

Binomial Theorem

Single Correct Answer Type

1. If 7 divides 32^{32} , the remainder is
 A) 1 B) 0 C) 4 D) 6

Key. C

Sol. $32 = 2^5 \Rightarrow (32)^{32} = (2^5)^{32}$
 $= 2^{160} = (3-1)^{160} = 3m+1, m \in N$
 $\therefore (32)^{32} = (32)^{3m+1} = 2^{5(3m+1)}$
 $2^{3(5m+1)} 2^2 = 4 \cdot 8^{5m+1}$
 $4(7+1)^{5m+1} = 4(7n+1), n \in N = 28n+4$
 \therefore When 7 divides $(32)^{32}$ remainder = 4

2. If $\{x\}$ represents the fractional part of x, then $\left\{\frac{5^{200}}{8}\right\}$ is
 A) $\frac{1}{4}$ B) $\frac{1}{8}$ C) $\frac{3}{8}$ D) $\frac{5}{8}$

Key. B

Sol. $\frac{5^{200}}{8} = \frac{(5^2)^{100}}{8} = \frac{(1+24)^{100}}{8}$
 $= \frac{1 + {}^{100}C_1 \cdot 24 + {}^{100}C_2 (24)^2 + \dots + {}^{100}C_{100} (24)^{100}}{8}$
 $= \frac{1}{8} + \text{integer} \Rightarrow \left\{\frac{5^{200}}{8}\right\} = \frac{1}{8}$

3. For $n > 3$, ${}^n C_r - 2 \cdot {}^n C_{r-1} + \dots + (-1)^r (r+1)(r+2)$ is
 A) ${}^{n-3} C_r$ B) $2 \cdot {}^{n-3} C_r$ C) ${}^{n+3} C_{r+1}$ D) ${}^{n-2} C_r$

Key. B

Sol. We have $(1+x)^n = {}^n C_0 + {}^n C_1 x + {}^n C_2 x^2 + \dots$
 $+ {}^n C_{r-1} x^{r-1} + {}^n C_r x^r + \dots + {}^n C_n x^n \dots (1)$
 and $(1+x)^{-3} = 1 - {}^3 C_1 x + {}^3 C_2 x^2 - \dots +$
 $(-1)^{r-1} {}^{r+1} C_{r-1} x^{r-1} + (-1)^r$

$${}^{r+2}C_r x^r + \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Multiply (1) and (2), we get

$$(1+x)^{n-3} = ({}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1x + {}^nC_2x^2 + \dots + {}^nC_nx^n)(1 - {}^3C_1x + {}^4C_2x^2 - \dots \dots \infty)$$

Clearly, the coefficient of x^r from the product in R.H.S is

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 \cdot {}^nC_r - {}^3C_1 \cdot {}^nC_{r-1} + {}^4C_2 \cdot {}^nC_{r-2} - \dots + (-1)^r \cdot {}^{r+2}C_r \cdot {}^nC_0 \\ &= {}^nC_r - 3 \cdot {}^nC_{r-1} + \frac{4 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 1} \cdot {}^nC_{r-2} - \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 1} \cdot {}^nC_{r-3} \\ &+ \dots + (1)^r \frac{(r+2)(r+1)}{2 \cdot 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1 \cdot 2 \cdot {}^nC_r - 2 \cdot 3 \cdot {}^nC_{r-1} + 4 \cdot 3 \cdot {}^nC_{r-2} - \dots + (-1)r(r+2)(r+1)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Required series} = 2 \times \text{coefficient of } x^r \text{ in } (1+x)^{n-3} = 2 \cdot {}^{n-3}C_r$$

4. The coefficient of x^{50} in the expansion of

$$(1+x)^{1000} + 2x(1+x)^{999} + 3x^2(1+x)^{998} + \dots + 1001x^{1000}$$

- A) $1000C_{50}$ B) $1001C_{50}$ C) $1002C_{50}$ D) 2^{1001}

Key. C

Sol. Let, $S = (1+x)^{1000} + 2x(1+x)^{999} + 3x^2(1+x)^{998} + \dots + 1001x^{1000}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{1+x} S &= x(1+x)^{999} + 2x^2(1+x)^{998} + \dots \\ &+ 1000x^{1000} + \frac{1001x^{1001}}{1+x} \end{aligned}$$

Subtract above equations,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \frac{x}{1+x}\right) S &= (1+x)^{1000} + (1+x)^{999} + \\ &x^2(1+x)^{998} + \dots + x^{1000} - \frac{1001x^{1001}}{1+x} \\ \Rightarrow S &= (1+x)^{1001} + x(1+x)^{1000} + x^2(1+x)^{999} \\ &+ \dots + x^{1000} (1+x) - 1001x^{1001} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(1+x)^{1001} \left[\left(\frac{x}{1+x}\right)^{1001} - 1 \right]}{\frac{x}{1+x} - 1} - 1001x^{1001}$$

[sum of G.P]

$$= (1+x)^{1002} - x^{1002} - 1002x^{1001}$$

\therefore coefficient of x^{50} in $S =$ coefficient of x^{50} in $\left[(1+x)^{1002} - x^{1002} - 1002x^{1001} \right] = {}^{1002}C_{50}$

5. The coefficient of the term independent of x in the expansion

$$\text{of} \left(\frac{x+1}{x^{2/3} - x^{1/3} + 1} - \frac{x-1}{x-x^{1/2}} \right)^{10}$$

- A) 70 B) 112 C) 105 D) 210

Key. D

Sol. Given expression $= \frac{(x^{1/3})^3 + (1)^3}{x^{2/3} - x^{1/3} + 1} - \frac{(x-1)}{x^{1/2}(x^{1/2} - 1)}$

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

$$= (x^{1/3} + 1) - (1 + x^{-1/2}) = x^{1/3} - x^{-1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{x+1}{x^{2/3} - x^{1/3} + 1} - \frac{x-1}{x-x^{1/2}} \right)^{10}$$

$$= \left(\frac{x+1}{x^{2/3} - x^{1/3} + 1} - \frac{x-1}{x-x^{1/2}} \right)^{10}$$

$$= (x^{1/3} - x^{-1/2})^{10}$$

T_{r+1} in $(x^{1/3} - x^{-1/2})^{10}$ is

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

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

which is independent of x

If $\left(\frac{10-r}{3} - \frac{r}{2}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow r = 4$

Hence required coefficient $= {}^{10}C_4 (-1)^4 = 210$

6. Let n be an odd natural number greater than 1. Then the number of zeros at the end of the sum $99^n + 1$ is

- (A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 2 (D) None of these

Key. C

Sol. $1 + 99^n = 1 + (100 - 1)^n = 1 + \{ {}^n C_0 100^n - {}^n C_1 \cdot 100^{n-1} + \dots - {}^n C_n \}$
 Because n is odd $= 100 \{ {}^n C_0 \cdot 100^{n-1} - {}^n C_1 \cdot 100^{n-2} + \dots - {}^n C_{n-2} \cdot 100 + {}^n C_{n-1} \}$
 $= 100 \times$ integer whose units place is different from 0
 $[Q^n C_{n-1} = n, \text{ has odd digit at unit place}]$
 \therefore There are two zeros at the end of the sum $99^n + 1$

7. If $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ are the Binomial coefficients in the expansion $(1 + x)^n$. 'n' being even, then $C_0 + (C_0 + C_1) + (C_0 + C_1 + C_2) + \dots + (C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_{n-1})$ is equal to
 (A) $n2^n$ (B) $n \cdot 2^{n-1}$ (C) $n \cdot 2^{n-3}$ (D) $n \cdot 2^{n-2}$

Key. B

Sol. Sum $= \{ C_0 + (C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_{n-1}) \} + \{ (C_0 + C_1) + (C_0 + C_1 + \dots + C_{n-2}) \} + \{ (C_0 + C_1 + C_2) + (C_0 + C_1 + \dots + C_{n-3}) \} + \dots$ to $\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$
 Terms $= (C_0 + C_1 + \dots + C_n) \times \frac{n}{2} = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$

8. If $\sum_{r=0}^n \left\{ \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{{}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1}} \right\}^3 = \frac{25}{24}$, then n is equal to
 (A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 5 (D) 6

Key. C

Sol. Let $t_r = \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{{}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1}} = \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{{}^{n+1} C_r} = \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{\frac{n+1}{r} {}^n C_{r-1}}$

$$\therefore t_r = \frac{r}{n+1}$$

Now,

$$S = \sum_{r=0}^n \{t_r\}^3 \Rightarrow S = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r^3}{(n+1)^3} = \frac{1}{(n+1)^3} \sum_{r=0}^n r^3$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{(n+1)^3} \left\{ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right\}^2 \Rightarrow S = \frac{n^2}{4(n+1)}$$

Now, $S = \frac{25}{24}$ (given) which is only possible for 5

9. If m and n are any two odd positive integers with $n < m$, then the largest positive integer which divides all numbers of the form, $m^2 - n^2$ can be
 (A) 4 (B) 6 (C) 8 (D) 9

Key: C

Sol. Let $m = 2k - 1$ and $n = 2p - 1, p < k$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } m^2 - n^2 &= (m+n)(m-n) \\ &= (2k + 2p - 2)(2k - 2p) = 4(k + p - 1)(k - p) \end{aligned}$$

Further if k and p both even, then $k-p$ is even but $k+p-1$ is odd

If k and p both odd then $k-p$ is even but $k+p-1$ is odd. If one is even and other odd then $k-p$ is odd but $k+p-1$ is even. Thus in every case $(k - p)(k + p - 1)$ even

$\therefore m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by $4 \times 2 = 8$. Hence, $m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by 8 or any multiple of 8. The largest integer among the given options is 8

10. The number of terms in $(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4)^3$ is
 (A) 64 (B) 81 (C) 30 (D) 20

Key: D

Hint Any term of $(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4)^3$ is of the form $a_1^\alpha \cdot a_2^\beta \cdot a_3^\gamma \cdot a_4^\delta$.
 where $\alpha + \beta + \gamma + \delta = 3, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$
 Thus number of terms is 20.

