 \Rightarrow r = \frac{3}{2},$$

which is not possible, since r is an integer.

$$\text{or } 3r + r + 3 = 15 \Rightarrow r = 3.$$

Hence $r = 3$.

Example – 10

Find the third term in the expansion of $\left(2x^2 + \frac{3}{2x}\right)^8$

Sol. Let $a = 2x^2$, $b = \frac{3}{2x}$, $n = 8$

For third term, $r = 2$

$$t_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

$$= {}^8C_2 (2x^2)^{8-2} \left(\frac{3}{2x}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6!}{2!6!} (2x^2)^6 \times \frac{9}{4x^2} \left[\because {}^nC_2 = \frac{8!}{2!6!} \right]$$

$$= \frac{8 \cdot 7}{2} \times 2^6 \times x^{12} \times \frac{9}{4x^2}$$

$$= 63 \times 64x^{10} = 4032x^{10}$$

Example – 11

Find the fifth term in the expansion of $\left(x^2 - \frac{4}{x^3}\right)^{11}$

Sol. Let, $a = x^2$, $b = -\frac{4}{x^3}$, $n = 11$

For fifth term, $r = 4$

$$\therefore t_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

$$\therefore t_5 = {}^{11}C_4 (x^2)^{11-4} \left(\frac{-4}{x^3}\right)^4$$

$$\therefore t_5 = \frac{11!}{4!7!} (x^2)^7 \times \frac{4^4}{x^{12}}$$

$$\therefore t_5 = \frac{11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7!}{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 7!} x^{14} \times \frac{256}{x^{12}}$$

$$\therefore t_5 = 330 \times 256x^2 \Rightarrow t_5 = 84480x^2$$

Example – 12

Given that the 4th term in the expansion of $\left(px + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$

is $\frac{5}{2}$, find n and p .

Sol. Given expansion is $\left(px + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$

$$\text{Given, } T_4 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\therefore {}^nC_3 (px)^{n-3} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow {}^nC_3 p^{n-3} x^{n-3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{3!(n-3)!} \cdot p^{n-3} x^{n-6} = \frac{5}{2} \quad \dots(1)$$

Since R.H.S. of (1) is independent of x ,

therefore $n - 6 = 0 \quad \therefore n = 6$.

$$\text{From (1), } \frac{6!}{3!3!} \cdot p^3 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 20p^3 = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow p^3 = \frac{1}{8} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \quad \therefore p = \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence $n = 6$ and $p = \frac{1}{2}$.



Example – 13

Given positive integers $r > 1$, $n > 2$ and the coefficient of $(3r)^{\text{th}}$ and $(r+2)^{\text{th}}$ terms in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ are equal. Then :

- (a) $n = 2r$ (b) $n = 2r + 1$
(c) $n = 3r$ (d) none of these

Ans. (a)

Sol. In the expansion $(1+x)^{2n}$, $t_{3r} = {}^{2n}C_{3r-1} (x)^{3r-1}$

and $t_{r+2} = {}^{2n}C_{r+1} (x)^{r+1}$

Since, binomial coefficients of t_{3r} and t_{r+2} are equal.

$$\therefore {}^{2n}C_{3r-1} = {}^{2n}C_{r+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3r-1 = r+1 \text{ or } 2n = (3r-1) + (r+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r = 2 \text{ or } 2n = 4r$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 1 \text{ or } n = 2r$$

But $r > 1$

$\therefore$ We take, $n = 2r$

Example – 14

If the coefficients of three consecutive terms in the expansion of $(1+a)^n$ are in the ratio $1 : 7 : 42$, find n .

Sol. Let the three consecutive terms in the expansion of $(1+a)^n$ be r^{th} , $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ and $(r+2)^{\text{th}}$ terms respectively.

In the expansion of $(1+a)^n$,

coefficient of r^{th} term = ${}^nC_{r-1}$,

coefficient of $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ term = nC_r .

coefficient of $(r+2)^{\text{th}}$ term = ${}^nC_{r+1}$

Given, ${}^nC_{r-1} : {}^nC_r : {}^nC_{r+1} = 1 : 7 : 42$.

$$\therefore \frac{{}^nC_{r-1}}{{}^nC_r} = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(n-r+1)!} \cdot \frac{r!(n-r)!}{n!} = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{n-r+1} = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow 7r = n - r + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow n - 8r = -1$$

.....(1)

$$\text{And } \frac{{}^nC_r}{{}^nC_{r+1}} = \frac{7}{42}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \cdot \frac{(r+1)!(n-r-1)!}{n!} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r+1}{n-r} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 6r + 6 = n - r$$

$$\therefore n - 7r = 6$$

.....(2)

$$\text{Now, (2) - (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 7$$

From (1), $n = 55$.

Example – 15

If in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$, the coefficients of 14th, 15th and 16th terms in A.P. find n .

Sol. The coefficients of 14th, 15th and 16th terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ will be ${}^nC_{13}$, ${}^nC_{14}$ and ${}^nC_{15}$ respectively.

Given, ${}^nC_{13}$, ${}^nC_{14}$ and ${}^nC_{15}$ are in A.P.

$$\therefore {}^nC_{14} - {}^nC_{13} = {}^nC_{15} - {}^nC_{14}$$

$$\text{or } 2 \cdot {}^nC_{14} = {}^nC_{13} + {}^nC_{15}$$

$$\text{or } 2 \cdot \frac{n!}{(14)!(n-14)!} = \frac{n!}{(13)!(n-13)!} + \frac{n!}{(15)!(n-15)!}$$

Multiplying both sides by $15!(n-13)!$, we get

$$2 \cdot \frac{15!(n-13)!}{14!(n-14)!} = \frac{15!(n-13)!}{13!(n-13)!} + \frac{15!(n-13)!}{15!(n-15)!}$$

$$\text{or } 2 \cdot 15(n-13) = 15 \cdot 14 + (n-13)(n-14)$$

$$\text{or } 30n - 390 = 210 + n^2 - 27n + 182$$

$$\text{or } n^2 - 57n + 782 = 0$$

$$\text{or } (n-34)(n-23) = 0$$

Hence $n = 23$ or 34 .



Example – 16

The term independent of x in $\left[\sqrt{\frac{x}{3}} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2x^2}} \right]^{10}$ is:

- (a) 1 (b) $^{10}C_1$
(c) 5/12 (d) none of these

Ans. (d)

Sol. $T_{r+1} = {}^{10}C_r \left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{3}} \right)^{10-r} \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{2x^2}} \right)^r$

Equating x power to zero

$$\frac{10-r}{2} - r = 0$$

$$10 - 3r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{10}{3}$$

Independent of ' x ' term is not possible

Example – 17

Find the constant term (term independent of x) in the expansion of

- (i) $\left(2x + \frac{1}{3x^2} \right)^9$ (ii) $\left(x - \frac{2}{x^2} \right)^{15}$

Sol. Let $a = 2x$, $b = \frac{1}{3x^2}$, $n = 9$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r (2x)^{9-r} \left(\frac{1}{3x^2} \right)^r$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r (2)^{9-r} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^r x^{-2r} \cdot x^{9-r}$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r (2)^{9-r} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^r x^{9-3r}$$

To get term independent of x , must have

$$x^{9-3r} = x^0$$

$$9 - 3r = 0 \quad \Rightarrow -3r = -9 \quad \Rightarrow r = 3$$

$$\therefore {}^9C_3 (2)^{9-3} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3$$

$$\frac{9!}{3!6!} \times 2^6 \times \frac{1}{27} = \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6!}{3 \times 2 \times 6!} \times 64 \times \frac{1}{27}$$

$$= \frac{28 \times 64}{9} = \frac{1792}{9}$$

$$\text{Constant term independent of } x = \frac{1792}{9}$$

(ii) Let $a = x$, $b = \frac{-2}{x^2}$, $n = 15$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{15}C_r (x)^{15-r} \left(\frac{-2}{x^2} \right)^r$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{15}C_r (x)^{15-r} (-2)^r x^{-2r}$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{15}C_r (-2)^r (x)^{15-3r}$$

To get constant term independent of x ,

$$x^{15-3r} = x^0$$

$$15 - 3r = 0 \quad \Rightarrow -3r = -15 \quad \Rightarrow r = 5$$

$$\therefore {}^{15}C_5 (-2)^5 = \frac{15!}{5!10!} (-32)$$

$$= \frac{15 \times 14 \times 13 \times 12 \times 11 \times 10!}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 10!} \times -32$$

$$= -77 \times 39 \times 32 = -96096$$

Constant term independent of $x = -96096$



Example – 18

Find the middle term (s) in the expansion of

(i) $\left(\frac{x}{y} + \frac{y}{x}\right)^{12}$ (ii) $\left(x^4 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{11}$

Sol. (i) Let $a = \frac{x}{y}, b = \frac{y}{x}, n = 12$

n is even.

$$\therefore \left(\frac{n+2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{12+2}{2}\right) = \frac{14}{2} = 7$$

7th term is middle term,

$$t_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

For 7th term, $r = 6$

$$t_7 = {}^{12}C_6 \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{12-6} \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^6$$

$$t_7 = \frac{12!}{6!6!} \times \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^6 \times \left(\frac{y}{x}\right)^6$$

$$t_7 = \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6!}{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 6!}$$

$$t_7 = 77 \times 12 = 924$$

$\therefore$ Middle term = 924

(ii) Let $a = x^4, b = \frac{-1}{x^3}, n = 11$

$$n \text{ is odd. } \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{11+1}{2}\right) = 6,$$

$$\left(\frac{n+3}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{11+3}{2}\right) = 7$$

6th and 7th term are middle term,

$$t_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

For $t_6, r = 5$

$$t_6 = {}^{11}C_5 (x^4)^{11-5} \left(\frac{-1}{x^3}\right)^5$$

$$t_6 = \frac{11!}{5!6!} x^{24} \left(\frac{-1}{x^{15}}\right)$$

$$t_6 = \frac{11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6!}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 6!} (-x^9)$$

$$= -462 x^9$$

For $t_7, r = 6$

$$t_7 = {}^{11}C_6 (x^4)^{11-6} \left(\frac{-1}{x^3}\right)^6$$

$$t_7 = \frac{11!}{6!5!} x^{20} \times \frac{1}{x^{18}}$$

$$t_7 = \frac{11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6!}{6! \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2} x^2$$

$$t_7 = 11 \times 3 \times 2 \times 7 = 462 x^2$$

Example – 19

The middle term in expansion of $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2\right)^n$ is :

(a) $\frac{n!}{[(n/2)!]^2}$

(b) $\frac{2n!}{[(n/2)!]^2}$

(c) $\frac{1.3.5.....(2n+1)}{n!} 2^n$

(d) $\frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$

Ans. (d)

Sol. Middle term in expansion of

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} + 2\right)^n = \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{2n}$$

So, $(n+1)$ th term

$$\Rightarrow {}^{2n}C_n = \frac{(2n)!}{n!n!}$$



Example – 20

Find the middle term(s) in the expansion of $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^7$

Sol. Let $a = x^2, b = \frac{1}{x}, n = 7$

n is odd.

$$\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{7+1}{2}\right) = 4 \text{ and } \left(\frac{n+3}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{7+3}{2}\right) = 5$$

4th and 5th terms are middle terms,

for $t_r, r = 3$

$$t_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

$$t_4 = {}^7C_3 (x^2)^{7-3} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^3$$

$$t_4 = \frac{7!}{4!3!} \times (x^2)^4 \times \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$t_4 = \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4! \times 3 \times 2} \times x^8 \times \frac{1}{x^3}$$

$$t_4 = 35x^5$$

For $t_5, r = 4$

$$t_5 = {}^7C_4 (x^2)^{7-4} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^4$$

$$t_5 = \frac{7!}{4!3!} \times x^6 \times \frac{1}{x^4}$$

$$t_5 = \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4! \times 3 \times 2} \times x^2 = 35x^2$$

Example – 21

Find the coefficient of x^9 in $(1 + 3x + 3x^2 + x^3)^{15}$.

