

Topic :- Binomial Theorem

1 (a)

$$(2x^2 - x - 1)^5 = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{10}x^{10}$$

On putting $x = 0$, we get

$$-1 = a_0$$

On putting $x = 1$, we get

$$0 = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{10} \quad \dots(i)$$

On putting $x = -1$, we get

$$(2 + 1 - 1)^5 = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - \dots + a_{10} \quad \dots(ii)$$

On adding Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$0 + (2)^5 = 2(a_0 + a_2 + \dots + a_{10})$$
$$\Rightarrow 16 - 1 = a_2 + \dots + a_{10}$$
$$\Rightarrow a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{10} = 15$$

2 (b)

We have,

$${}^{2n}C_r = {}^{2n}C_{r+2} \Rightarrow r + r + 2 = 2n \Rightarrow n = r + 1$$

3 (d)

\therefore coefficient of x^{100} in the expansion of $\sum_{j=0}^{200} (1+x)^j$ will be $\sum_{j=0}^{200} jC_{100}$

$$= [{}^{100}C_{100} + {}^{101}C_{100} + {}^{102}C_{100} + \dots + {}^{200}C_{100}]$$
$$[\because {}^nC_n + {}^{n+1}C_n + {}^{n+2}C_n + \dots + {}^{2n-1}C_n = {}^{2n}C_{n+1}]$$
$$= \binom{201}{100}$$

4 (b)

We have,

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

$$= \frac{1}{n!} \left\{ \frac{n!}{n!} + \frac{n!}{2!(n-2)!} + \frac{n!}{4!(n-4)!} + \dots \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n!} \{ {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_2 + {}^nC_4 + \dots \} = \frac{2^{n-1}}{n!}$$

5 **(c)**

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

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

For the coefficient of x^4 put

$$10 - 3r = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 2$$

Hence, coefficient of x^4 is

$${}^{10}C_2 \cdot \frac{3^2}{2^8} = \frac{405}{256}$$

6 **(a)**

$$\text{Given, } (1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_nx^n$$

$$\text{Also, } (x+1)^n = C_n + C_{n-1}x + C_{n-2}x^2 + \dots + C_0x^n$$

On multiplying both equations and comparing coefficient of x^{n-1} on both sides, we get

$$C_0C_2 + C_1C_2 + C_2C_3 + \dots + C_{n-1}C_n = {}^{2n}C_{n-1}$$

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

7 **(c)**

$$\text{Now, } 7^9 = (8-1)^9 = -1(1-8)^9$$

$$= -1 + {}^9C_18 - {}^9C_28^2 + \dots + {}^9C_98^9 \text{ and } 9^7 = (1+8)^7$$

$$= 1 + {}^7C_18 + {}^7C_28^2 + {}^7C_38^3 + \dots + {}^7C_78^7$$

$$\therefore 7^9 + 9^7 = 8({}^9C_1 + {}^7C_1) + 8^2({}^7C_2 - {}^9C_2) + \dots$$

$$= 8(9+7) + 8^2(21-36) + \dots$$

$$= 64 \times 2 + 64(-15) + \dots$$

Hence, it is divisible by 64

8 **(d)**

$$\text{Let } f = (8 - 3\sqrt{7})^{10}, \text{ here } 0 < f < 1$$

$$\therefore (8 + 3\sqrt{7})^{10} + (8 - 3\sqrt{7})^{10} \text{ is an integer hence, this is the value of } n$$

9 **(d)**

We have, $\left(3x - \frac{1}{2x}\right)^8$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Ninth term } T_9 &= {}_8C_8(3x)^{8-8}\left(\frac{-1}{2x}\right)^8 \\ &= \frac{1}{256x^8}\end{aligned}$$

10 **(b)**

The general term in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{n-3}$ is given by

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

As x^{2k} occurs in the expansion of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{n-3}$, we must have $n - 3 - 3r = 2k$ for some non-negative integer r

$$\Rightarrow 3(1+r) = n - 2k$$

$$\Rightarrow n - 2k \text{ is a multiple of } 3$$

11 **(c)**

Let T_{r+1} denote the $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ term in the expansion of $(7^{1/3} + 5^{1/2}x)^{600}$. Then,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{600}C_r (7^{1/3})^{600-r} (5^{1/2}x)^r = {}^{600}C_r 7^{200-\frac{r}{3}} \times 5^{\frac{r}{2}} \times x^r$$

Here, $0 \leq r \leq 600$

For $200 - \frac{r}{3}$ and $\frac{r}{2}$ to be integers, we must have

$\frac{r}{3}$ and $\frac{r}{2}$ as integers, and $0 \leq r \leq 600$

$\Rightarrow r$ is multiple of 2 and 3 both and $0 \leq r \leq 600$

$\Rightarrow r$ is a multiple of 6 and $0 \leq r \leq 600$

$\Rightarrow r = 0, 6, 12, \dots, 600$

Hence, there are 101 terms with integral coefficients

12 **(b)**

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}(xy + yz + zx)^6 &= \sum_{r+s+t=6} \frac{6!}{r!s!t!} (xy)^r (yz)^s (zx)^t \\ &= \sum_{r+s+t=6} \frac{6!}{r!s!t!} x^{r+t} y^{r+s} z^{s+t}\end{aligned}$$

If the general term in the above expansion contains $x^3y^4z^5$, then

$$r + t = 3, r + s = 4 \text{ and } s + t = 5$$

Also, $r + s + t = 6$

On solving these equations, we get

$$r = 1, s = 3, t = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{Coefficient of } x^3 y^4 z^5 = \frac{6!}{1!3!2!} = 60$$