11. The value of ${}^{12}C_2 + {}^{13}C_3 + {}^{14}C_4 + \dots + {}^{999}C_{989}$ is
 (A) ${}^{1000}C_{11} - 12$ (B) ${}^{1000}C_{11} + 12$ (C) ${}^{999}C_{11} - 12$ (D) ${}^{1000}C_{989}$

Key: A

Hint Since ${}^{10}C_0 + {}^{11}C_1 + {}^{12}C_2 + {}^{13}C_3 + \dots + {}^{999}C_{989}$
 $= {}^{1000}C_{989} = {}^{1000}C_{11}$
 (Since, ${}^{10}C_0 = {}^{11}C_0$ and ${}^nC_r + {}^nC_{r-1} = {}^{n+1}C_r$)
 So, ${}^{12}C_2 + {}^{13}C_3 + {}^{14}C_4 + \dots + {}^{999}C_{989} = {}^{1000}C_{11} - 12$

12. The sum $S_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \cdot {}^{3n}C_k$, where $n = 1, 2, \dots$ is
 (A) $(-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n-1}C_{n-1}$ (B) $(-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n-1}C_n$ (C) $(-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n-1}C_{n+1}$ (D) None of these

Key: B

Hint: $S_n = {}^{3n}C_0 - {}^{3n}C_1 + {}^{3n}C_2 + \dots + (-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n}C_n$
 But ${}^{3n}C_0 = {}^{3n-1}C_0$
 $-{}^{3n}C_1 = -{}^{3n-1}C_0 - {}^{3n-1}C_1$
 ${}^{3n}C_2 = {}^{3n-1}C_1 + {}^{3n-1}C_2$

$$-{}^{3n}C_3 = -{}^{3n-1}C_2 - {}^{3n-1}C_3$$

$$(-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n}C_n = (-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n-1}C_{n-1} + (-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n-1}C_n$$

On adding we get $S_n = (-1)^n \cdot {}^{3n-1}C_n$

13. The Coefficient of x^9 in $(x^{-21} C_0)(x^{-21} C_1)(x^{-21} C_2) \dots (x^{-21} C_{10})$ is

(A) $2^{40} - \frac{1}{2} {}^{42}C_{20}$ (B) $2^{39} - \frac{1}{2} {}^{42}C_{21}$ (C) $2^{40} - {}^{42}C_{20}$ (D)

$$2^{39} - \frac{1}{4} {}^{42}C_{21}$$

Key: D

Hint: Coefficient x^{10} = sum of products of ${}^{20}C_0, {}^{20}C_1, \dots, {}^{20}C_{10}$. Taking '2' at a time.

14. $\sum_{K=1}^{10} \frac{(-1)^{K-1}}{K} \cdot ({}^{10}C_K) =$

(A) $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{11}$

(B) $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{10}$

(C) $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{9}$

(D) $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{12}$

Key: B

Hint: Required value is $\frac{{}^{10}C_1}{1} - \frac{{}^{10}C_2}{2} + \frac{{}^{10}C_3}{3} - \dots - \frac{{}^{10}C_{10}}{10}$

To find which, consider $(1-x)^{10} = {}^{10}C_0 - {}^{10}C_1 x + {}^{10}C_2 x^2 - \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} x^{10}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(1-x)^{10} - 1}{x} = -[{}^{10}C_1 - {}^{10}C_2 x + \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} x^9]$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \frac{1 - (1-x)^{10}}{x} dx = \int_0^1 [{}^{10}C_1 - {}^{10}C_2 x + \dots + {}^{10}C_{10} x^9] dx$$

$$= {}^{10}C_1 - \frac{{}^{10}C_2}{2} + \frac{{}^{10}C_3}{3} - \dots - \frac{{}^{10}C_{10}}{10}$$

To find LHS consider $I_n = \int_0^1 \frac{1 - (1-x)^n}{x} dx \Rightarrow I_{n+1} - I_n = \int_0^1 (1-x)^n dx = \frac{1}{n+1}$

$$\therefore I_{n+1} = \frac{1}{n+1} + I_n$$

$$\therefore I_{10} = \int_0^1 \frac{1 - (1-x)^{10}}{x} dx = \frac{1}{10} + I_9 = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{9} + I_8 \approx \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + 1$$

15. The sum $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{6^k}{(3^k - 2^k)(3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1})} =$

- (A) 1 (B) 2 (C) 3 (D) 4

Key: B

Hint:
$$\frac{6^k}{(3^k - 2^k)(3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1})} = \frac{3^k - 2^k}{(3^k - 2^k)(3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1})}$$

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

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^k}{3^k - 2^k} - \frac{3^{k+1}}{3^{k+1} - 2^{k+1}} = \frac{3}{3-2} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3^2}{3^n - 2^n}$$

$$= 3 - 1 = 2$$

16. The value of the expression ${}^{10}C_0 10^9 - {}^{10}C_1 9^9 + {}^{10}C_2 8^9 \dots \dots \dots - {}^{10}C_9$ is

- A) 9 B) 10 C) 910 D) 0

Key: D

Hint: Given expression = No. of on to functions from a set of 9 elements to a set of 10 elements = 0

17. $\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{n-3r+1}{n-r+1} \frac{{}^n C_r}{2^r}$ is equal to

- a) $\frac{1}{2^n}$ b) $\frac{1}{3^n}$ c) $\frac{1}{4^n}$ d) $\frac{1}{2^n} + 1$

Key: A

Hint:
$$S = \sum_{r=0}^n \left(1 - \frac{2r}{n-r+1}\right) \frac{{}^n C_r}{2^r} = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{{}^n C_r}{2^r} - \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{2^{r-1}} = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

18. The sum of all the coefficient of those terms in the expansion of $(a + b + c + d)^8$ which contains b but not c

- (A) 6305 (B) 6561 (C) 256 (D) 4^8

Key: A

Hint: Sum of the coefficients of the terms not containing c is 3^8 and of the term not containing b and c both is 2^8 , so required sum = $3^8 - 2^8$.

19. If $\underline{15} = 2^1 3^2 5^3 7^4 11^5 13^6$ then $\sum_{r=1}^6 P_r$ is

- (A) 24 (B) 23 (C) 22 (D) 21

Key: A

Hint: $15! = 2^{11} \times 3^6 \times 5^3 \times 7^2 \times 11^1 \times 13^1$
 $\therefore \sum_{r=1}^6 P_r = 11 + 6 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 1 = 24$

20. The number of the positive integer pairs (x, y) such that $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{2007}$ where $x < y$ is

- (A) 5 (B) 6 (C) 7 (D) 8

Key: C

Hint: $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{2007}$

$$\Rightarrow (x + y)2007 = xy$$

$$\Rightarrow xy - 2007x - 2007y = 0$$

$$(x - 2007)(y - 2007) = 2007^2 = 3^4 \times 223^2$$

The number of pairs is equal to the number of divisors of 2007^2 that is $(4 + 1) \times (2 + 1) = 15$

Since $x < y$, so required number of pairs = 7

21. The greatest integer less than or equal to $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6$ is

- (a) 194 (b) 195 (c) 196 (d) 197

Key: d

Hint: Let $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6 = 1 + F$, where F is an integer and $0 < F < 1$.

Let $f = (\sqrt{2} - 1)^6$. We have

$$\sqrt{2} - 1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} + 1} \Rightarrow 0 < \sqrt{2} - 1 < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < f < 1.$$

$$\text{Also } 1 + F + f = (\sqrt{2} + 1)^6 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^6$$

$$= 2[{}^6C_0 \cdot 2^3 + {}^6C_2 \cdot 2^2 + {}^6C_4 \cdot 2 + {}^6C_6]$$

$$= 2(8 + 60 + 30 + 1) = 198$$

Hence $F + f = 198 - 1$ is an integer. But $0 < F + f < 2$.

Therefore $F + f = 1$, and thus, $F = 197$.