Sol. $(1 + 3x + 3x^2 + x^3)^{15} = [(1 + x)^3]^{15} = (1 + x)^{45}$

$\therefore$ Coefficient of x^9 in $(1 + 3x + 3x^2 + x^3)^{15}$

= coefficient of x^9 in $(1 + x)^{45}$

= ${}^{45}C_9$ [Since in the expansion of $(1 + x)^n$,
coefficient of $x^r = {}^nC_r$]

$$= \frac{45!}{9!36!}$$

Example – 22

Find the value of the expression ${}^{47}C_4 + \sum_{j=1}^5 {}^{52-j}C_3$.

Sol. Given expression = ${}^{47}C_4 + \sum_{j=1}^5 {}^{52-j}C_3$.

$$\begin{aligned} &= {}^{47}C_4 + ({}^{51}C_3 + {}^{50}C_3 + {}^{49}C_3 + {}^{48}C_3 + {}^{47}C_3) \\ &= {}^{47}C_4 + ({}^{47}C_3 + {}^{48}C_3 + {}^{49}C_3 + {}^{50}C_3 + {}^{51}C_3) \\ &= ({}^{47}C_4 + {}^{47}C_3) + ({}^{48}C_3 + {}^{49}C_3 + {}^{50}C_3 + {}^{51}C_3) \\ &= {}^{48}C_4 + {}^{48}C_3 + {}^{49}C_3 + {}^{50}C_3 + {}^{51}C_3 \quad [\because {}^nC_r + {}^nC_{r-1} = {}^{n+1}C_r] \\ &= ({}^{48}C_4 + {}^{48}C_3) + ({}^{49}C_3 + {}^{50}C_3 + {}^{51}C_3) \\ &= ({}^{49}C_4 + {}^{49}C_3) + ({}^{50}C_3 + {}^{51}C_3) \\ &= ({}^{50}C_4 + {}^{50}C_3) + {}^{51}C_3 = {}^{51}C_4 + {}^{51}C_3 = {}^{52}C_4. \end{aligned}$$

Example – 23

The sum of coefficient in $(1 + x - 3x^2)^{2134}$ is

- (a) -1 (b) 1
(c) 0 (d) 2^{2134}

Ans. (b)

Sol. Sum of co-efficients can be obtained by substituting $x = 1$

$$\therefore \text{Sum of co-efficients} = (1 + 1 - 3)^{2134} = (-1)^{2134} = 1$$

Example – 24

The sum of the coefficients in the expansion of $(6a - 5b)^n$, where n is a positive integer, is

- (a) 1 (b) -1
(c) 2^n (d) 2^{n-1}

Ans. (a)

Sol. Sum of coefficients we get when $a = b = 1$

$$\Rightarrow (6 - 5)^n = 1$$



Example – 25

Prove that $\sum_{r=0}^n 3^r \cdot {}^nC_r = 4^n$.

Sol. $(1+x)^n = {}^nC_0 x^0 + {}^nC_1 x + {}^nC_2 x^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n x^n$
 $\therefore {}^nC_0 x^0 + {}^nC_1 x + {}^nC_2 x^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n x^n = (1+x)^n \quad \dots(1)$

Now $\sum_{r=0}^n 3^r \cdot {}^nC_r$
 $= {}^nC_0 3^0 + {}^nC_1 3^1 + {}^nC_2 3^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n 3^n$
 $= (1+3)^n$
 $= 4^n$.

Example – 26

Numerically greatest term, in the expansion of $(8-5x)^{18}$, (where $x=2/5$) is :

- (a) 1623×2^{24} (b) 1623×2^{22}
 (c) 1623×2^{23} (d) none of these

Ans. (d)

Sol. $(8-5x)^{18} = 8^{18} \left(1 - \frac{5x}{8}\right)^{18}$, $a=1, b=-\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{2}{5} = -\frac{1}{4}$

$$\frac{(n+1)|b|}{|b|+|a|} = \frac{19 \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{5}{4}} = 3.8$$

T_4 is greatest term

$T_4 = {}^{18}C_3 8^{15} (-2)^3$, so it is negative

Example – 27

Show that $2^{4n} - 2^n (7n+1)$ is some multiple of the square of 14, where n is a positive integer.

Sol. $2^{4n} - 2^n (7n+1) = (16)^n - 2^n (7n+1)$
 $= (2+14)^n - 2^n \cdot 7n - 2^n$
 $= (2^n + {}^nC_1 2^{n-1} \cdot 14 + {}^nC_2 2^{n-2} \cdot 14^2 + \dots + 14^n) - 2^n \cdot 7n - 2^n$
 $= 14^2 ({}^nC_2 2^{n-2} + {}^nC_3 2^{n-3} \cdot 14 + \dots + 14^{n-2})$
 $\quad + (2^n + {}^nC_1 \cdot 2^{n-1} \cdot 14 - 2^n \cdot 7n - 2^n)$
 $= 14^2 ({}^nC_2 2^{n-2} + {}^nC_3 2^{n-3} \cdot 14 + \dots + 14^{n-2})$

$$+ (2^n + {}^nC_1 \cdot 2^{n-1} \cdot 2 \cdot 7 - 2^n \cdot 7n - 2^n)$$

$$= 14^2 ({}^nC_2 \cdot 2^{n-2} + {}^nC_3 \cdot 2^{n-3} \cdot 14 + \dots + 14^{n-2})$$

This is divisible by 14^2 i.e. by 196 for all positive integral value of n.

Note : If $n=1$, ${}^nC_2=0$, ${}^nC_3=0$ etc.

$\therefore$ Given expression $= 14^2 \times 0 = 0$, which is divisible by 196.

Example – 28

Using binomial theorem, prove that $6^n - 5n$ always leaves the remainder 1 when divided by 25 for all positive integers n.

Sol. $6^n - 5n = (1+5)^n - 5n$
 $= (1 + {}^nC_1 5 + {}^nC_2 5^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n 5^n) - 5n$
 $= (1 + n \cdot 5 + {}^nC_2 \cdot 5^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n 5^n) - 5n$
 $= 1 + {}^nC_2 5^2 + {}^nC_3 5^3 + \dots + {}^nC_n 5^n$
 $= 1 + 25 ({}^nC_2 \cdot 5 + \dots + {}^nC_n 5^{n-2})$
 $= 1 + 25.k$ where k is a positive integer.

$\therefore$ When $6^n - 5n$ is divided by 25, remainder will be 1 for all positive integer n.

Example – 29

Which number is larger, $(1.2)^{4000}$ or 800 ?

Sol. $(1.2)^{4000} = (1+0.2)^{4000}$
 $= {}^{4000}C_0 + {}^{4000}C_1 (0.2) + \text{sum of positive terms}$
 $= 1 + 4000 (0.2) + \text{a positive number}$
 $= 1 + 800 + \text{a positive number}$
 > 800
 Hence $(1.2)^{4000} > 800$.

Example – 30

The coefficient of x^n in expansion of $(1+x)(1-x)^n$ is

- (a) $(n-1)$ (b) $(-1)^n (1-n)$
 (c) $(-1)^{n-1} (n-1)^2$ (d) $(-1)^{n-1} n$

Ans. (b)

Sol. $(1+x)(1-x)^n = (1-x)^n + x(1-x)^n$
 $\therefore$ Coefficient of x^n is $= (-1)^n + (-1)^{n-1} {}^nC_1$
 $= (-1)^n [1-n]$



Example – 31

The coefficient of x^7 in the expansion of $(1 - x - x^2 + x^3)^6$ is

- (a) -132 (b) -144
(c) 132 (d) 144

Ans. (b)

Sol. $(1 - x - x^2 + x^3)^6 = ((1 - x)(1 - x^2))^6 = (1 - x)^6 (1 - x^2)^6$
 $= (1 - {}^6C_1 x + {}^6C_2 x^2 - {}^6C_3 x^3 + {}^6C_4 x^4 - {}^6C_5 x^5 + {}^6C_6 x^6)$
 $(1 - {}^6C_1 x^2 + {}^6C_2 x^4 - {}^6C_3 x^6 + {}^6C_4 x^8 - {}^6C_5 x^{10} + {}^6C_6 x^{12})$
 Coeff. of $x^7 = (-{}^6C_1)(-{}^6C_3) + (-{}^6C_3)({}^6C_2) + (-{}^6C_5)(-{}^6C_1)$
 $= 6 \cdot 20 - 20 \cdot 15 + 6 \cdot 6 = 120 - 300 + 36 = -144$

Example – 32

If the coefficients of x^3 and x^4 in the expansion of $(1 + ax + bx^2)(1 - 2x)^{18}$ in powers of x are both zero, then (a, b) is equal to :

- (a) $\left(16, \frac{272}{3}\right)$ (b) $\left(16, \frac{251}{3}\right)$
(c) $\left(14, \frac{251}{3}\right)$ (d) $\left(14, \frac{272}{3}\right)$

Ans. (a)

Sol. On expanding the given expression we get,

$$\Rightarrow (1 + ax + bx^2)(1 - {}^{18}C_1(2x) + {}^{18}C_2(2x)^2 - {}^{18}C_3(2x)^3 + \dots + {}^{18}C_{18}(2x)^{18})$$

Coefficient of x^3 ,

$$\Rightarrow -{}^{18}C_1(2b) + {}^{18}C_2(4a) - 8 \cdot {}^{18}C_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 51a = 3b + 544 \quad \dots(1)$$

Similarly coefficient of x^4 ,

$$\Rightarrow {}^{18}C_4(2)^4 - {}^{18}C_3 \cdot 8a + {}^{18}C_2 4b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 32a = 3b + 240 \quad \dots(2)$$

On solving (1) and (2) we get,

$$\Rightarrow a = 16 \text{ and } b = \frac{272}{3}$$

Example – 33

Find the term independent of x in $(1 + x)^m \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$

Sol. Given expression $= (1 + x)^m \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n = (1 + x)^m \left(\frac{x+1}{x}\right)^n$
 $= \frac{(1+x)^{m+n}}{x^n} = x^{-n} (1+x)^{m+n}$

$\therefore$ Required term independent of x

$$= \text{coefficient of } x^0 \text{ in } x^{-n} (1+x)^{m+n}$$

$$= \text{coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } (1+x)^{m+n}$$

$$= {}^{m+n}C_n = \frac{(m+n)!}{n!m!}$$

[Since in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$, co-efficient of $x^r = {}^nC_r$]

Example – 34

Find the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of the product $(1 + 2x)^6(1 - x)^7$.

