

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

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

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

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 $= 100 \{ {}^n C_0 \cdot 100^{n-1} - {}^n C_1 \cdot 100^{n-2} + \dots - {}^n C_{n-2} \cdot 100 + {}^n C_{n-1} \}$
 $= 100 \times \text{integer whose units place is different from 0}$
 $[Q^n C_{n-1} = n, \text{ has odd digit at unit place}]$
 \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 ${}^{10}C_0 10^9 - {}^{10}C_1 9^9 + {}^{10}C_2 8^9 \dots - {}^{10}C_9$ 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

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

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

$$P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots P_n = \frac{(1-x^2)(1-x^3)(1-x^4) \dots (1-x^{n+1})}{(1-x)^n}$$

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

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, $x = 1,$

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

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

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

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

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 $x = 0$,

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

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

$$= \frac{C_0 x}{1} + \frac{C_1 x^2}{2} + \frac{C_2 x^3}{3} + \dots + \frac{C_n x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

Multiplying with x both sides

$$\frac{x(1+x)^{n+1} - x}{n+1} = \frac{C_0 x^2}{1} + \frac{C_1 x^3}{2} + \frac{C_2 x^4}{3} + \dots + \frac{C_n x^{n+1}}{n+1}$$

Differentiating with respect to x

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(n+1)x(1+x)^n + (1+x)^{n+1} - 1}{n+1} \\ &= \frac{2C_0 x}{1} + \frac{3C_1 x^2}{2} + \frac{4C_2 x^3}{3} + \dots + \frac{(n+2)C_n x^{n+1}}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

Now putting $x=1$ both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2^{n+1} + (n+1)2^n - 1}{n+1} \\ &= \frac{2C_0}{1} + \frac{3C_1}{2} + \frac{4C_2}{3} + \dots + \frac{(n+2)C_n}{n+1} \\ & \frac{2^n(n+3) - 1}{n+1} = \frac{2C_0}{1} + \frac{3C_1}{2} + \frac{4C_2}{3} + \dots + \frac{(n+2)C_n}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

71. In the expansion of $(1+x)^{70}$, the sum of coefficients of odd powers of x is

1. 0 2. 2^{69} 3. 2^{70} 4. 2^{71}

Key. 2

Sol. Fact. The sum of the coefficients of odd powers in the expansion of $(1+x)^n =$ sum of the coefficients of even powers in $(1+x)^n$

$$= 2^{n-1}$$

$$2^{70-1} = 2^{69}$$

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 $= 100 \{ {}^nC_0 \cdot 100^{n-1} - {}^nC_1 \cdot 100^{n-2} + \dots - {}^nC_{n-2} \cdot 100 + {}^nC_{n-1} \}$
 $= 100 \times \text{integer whose units place is different from 0}$
 $[Q^n C_{n-1} = n, \text{ has odd digit at unit place}]$
 \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 = $\{C_0 + (c_1 + c_2 + \dots + c_{n-1})\} + \{(c_0 + c_1) + (c_0 + c_1 + \dots + c_{n-2})\} +$

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

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

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

$\therefore 42 - 3r = 4r - 42$ 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. $(23)^{14} = (529)^7 = (530-1)^7$
 $= {}^7 C_0 (530)^7 - {}^7 C_1 (530)^6 + \dots - {}^7 C_7 (530)^0 = {}^7 C_0 (530)^7 - {}^7 C_1 (530)^6 + \dots + 3710 - 1$
 $= 100m + 3709$
 \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

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

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

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.

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

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 $2S \times \underline{16} = {}^{16}C_1 + {}^{16}C_3 + {}^{16}C_5 + {}^{16}C_7 + \dots + {}^{16}C_{15}$