22. The coefficient of x^6 in the expansion of $\left(1 + \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^5}{5}\right)^2$ is

- (A) $\frac{2}{15}$ (B) $\frac{4}{15}$ (C) $\frac{31}{360}$ (D) $\frac{2}{45}$

Key: C

Hint: Coefficient of x^6 is $\frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{5}$

$$= \frac{1}{6} [{}^6C_1 + {}^6C_2 + {}^6C_3 + {}^6C_4 + {}^6C_5]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (2^6 - 2) = \frac{31}{360}$$

23. Coefficient of x^{2009} in $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^{1001} (1 - x)^{1002}$ is

- (A) 0 (B) $4 \cdot {}^{1001}C_{501}$
 (C) -2009 (D) none of these

Key: A

Hint: $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^{1001} (1 - x)^{1002}$

$= (1 - x)(1 - x^5)^{1001}$, so all the powers of x will be of the $5m$ or $5m + 1$ ($m \in \mathbb{I}$)

So coeff. of x^{2009} will be 0

24. If $(x^2 + 2x + 4)^n = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^r$, then $\sum_{r=n}^{2n} \left(\frac{a_{2n-r}}{a_r} \right)$ is

a) $2^{2n+1} - 1$ b) $\frac{4^{n+1} - 1}{3}$

c) 4^{n-1} d) $\frac{4^{n-1} + 1}{2}$

Key : b

Sol : Put $x = 2x$

$$(4x^2 + 4x + 4)^n = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r 2^r x^r$$

Put $x = \frac{1}{x}$

$$\left[1 + 2x + (2x)^2 \right]^n = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^{2n-r}$$

Put $2x = y$

$$(1 + y + y^2)^n = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r \frac{y^{2n-r}}{2^{2n-r}}$$

Equating coefficient of x^r $\frac{1}{4^n} a_r 2^r = a_{2n-r} 2^{-r}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{2n-r}}{a_r} = \frac{1}{4^n} 4^r$$

$$\sum_{r=n}^{2n} \frac{a_{2n-r}}{a_n} = \sum_{r=n}^{2n} \frac{1}{4^n} 4^r = \left(\frac{4^{n+1} - 1}{3} \right)$$

25. Coefficient of x^6 in $\left((1+x)(1+x^2)^2(1+x^3)^3 \dots (1+x^n)^n \right)$ is

- a) 26 b) 28 c) 30 d) 35

Key : b

Sol : The coefficient of x^6 in the given expression = coefficient of x^6 in

$$\begin{aligned} & (1+{}^6C_1x^6)(1+{}^5C_1x^5)(1+{}^4C_1x^4)(1+{}^3C_1x^3+{}^3C_2x^6)(1+{}^2C_1x^2+{}^2C_2x^4)(1+x) \\ & = \text{coefficient of } x^6 \text{ in } (1+6x^6+5x^5+4x^4)(1+2x^2+3x^3+x^4+6x^5+3x^6)(1+x) \\ & = \text{coefficient of } x^6 \text{ in } (11x^5+17x^6)(1+x) = 28 \end{aligned}$$

26. The coefficient of x^2 in $(1+x)(1+2x)(1+4x)\dots(1+2^n x)$ is

a) $\frac{(2^n + 1)(2^n + 2)}{3}$

b) $\frac{(2^{n+1} - 1)(2^{n+1} - 2)}{3}$

c) $\frac{(2^{n+1} + 1)(2^{n+1} + 2)}{3}$

d) $\frac{(2^{n+1} + 1)(2^{n+1} - 2)}{5}$

Key : b

Sol : Coefficient of $x^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[(1+2+2^2+\dots+2^n)^2 \right] - \left[1^2+2^2+\dots+(2^n)^2 \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{1} \right)^2 - \left(\frac{(2^2)^{n+1} - 1}{3} \right) \right] \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \left[(2^{n+1} - 1) \left[(2^{n+1} - 1) - \frac{2^{n+1} + 1}{3} \right] \right] \\ & = \frac{(2^{n+1} - 1)(2^{n+1} - 2)}{3} \end{aligned}$$

27. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n < (5\sqrt{3} + 8)^4$. Then the greatest value of n is

a) 77040

b) 77042

c) 77041

d) none of these

Key : c

Sol : Suppose $x = (5\sqrt{3} + 8)^4$

$$\begin{aligned} & = [x] + [x] \\ & 0 < 5\sqrt{3} - 8 < 1 \\ & 0 < (5\sqrt{3} - 8)^4 < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let $F = (5\sqrt{3} - 8)^4$

$0 < F < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} [x] + \{x\} + F &= (5\sqrt{3} + 8)^4 + (5\sqrt{3} - 8)^4 \\ &= {}^4C_0(5\sqrt{3})^4 + {}^4C_1(5\sqrt{3})^3(8) + \dots + ({}^4C_0(5\sqrt{3})^4 - {}^4C_1(5\sqrt{3})^3(8) + \dots) \\ &= 2 \cdot [C_0(5\sqrt{3})^4 + C_2(8)^2(5\sqrt{3})^2 + C_4(8)^4] \\ &= 2[625(9) + (6)64(25)(3) + (64)(64)] \\ &= 2[5625 + 28800 + 4096] = 77042 \end{aligned}$$

$\{x\} + F$ must be an integer

Also $0 < \{x\} + F < 2$

$\Rightarrow \{x\} + f = 1$

$\Rightarrow [x] = 77042 - 1 = 77041$

28. If $P_k = \frac{1-x^{k+1}}{1-x}$, the number of terms in the product $P_1.P_2....P_n$ is

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

b) $\frac{n^2 - n}{2}$

c) $\frac{n^2 + n - 2}{2}$

d) $\frac{n^2 + n + 2}{2}$

Key ; D

Sol : $P_k = \frac{1-x^{k+1}}{1-x}$

$$P_1P_2P_3....P_n = \frac{(1-x^2)(1-x^3)(1-x^4).....(1-x^{n+1})}{(1-x)^n}$$

No. of terms = 1 + max. power of x = $1 + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \frac{n^2 + n + 2}{2}$

29. The value of $a_0 + a_2 + a_4 + \dots$ is

a) $\frac{2^n - 1}{2}$

b) $\frac{2^n + 1}{2}$

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

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

Key: d

Sol: $(1+x)(1+x+x^2)\dots(1+x+\dots+x^n) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots$

Put, $x = 1,$

$$2 \times 3 \times 4 \times \dots (n-1) = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots$$

$$0 = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots$$

Put $x = -1,$

$$(n+1)! = 2[a_0 + a_2 + \dots] \Rightarrow a_0 + a_2 + \dots = \frac{(n+1)!}{2}$$

30. The coefficient of abc^3de^2 in the expansion of $(a+b+c+d+e)^8$ is equal to

a) 3630

b) 3600

c) 3360

d) none of these

KEY : c

Sol: Coefficient of abc^3de^2 is $\frac{8!}{3!2!} = 3360$

31. If each coefficient in the expansion of the expression $x(1+x)^n (n \in N)$ in powers of 'x' is divided by the exponent of corresponding power, then the sum of the values thus obtained is equal to

A) $\frac{2^n}{n+1}$

B) $\frac{2^n - 1}{n+1}$

C) $\frac{2^n + 1}{n+1}$

D) $\frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{n+1}$

Key. D

Sol. $\frac{c_0}{1} + \frac{c_1}{2} + \frac{c_2}{3} + \dots + \frac{c_{n-1}}{n} + \frac{c_n}{n+1} = \frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{n+1}$

32. If $x^{15} - x^{13} + x^{11} - x^9 + x^7 - x^5 + x^3 - x = 7$ then

(A) x^{16} is 15

(B) x^{16} is less than 15

(C) x^{16} greater than 15

(D) Nothing can be said about x^{16}

Key. C

Sol. $x^{15} - x^{13} + x^{11} - x^9 + x^7 - x^5 + x^3 - x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x(x^8 + 1)(x^4 + 1)(x^2 - 1) \\
 x^{16} - 1 &= (x^8 + 1)(x^4 + 1)(x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 1) \\
 &= \frac{7}{x}(x^2 + 1) = 7 \left[\left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 + 2 \right] > 14 \\
 \therefore x^{16} &> 15
 \end{aligned}$$

33. The value of the expression $\sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} (-1)^{i+j-1} {}^n C_i \cdot {}^n C_j =$
- 1) $2^{n-1} C_n$ 2) $2^n C_n$ 3) $2^{n+1} C_n$ 4) none

Key: 1

Hint: Let the required value be S

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^{i+j-1} {}^n C_i {}^n C_j &= \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^{2i-1} ({}^n C_i)^2 + 2S \\
 0 &= -\sum_{i=0}^n ({}^n C_i)^2 + 2S \\
 S &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^n ({}^n C_i)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^n {}^{2n-1} C_{i-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

34. If $A_{(i,j)}$ be the co-efficient of $a^i b^j c^{2010-i-j}$ in the expansion of $(a + b - c)^{2010}$ then
- (A) $A_{i,i}$ is defined for $i \leq 1010$ (B) $A_{i,j} = A_{j,i}$
 (C) $A_{2i, 3i}$ is defined for $i \leq 405$ (D) $A_{0,1} = 2000$

Key: B

Sol. Clearly, $A_{i,j} = \frac{2010!}{i! j! (2010-i-j)!}$

$$A_{j,i} = \frac{2010!}{j! i! (2010-i-j)!}$$

Hence, $A_{i,j} = A_{j,i}$

35. If $n > 3$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, then the value of $ab - n(a-1)(b-1) + \frac{n(n-1)}{1.2}(a-2)(b-2) - \dots + (-1)^n (a-n)(b-n)$ is equal to

- (A) $a^n + b^n$ (B) $\frac{a^n - b^n}{a - b}$
 (C) $(ab)^n$ (D) 0

Key: D

Sol. $T_{k+1} = (-1)^k \cdot {}^n C_k (a-k)(b-k)$
 $= (-1)^k \cdot {}^n C_k [ab - k(a+b) + k^2]$

Thus, the sum of series in (i)

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \cdot {}^n C_k [ab - k(a+b) + k^2]$$

$$= ab \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \cdot {}^n C_k - (a+b) \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k k \cdot {}^n C_k + \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k k^2 \cdot {}^n C_k$$

We know that

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

Differentiating both sides w.r.t. x, we get

$$n(1+x)^{n-1} = 1 \cdot {}^n C_1 + 2 \cdot {}^n C_2 x + 3 \cdot {}^n C_3 x^2 + \dots + n \cdot {}^n C_n x^{n-1} \dots \text{(iii)}$$

Multiplying it by x we get

$$n \cdot x(1+x)^{n-1} = 1 \cdot {}^n C_1 x + 2 \cdot {}^n C_2 x^2 + 3 \cdot {}^n C_3 x^3 + \dots + n \cdot {}^n C_n x^n$$