Sol. $(1 + 2x)^6 = [1 + {}^6C_1(2x) + {}^6C_2(2x)^2 + {}^6C_3(2x)^3 + {}^6C_4(2x)^4 + {}^6C_5(2x)^5 + {}^6C_6(2x)^6] \quad \dots(1)$

Again, $(1 - x)^7 = 1 - {}^7C_1 x + {}^7C_2 x^2 - {}^7C_3 x^3 + {}^7C_4 x^4 - {}^7C_5 x^5 + {}^7C_6 x^6 - {}^7C_7 x^7 \quad \dots(2)$

$$\text{Now } (1 + 2x)^6(1 - x)^7$$

$$= (1 + 12x + 60x^2 + 160x^3 + 240x^4 + 192x^5 + \dots) \times (1 - 7x + 21x^2 - 35x^3 + 35x^4 - 21x^5 + \dots)$$

$\therefore$ Required coefficient of x^5 in the product

$$= 1 \times (-21) + 12 \times 35 + 60 \times (-35) + 160 \times 21 + 240 \times (-7) + 192 \times 1$$

$$= -21 + 420 - 2100 + 3360 - 1680 + 192 = 171$$



Example – 35

Simplify first three terms in the expansion of the following

(i) $(1 + 2x)^{-4}$ (ii) $(5 + 4x)^{-1/2}$

Sol. (i) $(1 + 2x)^{-4} =$

$$1 + (-4)(2x) + \frac{(-4)(-4-1)}{2!}(2x)^2 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - 8x + \frac{(-4)(-5)}{2}(4x^2) + \dots$$

$$= 1 - 8x + 40x^2 + \dots$$

(ii) $(5 + 4x)^{-1/2} = 5^{-1/2} \left[1 + \frac{4x}{5} \right]^{-1/2}$

$$= 5^{-1/2} \left[1 + \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{4x}{5} \right) + \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{2} - 1 \right)}{2!} \left(\frac{4x}{5} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= 5^{-1/2} \left[1 - \frac{2x}{5} + \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{-3}{2} \right)}{2} \times \frac{16x^2}{25} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 5^{-1/2} \left[1 - \frac{2x}{5} + \frac{6x^2}{25} + \dots \right]$$

Example – 36

Find the coefficient of x^4 in the expansion of

$$\frac{1+x}{1-x} \text{ if } |x| < 1$$

Sol. $\frac{1+x}{1-x} = (1+x)(1-x)^{-1}$

$$= (1+x) \left[1 + \frac{(-1)}{1!}(-x) + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)}{2!}(-x)^2 \right]$$

$$+ \frac{(-1)(-1-1)(-1-2)}{3!}(-x)^3 + \dots \text{to } \infty$$

$$= (1+x)(1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4+\dots \text{to } \infty)$$

$$= [1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4+\dots \text{to } \infty] + [x+x^2+x^3+x^4+\dots \text{to } \infty]$$

$$= 1 + 2x + 2x^2 + 2x^3 + 2x^4 + 2x^5 + \dots \text{to } \infty$$

Hence coefficient of $x^4 = 2$

Example – 37

Find the square root of 99 correct to 4 places of decimal.

Sol. $(99)^{1/2} = (100-1)^{1/2} = \left[100 \left(1 - \frac{1}{100} \right) \right]^{1/2}$

$$= \left[100 \left(1 - \frac{1}{100} \right) \right]^{1/2}$$

$$= (100)^{1/2} [1 - 0.01]^{1/2}$$

$$= 10 \left[1 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1!}(-0.01) + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right)}{2!}(-0.01)^2 + \dots \text{to } \infty \right]$$

$$= 10 [1 - 0.005 - 0.0000125 + \dots \text{to } \infty]$$

$$= 10(.9949875) = 9.94987 = 9.9499$$

Example – 38

The number of terms in the expansion of $(2x + 3y - 4z)^n$, is

(a) $n + 1$

(b) $n + 3$

(c) $\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}$

(d) none of these

Ans. (c)

Sol. Number of terms $= {}^{n+r-1}C_{r-1}$

$$= {}^{n+3-1}C_{3-1}$$

$$= \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2}$$



Example – 39

The coefficient of $(a^3 b^6 c^8 d^9 e f)$ in the expansion of $(a + b + c - d - e - f)^{31}$ is :

- (a) 123210 (b) 23110
(c) 3110 (d) none of these

Ans. (d)

Sol. The coefficient of $a^3 b^6 c^8 d^9 e f$ in expansion of $(a + b + c - d - e - f)^{31}$ is zero as that term is not possible in expansion as sum of powers is not 31.

Example – 40

Find the total number of terms in the expansion of $(1 + a + b)^{10}$ and coefficient of $a^2 b^3$.

Sol. Total number of terms = $^{10+3-1}C_{3-1} = {}^{12}C_2 = 66$

Coefficient of $a^2 b^3 = \frac{10!}{2! \times 3! \times 5!} = 2520$



BINOMIAL THEOREM

EXERCISE – 1: Basic Subjective Questions

Section–A (1 Mark Questions)

- Find the number of terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^{10} + (1-x)^{10}$.
- What is the value of $\sum_{r=0}^{r=n} 4^r {}^nC_r$.
- Find the general term in the expansion of $\left(2a + \frac{b}{2}\right)^n, n \in N$.
- Using binomial theorem, write down the expansion of $(1-3x)^7$.
- Find the 5th term from the end in the expansion of $\left(3x - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{10}$.

Section–B (2 Marks Questions)

- Find the 8th term in the expansion of $\left(x^{\frac{3}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^{10}$.
- If p is a real number and if the middle term in the expansion of $\left(\frac{p}{2} + 2\right)^8$ is 1120, then find the value of p .
- Find the Constant term in the expansion of $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{10}$.
- Does the expansion $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{20}$ contain any term involving x^9 .
- Prove that the coefficient of $(r+1)^{th}$ term in the expansion of $(1+x)^{n+1}$ is equal to the sum of the coefficients of r^{th} and $(r+1)^{th}$ terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$.
- Find the 4th term from the end in the expansion of $\left(\frac{4x}{5} - \frac{5}{2x}\right)^8$.

- Find the term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(2x + \frac{1}{3x^2}\right)^9$.
- If the coefficients of $(2r+1)^{th}$ term and $(r+2)^{th}$ term in the expansion of $(1+x)^{43}$ are equal, find r .

Section–C (3 Marks Questions)

- Find the middle terms in the expansion of $\left(3x - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^{15}$.
- If the coefficient of x in the expansion of $\left(x^2 + \frac{p}{x}\right)^5$ is 270. Then find the value of p .
- Find the middle terms in the expansion of $\left(x^4 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{11}$.
- If the term free from x in the expansion of $\left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{k}{x^2}\right)^{10}$ is 405, find the value of k .
- Find the sixth term in the expansion $\left(y^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^n$, if the binomial coefficient of the third term from the end is 45.
- Find the 4th term from the beginning and 4th term from the end in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)^9$.
- If n is a positive integer, then prove that $3^{3n} - 26n - 1$ is divisible by 676.
- Evaluate $\left(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^6 + \left(x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^6$.
- Which term in the expansion of $\left(\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{y}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + \left(\frac{y}{x^3}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{21}$ contains same powers of x and y .
- If 'n' is positive integer and three consecutive coefficients in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are the ratio 6 : 33 : 110, then 'n' is equal to.
- Prove that the term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{2n}$ is $\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)}{n!} \cdot 2^n$.

Section–D (5 Marks Questions)

25. If the seventh term from the beginning and end in the binomial expansion of $\left(\sqrt[3]{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3}}\right)^n$ are equal, find n .
26. If the coefficients of three consecutive terms in the terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ be 76, 95 and 76, find n .
27. If the coefficients of 2nd, 3rd and 4th terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ are in A.P., then find the value of n .
28. Using binomial theorem, write down the expansion of $(1+2x-3x^2)^5$.
29. The coefficients of 5th, 6th and 7th terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are in A.P., find n .
30. If 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th terms in the expansion of $(x+\alpha)^n$ be respectively a , b , c and d , then prove that
$$\frac{b^2 - ac}{c^2 - bd} = \frac{5a}{3c}.$$
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EXERCISE – 2: Basic Objective Questions

Section–A (Single Choice Questions)

- The term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(2x + \frac{1}{3x^2}\right)^9$ is.
 (a) 2^{nd} (b) 3^{rd}
 (c) 4^{th} (d) 5^{th}
- In the expansion of $\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{3}} - \sqrt{\frac{3}{x}}\right)^{10}$, $x > 0$, the constant term is.
 (a) -70 (b) 70
 (c) 210 (d) -210
- If the coefficients of x^7 and x^8 in $\left(2 + \frac{x}{3}\right)^n$ are equal, then n is.
 (a) 56 (b) 55
 (c) 45 (d) 15
- The coefficient of the term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{3}} + \frac{3}{2x^2}\right)^{10}$.
 (a) $\frac{5}{4}$ (b) $\frac{7}{4}$
 (c) $\frac{9}{4}$ (d) None of these
- If T_r is the term in the expansion of $(1+x)^{101}$, then the ratio $\frac{T_{20}}{T_{19}}$ equal to.
 (a) $\frac{20x}{19}$ (b) $83x$
 (c) $19x$ (d) $\frac{83x}{19}$
- If in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^n$ where n is a natural number, the coefficients of the 5^{th} , 6^{th} and 7^{th} terms are in A.P., then n is equal to.
 (a) 7 or 13 (b) 7 or 14
 (c) 7 or 15 (d) 7 or 17
- The coefficient of the middle term in the expansion of $(2+3x)^4$ is.
 (a) 6 (b) $5!$
 (c) $8!$ (d) 216
- If the r^{th} term in the expansion of $\left(\frac{x}{3} - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^{10}$ contains x^4 , then r is equal to.
 (a) 2 (b) 3
 (c) 4 (d) 5
- If x^4 occurs in the r^{th} term in the expansion of $\left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{15}$, then what is the value of r .
 (a) 4 (b) 8
 (c) 9 (d) 10
- What is the coefficient of x^3y^4 in $(2x+3y^2)^5$.
 (a) 240 (b) 360
 (c) 720 (d) 1080
- If the coefficients of x^7 in $\left[ax^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right]^{11}$ equals the coefficients of x^{-7} in $\left[ax - \left(\frac{1}{bx}\right)\right]^{11}$, then a and b satisfy the relation.
 (a) $a - b = 1$ (b) $a + b = 1$
 (c) $\frac{a}{b} = 1$ (d) $ab = 1$
- If A and B are coefficients of x^n in the expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ and $(1+x)^{2n-1}$ then.
 (a) $A = B$ (b) $2A = B$
 (c) $A = 2B$ (d) $AB = 2$
- What is the coefficient of x^3 in $\frac{(3-2x)}{(1+3x)^3}$.
 (a) -272 (b) -540
 (c) -870 (d) -918

14. $\sqrt{5} \left[(\sqrt{5}+1)^{50} - (\sqrt{5}-1)^{50} \right]$ is.
 (a) An irrational number
 (b) 0
 (c) A natural number
 (d) None of these
15. The number of terms in the expansion of $\left[(x+4y)^3 (x-4y)^3 \right]^2$ is.
 (a) 6 (b) 7
 (c) 8 (d) 32
16. The term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(\sqrt[6]{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \right)^9$ is.
 (a) ${}^{-9}C_3$ (b) ${}^{-9}C_4$
 (c) ${}^{-9}C_5$ (d) ${}^{-8}C_3$
17. If the sum of the coefficients in the expansion of $(a+b)^n$ is 4096, then the greater coefficient in the expansion is.
 (a) 1594 (b) 792
 (c) 924 (d) 2994
18. The coefficient of x^{-7} in the expansion of $\left[ax - \frac{1}{bx^2} \right]^{11}$ will be.
 (a) $\frac{462}{b^5} a^6$ (b) $\frac{462a^5}{b^6}$
 (c) $\frac{-462a^5}{b^6}$ (d) $\frac{-462a^6}{b^5}$
19. If $(1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_nx^n$, then, the value of $\frac{(C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2) \dots (C_{n-1} + C_n)}{C_0 C_1 C_2 \dots C_{n-1}}$ is.
 (a) $\frac{(n+3)^3}{(2n)!}$ (b) $\frac{(n+1)^n}{n!}$
 (c) $\frac{(2n)!}{(n+1)!}$ (d) $\frac{(n-1)^n}{n!}$