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Binomial Theorem

Integer Answer Type

1. The sum of last 3 digits of 3^{100} is

Key. 1

Sol. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 3^{100} &= (3^4)^{25} \\
 &= (81)^{25} \\
 &= (80+1)^{25} \\
 &= {}^{25}C_0 \cdot (80)^{25} + {}^{25}C_1 \cdot (80)^{24} + \dots + {}^{25}C_{22} (80)^3 + {}^{25}C_{23} (80)^2 + {}^{25}C_{24} (80) + {}^{25}C_{25} \\
 &= 10^3 \left[{}^{25}C_0 8^{25} \times 10^{22} + {}^{25}C_1 \times 8^{24} \times 10^{21} + \dots + {}^{25}C_{22} \times 8^3 \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{25 \times 24}{2} \times (80)^2 + 25 \times 80 + 1 \\
 &= 10^3 m + 1920000 + 2000 + 1, \text{ where } m \in N \\
 &= 10^3 (m + 1920 + 2) + 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow 3^{100} - 1 = 10^3 (m + 1922) \\
 &\Rightarrow 3^{100} - 1 \text{ is divisible by } 1000 \\
 &\text{Thus, last three digits of } 3^{100} \text{ are } 001, \text{ last two digits of } 3^{100} \text{ are } 01 \text{ and the last digit of } 3^{100} \\
 &\text{is } 1
 \end{aligned}$$

2. If $n \in N$ and $C_k = {}^n C_k$, and $\sum_{k=1}^n k^3 \left(\frac{{}^n C_k}{{}^n C_{k-1}} \right)^2 = \frac{n(n+1)^2(n+2)}{3p}$ then p is

Key. 4

Sol. We have

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (n+1)^2 \left\{ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right\} - 2(n+1) \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} + \left\{ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right\}^2 \\
 &= \frac{n(n+1)^2}{2} \left\{ (n+1) - \frac{2}{3}(2n+1) + \frac{n}{2} \right\} \\
 \dots (i) &= \frac{n(n+1)^2}{2} \times \frac{6(n+1) - 4(2n+1) + 3n}{6} \\
 &= \frac{n(n+1)^2 (n+2)}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. If $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ denote binomial coefficient in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ and given $a=b=2$ and $n=10$, then $aC_0 + (a+b)C_1 + (a+2b)C_2 + \dots + (a+nb)C_n = 4K \cdot 2^9$ where k is ____

Key. 6

Sol. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &aC_0 + (a+b)C_1 + (a+2b)C_2 + \dots + (a+nb)C_n \\
 &\sum_{r=0}^n (a+rb)^n C_r \\
 &= a \left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right) + b \left(\sum_{r=0}^n r^n C_r \right) \\
 &= a \left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right) + b \left(\sum_{r=1}^n r \frac{n}{r} {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} \right) \\
 &= a \left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right) + bn \left(\sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} \right) \\
 &= a \cdot 2^n + bn \cdot 2^{n-1} \left[\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r = 2^n, \sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} = 2^{n-1} \right] \\
 &= (2a+bn)2^{n-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Given ${}^8 C_1 x(1-x)^7 + 2 \cdot {}^8 C_2 x^2(1-x)^6 + 3 \cdot {}^8 C_3 x^3(1-x)^5 + \dots + 8 \cdot x^8 = ax+b$, Find $a+b$

Key. 8

Sol. ${}^8 C_1 x(1-x)^7 + 2 \cdot {}^8 C_2 x^2(1-x)^6 + 3 \cdot {}^8 C_3 x^3(1-x)^5 + \dots + n \cdot {}^8 C_n x^n = 8x$

Solution we have ,

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{r=1}^n r \cdot {}^n C_r x^r (1-x)^{n-r} \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^n r \cdot \frac{n}{r} {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} x^r (1-x)^{n-r} \\
 &= n \sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} x \cdot x^{r-1} (1-x)^{(n-1)-(r-1)} \\
 &= nx \sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} x^{r-1} (1-x)^{(n-1)-(r-1)} \\
 &= nx [x + (1-x)]^{n-1} \\
 &= nx \cdot 8x \quad (n=8) \\
 &a + b = 8
 \end{aligned}$$

5. Let $\alpha_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{{}^n C_r}$, Let $\beta_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{{}^n C_r}$ for $n = 10$, find $\frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n}$