Differentiating w.r.t. x, we get

$$\begin{aligned} n(1+x)^{n-1} + n(n-1)x(1+x)^{n-2} \\ = 1^2 \cdot {}^n C_1 + 2^2 \cdot {}^n C_2 x + \dots + n^2 \cdot {}^n C_n x^{n-1} \dots \text{(iv)} \end{aligned}$$

Putting $x = -1$ in (ii), (iii) and (iv), we get

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \cdot {}^n C_k = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k k \cdot {}^n C_k = 0$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k k^2 \cdot {}^n C_k = 0$$

Thus, the sum of the series is 0

36. The expression $\frac{1}{\sqrt{4x+1}} \left[\left[\frac{1+\sqrt{4x+1}}{2} \right]^7 - \left[\frac{1-\sqrt{4x+1}}{2} \right]^7 \right]$ is a polynomial in x of

degree

- (A) 7 (B) 5 (C) 4 (D) 3

Key. D

Sol. put $y = \sqrt{4x+1}$ and expand

37. Co-efficient of α^t in the expansion of,

$$(\alpha + p)^{m-1} + (\alpha + p)^{m-2} (\alpha + q) + (\alpha + p)^{m-3} (\alpha + q)^2 + \dots + (\alpha + q)^{m-1}$$

where $\alpha \neq -q$ and $p \neq q$ is :

(A) $\frac{{}^m C_t (p^t - q^t)}{p - q}$

(B) $\frac{{}^m C_t (p^{m-t} - q^{m-t})}{p - q}$

(C) $\frac{{}^m C_t (p^t + q^t)}{p - q}$

(D) $\frac{{}^m C_t (p^{m-t} + q^{m-t})}{p - q}$

Key. B

Sol. $E = (\alpha + p)^{m-1}$

\Rightarrow co-efficient of $\alpha^t = = =$

38. Let $(5 + 2\sqrt{6})^n = p + f$ where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 < f < 1$ then the value of,

$f^2 - f + pf - p$ is :

- (A) a natural number (B) a negative integer
 (C) a prime number (D) are irrational number

Key. B

Sol. Ans is - 1

39. The coefficient of x^4 of in the expansion $(1 + 5x + 9x^2 + \dots \infty)(1 + x^2)^{11}$ is

- (A) ${}^{11}C_2 + 4 {}^{11}C_1 + 3$ (B) ${}^{11}C_2 + 3 {}^{11}C_1 + 4$
 (C) $3 {}^{11}C_2 + 4 {}^{11}C_1 + 3$ (D) 171

Key. D

40. The number of distinct terms in the expansion of $(x + y^2)^{13} + (x^2 + y)^{14}$ is

- A) 27 B) 29 C) 28 D) 25

Key. C

Sol. To get common terms in both the expansions

$$x^{r_1} (y^2)^{13-r_1} = (x^2)^{r_2} (y)^{14-r_2}$$

$$r_1 = 2r_2 \text{ \& } 26 - 2r_1 = 14 - r_2$$

$$r_1 = 8; r_2 = 4$$

∴ Only one term is common.

41. If $A_{(i,j)}$ be the co-efficient of $a^i b^j c^{2010-i-j}$ in the expansion of $(a + b - c)^{2010}$ then

- (A) $A_{i,i}$ is defined for $i \leq 1010$ (B) $A_{i,j} = A_{j,i}$
 (C) $A_{2i,3i}$ is defined for $i \leq 405$ (D) $A_{0,1} = 2000$

Key. A

Sol. Clearly, $A_{i,j} = \frac{2010!}{i! j! (2010-i-j)!}$

$$A_{j,i} = \frac{2010!}{j! i! (2010-i-j)!}$$

Hence, $A_{i,j} = A_{j,i}$

42. The value of $\frac{{}^{11}C_0}{1} + \frac{{}^{11}C_1}{2} + \frac{{}^{11}C_2}{3} + \dots + \frac{{}^{11}C_{11}}{12}$ will be

- A) $\frac{1}{12}(2^{12}-1)$ B) $\frac{1}{12}(2^{11}-1)$ C) $\frac{1}{12}(2^{11}+1)$ D) None of these

Key: A

Sol. Using ${}^n C_k = \frac{n}{k} \cdot {}^{n-1} C_{k-1}$

For $0 \leq k \leq 11$

$$\frac{{}^{11} C_k}{k+1} = \frac{{}^{12} C_{k+1}}{12}$$

So, given expression is

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{12} \sum_{k=0}^{11} {}^{12} C_{k+1} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{12} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{11} {}^{12} C_k - {}^{12} C_0 \right] \Rightarrow \frac{1}{12} (2^{12} - 1)$$

43. $\sum_{m=1}^n \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \left(\sum_{p=k}^m {}^n C_m \cdot {}^m C_p \cdot {}^p C_k \right) \right) =$

- a) $3^n - 2^n$ b) $4^n - 3^n$ c) $3^n + 2^n$ d) $4^n - 1$

Key: B

Hint:
$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=1}^n {}^n C_m \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \left(\sum_{p=k}^m \frac{m!}{p!(m-p)!} \cdot \frac{p!}{k!(p-k)!} \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n {}^n C_m \left(\sum_{k=1}^m \left(\sum_{p=k}^m {}^{m-k} C_{p-k} \right) \frac{m!}{k!(m-k)!} \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n {}^n C_m \left(\sum_{k=1}^m 2^{m-k} \cdot {}^m C_k \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^n {}^n C_m \left((1+2)^m - 2^m \right) = \sum_{m=1}^n \left({}^n C_m 3^m - {}^n C_m 2^m \right) \\ &= (1+3)^n - 1 - (1+2)^n + 1 = 4^n - 3^n \end{aligned}$$

44. The value of $2000 C_2 + 2000 C_5 + 2000 C_8 + \dots + 2000 C_{2000} = ?$

- a) $\frac{2^{1999}-1}{3}$ b) $\frac{2^{1999}+1}{3}$ c) $\frac{2^{2000}+1}{3}$ d) $\frac{2^{2000}-1}{3}$

Key: D

Hint $(1+x)^n = n C_0 + n C_1 x + n C_2 x^2 + \dots + n C_n x^n$

Put $x = 1, w, w^2$ and add

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow C_2 + C_5 + C_8 + \dots &= \frac{1}{3} \left\{ 2^n + (-1)^n (w^{2n+1} + w^{n+2}) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left\{ 2^{2000} + (-1)^{2000} (w^{4001} + w^{2002}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2^{2000} - 1}{3}$$

45. $3^{10} {}^{20}C_0 - {}^{20}C_1 + {}^{20}C_2 - {}^{20}C_3 + \dots + {}^{20}C_{10} {}^{10}C_0$ equals (nC_r denote coefficient of x^r in $(1+x)^n$.)

- (A) ${}^{10}C_{10} \cdot 3^{10}$ (B) ${}^{20}C_{10} \cdot 3^{10}$
 (C) ${}^{20}C_{10} \cdot 2^{10}$ (D) ${}^{20}C_{10} {}^{10}C_8$

Key. C

Sol. Coefficient of x^{10} in $[{}^{20}C_0(3+x)^{20} - {}^{20}C_1(3+x)^{19} + \dots + {}^{20}C_{10}(3+x)^{10}]$
 $= x^{10}$ in $(3+x-1)^{20}$
 $= x^{10}$ in $(2+x)^{20}$
 $= 2^{10} {}^{20}C_{10}$

46. Number of ways, 3 persons having 6 one rupee coins, 7 one rupee coins, 8 one rupee coins respectively donate 10 one rupee coin collectively is

- a) 29 b) 83 c) 44 d) 47

Key. D

Sol. Coeff of x^{10} $(1+x+x^2+\dots+x^6)(1+x+\dots+x^7)(1+x+\dots+x^8)$ is

47. $\sum_{r=1}^n \sum_{p=0}^{r-1} {}^nC_r \cdot {}^rC_p \cdot 2^p$ is equal to

- a) $4^n - 3^n + 1$ b) $4^n - 3^n - 1$
 c) $4^n - 3^n + 2$ d) $4^n - 3^n$

Key. D

Sol. $\sum_{r=1}^n nC_r ((1+2)^r - 2^r) = \sum_{r=1}^n nC_r 2^r - \sum_{r=1}^n nC_r 2^r$
 $= (4^n - 1) - (3^n - 1) = 4^n - 3^n$

48. The value of $\binom{50}{6} - \binom{5}{1} \binom{40}{6} + \binom{5}{2} \binom{30}{6} - \binom{5}{3} \binom{20}{6} + \binom{5}{4} \binom{10}{6}$ where $\binom{n}{r}$ denotes nC_r , is

- (A) 15625 (B) 0
 (C) 1000000 (D) 2250000

Key. D

Sol. ${}^{50}C_6 - {}^5C_1 {}^{40}C_6 + {}^5C_2 {}^{30}C_6 - {}^5C_3 {}^{20}C_6 + {}^5C_4 {}^{10}C_6 =$ coefficient of x^6 in $[{}^5C_0(1+x)^{50} - {}^5C_1(1+x)^{40} + {}^5C_2(1+x)^{30} - {}^5C_3(1+x)^{20} + {}^5C_4(1+x)^{10} - {}^5C_5(1+x)^0]$
 $=$ coefficient x^6 in $[(1+x)^{10} - 1]^5$
 $=$ coefficient of x^6 in $({}^{10}C_1 x + {}^{10}C_2 x^2 + \dots)^5 = {}^5C_1 ({}^{10}C_2) ({}^{10}C_1)^4 = 2250000$.