20. If the coefficients of r^{th} and $(r+1)^{th}$ terms in the expansion of $(3+7x)^{29}$ are equal, then the value of r is.
 (a) 31 (b) 11
 (c) 18 (d) 21

Section-B (Case Study Questions)

Case Study-1

21. In the binomial expansion of $(a+b)^n$, the general term of an expansion is $T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} b^r$, the middle term of an expansion is $\left(\frac{n}{2} + 1 \right)^{th}$ term when ' n ' is even and the middle terms of an expansion are $\left(\frac{n+1}{2} \right)^{th}$ term and $\left(\frac{n+1}{2} + 1 \right)^{th}$ term when ' n ' is odd. Based on the above information. Answer the following questions.
- (i) If the co-efficient of x^7 and x^8 in the expansion of are equal, then the value of n is.
 (a) 56 (b) 55
 (c) 47 (d) 19
- (ii) The term independent of ' x ' in the expansion of $\left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^{15}$ is.
 (a) ${}^{15}C_9$ (b) 0
 (c) $-({}^{15}C_9)$ (d) ${}^{15}C_{11}$
- (iii) If ' a ' is a real number and if the middle term of $\left(\frac{a}{3} + 3 \right)^8$ is 1120, then value of ' a ' is.
 (a) ± 2 (b) ± 1
 (c) $\pm \sqrt{3}$ (d) $\pm \sqrt{2}$
- (iv) The co-efficient of the middle term in the binomial expansion of $(1+\alpha x)^4$ and $(1-\alpha x)^6$ is the same, if α equals.
 (a) $\frac{-3}{10}$ (b) $\frac{10}{3}$
 (c) $\frac{-5}{3}$ (d) $\frac{3}{5}$

Case Study-2

22. For the binomial expansion $\left(3x^2 - \frac{1}{2x^3}\right)^{10}$, Answer the following questions.

(i) The term independent of x when multiplied by 8 is.

- (a) 76455 (b) 76465
(c) 76545 (d) 76655

(ii) Middle term is equal to.

- (a) $\frac{15309}{8}x^5$ (b) $\frac{-15309}{8}x^5$
(c) $-\frac{15309}{8x^5}$ (d) $\frac{15309}{8x^5}$

(iii) The coefficient of the term with x^{10} is.

- (a) $\frac{5 \times 3^{10}}{4}$ (b) $\frac{5 \times 3^8}{4}$
(c) $\frac{5 \times 3^{10}}{8}$ (d) $\frac{5 \times 3^8}{8}$

(iv) The 5th term from the end is equal to.

- (a) $\frac{17010}{32x^{10}}$ (b) $\frac{8505}{32}x^{10}$
(c) $\frac{17010}{32}x^{10}$ (d) $\frac{8505}{32x^{10}}$

Case Study-3

23. $(1-2x)^7$ and $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^8$ are two binomial expansions having the index 7 and 8 respectively. Based on the above information answer the following questions.

(i) 4th term of the expansion $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^8$ is.

- (a) $-1892x^7$ (b) $-1792x^5$
(c) $192x^8$ (d) $-1792x^7$

(ii) The sum of the co-efficient of middle terms of the expansion of $(1-2x)^7$ is.

- (a) 280 (b) 180
(c) 560 (d) -382

(iii) The term independent of x in the expansion of $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^8$ is.

- (a) 2 (b) 1
(c) -2 (d) 0

(iv) The 6th term from the end of the expansion of $(1-2x)^7$.

- (a) ${}^7C_5 \cdot 16x^2$ (b) ${}^7C_3 x^3$
(c) $-{}^7C_5 \cdot 4x^2$ (d) ${}^7C_5 4x^2$

Section-C (Assertion & Reason Type Questions)

24. **Assertion:** Let L be the set of all lines in a plane and R be the relation in L defined as $R = \{(L_1, L_2) : L_1 \text{ is perpendicular to } L_2\}$. This relation is not equivalence relation.

Reason: A relation is said to be equivalence relation if it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
(b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
(c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
(d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

25. **Assertion:** $\left(1 + \frac{C_1}{C_0}\right)\left(1 + \frac{C_2}{C_1}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{C_n}{C_{n-1}}\right) = \frac{(n+1)^n}{n!}$.

Reason: ${}^nC_r = \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-r+1)}{r(r-1) \dots 1}$.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
(b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
(c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
(d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

26. **Assertion:** The r^{th} term from the end in the expansion of $(x+a)^n$ is ${}^nC_{n-r+1}x^{r-1}a^{n-r+1}$.

Reason: The r^{th} term from the end in the expansion of $(x+a)^n$ is $(n-r+2)^{\text{th}}$ term.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
(b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
(c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
(d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

27. Assertion: In the expansion of $(x + 2y)^8$, the middle term is 4th term.

Reason: If n is even in the expansion of

$(a + b)^n$, then $\left(\frac{n}{2} + 1\right)^{\text{th}}$ term is the middle

term.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
- (d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

28. Assertion: General term of the expansion

$(x + 2y)^9$ is ${}^9C_r 2^r x^{9-r} y^r$.

Reason: General term of the expansion $(x + a)^n$

is given by $T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r x^{n-r} a^r$.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
- (d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

29. Assertion: Number of terms in the expansion of $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^{10} + (\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y})^{10}$ is 6.

Reason: If n is even, then the expansion of

$\{(x + a)^n + (x - a)^n\}$ has $\left(\frac{n}{2} + 1\right)$ terms.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
- (d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

30. Assertion: The coefficients of the expansions are arranged in an array. This array is called Pascal's triangle.

Reason: There are 11th terms in the expansion of

$(4x + 7y)^{10} + (4x - 7y)^{10}$.

- (a) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (b) Both Assertion and Reason are correct; Reason is not the correct explanation of Assertion.
- (c) Assertion is correct; Reason is incorrect.
- (d) Reason is correct, but Assertion is incorrect.

Answer Key

CHAPTER 9 : BINOMIAL THEOREM

EXERCISE-1:

1. 6 2. 5^n 3. $T_{r+1} = 2^{n-2r} {}^nC_r a^{n-r} b^r$
4. $1 - 21x + 189x^2 - 945x^3 + 2835x^4 - 5103x^5 + 5103x^6 - 2187x^7$
5. $\frac{17010}{x^8}$ 6. $-120x^8y^{12}$ 7. $p = \pm 2$ 8. -252
9. There is no term with x^9 in the given expansion.
11. $T_4 = \frac{-2800}{x^2}$ 12. $T_4 = \frac{1792}{9}$
13. $r = 14$ 14. $T_8 = -715.2^7.3^{10}x^{-6}$, $T_9 = 715.2^8.3^9x^{-9}$
15. $p = 3$ 16. $T_6 = -462x^9$, $T_7 = 462x^2$
17. $k = \pm 3$ 18. $T_6 = 252y^{\frac{5}{2}}x^{\frac{5}{3}}$ 19. $672x^3$ & $\frac{5376}{x^3}$
21. $64x^6 - 96x^4 + 36x^2 - 2$ 22. 10^{th} term 23. $n = 12$
25. $n = 12$ 26. $n = 8$ 27. $n = \frac{7}{2}$ or 1
28. $1 + 10x + 25x^2 - 40x^3 - 190x^4 + 92x^5 + 570x^6 - 360x^7 - 675x^8$
 $+ 810x^9 - 243x^{10}$
29. $n = 7$ or 14.

EXERCISE-2:

1. (c) 2. (c) 3. (b) 4. (a) 5. (d)
6. (b) 7. (d) 8. (b) 9. (c) 10. (c)
11. (d) 12. (c) 13. (d) 14. (c) 15. (b)
16. (a) 17. (c) 18. (b) 19. (b) 20. (b)
21. (i) (b) (ii) (c) (iii) (a) (iv) (a)
22. (i) (c) (ii) (c) (iii) (a) (iv) (d)
23. (i) (d) (ii) (a) (iii) (d) (iv) (c)
24. (a) 25. (b) 26. (a) 27. (d) 28. (a)
29. (a) 30. (c)

EXERCISE – 1: Basic Subjective Questions

Section–A (1 Mark Questions)

1. The expansion of $(1+x)^{10} + (1-x)^{10}$ is given as

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[{}^{10}C_0 x^0 + {}^{10}C_1 x^1 + {}^{10}C_2 x^2 + \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} x^{10} \right] + \\ & \left[{}^{10}C_0 (-x)^0 + {}^{10}C_1 (-x)^1 + {}^{10}C_2 (-x)^2 + \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} (-x)^{10} \right] \\ & = 2 \left[{}^{10}C_0 x^0 + {}^{10}C_2 x^2 + {}^{10}C_4 x^4 + \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} x^{10} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the number of terms in the given expansion is 6.

2.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=0}^{r=n} 4^r \cdot {}^n C_r &= 4^0 \cdot {}^n C_0 + 4^1 \cdot {}^n C_1 + 4^2 \cdot {}^n C_2 + \dots + 4^n \cdot {}^n C_n \\ &= {}^n C_0 \cdot 4^0 + {}^n C_1 \cdot 4^1 + {}^n C_2 \cdot 4^2 + \dots + {}^n C_n \cdot 4^n \\ &= (1+4)^n = 5^n. \end{aligned}$$

3. The general term in the expansion of

$$\left(2a + \frac{b}{2} \right)^n \text{ is } -$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r \cdot (2a)^{n-r} \left(\frac{b}{2} \right)^r = 2^{n-2r} \cdot {}^n C_r \cdot a^{n-r} \cdot b^r$$

4. The binomial expansion of $(1-3x)^7$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & {}^7 C_0 (3x)^0 - {}^7 C_1 (3x)^1 + {}^7 C_2 (3x)^2 - {}^7 C_3 (3x)^3 + {}^7 C_4 (3x)^4 \\ & - {}^7 C_5 (3x)^5 + {}^7 C_6 (3x)^6 - {}^7 C_7 (3x)^7 \\ & = 1 - 21x + 189x^2 - 945x^3 + 2835x^4 \\ & - 5103x^5 + 5103x^6 - 2187x^7. \end{aligned}$$

5. The 5th term from the end in $\left(3x - \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^{10}$ = 5th term from the beginning in $\left(\frac{1}{x^2} - 3x \right)^{10}$ which is given by

$$\begin{aligned} T_5 = T_{4+1} &= {}^{10}C_4 \left(\frac{1}{x^2} \right)^{10-4} (-3x)^4 \\ &= 3^4 \cdot {}^{10}C_4 \cdot x^{-8} \\ &= \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 81}{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \times x^8} \\ &= \frac{17010}{x^8}. \end{aligned}$$

Section–B (2 Marks Questions)

6. The 8th term in the expansion of

$$\left(x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{\frac{1}{2}} y^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)^{10} \text{ is given by-}$$

$$\therefore T_8 = T_{7+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_8 = T_{7+1} &= {}^{10}C_7 \left(x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{10-7} \left(-x^{\frac{1}{2}} y^{\frac{3}{2}} \right)^7 \\ &= -\frac{10!}{7! \times 3!} \cdot x^{\frac{9}{2} + \frac{7}{2}} \cdot y^{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{21}{2}} \\ &= -\frac{10 \times 9 \times 8}{3 \times 2} x^8 y^{12} \\ &= -120x^8 y^{12}. \end{aligned}$$

7. In the binomial expansion of $\left(\frac{p}{2} + 2\right)^8$, we observe that $\left(\frac{8}{2} + 1\right)^{th}$ i.e., 5^{th} term is the middle term.