Key. 5

Sol. We have $\alpha_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{{}^n C_r} : n=10$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{(n/2)-1} \left(\frac{1}{{}^n C_r} \right) + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n-r}} \right\} + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \\
 &= \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{(n/2)-1} \frac{2}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \\
 &= 2 \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{(n/2)-1} \frac{1}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \dots\dots(ii) \\
 &\therefore \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{{}^n C_r} \\
 &= \sum_{r=0}^{(n/2)-1} \left\{ \frac{r}{{}^n C_r} + \frac{n-r}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{n/2}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \\
 &= \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{n/2-1} \frac{n}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{n}{2 \cdot {}^n C_{n/2}} \\
 &= \frac{n}{2} \left[\left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{n/2-1} \frac{1}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \right] = \frac{n}{2} \alpha_n \quad [\text{Using (ii)}]
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence ,

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{{}^n C_r} = \frac{n}{2} \alpha_n \text{ for all } n \in N$$

6. If $\sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{{}^n C_r}{({}^{r+2}) C_r} = \frac{k}{n+2}$, find k

Key. 2

Sol. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{{}^n C_r}{{}^{n+2} C_r} \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!} \times \frac{2!r!}{(r+2)!} \\ &= 2 \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{n!}{(n-r)!(r+2)!} \\ &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{(n+2)!}{\{(n+2)-(r+2)\}!(r+2)!} \\ &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^{r+2} {}^{n+2} C_{r+2} \\ &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \sum_{s=2}^{n+2} (-1)^s {}^{n+2} C_s \\ &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left[\left(\sum_{s=0}^{n+2} (-1)^s {}^{n+2} C_s \right) - ({}^{n+2} C_0 - {}^{n+2} C_1) \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} [0 - \{1 - (n+2)\}] \\ &= \frac{2}{n+2} \end{aligned}$$

7. $s = a + (a+d) + (a+2d) + \dots + (a+nd)$ and

$$A = a + (a+d) {}^n C_1 + (a+2d) {}^n C_2 + \dots + (a+nd) {}^n C_n \text{ then}$$

$$(n+1)A = k^n S \text{ where } k = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Key. 2

Sol. We have

$$s = a + (a+d) + (a+2d) + \dots + (a+nd)$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{n+1}{2} [2a + (n+1-1)d]$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{n+1}{2} (2a + nd)$$

Now,

$$A = a + (a+d) {}^n C_1 + (a+2d) {}^n C_2 + \dots + (a+nd) {}^n C_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{r=0}^n (a + rd) {}^n C_r \\
 &= a \left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right) + d \left(\sum_{r=0}^n r \cdot {}^n C_r \right) \\
 &= a \cdot 2^n + d \cdot n \cdot 2^{n-1} \quad \left[\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r = 2^n, \sum_{r=0}^n r \cdot {}^n C_r = n \cdot 2^{n-1} \right] \\
 &= (2a + nd) 2^{n-1} \\
 &= \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2} (2a + nd) \right\} \left\{ \frac{2}{n+1} \times 2^{n-1} \right\} \\
 &= \frac{s \cdot 2^n}{n+1} \\
 &\therefore (n+1)A = 2^n S
 \end{aligned}$$

8. Consider two polynomials $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ as $g(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{200} \alpha_r x^r$ and $f(x) = \sum_{r=0}^{200} \beta_r x^r$.
 Given (i) $\beta_r = 1 \forall r \geq 100$, (ii) $f(x+1) = g(x)$. Let $A = \sum_{r=100}^{200} \alpha_r$. Find the remainder when

A is divided by 15.

Key: 1

Hint:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{r=0}^{200} \alpha_r x^r &= \sum_{r=0}^{200} \beta_r (r+x)^r \\
 \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2 + \dots + \alpha_{200} x^{200} \\
 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 (1+x) + \dots + \beta_{200} (1+x)^{200} \\
 \text{Equating coefficient of } x^{100}, & \text{ we get } \alpha_{100} = {}^{100} C_{100} + {}^{101} C_{100} + \dots + {}^{200} C_{100} = {}^{201} C_{101}
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can't find $\alpha_{100} \dots \alpha_{200}$

$$\sum_{r=100}^{200} \alpha_r = {}^{201} C_{101} + {}^{201} C_{102} + \dots + {}^{201} C_{201}$$

$$A = 2^{200}$$

When A is divided by 15 remainder is 1.