49. The value of the expression ${}^{10}C_0 10^9 - {}^{10}C_1 9^9 + {}^{10}C_2 8^9 \dots - {}^{10}C_9$ is

- a) 9 b) 10 c) 910 d) 0

Key. D

Sol. Given expression = No. of on to functions from a set of 9 elements to a set of 10 elements = 0

50. The term independent of x and y in the expansion of

$$\left[\left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{y} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{xy} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{xy}} \right)^2 - 4 \right]^n$$

- a) $\left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right)^2$ b) $\sum_{r=0}^n ({}^n C_r)^2$ c) $\left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right)^3$ d) $\sum_{r=0}^n ({}^n C_r)^3$

Key. D

Sol. The given expression can be written as $(1+x)^n \cdot (1+y)^n \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{xy}\right)^n$. The constant term is

clearly $C_0^3 + C_1^3 + \dots + C_n^3$ where $c_r = {}^n C_r$.

51. The sum of the rational terms in the expansion of $(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[5]{3})^{10}$ is :

- a) 41 b) 42 c) 39 d) 45

Key. A

Sol. $T_{r+1} = 10C_r \frac{10-r}{2^2} \cdot 3^{\frac{r}{5}}$

This is rational, if $\frac{10-r}{2}$ and $\frac{r}{5}$ are integers.

∴ There are only two rational terms

Namely $10C_0 (\sqrt{2})^{10} \left(3^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^0$ and $10C_{10} (\sqrt{2})^0 \left(3^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^{10}$

∴ sum = 32 + 9 = 41

52. The values of 'r' such that $(100)C_r \left(\frac{1}{5^8}\right)^{100-r} \left(\frac{1}{2^6}\right)^r$ is rational is :

- a) 84 b) 85 c) 86 d) 42

Key. A

Sol. Direct verification is sufficient.

53. If $(1+x)^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$ in which $a_{n-3}, a_{n-2}, a_{n-1}$ are in AP, then

- a) a_1, a_2, a_3 are in GP b) a_1, a_2, a_3 are in HP c) $n = 7$ d) $n = 14$

Key. C

Sol. $a_{n-3} = a_3, a_{n-2} = a_2, a_{n-1} = a_1$ (${}^n C_r = {}^n C_{n-r}$)

∴ (A) is correct.

a_1, a_2, a_3 are in AP $\Rightarrow n, \frac{n(n-1)}{2}, \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}$ are in AP.

$$\frac{n + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$6n + n^3 - 3n^2 + 2n = 6n^2 - 6n$$

$$n^3 - 9n^2 + 14n = 0, (n-7)(n-2) = 0$$

∴ $n = 7$.

54. The coefficient of $a^8b^6c^4$ in the expansion of $(a+b+c)^{18}$ is :

- a) $18C_4 \times 14C_6$ b) $18C_{10} \times 10C_8$

59. The number of irrational terms in the expansion of $\left(5^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)^{100}$ is

- A) 94 B) 92 C) 93 D) 91

Key. B

Sol. $\left(5^{\frac{1}{3}} + 2^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)^{100} = \left(2^{\frac{1}{4}} + 5^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^{100}$

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{100}C_r \left(2^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)^{100-r} \cdot \left(5^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^r = {}^{100}C_r 2^{25-\frac{r}{4}} \cdot 5^{\frac{r}{3}}$$

For rational terms, 'r' should be divisible by 12.

∴ No. of rational terms = 9

∴ No. of irrational terms = 101-9=92

60. The greatest integer less than or equal to $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^6$ is

- A) 416 B) 414 C) 417 D) 415

Key. D

Sol. $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^6 + (\sqrt{3} - 1)^6 = 2 \left[{}^6C_0(\sqrt{3})^6 + {}^6C_2(\sqrt{3})^4 + {}^6C_4(\sqrt{3})^2 + {}^6C_6 \right] = 416$

Let $(\sqrt{3} + 1)^6 = I + F$ where I is integral part and F is fractional part

Let $(\sqrt{3} - 1)^6 = G$

$$0 < F < 1; 0 < G < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < F + G < 2 \Rightarrow F + G = 1$$

$$I + F + G = 416 \Rightarrow I + 1 = 416 \Rightarrow I = 415$$

61. $2^{10}C_0 + \frac{2^2}{2} {}^{10}C_1 + \frac{2^3}{3} {}^{10}C_2 + \dots + \frac{2^{11}}{11} {}^{10}C_{10} =$

- A) $2^{11} - 1/11$ B) $3^{11} - 1/11$ C) $2^{11} - 2/11$ D) $4^{11} - 1/11$

Key. B

Sol. Conceptual

62. If the fourth term in the expansion of $\left(2 + \frac{3}{8}x\right)^{10}$ has the maximum numerical value then

the range of x contains.

- (a) $-\frac{64}{21} < x < -2$ (b) $1 < x < \frac{64}{21}$ (c) $-2 < x < \frac{64}{21}$ (d) $-\frac{64}{21} < x < 2$

Key. A

Sol. Conceptual

63. If n is an odd natural number then $\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{(-1)^r}{n C_r}$ is equal to

- (a) 0 (b) 1/n (c) $\frac{n}{2^n}$ (d) $n \cdot 2^n$

Key. A

Sol. Conceptual

64. If $(1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n n C_r x^r$ then $C_0^2 + \frac{C_1^2}{2} + \frac{C_2^2}{3} + \dots + \frac{C_n^2}{n+1} =$

- (a) $\frac{|2n|}{(|n|)^2}$ (b) $\frac{|2n+1|}{(|n+1|)^2}$ (c) $\frac{|2n-1|}{(|n-1|)^2}$ (d) $\frac{|n|}{(|n-1|)^2}$

Key. B
Sol. Conceptual

65. In the expansion of $\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{b}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{b}{\sqrt{a}}}\right)^{21}$ the term containing same powers of a and b is

- (a) 11th (b) 13th (c) 12th (d) 6th

Key. B

Sol. $T_{r+1} = 21C_r a^{\frac{42-3r}{6}} b^{\frac{2r-21}{3}}$

$42 - 3r = 4r - 42 \Rightarrow r = 12$

66. The coefficient of x^4 of the expansion $(1+5x+9x^2+\dots+\infty)(1+x^2)^{11}$ is

- (a) $11C_2 + 4 \cdot 11C_1 + 3$ (b) $11C_2 + 3 \cdot 11C_1 + 4$ (c) $3 \cdot 11C_2 + 4 \cdot 11C_1 + 3$ (d) 171

Key. D

Sol. Co-efficient of x^4

$= (1+5x+9x^2+13x^3+17x^4+\dots)(1+11x^2+11C_2x^4+\dots)$
 $= 11C_2 + 99 + 17$

67. The coefficient of x^{n-2} in the polynomial $(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)\dots(x-n)$ is

- (a) $\frac{n(n^2+2)(3n+1)}{24}$ (b) $\frac{n(n^2-1)(3n+2)}{24}$ (c) $\frac{n(n^2+1)(3n+4)}{24}$ (d) None

Key. B

Sol. $T_2 = (x-\alpha_1)(x-\alpha_2)(x-\alpha_3)\dots(x-\alpha_n)$

$= x^n - \sum \alpha_i x^{n-1} + \alpha_1 \alpha_2 x^{n-2} + \dots$

68. If $1, \omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4$ are the fifth roots of unity then $\sum_{i=1}^4 \frac{1}{2-\omega_i} =$

- (a) $\frac{51}{31}$ (b) $\frac{49}{31}$ (c) $\frac{25}{32}$ (d) $\frac{25}{16}$

Key. B

Sol. we know that $z^5 - 1 = (z-1)(z-\alpha_1)(z-\alpha_2)(z-\alpha_3)(z-\alpha_4)$

Take log on both sides, diff.w.r.t. z and put z = 2.

69. If a_1 and a_2 be the coefficients of x^n in the expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ and $(1+x)^{2n-1}$ respectively, then

1. $a_2 = 2a_1$ 2. $a_1 = 2a_2$ 3. $a_1 = a_2$ 4. None of these

Key. 2

Sol. Consider T_{r+1} in $(1+x)^{2n} \therefore T_{r+1} = {}^{2n}C_r x^r$

$a_1 =$ Coefficient of $x^n = {}^{2n}C_n$

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

Again coefficient of T_{r+1} in $(1+x)^{2n-1}$ is ${}^{2n-1}C_r$

$$a^2 = \text{Coefficient of } x^n \text{ in } (1+x)^{2n-1}$$

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

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2(2n-1)!}{(n-1)!n!} = \frac{1}{2} a_1$$

$$\therefore 2a_2 = a_1$$

70. If C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots are binomial coefficients in the expansion $\sum_{r=0}^n C_r x^r$, then value of the expression (series)

$$\frac{2C_0}{1} + \frac{3C_1}{2} + \frac{4C_2}{3} + \frac{5C_3}{4} + \dots + \text{is}$$

1. $\frac{2^n + 1}{n + 1}$

2. $\frac{2^n - 1}{n + 1}$

3. $\frac{2^n (n + 3) - 1}{n + 1}$

4. $\frac{2^n (n + 2) - 1}{n + 1}$

Key. 3

Sol. Given

$$(1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_nx^n$$

Integrating both sides with respect to x , we get

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

Putting $x = 0$,

$$\text{We get } k = \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{(1+x)^{n+1} - 1}{n+1}$$

72. Number of irrational terms in the expansion of $(\sqrt[5]{2} + \sqrt[10]{3})^{60}$ are

1. 54

2. 61

3. 30

4. 31

Key. 1

Sol. Given $(\sqrt[5]{2} + \sqrt[10]{3})^{60} = \left(2^{\frac{1}{5}} + 3^{\frac{1}{10}}\right)^{60}$