It is given that the middle term is 1120.

$$\therefore T_5 = 1120$$

$$\Rightarrow {}^8C_4 \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{8-4} (2)^4 = 1120$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8!}{4! \times 4!} p^4 = 1120$$

$$\Rightarrow p^4 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \pm 2$$

Hence, the real values of p is ± 2 .

8. The general term for the expansion of

$\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{10}$ can be given by

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^{10}C_r (x)^{10-r} \left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)^r \\ &= (-1)^r {}^{10}C_r (x)^{10-2r} \end{aligned}$$

For constant term,

$$10 - 2r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 5$$

Therefore,

$$T_{5+1} = {}^{10}C_5 (-1)^5 = -252$$

Hence, the constant term is -252 .

9. Suppose x^9 occurs in the given expression

$\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{20}$ at the $(r+1)^{th}$ term.

Then, we have

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{20}C_r (2x^2)^{20-r} \left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)^r$$

$$= (-1)^r \cdot {}^{20}C_r (2)^{20-r} (x)^{40-2r-r}$$

For this term to contain x^9 , we must have

$$40 - 3r = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 3r = 31$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{31}{3}$$

It is not possible, as r is not an integer.

Hence, there is no term with x^9 in the given expression.

10. Coefficient of the $(r+1)^{th}$ term in $(1+x)^{n+1}$ is ${}^{n+1}C_r$.

Coefficient of the r^{th} term in $(1+x)^n$ is ${}^nC_{r-1}$.

Coefficient of the $(r+1)^{th}$ term in $(1+x)^n$ is nC_r .

Therefore,

Sum of the coefficients of the r^{th} and $(r+1)^{th}$ terms in $(1+x)^n = {}^nC_{r-1} + {}^nC_r = {}^{n+1}C_r$

$$= {}^{n+1}C_r \quad \left[\because {}^nC_{r-1} + {}^nC_r = {}^{n+1}C_r \right]$$

Hence proved.

11. Let T_4 be the 4^{th} term from the end of the given expression,

Then,

$$4^{th} \text{ term from the end in } \left(\frac{4x}{5} - \frac{5}{2x}\right)^8 = 4^{th}$$

$$\text{term from the beginning in } \left(\frac{5}{2x} - \frac{4x}{5}\right)^8$$

Thus, we have

$$T_4 = T_{3+1} = {}^8C_3 \left(\frac{5}{2x}\right)^{8-3} \left(-\frac{4x}{5}\right)^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -^8C_3 \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^5 \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3 x^{-2} \\
 &= -^8C_3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 2^1 x^{-2} \\
 &= -\frac{8!}{3! \times 5!} \cdot \frac{50}{x^2} \\
 &= -\frac{8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{3 \cdot 2} \cdot \frac{50}{x^2} \\
 &= -\frac{2800}{x^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

12. Suppose the $(r+1)^{th}$ term in the given expansion $\left(2x + \frac{1}{3x^2}\right)^9$ is independent of x .

Thus,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r (2x)^{9-r} \left(\frac{1}{3x^2}\right)^r = {}^9C_r \cdot \frac{2^{9-r}}{3^r} x^{9-3r}$$

For this term to be independent of x , we must have

$$9 - 3r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 3$$

Hence, the required term is the 4^{th} term which can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_4 = T_{3+1} &= {}^9C_3 \frac{2^{9-3}}{3^3} = {}^9C_3 \times \frac{2^6}{3^3} \\
 &= \frac{9!}{3!6!} \times \frac{2^6}{3^3} = \frac{1792}{9}.
 \end{aligned}$$

13. We know that the coefficient of the r^{th} term in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ is ${}^nC_{r-1}$.

Therefore, the coefficients of the $(2r+1)^{th}$ and $(r+2)^{th}$ terms in the given expression are ${}^{43}C_{2r}$ and ${}^{43}C_{r+1}$.

For these coefficients to be equal, we must have,

$$2r = r+1 \text{ or } 2r + r + 1 = 43$$

$$\left[\because {}^nC_r = {}^nC_s \Rightarrow r = s \text{ or } r + s = n \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 1 \text{ or } r = 14$$

$\Rightarrow r = 14$ [$\because$ for $r = 1$ it gives the same term].

Section-C (3 Marks Questions)

14. Given $n = 15$, which is an odd number.

Thus, the middle terms are

$$\left(\frac{15+1}{2}\right)^{th} \text{ and } \left(\frac{15+1}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ i.e. } 8^{th} \text{ and } 9^{th}$$

terms.

$$\text{Now, } T_8 = T_{7+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= {}^{15}C_7 (3x)^{15-7} \left(\frac{-2}{x^2}\right)^7 \\
 &= -\frac{15!}{7! \times 8!} (3x)^8 \left(\frac{2}{x^2}\right)^7 \\
 &= -\frac{15 \times 14 \times 13 \times 12 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9}{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2} \times 3^8 \times 2^7 x^{8-14} \\
 &= -13 \times 11 \times 5 \times 9 \times 3^8 \times 2^7 x^{8-14} \\
 &= -715 \cdot 2^7 \cdot 3^{10} \cdot x^{-6}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{And, } T_9 = T_{8+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= {}^{15}C_8 (3x)^{15-8} \left(\frac{-2}{x^2}\right)^8 \\
 &= \frac{15!}{8! \times 7!} (3x)^7 \left(\frac{2}{x^2}\right)^8 \\
 &= \frac{15 \times 14 \times 13 \times 12 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9}{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2} \times 3^7 \times 2^8 \times x^{7-16} \\
 &= 715 \cdot 2^8 \cdot 3^9 \cdot x^{-9}.
 \end{aligned}$$

15. The general term for the expansion of

$$\left(x^2 + \frac{p}{x}\right)^5 \text{ can be given by}$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^5C_r (x^2)^{5-r} \left(\frac{p}{x}\right)^r = {}^5C_r (x)^{10-3r} (p)^r$$

For coefficient of x ,

$$10 - 3r = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 3$$

Therefore, the coefficient of $x = {}^5C_3 (p)^3$

$$= \frac{5!}{3! \times 2!} p^3 = 10p^3$$

Since, coefficient of x is 270,

$$\Rightarrow 10p^3 = 270$$

$$\Rightarrow p^3 = 27$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 3.$$

16. Given expansion is $\left(x^4 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{11}$,

Here, $n = 11$, which is an odd number.

Thus, the middle terms are

$$\left(\frac{11+1}{2}\right)^{th} \text{ and } \left(\frac{11+1}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ i.e. } 6^{th} \text{ and } 7^{th}.$$

Now,

$$T_6 = T_{5+1}$$

$$= {}^{11}C_5 (x^4)^{11-5} \left(-\frac{1}{x^3}\right)^5$$

$$= -\frac{11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2} \times (x)^{24-15}$$

$$= -462x^9$$

And,

$$T_7 = T_{6+1}$$

$$= {}^{11}C_6 (x^4)^{11-6} \left(-\frac{1}{x^3}\right)^6$$

$$= \frac{11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2} (x)^{20-18}$$

$$= 462x^2.$$

17. Let $(r+1)^{th}$ term in the expansion of

$$\left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{k}{x^2}\right)^{10} \text{ be free from } x \text{ and be equal to}$$

405. Then,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{10}C_r (\sqrt{x})^{10-r} \left(-\frac{k}{x^2}\right)^r$$

$$= {}^{10}C_r x^{5-\frac{5r}{2}} (-k)^r \dots (1)$$

If T_{r+1} is independent of x , then

$$5 - \frac{5r}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow r = 2$$

Putting $r = 2$ in (1).

$$\text{We obtain } T_3 = {}^{10}C_2 (-k)^2 = 45k^2$$

But it is given that the term free from x is equal to 405.

$$\therefore 45k^2 = 405$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \pm 3$$

Hence, the value of k is ± 3 .

18. The third term from the end in the

expansion of $\left(y^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^n$, is the third term

from the beginning in the expansion of

$$\left(x^{\frac{1}{3}} + y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^n.$$

$\therefore$ The binomial coefficient of the third term

from the end $= {}^nC_2$

It is given that the binomial coefficient of the third term from the end is 45.

$$\therefore {}^nC_2 = 45$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n(n-1)}{2} = 45$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - n - 90 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (n-10)(n+9) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow n = 10$ ($\because n$ cannot be negative)

Let T_6 be the sixth term in the binomial expansion of $\left(y^{\frac{1}{2}} + x^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^n$. Then

$$T_6 = {}^{10}C_5 \left(y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{10-5} \left(x^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^5 = {}^{10}C_5 y^{\frac{5}{2}} x^{\frac{5}{3}} = 252 y^{\frac{5}{2}} x^{\frac{5}{3}}$$

19. 4th term from the beginning in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)^9 = T_4 = T_{3+1}$

$$\therefore T_4 = {}^9C_3 (x^{9-3}) \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^3 = \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7}{3 \times 2} (x^6) \left(\frac{8}{x^3}\right) = 672 x^3$$

Let T_4 be the 4th term from the end.

Since, 4th term from the end in $\left(x + \frac{2}{x}\right)^9 =$

4th term from the beginning in $\left(\frac{2}{x} + x\right)^9$.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} T_4 = T_{3+1} &= {}^9C_3 \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^{9-3} (x)^3 \\ &= \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7}{3 \times 2} \left(\frac{64}{x^6}\right) (x)^3 = \frac{5376}{x^3} \end{aligned}$$

20. Given,

$$3^{3n} - 26n - 1 = 27^n - 26n - 1$$

$$= (1 + 26)^n - 26n - 1$$

$$= {}^nC_0 \times 26^0 + {}^nC_1 \times 26^1 + {}^nC_2 \times 26^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \times 26^n - 26n - 1$$

$$= 1 + 26n + {}^nC_2 \times 26^2 + {}^nC_3 \times 26^3 + \dots + {}^nC_n \times 26^n - 26n - 1$$

$$= {}^nC_2 \times 26^2 + {}^nC_3 \times 26^3 + \dots + {}^nC_n \times 26^n$$

$$= 26^2 \left[{}^nC_2 + {}^nC_3 \times 26^1 + {}^nC_4 \times 26^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \times 26^{n-2} \right]$$

$$= 676 \left[{}^nC_2 + {}^nC_3 \times 26^1 + {}^nC_4 \times 26^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \times 26^{n-2} \right]$$

Hence, $3^{3n} - 26n - 1$ is divisible by 676.