13 **(c)**

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + 2x + x^2)^n &= \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^r \\ \Rightarrow \{(1+x)^2\}^n &= \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^r \\ \Rightarrow (1+x)^{2n} &= \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^r \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{r=0}^{2n} {}^{2n}C_r x^r &= \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^r \Rightarrow a_r = {}^{2n}C_r \end{aligned}$$

14 **(a)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Given, } & {}^{20}C_4 + {}^{20}C_3 + {}^{20}C_3 + {}^{20}C_2 - {}^{22}C_{18} \\ &= {}^{21}C_4 + {}^{20}C_3 + {}^{20}C_2 - {}^{22}C_{18} \\ &= {}^{22}C_4 - {}^{22}C_{18} = {}^{22}C_{18} - {}^{22}C_{18} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

15 **(d)**

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= 3x + 6x^2 + 10x^3 + \dots \\ \Rightarrow 1 + y &= (1 + 3x + 6x^2 + 10x^3 + \dots) \\ \Rightarrow 1 + y &= (1-x)^{-3} \\ \Rightarrow (1-x) &= (1+y)^{-1/3} \\ \Rightarrow x &= 1 - (1+y)^{-1/3} \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{1}{3}y - \frac{1 \cdot 4}{3^2 \cdot 2}y^2 + \frac{1 \cdot 4 \cdot 7}{3^3 \cdot 3!}y^3 \dots \end{aligned}$$

16 **(c)**

We know that,

$$(x+a)^n + (x-a)^n = 2[{}^nC_0 x^n + {}^nC_2 x^{n-2} a^2 + \dots]$$

Here, $n = 5$, $x = x$ and $a = (x^3 - 1)^{1/2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore [x + (x^3 - 1)^{1/2}]^5 [x - (x^3 - 1)^{1/2}]^5 \\ &= 2[{}^5C_0 x^5 + {}^5C_2 x^3 (x^3 - 1) + {}^5C_4 x (x^3 - 1)^2] \\ &= 2[x^5 + 10x^3 (x^3 - 1) + 5x (x^3 - 1)^2] \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Given expression is a polynomial of degree 7.

17 **(c)**

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
& C_0^2 + 3 \cdot C_1^2 + 5 \cdot C_2^2 + \dots + (2n + 1)C_n^2 \\
& = \{C_0^2 + C_1^2 + C_2^2 + \dots + C_n^2\} \\
& + \{2 C_1^2 + 4 \cdot C_2^2 + 6 \cdot C_3^2 + \dots + 2 n C_n^2\} \dots(i)
\end{aligned}$$

We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
(1 + x)^{2n} &= (1 + x)^n(1 + x)^n \\
\Rightarrow (1 + x)^{2n} &= (C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_nx^n) \times (C_0x^n + C_1x^{n-1} + \dots + C_{n-1}x + C_n)
\end{aligned}$$

On equating the coefficient of x^n on both sides, we get

$$2^n C_n = C_0^2 + C_1^2 + C_2^2 + \dots C_n^2 \dots(ii)$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
n(1 + x)^{n-1}(1 + x)^n &= (C_1 + 2 C_2 x + 3 C_3 x^2 + \dots + n C_n x^{n-1}) \\
&\times (C_0 x^n + C_1 x^{n-1} + C_2 x^{n-2} + \dots + C_n)
\end{aligned}$$

On equating the coefficient of x^{n-1} on both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
n \cdot {}^{2n-1}C_{n-1} &= (C_1^2 + 2 C_2^2 + 3 C_3^2 + \dots + n C_n^2) \\
\Rightarrow 2n \cdot {}^{2n-1}C_{n-1} &= 2 C_1^2 + 4 C_2^2 + 6 C_3^2 + \dots + 2 n C_n^2 \dots(iii)
\end{aligned}$$

From (i),(ii) and (iii), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& C_0^2 + 3 \cdot C_1^2 + 5 C_2^2 + \dots + (2n + 1)C_n^2 \\
& = \frac{2n}{n} {}^{2n-1}C_{n-1} + 2n \cdot {}^{2n-1}C_{n-1} = 2(n + 1) {}^{2n-1}C_{n-1}
\end{aligned}$$

18 **(d)**

$$\text{Here } {}^{n-1}C_r = (k^2 - 3) {}^n C_{r+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow {}^{n-1}C_r = (k^2 - 3) \frac{n}{r + 1} {}^{n-1}C_r$$

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

$$\left[\text{since, } n - 1 \geq r \Rightarrow \frac{r + 1}{n} \leq 1 \text{ and } n, r \geq 0 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < k^2 - 3 \leq 1 \Rightarrow 3 < k^2 \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow k \in [-2, -\sqrt{3}) \cup (\sqrt{3}, 2]$$

19 **(a)**

$$\text{Let } f(x) = (x + y)^{100} + (x - y)^{100}$$

Here, $n = 100$, which is even.

\therefore Total number of terms

$$= \frac{n + 2}{2} = \frac{100 + 2}{2}$$

$$= 51$$

20 **(c)**

We know that

$$C_0^2 + C_1^2 + C_2^2 + C_3^2 + \dots + C_n^2 = \frac{(2n)!}{n!n!} \dots(i)$$

and, $C_0^2 - C_1^2 + C_2^2 - C_3^2 + \dots - C_n^2 = 0$, when n is odd ... (ii)

subtracting (ii) from (i), we get

$$2(C_1^2 + C_3^2 + C_5^2 + \dots + C_n^2) = \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_1^2 + C_3^2 + C_5^2 + \dots + C_n^2 = \frac{(2n)!}{2(n!)^2}$$