Now L.C.M. of 5 and 10 is 10

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Number of rational terms let us writes } T_{r+1} &= {}^{60}C_r \left(2^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^{60-r} \left(3^{\frac{1}{10}}\right)^r \\ &= {}^{60}C_r 2^{12-\frac{r}{5}} 3^{\frac{r}{10}} \end{aligned}$$

As $0 \leq r \leq 60$

$$\therefore r = 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60$$

\therefore Number of rational terms is 7

\therefore Number of irrational terms equals to

Total number of terms - Number of rational terms

$$= 61 - 7 = 54$$

73. If $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ are Binomial Coefficients, such that $S_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{{}^nC_r}$ and $t_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{{}^nC_r}$ then

$\frac{t_n}{S_n}$ equals

1. $\frac{n}{2}$

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

3. $\frac{n+1}{2}$

4. None of these

Key. 1

Sol. Given $t_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{C_r} = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{n-(n-r)}{C_{n-r}}$ (${}^n C_r = {}^n C_{n-r}$)

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{n}{C_{n-r}} - \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{n-r}{C_{n-r}}$$

$$= nS_n - \left[\frac{n}{C_n} + \frac{n-1}{C_{n-1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{C_1} + 0 \right]$$

$$t_n = nS_n - \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{C_r}$$

$$t_n = nS_n - t_n$$

$$2t_n = nS_n$$

$$\therefore \frac{t_n}{S_n} = \frac{n}{2}$$

74. If $(1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n C_r x^r$, then the value of $3C_1 + 7C_2 + 11C_3 + \dots + (4n-1)C_n$ is

1. $(4n-1)2^n$ 2. $(2n-1)2^n$ 3. $(2n-1)2^n + 1$ 4. $(4n-1)2^n - 1$

Key. 3

Sol. Let $S = 3C_1 + 7C_2 + 11C_3 + \dots + (4n-1)C_n$

Let us write

$$T_r = (4r-1)C_r$$

$$T_r = 4rC_r - C_r$$

$$= 4r \frac{n}{r} C_{r-1} - C_r \text{ using } {}^n C_r = \frac{n}{r} \cdot {}^{n-1} C_{r-1}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{r=1}^n T_r = 4n \sum_{r=1}^n C_{r-1} - \sum_{r=1}^n C_r$$

$$= 4n \cdot 2^{n-1} (2^n - 1)$$

$$= 2n \cdot 2^n - 2^n + 1$$

$$S = 2^n (2n-1) + 1 \text{ By using}$$

$$(1+x)^{n-1} = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_{n-1}x^{n-1}$$

$$2^{n-1} = C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_{n-1}$$

75. Middle term in the expansion of $(1-3x+3x^2-x^3)^{2n}$ is

1. $\frac{(6n)!x^n}{(3n)!(3n)!}$ 2. $\frac{(6n)!x^{3n}}{(3n)!}$ 3. $\frac{(6n)!}{(3n)!(3n)!}(-x)^{3n}$ 4. None of these

Key. 3

Sol. $(1-3x+3x^2-x^3)^{2n} = (1-x)^{6n}$

Concept: Index = $6n$ which is even so most middle term

is $\left(\frac{6n}{2} + 1\right)^{th}$ i.e., $(3n+1)^{th}$ term is middle term,

$$T_{3n+1} = {}^{6n}C_{3n}(-x)^{3n} = \frac{6n!}{3n!3n!}(-x)^{3n}$$

76. Let n be an odd natural number greater than 1. Then the number of zeros at the end of the sum $99^n + 1$ is

- (A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 2 (D) None of these

Key. C

Sol. $1+99^n = 1+(100-1)^n = 1 + \{ {}^nC_0 100^n - {}^nC_1 \cdot 100^{n-1} + \dots - {}^nC_n \}$
 Because n is odd $= 100 \{ {}^nC_0 \cdot 100^{n-1} - {}^nC_1 \cdot 100^{n-2} + \dots - {}^nC_{n-2} \cdot 100 + {}^nC_{n-1} \}$
 $= 100 \times$ integer whose units place is different from 0
 $[Q^n C_{n-1} = n, \text{ has odd digit at unit place}]$
 \therefore There are two zeros at the end of the sum $99^n + 1$

77. If $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ are the Binomial coefficients in the expansion $(1+x)^n$. 'n' being even, then $C_0 + (C_0 + C_1) + (C_0 + C_1 + C_2) + \dots + (C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_{n-1})$ is equal to

- (A) $n2^n$ (B) $n \cdot 2^{n-1}$ (C) $n \cdot 2^{n-3}$ (D) $n \cdot 2^{n-2}$

Key. B

Sol. Sum = $\{C_0 + (c_1 + c_2 + \dots + c_{n-1})\} + \{(c_0 + c_1) + (c_0 + c_1 + \dots + c_{n-2})\} +$

$$\{(c_0 + c_1 + c_2) + (c_0 + c_1 + \dots + c_{n-3})\} + \dots \text{ to } \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$$

$$\text{Terms} = (c_0 + c_1 + \dots + c_n) \times \frac{n}{2} = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$$

78. The positive integral values of n such that $1.2^1 + 2.2^2 + 3.2^3 + 4.2^4 + 5.2^5 + \dots + n.2^n = 2^{(n+10)} + 2$ is
 (A) 313 (B) 513 (C) 413 (D) 613

Key. B

$$\begin{aligned} 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n &= 2^{n+1} - 2 \\ 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^n &= 2^{n+1} - 2^2 \\ 2^3 + \dots + 2^n &= 2^{n+1} - 2^3 \\ \dots & \dots \dots \dots \\ &+ 2^n = 2^{n+1} - 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= n(2^{n+1}) - (2^{n+1} - 2) \\ &= 2^{n+1}(n-1) + 2 \end{aligned}$$

Given that $2^{n+1}(n-1) + 2 = 2^{2+10} + 2$
 $\Rightarrow (n-1)2^{n+1} = 2^{n+10}$
 $\Rightarrow n-1 = 2^9$
 $\Rightarrow n = 2^9 + 1 = 513$

79. If $\sum_{r=0}^n \left\{ \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{{}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1}} \right\}^3 = \frac{25}{24}$, then n is equal to
 (A) 3 (B) 4 (C) 5 (D) 6

Key. C

Sol. Let $t_r = \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{{}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1}} = \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{{}^{n+1} C_r} = \frac{{}^n C_{r-1}}{\frac{n+1}{r} {}^n C_{r-1}}$

$$\therefore l_r = \frac{r}{n+1}$$

Now,

$$S = \sum_{r=0}^n \{l_r\}^3 \Rightarrow S = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r^3}{(n+1)^3} = \frac{1}{(n+1)^3} \sum_{r=0}^n r^3$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \frac{1}{(n+1)^3} \left\{ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right\}^2 \Rightarrow S = \frac{n^2}{4(n+1)}$$

Now, $S = \frac{25}{24}$ (given) which is only possible for 5

80. If m and n are any two odd positive integers with $n < m$, then the largest positive integer which divides all numbers of the form, $m^2 - n^2$ can be
 (A) 4 (B) 6 (C) 8 (D) 9

Key. C

Sol. Let $m = 2k - 1$ and $n = 2p - 1, p < k$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } m^2 - n^2 &= (m+n)(m-n) \\ &= (2k+2p-2)(2k-2p) = 4(k+p-1)(k-p) \end{aligned}$$

Further if k and p both even, then $k-p$ is even but $k+p-1$ is odd
 If k and p both odd then $k-p$ is even but $k+p-1$ is odd. If one is even and other odd then $k-p$ is odd but $k+p-1$ is even. Thus in every case $(k-p)(k+p-1)$ even
 $\therefore m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by $4 \times 2 = 8$. Hence, $m^2 - n^2$ is divisible by 8 or any multiple of 8. The largest integer among the given options is 8

81. If $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ denote the binomial coefficients in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$, then

$$\sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r {}^n C_r \frac{1+r \log_e 10}{(1+\log_e 10^n)^r} \text{ is equal to}$$

- A) 0 B) 1 C) 2 D) 3

Key. A

Sol. Let $\log_e 10 = x$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r {}^n C_r \frac{1+rx}{(1+nx)^r} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+nx}\right)^n - \frac{nx}{1+nx} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+nx}\right)^{n-1} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

82. In the expansion of $\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{a}{b}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{b}{\sqrt{a}}}\right)^{21}$ the term containing same powers of a and b is

- A) 11th B) 13th C) 12th D) 6th

Key. B

Sol. $t_{r+1} = {}^{21}C_r \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\frac{21-r}{3}} \frac{b^{r/3}}{a^{r/6}} = {}^{21}C_r a^{\frac{42-3r}{6}} b^{\frac{2r-21}{3}}$

$\therefore 42 - 3r = 4r - 42$ i.e. $r = 12$
 $\therefore 13^{\text{th}}$ term contains same powers of a and b

83. The coefficient of x^4 of in the expansion $(1+5x+9x^2+\dots)(1+x^2)^{11}$ is

- A) ${}^{11}C_2 + 4 {}^{11}C_1 + 3$ B) ${}^{11}C_2 + 3 {}^{11}C_1 + 4$ C) $3 {}^{11}C_2 + 4 {}^{11}C_1 + 3$ D) 171

Key. D

Sol. Coefficient of x^4 is $(1+5x+9x^2+\dots)(1+x^2)^{11}$
 $= (1+5x+9x^2+\dots)(1+11x^2+{}^{11}C_2(x^2)^2+\dots)$
 $= (1+5x+9x^2+13x^3+17x^4+\dots)(1+11x^2+{}^{11}C_2x^4+\dots)$
 Coefficient of x^4 is ${}^{11}C_2+9+11+17=55+99+17=171$