9. (L-1) Coefficient of x^6 in $\left((1+x)(1+x^2)^2(1+x^3)^3 \dots (1+x^n)^n \right)$ is $4k$. The numerical value of k is

Key : 7

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

$$(1 + {}^6 C_1 x^1) (1 + {}^5 C_1 x^1 + {}^5 C_2 x^2) (1 + {}^4 C_1 x^1 + {}^4 C_2 x^2 + {}^4 C_3 x^3) (1 + {}^3 C_1 x^1 + {}^3 C_2 x^2 + {}^3 C_3 x^3) (1 + {}^2 C_1 x^1 + {}^2 C_2 x^2) (1+x)$$

$$= \text{coefficient of } x^6 \text{ in } (1 + 6x^6 + 5x^5 + 4x^4)(1 + 2x^2 + 3x^3 + x^4 + 6x^5 + 3x^6)(1 + x)$$

$$= \text{coefficient of } x^6 \text{ in } (11x^5 + 17x^6)(1 + x)$$

$$= 28$$

10. $(1 + x)(1 + x + x^2)(1 + x + x^2 + x^3) \dots (1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^{100})$

When written in the ascending power of x then (the highest exponent of x) – 5045 is

Key. 5

Sol. Highest exponent of $x = 1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 100 = \frac{100(101)}{2} : 5050$

11. Find the Coefficient of x^{103} in $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^{199}(x - 1)^{201}$.

Key. 0

Sol. Coefficient of x^{103} in $(1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4)^{199}(x - 1)^{201}$

Coefficient of x^{103} in $-(1 - x)^2(1 - x^5)^{199}$

Coefficient of x^{103} in $-(1 - 2x + x^2)(1 - {}^{199}C_1x^5 + {}^{199}C_2x^{10} - {}^{199}C_3x^{15} + \dots)$

Coefficient of $x^{103} = 0$

12. Given ${}^8C_1x(1-x)^7 + 2 \cdot {}^8C_2x^2(1-x)^6 + 3 \cdot {}^8C_3x^3(1-x)^5 + \dots + 8 \cdot x^8 = ax + b$, Find $a + b$

Key. 8

Sol. ${}^8C_1x(1-x)^7 + 2 \cdot {}^8C_2x^2(1-x)^6$
 $+ 3 \cdot {}^8C_3x^3(1-x)^5 + \dots + n \cdot {}^8C_8x^8 = 8x$

Solution we have ,

$${}^nC_1x(1-x)^{n-1} + 2 \cdot {}^nC_2x^2(1-x)^{n-2}$$

$$+ 3 \cdot {}^nC_3x^3(1-x)^{n-3} + \dots + n \cdot {}^nC_nx^n$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n r \cdot {}^nC_r x^r (1-x)^{n-r}$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^n r \cdot \frac{n}{r} {}^{n-1}C_{r-1} x^r (1-x)^{n-r}$$

$$= n \sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1}C_{r-1} x \cdot x^{r-1} (1-x)^{(n-1)-(r-1)}$$

$$= nx \sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1}C_{r-1} x^{r-1} (1-x)^{(n-1)-(r-1)}$$

$$= nx [x + (1-x)]^{n-1}$$

$$= nx \cdot 8x \quad (n=8)$$

$$a + b = 8$$

13. Let $\alpha_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{n C_r}$, Let $\beta_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{n C_r}$ for $n = 10$, find $\frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n}$

Key. 5

Sol. We have $\alpha_n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{1}{{}^n C_r} : n=10$

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

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

$$= 2 \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{(n/2)-1} \frac{1}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \quad \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\therefore \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{{}^n C_r}$$

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

$$= \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{n/2-1} \frac{n}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{n}{{}^n C_{n/2}}$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} \left[\left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{n/2-1} \frac{1}{{}^n C_r} \right\} + \frac{1}{{}^n C_{n/2}} \right] = \frac{n}{2} \alpha_n \quad \text{[Using (ii)]}$$

Hence ,

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{r}{{}^n C_r} = \frac{n}{2} \alpha_n \text{ for all } n \in N$$

14. If $\sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r \frac{{}^n C_r}{{}^{(r+2)} C_r} = \frac{k}{n+2}$, find k