21. Binomial expansion of

$\left(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^6 + \left(x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right)^6$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &2 \left[{}^6C_0 x^6 (\sqrt{x^2 - 1})^0 + {}^6C_2 x^4 (\sqrt{x^2 - 1})^2 + {}^6C_4 x^2 (\sqrt{x^2 - 1})^4 + {}^6C_6 x^0 (\sqrt{x^2 - 1})^6 \right] \\ &= 2 \left[x^6 + 15x^4 (x^2 - 1) + 15x^2 (x^2 - 1)^2 + (x^2 - 1)^3 \right] \\ &= 2 \left[x^6 + 15x^6 - 15x^4 + 15x^2 (x^4 - 2x^2 + 1) + (x^6 - 1 + 3x^2 - 3x^4) \right] \\ &= 2 \left[x^6 + 15x^6 - 15x^4 + 15x^6 - 30x^4 + 15x^2 + x^6 - 1 + 3x^2 - 3x^4 \right] \\ &= 64x^6 - 96x^4 + 36x^2 - 2. \end{aligned}$$

22. Suppose T_{r+1} term in the given expansion

of $\left(\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{y}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + \left(\frac{y}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{21}$ contains x and y

to one and the same power.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^{21}C_r \left[\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{y}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right]^{21-r} \left[\left(\frac{y}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right]^r \\ &= {}^{21}C_r \left(\frac{x^{\frac{(21-r)}{3}}}{x^{\frac{r}{6}}}\right) \left(\frac{y^{\frac{r}{2}}}{y^{\frac{(21-r)}{6}}}\right) \\ &= {}^{21}C_r (x)^{7-\frac{r}{2}} (y)^{\frac{2r}{3}-\frac{7}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Now, if x and y have the same power, then

$$7 - \frac{r}{2} = \frac{2r}{3} - \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2r}{3} + \frac{r}{2} = 7 + \frac{7}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7r}{6} = \frac{21}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 9$$

Hence, the required term is the 10th term.

23. Let the consecutive coefficient of

$$(1+x)^n \text{ are } {}^nC_{r-1}, {}^nC_r, {}^nC_{r+1}$$

From the given condition,

$${}^nC_{r-1} : {}^nC_r : {}^nC_{r+1} = 6 : 33 : 110$$

$$\text{Now, } {}^nC_{r-1} : {}^nC_r = 6 : 33$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(n-r+1)!} \times \frac{r!(n-r)!}{n!} = \frac{6}{33}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{n-r+1} = \frac{2}{11}$$

$$11r = 2n - 2r + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n - 13r + 2 = 0 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{and } {}^nC_r : {}^nC_{r+1} = 33 : 110$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \times \frac{(r+1)!(n-r-1)!}{n!} = \frac{33}{110} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(r+1)}{n-r} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3n - 13r - 10 = 0 \quad \dots(ii)$$

Solving (i) and (ii),

we get, $n = 12$.

24. Suppose the term independent of x is the $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ term.

$$\therefore T_{r+1} = {}^{2n}C_r x^{2n-r} \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^r = {}^{2n}C_r x^{2n-2r}$$

For this term to be independent of x ,

we must have:

$$2n - 2r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = r$$

$$\therefore \text{Required coefficient} = {}^{2n}C_n = \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-3)(2n-1)\} \{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \dots (2n-2)(2n)\}}{(n!)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-3)(2n-1)\} 2^n}{n!}.$$

Section-D (5 Marks Questions)

25. The general term in the expansion of

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3}}\right)^n \text{ is given by}$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r \left(\sqrt[3]{2}\right)^{n-r} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3}}\right)^r = {}^nC_r \times 2^{\frac{n-r}{3}} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{r}{3}}$$

Therefore, 7^{th} term from the beginning is given by

$$T_7 = T_{6+1} = {}^nC_6 \times 2^{\frac{n}{3}-2} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Since } 7^{\text{th}} \text{ term from the end of } \left(\sqrt[3]{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3}}\right)^n$$

$$= 7^{\text{th}} \text{ term } (t_7) \text{ from the beginning of}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3}} + \sqrt[3]{2}\right)^n.$$

Therefore,

$$t_7 = t_{6+1} = {}^nC_6 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{3}}\right)^{n-6} \left(\sqrt[3]{2}\right)^6$$

$$= {}^nC_6 \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{n}{3}-2} \times 2^2$$

It is given that, $T_7 = t_7$

$$\Rightarrow {}^nC_6 \times 2^{\frac{n}{3}-2} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = {}^nC_6 \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{\frac{n}{3}-2} \times 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2^{\frac{n}{3}-2}}{2^2} = \frac{3^2}{3^{\frac{n}{3}-2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow (6)^{\frac{n}{3}-2} = 6^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n}{3} - 2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 12$$

Hence, the value of n is 12.

26. Suppose $r, (r+1)$ and $(r+2)$ are three consecutive terms in the given expansion.

The coefficients of these terms will be

$${}^nC_{r-1}, {}^nC_r \text{ and } {}^nC_{r+1}$$

According to the question,

$${}^nC_{r-1} = 76$$

$${}^nC_r = 95$$

$${}^nC_{r+1} = 76$$

$$\Rightarrow {}^nC_{r-1} = {}^nC_{r+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow r-1+r+1=n \left[\because {}^nC_r = {}^nC_s \Rightarrow r=s \text{ or } r+s=n \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{{}^nC_r}{{}^nC_{r-1}} = \frac{95}{76}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n-r+1}{r} = \frac{95}{76}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{n}{2}+1}{\frac{n}{2}} = \frac{95}{76} \left[\because r = \frac{n}{2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 38n+76 = \frac{95n}{2}$$

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$$\Rightarrow 38n+76 = \frac{95n}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{19n}{2} = 76$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 8.$$

27. Given: $(1+x)^{2n}$

Thus, we have;

$$T_2 = T_{1+1} = {}^{2n}C_1 x^1$$

$$T_3 = T_{2+1} = {}^{2n}C_2 x^2$$

$$T_4 = T_{3+1} = {}^{2n}C_3 x^3$$

We have coefficients of the 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} and 4^{th} terms in AP.

$$\therefore 2({}^{2n}C_2) = {}^{2n}C_1 + {}^{2n}C_3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{{}^{2n}C_1}{{}^{2n}C_2} + \frac{{}^{2n}C_3}{{}^{2n}C_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{2}{2n-1} + \frac{2n-2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 12n-6 = 6+4n^2-4n-2n+2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4n^2-18n+14=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n^2-9n+7=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n^2-7n-2n+7=0$$

$$\Rightarrow n(2n-7)-1(2n-7)=0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n-7=0 \text{ or } n-1=0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{7}{2} \text{ or } n=1.$$

28. Consider $(1+2x)$ and $3x^2$ as two separate entities and apply the binomial theorem.

$$\text{Now, } (1+2x-3x^2)^5$$

$$= {}^5C_0 (1+2x)^5 - {}^5C_1 (1+2x)^4 (3x^2)^1 + {}^5C_2 (1+2x)^3 (3x^2)^2$$

$$- {}^5C_3 (1+2x)^2 (3x^2)^3 + {}^5C_4 (1+2x)^1 (3x^2)^4 - {}^5C_5 (3x^2)^5$$

$$= (1+2x)^5 - 5(1+2x)^4 \times 3x^2 + 10 \times (1+2x)^3 \times 9x^4$$

$$- 10 \times (1+2x)^2 \times 27x^6 + 5(1+2x) \times 81x^8 - 243x^{10}$$

$$= [{}^5C_0 \times (2x)^0 + {}^5C_1 \times (2x)^1 + {}^5C_2 \times (2x)^2 + {}^5C_3 \times (2x)^3 + {}^5C_4 \times (2x)^4 + {}^5C_5 \times (2x)^5]$$

$$- 15x^2 [{}^4C_0 (2x)^0 + {}^4C_1 (2x)^1 + {}^4C_2 (2x)^2 + {}^4C_3 (2x)^3 + {}^4C_4 (2x)^4]$$

$$+ 90x^4 [1+8x^3+6x+12x^2] - 270x^6 (1+4x^2+4x) + 405x^8 + 810x^9 - 243x^{10}$$

$$= [1+10x+40x^2+80x^3+80x^4+32x^5]$$

$$- [15x^2+120x^3+360x^4+480x^5+240x^6]$$

$$+ 90x^4 + 720x^7 + 540x^5 + 1080x^6 - 270x^6 - 1080x^8$$

$$- 1080x^7 + 405x^8 + 810x^9 - 243x^{10}$$

$$= 1 + 10x + 25x^2 - 40x^3 - 190x^4 + 92x^5 + 570x^6 - 360x^7 - 675x^8 + 810x^9 - 243x^{10}.$$

29. Coefficients of the 5^{th} , 6^{th} and 7^{th} terms in the given expansion $(1+x)^n$ are nC_4 , nC_5 and nC_6 .

These coefficients are in AP.

Thus, we have

$$2 {}^nC_5 = {}^nC_4 + {}^nC_6$$

On dividing both sides by nC_5 , we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= \frac{{}^nC_4}{{}^nC_5} + \frac{{}^nC_6}{{}^nC_5} \\ \Rightarrow 2 &= \frac{\frac{n!}{4!(n-4)!}}{\frac{n!}{5!(n-5)!}} + \frac{\frac{n!}{6!(n-6)!}}{\frac{n!}{5!(n-5)!}} \\ \Rightarrow 2 &= \frac{5!(n-5)!}{4!(n-4)!} + \frac{5!(n-5)!}{6!(n-6)!} \\ \Rightarrow 2 &= \frac{5}{n-4} + \frac{n-5}{6} \\ \Rightarrow 12(n-4) &= 30 + (n-5)(n-4) \\ \Rightarrow 12n - 48 &= 30 + n^2 - 4n - 5n + 20 \\ \Rightarrow n^2 - 21n + 98 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow (n-14)(n-7) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow n &= 7 \text{ or } 14. \end{aligned}$$

30. Sol: The 3^{rd} , 4^{th} , 5^{th} and 6^{th} terms in the expansion of $(x+\alpha)^n$ are ${}^nC_2x^{n-2}\alpha^2$, ${}^nC_3x^{n-3}\alpha^3$, ${}^nC_4x^{n-4}\alpha^4$ and ${}^nC_5x^{n-5}\alpha^5$, respectively.

$$\text{Now, } {}^nC_2x^{n-2}\alpha^2 = a$$

$${}^nC_3x^{n-3}\alpha^3 = b$$

$${}^nC_4x^{n-4}\alpha^4 = c$$

$${}^nC_5x^{n-5}\alpha^5 = d$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{{}^nC_2x^{n-2}\alpha^2}{{}^nC_3x^{n-3}\alpha^3} = \left(\frac{3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)$$

$$\frac{b}{c} = \frac{{}^nC_3x^{n-3}\alpha^3}{{}^nC_4x^{n-4}\alpha^4} = \left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)$$

$$\frac{c}{d} = \frac{{}^nC_4x^{n-4}\alpha^4}{{}^nC_5x^{n-5}\alpha^5} = \left(\frac{5}{n-4}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \frac{b^2 - ac}{c^2 - bd} \\ &= \left(\frac{b}{c}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1 - \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)\left(\frac{c}{b}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{b}{c}\right)\left(\frac{d}{c}\right)} \right) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right) \right]^2 \left(\frac{1 - \left(\frac{3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right)\left(\frac{n-4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{\alpha}{x}\right)} \right) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right) \right]^2 \left(\frac{1 - \left(\frac{3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{4}\right)}{1 - \left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{n-4}{5}\right)} \right) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right) \right]^2 \left(\frac{\frac{4n-8-3n+9}{4(n-2)}}{\frac{5n-15-4n+16}{5(n-3)}} \right) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right) \right]^2 \left(\frac{5(n-3)}{4(n-2)} \right) \\ &= \left[\left(\frac{4}{n-3}\right)\left(\frac{x}{\alpha}\right) \right]^2 \left(\frac{5(n-3)}{4(n-2)} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{20}{(n-2)(n-3)} \right) \left(\frac{x}{\alpha} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{RHS} &= \frac{5a}{3c} \\
&= \frac{5}{3} \frac{{}^nC_2 x^{n-2} a^2}{{}^nC_4 x^{n-4} a^4} \\
&= \frac{5}{3} \frac{{}^nC_2}{{}^nC_4} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{\frac{n!}{2!(n-2)!}}{\frac{n!}{4!(n-4)!}} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{4!(n-4)!}{2!(n-2)!} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^2 \\
&= \left(\frac{20}{(n-2)(n-3)} \right) \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^2
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$

Hence proved.