84. If $(1+x+x^2)^{25} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{50}x^{50}$, then $a_0 + a_2 + a_4 + \dots + a_{50}$ is
 A) even
 B) odd and of the form $3n$
 C) odd and of the form $(3n-1)$
 D) odd and of the form $(3n+1)$

Key. A
 Sol. putting $x = 1$ and -1 and adding
 $a_0 + a_2 + \dots + a_{50} = \frac{3^{25} + 1}{2} = \frac{(1+2)^{25} + 1}{2}$
 $= \frac{{}^{25}C_0 + {}^{25}C_1 \cdot 2 + {}^{25}C_2 \cdot 2^2 + \dots + {}^{25}C_{25} \cdot 2^{25} + 1}{2}$
 $= \frac{2[1 + {}^{25}C_1 + {}^{25}C_2 \cdot 2 + \dots + {}^{25}C_{25} \cdot 2^{24}]}{2} = 2[13 + {}^{25}C_2 + \dots + {}^{25}C_{25} \cdot 2^{23}]$ is an even integer

85. The co-efficient of x^{n-2} in the polynomial $(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)\dots(x-n)$ is
 A) $\frac{n(n^2+2)(3n+1)}{24}$
 B) $\frac{n(n^2-1)(3n+2)}{24}$
 C) $\frac{n(n^2+1)(3n+4)}{24}$
 D) none of these

Key. B
 Sol. $E = (x-\alpha_1)(x-\alpha_2)(x-\alpha_3)\dots(x-\alpha_n)$ where $\alpha_1 = 1, \alpha_2 = 2$ etc
 $= x^n - (\sum \alpha_i)x^{n-1} + (\sum \alpha_i \alpha_j)x^{n-2} + \dots$
 Hence co-efficient of $x^{n-2} =$ sum of all the products of the first 'n' natural numbers taken two at a time
 $= \frac{(1+2+3+\dots+n)^2 - (1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2)}{2} = \frac{n(n^2-1)(3n+2)}{24}$

86. The remainder when 27^{40} is divided by 12 is
 A) 3
 B) 7
 C) 9
 D) 11

Key. C
 Sol. $27^{40} = 3^{120}$
 $3^{119} = (4-1)^{119} = {}^{119}C_0 4^{119} - {}^{119}C_1 4^{118} + {}^{119}C_2 4^{117} - \dots + {}^{119}C_{118} 4 - 1$
 $\therefore 3^{119} = 4k - 1$
 $\therefore 3^{120} = 12k - 3 = 12(k-1) + 9$
 \therefore The required remainder is 9

87. If $\sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r (x-1)^r = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} b_r (x-2)^r$ and $b_r = (-1)^{r-n}$ for all $r \geq n$, then $a_n =$
 A) ${}^{2n+1}C_{n-1}$
 B) ${}^{3n}C_n$
 C) ${}^{2n+1}C_n$
 D) 0

Key. C
 Sol. Let $x-1 = t$, then

$$\sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r t^r = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} b_r (t-1)^r$$

$$\therefore a_n = \text{coefficient of } t^n \text{ in } \sum_{r=0}^{2n} b_r (t-1)^r$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{coefficient of } t^n \text{ b in } (b_0 + b_1(t-1) + \dots + b_n(t-1)^n + b_{n+1}(t-1)^{n+1} + \dots + b_{2n}(t-1)^{2n}) \\ &= b_n {}^n C_0 + b_{n+1} {}^{n+1} C_1 (-1)^1 + b_{n+2} {}^{n+2} C_2 (-1)^2 + \dots + b_{2n} {}^{2n} C_n (-1)^n \\ &= (-1)^{n-n} \cdot {}^n C_0 + (-1)^{n+1-n+1} \cdot {}^{n+1} C_1 + \dots + (-1)^{2n-n+n} \cdot {}^{2n} C_n \\ &= {}^n C_0 + {}^{n+1} C_1 + {}^{n+2} C_2 + \dots + {}^{2n} C_2 + \dots + {}^{2n} C_n = {}^{2n} C_n = {}^{2n+1} C_{n+1} \\ &= {}^{2n+1} C_n \end{aligned}$$

88. In the expansion of $\left(7^{\frac{1}{3}} + 11^{\frac{1}{9}}\right)^{6561}$ total number of terms free from radical signs is
 A) 729 B) 730 C) 731 D) none of these

Key. B

Sol. $T_{r+1} = {}^{6561} C_r 7^{\frac{6561-r}{3}} 11^{r/9}$

The term is free from radical sign, if r is multiple of 9 and 6561 - r is a multiply of 3
 i.e. $r = 0, 9, 18, 27, \dots 6561$. These are 730 in number,

89. The last two digits of the number $(23)^{14}$ are
 A) 01 B) 03 C) 09 D) None of these

Key. C

Sol. $(23)^{14} = (529)^7 = (530-1)^7$
 $= {}^7 C_0 (530)^7 - {}^7 C_1 (530)^6 + \dots - {}^7 C_7 (530)^0 + {}^7 C_6 530 - 1$
 $= {}^7 C_0 (530)^7 - {}^7 C_1 (530)^6 + \dots + 3710 - 1$
 $= 100m + 3709$
 \therefore last two digits are 09

90. $\sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} (C_i + C_j)^2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- a) $(n-1) \cdot {}^{2n} C_n + 2^{2n}$ b) ${}^{2n} C_n + 2^{2n}$ c) ${}^{2n} C_n - (n+1)2^n$ d) None

Key. A

Sol. $\sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} (C_i + C_j)^2 = \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} C_i^2 + C_j^2 + 2C_i C_j = n(C_0^2 + C_1^2 + \dots + C_n^2) + 2 \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} C_i C_j$ is
 $= n \cdot {}^{2n} C_n + 2 \left(\frac{2^{2n} - {}^{2n} C_n}{2} \right)$

Since $(C_0 + C_1 + \dots + C_n)^2 = C_0^2 + C_1^2 + \dots + C_n^2 + 2 \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} C_i C_j$
 $2^{2n} = {}^{2n} C_n + 2 \sum_{0 \leq i < j \leq n} C_i C_j$

91. The value of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{15}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{313}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{511}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{79}}$ is

- a) $\frac{2^{14}}{15}$ b) $\frac{2^{15}}{16}$ c) $\frac{2^{10}}{15}$ d) $\frac{2^{13}}{15}$

Key. C

Sol. Multiply and divide by 16!

92. The term independent of x and y in the expansion of

$$\left[\left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{y} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{xy} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{xy}} \right)^2 - 4 \right]^n$$

- a) $\left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right)^2$ b) $\sum_{r=0}^n ({}^n C_r)^2$ c) $\left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right)^3$ d) $\sum_{r=0}^n ({}^n C_r)^3$

Key. D

Sol. It can be simplified as $(1+x)^n (1+y)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{xy} \right)^n$

The constant term is $C_0^3 + C_1^3 + \dots + C_n^3$

93. If $C_r = {}^n C_r$, then $(C_0 - C_2 + C_4 - C_6 + \dots)^2 + (C_1 - C_3 + C_5 - C_7 + \dots)^2$ is

- a) 2^{2n} b) 2^n c) 2^{n^2} d) $2^{\frac{n+1}{2}}$

Key. B

Sol. Put $x = i$ in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ we get

$$(C_0 - C_2 + C_4 - C_6 + \dots) + i(C_1 - C_3 + C_5 - \dots) = 2^{\frac{n}{2}} \left[\cos \frac{n\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{n\pi}{4} \right]$$

Take modulus both sides and square it

94. The coefficient of x^3 in $\left(2x - \frac{3}{x^2} \right)^9$ is

- a) 41472 b) $2^8 \cdot 3^5$ c) $2^8 \cdot 3^4$ d) 44172

Key. A

Sol. $r = 2$, coefficient = ${}^9 C_2 (2)^7 (-3)^2 = (2)^9 (3)^4$

95. If the coefficient of x in $\left(x^2 + \frac{k}{x} \right)^5$ is 270, then the value of k is

- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4 d) 5

Key. B

Sol. $r = 3$, ${}^5 C_3 k^3 = 270$, $k = 3$

96. In the expansion of $\left(2 + \frac{x}{3} \right)^n$, coefficient of x^7 and x^8 are equal. Then the value of n is

- a) 49 b) 50 c) 55 d) 56

Key. C

Sol. ${}^n C_7 \frac{2^{n-7}}{3^7} = {}^n C_8 \frac{2^{n-8}}{3^8}$, $n = 55$.

Key. B

Sol. Put $x = y = z = 1$ then $2^n = 128, n=7, 7C_3 = \frac{7.6.5}{1.2.3} = 35$

103. If $n = 2009$, then $N = 2009^n - 1982^n - 1972^n + 1945^n$ is divisible by
 a) 658 b) 1977 c) 1988 d) 2009

Key. B

Sol. Since n is odd $x^n + y^n$ has divisor $x+y$.