Key. 2

Sol. We have

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

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \sum_{s=2}^{n+2} (-1)^s {}^2C_s \\
 &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \left[\left(\sum_{s=0}^{n+1} (-1)^s {}^{n+2}C_s \right) - ({}^{n+2}C_0 - {}^{n+2}C_1) \right] \\
 &= \frac{2}{(n+1)(n+2)} [0 - \{1 - (n+2)\}] \\
 &= \frac{2}{n+2}
 \end{aligned}$$

15. $s = a + (a + d) + (a + 2d) + \dots + (a + nd)$ and

$A = a + (a + d) {}^n C_1 + (a + 2d) {}^n C_2 + \dots + (a + nd) {}^n C_n$ then

$(n+1)A = k^n S$ where $k = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Key. 2

Sol. We have

$$s = a + (a + d) + (a + 2d) + \dots + (a + nd)$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{n+1}{2} [2a + (n+1-1)d]$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \frac{n+1}{2} (2a + nd)$$

Now,

$$A = a + (a + d) {}^n C_1 + (a + 2d) {}^n C_2 + \dots + (a + nd) {}^n C_n$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^n (a + rd) {}^n C_r$$

$$= a \left(\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r \right) + d \left(\sum_{r=0}^n r \cdot {}^n C_r \right)$$

$$= a \cdot 2^n + d \cdot n \cdot 2^{n-1} \quad \left[\text{Q } \sum_{R=0}^N {}^N C_R = 2^N, \sum_{r=0}^n r \cdot {}^n C_r = n \cdot 2^{n-1} \right]$$

$$= (2a + nd) 2^{n-1}$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{n+1}{2} (2a + nd) \right\} \left\{ \frac{2}{n+1} \times 2^{n-1} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{s \cdot 2^n}{n+1}$$

$$\therefore (n+1)A = 2^n S$$

16. The sum of the series $3 \cdot {}^{2007}C_0 - 8 \cdot {}^{2007}C_1 + 13 \cdot {}^{2007}C_2 - 18 \cdot {}^{2007}C_3 + \dots$ upto 2008 terms is K, then K is

Key. 0

Sol. Series = $\sum_{r=0}^{2007} (-1)^r (5r + 3) {}^{2007}C_r = 0 \Rightarrow K = 0$

17. If n is a +ve integer greater than 3 such that $(1+x^2)^2(1+x)^n = \sum_{K=0}^{n+4} a_K x^K$ and a_1, a_2, a_3 are in AP then maximum value of n is _____.

Key. 4

Sol. $(1+x^2)^2(1+x)^n = \sum_{K=0}^{n+4} a_K x^K$

$a_1 = nC_1, 2 + {}^n C_2 = a_2$

${}^n C_3 + 2 \cdot {}^n C_1 = a_3$

But a_1, a_2, a_3 are in AP

$(n-2)(n-3)(n-4) = 0 \Rightarrow n = 2, 3, 4$

Maximum value of n is 4.

18. If C_r is a binomial co-efficient in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$, find the value of

$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (i+j)C_i C_j$

Sol. Note: $C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_n = 2^n$ & $1 \cdot C_1 + 2 \cdot C_2 + \dots + n \cdot C_n = n 2^{n-1}$

$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (i+1)C_i C_j = \sum \sum i C_i C_j + \sum \sum j C_i C_j$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n i C_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n C_j \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n j C_j \left(\sum_{i=1}^n C_i \right) = (2^n - 1) 2 \sum i C_i = (2^n - 1) 2n \cdot 2^{n-1} = n 2^n (2^n - 1)$

19. Let $(1+x^3)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r x^r (1-x)^{3n-2r}$, $n > 2$, then find the value of n so that a_1, a_2, a_3 are in A.G.P.

Sol. If $(1-x^3)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r x^r (1-x)^{3n-2r}$

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

$\Rightarrow \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r (3x)^r [(1-x)^2]^{n-r} = \sum_{r=0}^n a_r x^r [(1-x)^2]^{n-r}$

Comparing the coefficients of like power of x on both sides, we get $a_r = {}^n C_r \cdot 3^r$.