EXERCISE – 2: Basic Objective Questions

Section-A (Single Choice Questions)

1. Suppose $(r+1)^{th}$ term is independent of x .

We have $\left(2x + \frac{1}{3x^2}\right)^9$, then

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^9C_r (2x)^{9-r} \left(\frac{1}{3x^2}\right)^r \\ &= {}^9C_r 2^{9-r} \frac{1}{3^r} \cdot x^{9-3r} \end{aligned}$$

This term is independent of x if $9-3r=0$
 $\therefore r=3$.

Thus, 4th term is independent of x .

2. The constant term

$$\begin{aligned} &= {}^{10}C_4 \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{x}{3}}\right)^6 \left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{x}}\right)^4 \\ &= {}^{10}C_4 \frac{1}{3^2} \cdot 3^2 = 210 \end{aligned}$$

3. Since, $T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r a^{n-r} x^r$ in expansion of $(a+x)^n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } T_8 &= {}^nC_7 (2)^{n-7} \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^7 \\ &= {}^nC_7 \frac{2^{n-7}}{3^7} x^7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } T_9 &= {}^nC_8 (2)^{n-8} \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^8 \\ &= {}^nC_8 \frac{2^{n-8}}{3^8} x^8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } {}^nC_7 \frac{2^{n-7}}{3^7} = {}^nC_8 \frac{2^{n-8}}{3^8}$$

it is given that

coefficient of x^7 = coefficient of x^8

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{7!(n-7)!} \times \frac{8!(n-8)!}{n!} = \frac{2^{n-8}}{3^8} \cdot \frac{3^7}{2^{n-7}} \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{8}{n-7} = \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow n = 55. \end{aligned}$$

4. The $(r+1)^{th}$ term in the expansion of

$$\left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{3}} + \frac{3}{2x^2}\right)^{10} \text{ is given by}$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^{10}C_r \left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{3}}\right)^{10-r} \left(\frac{3}{2x^2}\right)^r \\ &= {}^{10}C_r \frac{x^{5-\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)}}{3^{5-\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)}} \cdot \frac{3^r}{2^r x^{2r}} \\ &= {}^{10}C_r \frac{3^{\left(\frac{3r}{2}\right)-5}}{2^r} x^{5-\left(\frac{5r}{2}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

For T_{r+1} to be independent of x ,

$$\text{we must have, } 5 - \left(\frac{5r}{2}\right) = 0 \text{ or } r = 2.$$

Thus, the 3rd term is independent of x and

$$\text{is equal to } {}^{10}C_2 \frac{3^{3-5}}{2^2} = \frac{10 \times 9}{2} \times \frac{3^{-2}}{4} = \frac{5}{4}.$$

5. T_r is the r^{th} term in the expansion of $(1+x)^{101}$.

$$\begin{aligned} T_r &= {}^{101}C_{r-1} \cdot (x)^{(r-1)} \\ \therefore \frac{T_{20}}{T_{19}} &= \frac{{}^{101}C_{19}}{{}^{101}C_{18}} \cdot \frac{x^{19}}{x^{18}} = \frac{{}^{101}C_{19}x}{{}^{101}C_{18}} \\ &= \frac{101!}{(19!)(82!)} \cdot \frac{83x}{19!} = \frac{83x}{19}. \end{aligned}$$

6. Since co-efficient of 5^{th} , 6^{th} and 7^{th} terms are in A.P

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore {}^nC_4 + {}^nC_6 &= 2 \cdot {}^nC_5 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{n!}{(n-4)! \times 4!} + \frac{n!}{(n-6)! \times 6!} &= 2 \cdot \frac{n!}{(n-5)! \times 5!} \\ \Rightarrow 6.5 + (n-4)(n-5) &= 2(n-4).6 \\ \Rightarrow 30 + n^2 - 9n + 20 &= 12n - 48 \\ \Rightarrow n^2 - 21n + 98 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow n &= 7, 14 \end{aligned}$$

7. When exponent is n , then total number of terms are $n+1$. So, total number of terms in $(2+3x)^4 = 5$

Middle term is 3^{rd} term.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T_3 &= {}^4C_2 (2)^2 \cdot (3x)^2 \\ &= \frac{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{2 \times 1 \times 2} \times 4 \times 9x^2 = 216x^2 \\ \therefore \text{Coefficient of middle term} &\text{ is } 216. \end{aligned}$$

8. In the given expansion of $\left(\frac{x}{3} - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^{10}$,

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} T_r &= {}^{10}C_{r-1} \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^{10-r+1} \left(\frac{-2}{x^2}\right)^{r-1} \\ &= \left[{}^{10}C_{r-1}\right] x^{13-r-2r} \cdot (-2)^{r-1} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{11-r} \\ r^{\text{th}} \text{ term contains } x^4 &\text{ when} \\ 13-3r &= 4 \Rightarrow r = 3. \end{aligned}$$

9. In the expansion of $\left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{15}$,

let T_r be the r^{th} term

$$\begin{aligned} T_r &= {}^{15}C_{r-1} (x^4)^{15-r+1} \left(\frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{r-1} \\ &= {}^{15}C_{r-1} x^{64-4r-3r+3} = {}^{15}C_{r-1} x^{67-7r} \\ x^4 &\text{ occurs in this term} \\ \Rightarrow 4 &= 67-7r. \\ \Rightarrow 7r &= 63 \Rightarrow r = 9 \end{aligned}$$

10. In the expansion of $(2x+3y^2)^5$,

We have, $T_r = {}^nC_{r-1} (2x)^{r-1} (3y^2)^{n-r+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} T_4 &= T_{3+1} = {}^5C_3 (2x)^3 (3y^2)^2 \\ &= \frac{5!}{3!2!} 2^3 \cdot x^3 \cdot 9y^4 = \frac{5.4}{2.1} \times 8 \times 9 \times x^3 y^4 \\ &= 720x^3 y^4 \\ \therefore \text{Coefficient of } x^3 y^4 &= 720. \end{aligned}$$

11. T_{r+1} in the expansion of $\left[ax^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right]^{11}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} &= {}^{11}C_r (ax^2)^{11-r} \left(\frac{1}{bx}\right)^r \\ &= {}^{11}C_r (a)^{11-r} (b)^{-r} (x)^{22-2r-r} \end{aligned}$$

For the coefficient of x^7 , We have,

$$22-3r = 7 \Rightarrow r = 5$$

∴ Coefficient of x^7 is

$${}^{11}C_5 (a)^6 (b)^{-5} \dots\dots(i)$$

Again T_{r+1} in the expansion of

$$\left[ax - \frac{1}{bx^2} \right]^{11} = {}^{11}C_r (ax^2)^{11-r} \left(-\frac{1}{bx^2} \right)^r$$

$$= {}^{11}C_r (a)^{11-r} (-1)^r \times (b)^{-r} (x)^{-2r} (x)^{11-r}$$

For the coefficient of x^{-7} ,

we have

$$11-3r = -7 = 18 \Rightarrow r = 6$$

$$\therefore \text{coefficient of } x^{-7} = {}^{11}C_6 a^5 \times 1 \times (b)^{-6}$$

By the given,

$${}^{11}C_5 (a)^6 (b)^{-5} = {}^{11}C_6 a^5 \times (b)^{-6}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = 1.$$

12. The expansion of

$$(1+x)^{2n} = {}^{2n}C_0 + {}^{2n}C_1 x + {}^{2n}C_2 x^2 + \dots\dots {}^{2n}C_n x^n + \dots\dots + {}^{2n}C_{2n} x^{2n} \dots\dots(i)$$

And

$$(1+x)^{2n-1} = {}^{2n-1}C_0 + {}^{2n-1}C_1 x + {}^{2n-1}C_2 x^2 \dots\dots$$

$${}^{2n-1}C_n x^n + \dots\dots + {}^{2n-1}C_{2n-1} x^{2n-1} \dots\dots(ii)$$

According to the given data and equations (i) and (ii), we can claim that

$$A = {}^{2n}C_n \text{ and } B = {}^{2n-1}C_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A}{B} = \frac{{}^{2n}C_n}{{}^{2n-1}C_n} = \frac{\frac{2n!}{n!n!}}{\frac{(2n-1)!}{n!(n-1)!}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{A}{B} = \frac{2n(2n-1)!}{n(n-1)!} \times \frac{(n-1)!}{(2n-1)!} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 2B.$$

$$\text{13. We have, } \frac{(3-2x)}{(1+3x)^3} = (3-2x)(1+3x)^{-3}$$

$$= (3-2x) \left[1 - 9x + \frac{(-3)(-4)}{2!} \cdot 9x^2 + \frac{(-3)(-4)(-5)}{3!} \cdot 27x^3 + \dots\dots \right]$$

$$\left[\text{Expanding } (1+3x)^{-3} \right]$$

$$= (3-2x)(1-9x+54x^2-270x^3+\dots\dots)$$

$$\therefore \text{Coefficient of } x^3 = -270 \times 3 - 2 \times 54$$

$$= -810 - 108 = -918.$$

$$\text{14. } \sqrt{5} \left[(\sqrt{5}+1)^{50} - (\sqrt{5}-1)^{50} \right]$$

$$= 2\sqrt{5} \left[{}^{50}C_1 (\sqrt{5})^{49} + {}^{50}C_3 (\sqrt{5})^{47} + \dots\dots \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[{}^{50}C_1 (\sqrt{5})^{50} + {}^{50}C_3 (\sqrt{5})^{48} + \dots\dots \right]$$

= A natural number.

$$\text{15. } \left[(x+4y)^3 (x-4y)^3 \right]^2$$

$$= \left[(x^2 - (4y)^2) \right]^6 = (x^2 - 16y^2)^6$$

∴ Number of terms in the expansion is 7.

16. Let $(r+1)^{th}$ term be independent of x in

$$\text{the expansion of } \left(\sqrt[6]{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \right)^9$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r \left(\sqrt[6]{x} \right)^{9-r} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} \right)^r$$

$$= {}^9C_r (-1)^r \cdot x^{\frac{9-r}{6} - \frac{r}{3}} = {}^9C_r \cdot x^{\left(\frac{9-3r}{6} \right)}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{9-3r}{6} = 0 \Rightarrow r = 3;$$

Thus, term independent of $x = -{}^9C_3$.

17. We know that the coefficient in a binomial expansion is obtained by replacing each variable by unit in the given expression. Therefore, the sum of the coefficients in $(a+b)^n = (1+1)^n$

$$\Rightarrow 2^n = 4096 = 2^{12} \Rightarrow n = 12$$

The greatest coefficient = coefficient of middle term.

So, middle term = T_7

$$\text{Coeff of } T_7 = {}^{12}C_6 = \frac{12!}{6!6!} = 924.$$

18. Suppose x^{-7} occurs in $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ term.

we have $T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r x^{n-r} a^r$ in $(x-a)^n$.