104. If $C_0, C_1 \dots C_{10}$ are the binomial coefficient in the expansion of $(1+x)^{10}$, then

$$2C_0 + \frac{2^2}{2} C_1 + \frac{2^3}{3} \cdot C_2 + \dots + \frac{2^{11}}{11} \cdot C_{10}$$

- a) $\frac{2^{11}}{11}$ b) $\frac{2^{11}-1}{11}$ c) $\frac{3^{11}}{11}$ d) $\frac{3^{11}-1}{11}$

Key. D

Sol. $\int_0^2 (1+x)^{10} dx = 10C_0 2 + \frac{2^2 10C_1}{2} + \dots + \frac{2^{11} 10C_{10}}{11} = \frac{3^{11}-1}{11}$

105. If $(1+px+x^2)^n = \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r x^r$, then $\sum_{r=0}^{2n} (2r+1)a_r =$

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

Key. C

Sol. $(2 \sum_{r=0}^{2n} r a_r + \sum_{r=0}^{2n} a_r = 2n(2+p)^{n-1}(P+2) + (2+P)^n$
 $= (2n+1)(P+2)^n$

106. Let $(x^3 + \alpha x^2 + 2x - 5)^{19} (x^2 + \beta x - 41)^8 (x^4 - x^3 + x - 7)^6 =$

$x^{97} + 391x^{96} + a_{95}x^{95} + a_{94}x^{94} + \dots + a_1x + a_0$ be an identity, where

$\alpha, \beta, a_{95}, a_{94}, \dots, a_1, a_0$ are integers. If $\alpha + \beta < 10$, then the smallest possible value of α is

- a) 7 b) 8 c) 31 d) 23

Key. C

Sol. It will be an identity even if we replace x by $\frac{1}{y}$ and considering numerator alone.

Differentiating on both sides with respect to y , at $y=0$ we get $19\alpha + 8\beta = 397, \alpha + \beta = 10 - k$

where k is positive integer. Put $\beta = 10 - \alpha - k$ in first equation we get $11\alpha - 8k = 317$

$\therefore \alpha = 31$

107. The number of different terms in the expansion of

$$(1+x)^{2009} + (1+x^2)^{2008} + (1+x^3)^{2007}$$

- a) 3683 b) 4017 c) 4018 d) 4352

Key. B

Sol. $(1+x)^{2009}$ has 2010 terms in total. $(1+x^2)^{2008}$ has a constant, even power of x starting from 2 to 4016 but already even powers of x from 2 to 2008 were enumerated in $(1+x)^{2009}$. The remaining terms containing even powers of x are from 2010 to 4016. They are 1004 in number. In $(1+x^3)^{2007}$ has a constant, multiples of 3 as powers of x. Even multiples of 3 from 6 to 4014 were already enumerated in above expansions. The remaining even multiples of 3 from 4020 to 6018 which are 334 in number. Odd multiples of 3 as powers of x from 3 to 2007 were enumerated in above expansions and the remaining from 2013 to 6021 are to be enumerated. They are 669 in number.

\therefore the number of terms in the expansion = 2010 + 1004 + 669 + 334 = 4017.

108. The term independent of x and y in the expansion of

$$\left[\left(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{y} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{xy} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{xy}} \right)^2 - 4 \right]^n$$

- A) $\left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right)^2$ B) $\sum_{r=0}^n ({}^n C_r)^2$ C) $\left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right)^3$ D) $\sum_{r=0}^n ({}^n C_r)^3$

Key. D

Sol. The given expression can be written as $(1+x)^n \cdot (1+y)^n \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1}{xy}\right)^n$. The constant term is clearly $C_0^3 + C_1^3 + \dots + C_n^3$ where $c_r = {}^n C_r$.

109. The sum of the rational terms in the expansion of $(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[5]{3})^{10}$ is :

- A) 41 B) 42 C) 39 D) 45

Key. A

Sol. $T_{r+1} = 10C_r \frac{10-r}{2^2} \cdot 3^{\frac{r}{5}}$

This is rational, if $\frac{10-r}{2}$ and $\frac{r}{5}$ are integers.

\therefore There are only two rational terms

Namely $10C_0 (\sqrt{2})^{10} \left(3^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^0$ and $10C_{10} (\sqrt{2})^0 \left(3^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^{10}$

\therefore sum = 32 + 9 = 41

110. If $(1+x)^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$ in which $a_{n-3}, a_{n-2}, a_{n-1}$ are in AP, then

- A) a_1, a_2, a_3 are in GP B) a_1, a_2, a_3 are in HP
 C) $n = 7$ D) $n = 14$

Key. C

Sol. $a_{n-3} = a_3, a_{n-2} = a_2, a_{n-1} = a_1$ (${}^n C_r = {}^n C_{n-r}$)

\therefore (A) is correct.

a_1, a_2, a_3 are in AP $\Rightarrow n, \frac{n(n-1)}{2}, \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}$ are in AP.

$$\frac{n + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{6}}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$6n + n^3 - 3n^2 + 2n = 6n^2 - 6n$$

$$n^3 - 9n^2 + 14n = 0, (n - 7)(n - 2) = 0$$

∴ n = 7.

111. If $x = (2 + \sqrt{3})^n$, then the value of $x - x^2 + x[x]$ where $[.]$ denotes the greatest integer function, is equal to
 A) 1 B) 2 C) 2^{2n} D) 2^n

Key. A

Sol. $x - x^2 + x[x] = x - x(x - [x]) = x(1 - \{x\})$

Now $x + x_1 =$ even integer where $x_1 = (2 - \sqrt{3})^n$ clearly $x_1 \in (0, 1) \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

∴ $\{x\} + x_1 =$ integer

⇒ $\{x\} + x_1 = 1$

112. In the binomial expansion of $(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt[4]{x}})^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ the coefficients of first, second and third terms form an A.P. The number of rational terms in the expansion is (Assume that x is a rational number and $\sqrt{x}, \sqrt[4]{x}$ are irrational)
 A) 1 B) 2 C) 3 D) 4

Key. C

Sol. $(\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt[4]{x}})^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r (\sqrt{x})^{n-r} \cdot (\frac{1}{2\sqrt[4]{x}})^r = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \cdot \frac{1}{2^r} x^{\frac{2n-3r}{4}}$
 $1, \frac{n}{2}, \frac{n(n-1)}{8}$ are in A.P. ⇒ $n = 8$

113. $(\underline{1} + 2\underline{2} + 3\underline{3} + \dots + 2009\underline{2009}) + 1$
 A) $2\underline{2010}$ B) $\underline{2010}$ C) $\underline{2011}$ D) $2\underline{2011}$

Key. B

Sol. $\underline{1} + 2\underline{2} + 3\underline{3} + \dots + n\underline{n} = \underline{n+1} - 1$

114. The sum of coefficients of the terms of degree 'm' in the expansion of $(1+x)^n (1+y)^n (1+z)^n$ is
 (A) $({}^n C_r)^3$ (B) $3({}^n C_r)$ (C) ${}^n C_{3r}$ (D) ${}^{3n} C_m$

Key. D

Sol. Putting $y = z = x$ we get $(1+x)^{3n}$ coeff $x^m = {}^{3n} C_m$

115. If C_r denotes ${}^n C_r$ then the value of $\frac{C_0}{2} - \frac{C_1}{3} + \frac{C_2}{4} - \frac{C_3}{5} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{C_n}{n+2} =$
 (A) $\frac{1}{n+1}$ (B) $\frac{1}{n+2}$ (C) $\frac{1}{n(n+1)}$ (D) $\frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)}$

Key. D

Sol. Req sum = $\int_0^1 x(1-x)^n dx = \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)}$

116. If the 4th term in the expansion of $\left(2 + \frac{3x}{8}\right)^{10}$ has the maximum numerical value, then

'x' lies in the interval

(A) $\left(\frac{-64}{21}, -2\right) \cup \left(2, \frac{64}{4}\right)$

(B) $\left(\frac{-60}{23}, -2\right) \cup \left(2, \frac{64}{23}\right)$

(C) $\left(\frac{-64}{21}, 2\right)$

(D) $\left(-2, \frac{-64}{21}\right)$

Key. A or B

Sol. $\left|\frac{t_3}{t_4}\right| < 1$ and $\left|\frac{t_5}{t_4}\right| < 1$

i.e., $\left|\frac{2}{x}\right| < 1$; $\left|\frac{21}{64}x\right| < 1$

$\therefore x \in \left(\frac{-64}{21}, -2\right) \cup \left(2, \frac{64}{21}\right)$

117. The Value of $\sum_{r=0}^{15} {}^{15}C_r \left(r - \frac{15}{2}\right)^2$ is

A) $2^{10} \cdot 15$

B) $2^{12} \cdot 15$

C) $2^{13} \cdot 15$

D) $2^{15} \cdot 15$

Key. C

Sol. $\sum_{r=0}^{15} {}^{15}C_r \cdot r^2 - 15 \sum_{r=0}^{15} r \cdot {}^{15}C_r + \frac{225}{4} \times 2^{15}$

$\sum_{r=0}^{15} r^2 \cdot {}^{15}C_r = 15 \sum_{r=1}^{15} [r-1+1] \times {}^{14}C_{r-1} = 15 \cdot 2^{14} + 15 \cdot 14 \cdot 2^{13} = 2^{15} \cdot 60$

\therefore Required Sum $= \frac{225}{4} \times 2^{15} + 2^{15} \cdot 60 - 225 \cdot 2^{14}$

118. The Value of $\frac{1}{\underline{1.15}} + \frac{1}{\underline{3.13}} + \frac{1}{\underline{5.11}} + \frac{1}{\underline{7.9}}$ is

A) $\frac{2^{14}}{\underline{15}}$

B) $\frac{2^{15}}{\underline{16}}$

C) $\frac{2^{10}}{\underline{15}}$

D) $\frac{2^{13}}{\underline{15}}$

Key. C

Sol. Let S be the required Sum. Then we have $2S \times \angle 16 = {}^{16}C_1 + {}^{16}C_3 + {}^{16}C_5 + {}^{16}C_7 + \dots + {}^{16}C_{15}$

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