$\therefore a_1 = 3 \cdot {}^n C_1, a_2 = 9 \cdot {}^n C_2$ and $a_3 = 27 \cdot {}^n C_3$

$\therefore a_1, a_2, a_3$ are in A.G.P. iff ${}^n C_1, {}^n C_2, {}^n C_3$ are in A.P.

$\therefore n = 7$ Ans.

20. Prove that ${}^n C_0 {}^n C_1 {}^n C_2 \dots {}^n C_n < \frac{(n-1)!(2^{n+1} - n - 2)^n}{n^{n-1} (n+1)^{n-1}}$.

Sol.
$$\left[\frac{1}{(n+1)!} ({}^n C_0 \cdot {}^n C_1 \cdot {}^n C_2 \dots {}^n C_n) \right]^{\frac{1}{n}} = \left[\frac{1}{2} {}^n C_1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} {}^n C_2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} {}^n C_3 \dots \frac{1}{n+1} {}^n C_n \right]^{\frac{1}{n}}$$

$$\leq \frac{\frac{1}{2} {}^n C_1 + \frac{1}{3} {}^n C_2 + \frac{1}{4} {}^n C_3 + \dots + \frac{1}{n+1} {}^n C_n}{n} = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n+1} C_{r+1}}{n(n+1)} = \frac{2^{n+1} - n - 2}{n(n+1)}$$

$$\therefore {}^n C_0 {}^n C_1 {}^n C_2 \dots {}^n C_n < \frac{(n+1)!(2^{n+1} - n - 2)^n}{n^n (n+1)^n} = \frac{(n-1)!(2^{n+1} - n - 2)^n}{n^{n-1} (n+1)^{n-1}}$$

21. If $(1 + 2x + 2x^2)^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{2n}x^{2n}$ where n is even, then find the value of $a_0a_{2n} - a_1a_{2n-1} + \dots + a_{2n}a_0$.

Sol. $(1 + 2x + 2x^2)^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{2n}x^{2n}$... (i)

Replace x by $-x$

$(1 - 2x + 2x^2)^n = a_0 - a_1x + a_2x^2 - \dots + a_{2n}x^{2n}$... (ii)

$\therefore a_0a_{2n} - a_1a_{2n-1} + \dots =$ coefficient of x^{2n} in the product of RHS of (i) and (ii)

$=$ coefficient of x^{2n} in the product of LHS

$=$ coefficient of x^{2n} in $\left[(1 + 2x^2)^2 - (2x)^2 \right]^n$

$\text{i.e. in } (1 + 4x^4)^n$

$=$ coefficient of y^n in $(1 + 4y^2)^n$ where $x^2 = y$

$= {}^n C_{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot 2^n$ (n is even)

22. If the middle term of $\left(\frac{1}{x} + x \sin x\right)^{10}$ is equal to $7\frac{7}{8}$, then find the value of x .

Sol. There are 11 terms in the expansion \therefore 6th term is the middle term.

$T_6 = {}^{10}C_5 \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^5 (x \sin x)^5$

${}^{10}C_5 (\sin x)^5 = \frac{63}{8}$

$(\sin x)^5 = \frac{63}{8} \times \frac{1}{252} = \frac{1}{32}$

$\Rightarrow \sin x = \frac{1}{2}$

$\therefore x = n\pi + (-1)^n \frac{\pi}{6}, n \in I$ Ans.

23. Find the last three digits of 17^{256}

Sol. We have $17^2 = 289 = 290 - 1$

Now $17^{256} = (17^2)^{128} = (290 - 1)^{128}$

$= {}^{128}C_0 (290)^{128} - {}^{128}C_1 (290)^{127} + {}^{128}C_2 (290)^{126} - \dots$

$- {}^{128}C_{125} (290)^3 + {}^{128}C_{126} (290)^2 - {}^{128}C_{127} (290) + 1$

$$= 1000m + \frac{(128)(127)}{2}(290)^2 - (128)(290) + 1$$

Where m is a positive integer.

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1000m + (128)(290)[(127)(145) - 1] + 1 \\ &= 1000m + (128)(290)(18414) + 1 \\ &= 1000m + 683527680 + 1 \\ &= 1000[m + 683527] + 680 + 1 \\ &= 1000[m + 683527] + 681 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the last three digits of 17^{256} are 681. Ans.