In the given expansion $\left[ax - \frac{1}{bx^2}\right]^{11}$,

we have $n = 11$, $x = ax$, $a = \frac{-1}{bx^2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T_{r+1} &= {}^{11}C_r (ax)^{11-r} \left(\frac{-1}{bx^2}\right)^r \\ &= {}^{11}C_r a^{11-r} b^{-r} x^{11-3r} (-1)^r \end{aligned}$$

This term contains x^{-7} if $11-3r = -7$

$$\Rightarrow r = 6$$

Therefore, coefficient of x^{-7} is

$${}^{11}C_6 (a)^5 \left(\frac{-1}{b}\right)^6 = \frac{462}{b^6} a^5.$$

19. The given expression,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(1 + \frac{C_1}{C_0}\right) \left(1 + \frac{C_2}{C_1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{C_3}{C_2}\right) \dots \dots \left(1 + \frac{C_n}{C_{n-1}}\right) \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{n}{1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{n-1}{2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{n-2}{3}\right) \dots \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{(n+1)^n}{n!}. \end{aligned}$$

20. In the expansion of $(3+7x)^{29}$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^{29}C_r \cdot 3^{29-r} \cdot (7x)^r \\ &= ({}^{29}C_r \cdot 3^{29-r} \cdot 7^r) x^r \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore a_r = \text{coefficient of } (r+1)^{\text{th}} \text{ term}$

$$= {}^{29}C_r \cdot 3^{29-r} \cdot 7^r$$

Now, $a_r = a_{r-1}$

$$\Rightarrow {}^{29}C_r \cdot 3^{29-r} \cdot 7^r = {}^{29}C_{r-1} \cdot 3^{30-r} \cdot 7^{r-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{{}^{29}C_r}{{}^{29}C_{r-1}} = \frac{3}{7} \Rightarrow \frac{30-r}{r} = \frac{3}{7} \Rightarrow r = 21.$$

Section-B (Case Study Questions)

Case Study-1

21. (i). The $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ term in the expansion

of $\left(2 + \frac{x}{3}\right)^n$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= {}^nC_r 2^{n-r} \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^r \\ &= {}^nC_r \left(\frac{2^{n-r}}{3^r}\right) x^r \end{aligned}$$

According to the given condition

$${}^nC_7 \left(\frac{2^{n-7}}{3^7}\right) = {}^nC_8 \left(\frac{2^{n-8}}{3^8}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{{}^nC_7}{{}^nC_8} = \frac{2^{n-8}}{3^8} \cdot \frac{3^7}{2^{n-7}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{7!(n-7)!} \cdot \frac{8!(n-8)!}{n!} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{8}{n-7} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow 48 = n-7$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 55$$

(ii). The $(r+1)^{th}$ term in the expansion of

$$\left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{15} \text{ is}$$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{15}C_r (x^3)^{15-r} \left(\frac{-1}{x^2}\right)^r$$

$$= {}^{15}C_r (-1)^r x^{45-5r}$$

To obtain constant term,

we get

$$45 - 5r = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 9$$

$\therefore$ Co-efficient of constant term is

$${}^{15}C_9 (-1)^9 = -{}^{15}C_9$$

(iii). The middle term of $\left(\frac{a}{3} + 3\right)^8$ is

$$\left(\frac{8}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ term or } 5^{th} \text{ term}$$

We have,

$$T_5 = T_{4+1} = {}^8C_4 \left(\frac{a}{3}\right)^4 3^4$$

$$= 70a^4$$

We are given $T_5 = 1120$

$$\Rightarrow 70a^4 = 1120$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow a^4 = 2^4$$

$$\therefore a = \pm 2$$

(iv). The Middle term in the expansion of

$$(1 + \alpha x)^4 \text{ is}$$

$$T_3 = {}^4C_2 (\alpha x)^2 = 6\alpha^2 x^2 \text{ and}$$

the middle term in the expansion of

$$(1 - \alpha x)^6 \text{ is } T_4 = {}^6C_3 (-\alpha x)^3 = -20\alpha^3 x^3$$

We are given, $6\alpha^2 = -20\alpha^3$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0 \text{ or } \alpha = \frac{-3}{10}$$

Case Study-2

22. (i). Let term be independent of 'x' in

$$\text{the expression } \left(3x^2 - \frac{1}{2x^3}\right)^{10}.$$

$$\text{Now, } T_{r+1} = {}^{10}C_r (3x^2)^{10-r} \left(-\frac{1}{2x^3}\right)^r$$

$$= {}^{10}C_r \cdot 3^{10-r} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \cdot x^{20-5r}$$

The term will be independent of 'x' if

$$20 - 5r = 0 \Rightarrow r = 4$$

$\therefore 5^{th}$ term is independent of 'x'

$$T_5 = {}^{10}C_4 \cdot 3^{10-4} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^4$$

$$= \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}{4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} \times \frac{729}{16} = \frac{76545}{8}$$

when it is multiplied by 8, we get 76545.

(ii). Since $n = 10$, which is even, so

$$\left(\frac{10}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ term i.e. } 6^{th} \text{ term is middle term.}$$

Hence, the middle term

$$= T_6 = {}^{10}C_5 \cdot 3^{10-5} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \cdot x^{20-5(5)}$$

$$= -{}^{10}C_5 \times 3^5 \times \frac{1}{32} \times x^{-5}$$

$$= -\frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} \times \frac{243}{32x^5} = \frac{-15309}{8x^5}.$$

$$\text{(iii) } T_{r+1} = {}^{10}C_r \cdot 3^{10-r} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \cdot x^{20-5r}$$

for x^{10} , $20 - 5r = 10 \Rightarrow r = 2$

$\therefore 3^{rd}$ term is the term with x^{10}

$$\text{Now } T_{r+1} = {}^{10}C_r \cdot 3^{10-r} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \cdot x^{20-5r}$$

$$= {}^{10}C_2 \cdot 3^8 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{10 \times 9}{2} \times \frac{3^8}{4} = \frac{5 \times 3^{10}}{4}$$

(iv) The 5^{th} term from the end of $\left(3x^2 - \frac{1}{2x^3}\right)^{10}$ is equal to 5^{th} term from the beginning of $\left(-\frac{1}{2x^3} + 3x^2\right)^{10}$
 i.e. $T_5 = {}^{10}C_4 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2x^3}\right)^{10-4} \cdot (3x^2)^4$
 $= {}^{10}C_4 \cdot \frac{1}{2^6} \cdot 3^4 \cdot x^{-18+8}$
 $= {}^{10}C_4 \times \frac{81}{64} \times \frac{1}{x^{10}} = \frac{8505}{32x^{10}}.$

Case Study-3

23. (i). Given expansion is $\left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^8$.

The general term of an expansion is

$$T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r x^{n-r} y^r$$

$\therefore 4^{th}$ term is $T_4 = T_{3+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T_{3+1} &= {}^8C_3 (2x^2)^{8-3} \left(\frac{-1}{x}\right)^3 \\ &= {}^8C_3 (2x^2)^5 (-1)^3 x^{-3} \\ &= \frac{8!}{5!3!} 2^5 \cdot x^{10-3} \cdot (-1)^3 \\ &= -\frac{8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5!}{5! \times 3!} \cdot (32)x^7 \\ &= -1792x^7 \end{aligned}$$

(ii). In the expansion of $(1-2x)^7$,

the middle terms are $\left(\frac{7+1}{2}\right)^{th}$ term and

$$\left(\frac{7+1}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ terms,}$$

i.e. 4^{th} and 5^{th} terms are middle terms of $(1-2x)^7$.

$$\begin{aligned} T_4 = T_{3+1} &= {}^7C_3 (1)^{7-3} (-2x)^3 \\ &= \frac{7!}{4! \times 3!} (-8)(x^3) \\ &= \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4! \times 3!} (-8)x^3 = -280x^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } T_5 = T_{4+1} &= {}^7C_4 (1)^{7-4} (-2x)^4 \\ &= \frac{7!}{4! \times 3!} (16)x^4 \\ &= \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4! \times 3!} (16)x^4 \\ &= 560x^4 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$ The Sum of the co-efficient of the middle terms $= -280 + 560$
 $= 280$

(iii). Let $(r+1)^{th}$ term be the term independent of x in the expansion of

$$\begin{aligned} \left(2x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^8 \\ \therefore T_{r+1} &= {}^8C_r (2x^2)^{8-r} \left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)^r \\ &= {}^8C_r 2^{8-r} x^{16-2r-r} \\ &= {}^8C_r 2^{8-r} x^{16-3r} \end{aligned}$$

For the term to be independent of x ,

$$16 - 3r = 0$$

$$r = \frac{16}{3}$$

Since, r is a fraction, there is no term independent of x in the given term.

(iv). Given expansion is $(1-2x)^7$

The 6^{th} term from the end of $(1-2x)^7 = 6^{th}$ term from the beginning of $(2x-1)^7$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore T_6 = T_{5+1} &= {}^7C_5 (2x)^{7-5} (-1)^5 \\ &= {}^7C_5 (2x)^2 (-1) \\ &= -{}^7C_5 \cdot 4x^2 \end{aligned}$$

Section–C (Assertion/Reason type Questions)

24. Given that, $(1+ax)^n = 1+8x+24x^2+....$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{n}{1}ax + \frac{n(n-1)}{1.2}a^2x^2 + = 1+8x+24x^2+....$$

On comparing the coefficient of x, x^2 , we get

$$na = 8, \quad \frac{n(n-1)}{2}a^2 = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow na(na-a) = 48 \Rightarrow 8(8-a) = 48$$

$$\Rightarrow 8-a = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 2$$

$$\therefore n \times 2 = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 4$$

25. We have,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(1 + \frac{C_1}{C_0}\right) \left(1 + \frac{C_2}{C_1}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{C_n}{C_{n-1}}\right) \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{n}{1}\right) \left[1 + \frac{\frac{n(n-1)}{2!}}{n}\right] \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{(1+n)}{1} \cdot \frac{(1+n)}{2} \cdot \frac{(1+n)}{3} \dots \frac{(1+n)}{n} = \frac{(1+n)^n}{n!} \end{aligned}$$

26. There are $(n+1)$ terms in the expansion of $(x+a)^n$. Observing the terms, we can say that the first term from the end is the last term, i.e., $(n+1)^{th}$ term of the expansion and $n+1 = (n+1) - (1-1)$ The second term from the end is the n^{th} term of the expansion and $n = (n+1) - (2-1)$

The third term from the end is the $(n-1)^{th}$ term of the expansion and

$n-1 = (n+1) - (3-1)$, and so on. Thus, r^{th} term from the end will be term number $(n+1) - (r-1) = (n-r+2)$ of the expansion and the $(n-r+2)^{th}$ term is ${}^nC_{n-r+1}x^{r-1}a^{n-r+1}$

27. In the expansion of $(x+2y)^8$, the

middle term is $\left(\frac{8}{2}+1\right)^{th}$ i.e., 5^{th} term.

28. Assertion: $(x+2y)^9$

$$n = 9, a = 2y$$

$$\therefore T_{r+1} = {}^9C_r \cdot x^{9-r} \cdot (2y)^r$$

$$= {}^9C_r \cdot 2^r \cdot x^{9-r} \cdot y^r$$

29. Both are correct, and Reason is the correct explanation.

30. Assertion is correct. Reason is false.

$$\text{Total number of terms} = \left(\frac{n}{2} + 1\right) = 5 + 1 = 6$$