24. Find sum of rational coefficients in expansion of $(\sqrt[3]{5}x + \sqrt{3}y + z)^6$

Sol. Any term of the expansion is of the form $\frac{6!}{a!b!c!}(5^{1/3}x)^a(3^{1/2}y)^bz^c$

z^c, a, b, c non-negative integers and $a + b + c = 6$. For rational coefficients 'a' must be multiple of 3 and b must be multiple of 2.

The following are the possibilities

$$\text{Sum of coefficients} = \frac{6!}{6!} + \frac{6!}{2!4!} \cdot 3 + \frac{6!}{4!2!} 3^2 + \frac{6!}{6!} 3^3 + \frac{6!}{3!3!} 5 + \frac{6!}{3!2!} \cdot 5 \cdot 3 + \frac{6!}{6!} 5^2 = 1233 \text{ Ans.}$$

25. Find the algebraically second largest term in the expansion of $(3 - 2x)^{15}$ at $x = \frac{4}{3}$.

Sol. $(3 - 2x)^{15}$ at $x = \frac{4}{3}$

$$r \leq \frac{16|2x|}{3 + |2x|} = \frac{16 \times 2 \times \frac{4}{3}}{3 + \frac{8}{3}} = \frac{128}{17}$$

$$r = 7$$

$$\therefore t_{r+1} = t_8 = {}^{15}C_7 3^8 (-2x)^7 = -{}^{15}C_7 3^8 \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^7 \text{ is numerically greatest term.}$$

$\therefore t_7$ and t_9 are positive terms

$$t_7 = {}^{15}C_6 3^9 (-2x)^6 = {}^{15}C_6 3^9 \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^6 = {}^{15}C_6 8^6 \cdot 3^3$$

$$\text{and } t_9 = {}^{15}C_8 3^7 (-2x)^8 = {}^{15}C_8 \cdot 3^7 \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^8 = {}^{15}C_8 8^8 \cdot 3^{-1}$$

$$\therefore t_9 t_7 = \frac{15! 8^8}{8!7! 3} - \frac{15!}{8!6!} 8^6 \cdot 3^3 = \frac{15! 8^6}{8!6! 3} \left[\frac{64}{7} - \frac{3^4}{9} \right] > 0$$

$$\therefore t_7 < t_9$$

$$t_{11} = {}^{15}C_{10} \frac{8^{10}}{3^5}$$

$$\therefore t_7 - t_{11} = 10935 - 4096 > 0$$

$$\therefore t_7 > t_{11}$$

Thus $t_9 > t_7 > t_{11}$

Hence t_7 is the second largest term.

26. Coefficient of x^{203} in $(x-1)(x^2-2)(x^3-3)\dots(x^{20}-20)$ is k then sum of the digits of k is
 Key. 4

Sol. $(x-1)(x^2-2)(x^3-3)\dots(x^n-n)$

Highest power of x = $1+2+3+\dots+20 = 210$ we require, coefficient of x^{210-7}

\Rightarrow either, we should leave

$$x^7-7, (x-1)(x^6-6), (x^2-2)(x^5-5), (x^3-3)(x^4-4), (x-1)(x^2-2)(x^4-4)$$

\Rightarrow required coefficient is $12 + 10 + 6 - 7 - 8 = 13$

27. If the coefficient of x^7 in $\left(ax^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right)^{11}$ and the coefficient of x^{-7} in $\left(ax - \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{11}$ are equal if

$b = \frac{1}{9}$ then the value of a is

Key. 9

Sol. $ab = 1$

28. Let $f(n) = (\sqrt{2} + 1)^n$, 'n' being an odd positive integer [.] the greatest integer function then the value of 'n' for which $[f(x)] = 82$ is.

Key. 5

Sol. $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^n - (\sqrt{2} - 1)^n = 2 \left\{ {}^n C_1 (\sqrt{2})^{n-1} + {}^n C_3 (\sqrt{2})^{n-3} + \dots + {}^n C_n \right\}$
 = integer

$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2} - 1)^n$ is the fractional part of $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^n$

$\therefore [f(n)] = \left[(\sqrt{2} + 1)^n \right] = (\sqrt{2} + 1)^n - (\sqrt{2} - 1)^n$ is satisfied for $n = 5$

29. If α and β are the roots of equation $x^2 + 4x + p = 0$ where $p = \sum_{r=0}^n n_{c_r} \frac{1+rx}{(1+nx)^r} (-1)^r$ then the value of $|\alpha - \beta|$ is

Key. 4

Sol. $p = \sum_{r=0}^n n_{c_r} \cdot \left(\frac{-1}{1+nx}\right)^r + \sum_{r=0}^n n_{c_r} \frac{(-1)^r rx}{(1+nx)^r}$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+nx}\right)^n + x \sum_{r=1}^n {}^{n-1} C_{r-1} \frac{(-1)^r x}{(1+nx)^r}$$

$$= \left(\frac{nx}{1+nx}\right)^n - \left(\frac{nx}{1+nx}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+nx}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore |\alpha - \beta| = 4$$

30. ${}^nC_0 4^n C_n - {}^nC_1 (4n-3) C_n + {}^nC_2 4n-6 C_n - {}^nC_3 4n-9 C_n + \dots$ to n terms is equal to $(1+k)^n$ then the value of k is

Key. 2

Sol. Coefficient x^n in $\left\{ {}^nC_0 (1+x)^{4n} - {}^nC_1 (1+x)^{4n-3} + {}^nC_2 (1+x)^{4n-6} \dots + (-1)^n {}^nC_n (1+x)^n \right\}$
 \Rightarrow Coefficient x^n in $(1+x)^n \left\{ (1+x)^3 - 1 \right\}^n \Rightarrow 3^n$

31. If the sum of the coefficient in the expansion of $(\alpha x^2 - 2x + 1)^{35}$ is equal to the sum of the coefficients in the expansion of $(x - \alpha y)^{35}$, then the value of α is.

Key. 1

Sol. Conceptual

32. The value of $99^{50} - 99.98^{50} + \frac{99.98}{1.2} (97)^{50} - \dots + 99$ is

Key. 0

Sol. ${}^{99}C_0 99^{50} - {}^{99}C_1 (99-1)^{50} + {}^{99}C_2 (99-2)^{50} - \dots + {}^{99}C_{98} (99-98)^{50} - {}^{99}C_{99} (99-99)^{50}$
 $= 99^{50} [{}^{99}C_0 - {}^{99}C_1 + {}^{99}C_2 - \dots + {}^{99}C_{98} - {}^{99}C_{99}] + {}^{50}C_1 99^{49} [{}^{99}C_1 - 2 \cdot {}^{99}C_2 + 3 \cdot {}^{99}C_3 - \dots] + \dots = 0$

33. At which $x > 0$ the 6th term in the expansion of the binomial $\left(\sqrt{2^{\log(10-3^x)}} + \sqrt[5]{2^{(x-2)\log 3}} \right)^m$ is equal to 21, if it is known that the binomial coefficient of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th term in the expansion represent respectively the 1st, 3rd and 5th terms of an A.P (the symbol log stands for logarithm to the base 10).

Key. 2

Sol. $2 \cdot {}^mC_2 = {}^mC_1 + {}^mC_3$

$$\Rightarrow m = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow 21 = {}^7C_5 \left[\sqrt{2^{\log(10-3^x)}} \right]^{7-5} \times \left[\sqrt[5]{2^{(x-2)\log 3}} \right]^5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2$$

34. When 32^{33} is divided by 34, it leaves the remainder $3k + 5$ then the value of k is _____.

Key. 9

Sol. $32^{33} = 2^{165} = 2 \times 16^{41} = 2 \times (17 - 1)^{41} = 2 \times (17k - 1) = 34k - 34 + 32$
 So the remainder is 32.

35. If the sum of all the coefficients of the terms in the expansion of $(x + y + z + w)^6$ which contain x but not y , is $95t$ then the value of t is _____.

Key. 7

Sol. The sum of coefficients of terms not containing $y = 3^6$
 The sum of coefficients of terms not containing both x & $y = 2^6$

So the required number = $3^6 - 2^6 = 665$.

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