

NCERT solutions for class 11 maths chapter 8 Binomial Theorem

Question:1 Expand the expression. $(1 - 2x)^5$

Answer:

Given,

The Expression:

$$(1 - 2x)^5$$

the expansion of this Expression is,

$$(1 - 2x)^5 =$$

$${}^5C_0(1)^5 - {}^5C_1(1)^4(2x) + {}^5C_2(1)^3(2x)^2 - {}^5C_3(1)^2(2x)^3 + {}^5C_4(1)^1(2x)^4 - {}^5C_5(2x)^5$$

$$1 - 5(2x) + 10(4x^2) - 10(8x^3) + 5(16x^4) - (32x^5)$$

$$1 - 10x + 40x^2 - 80x^3 + 80x^4 - 32x^5$$

Question:2 Expand the expression. $\left(\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x}{2}\right)^5$

Answer:

Given,

The Expression:

$$\left(\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x}{2}\right)^5$$

the expansion of this Expression is,

$$\left(\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x}{2}\right)^5 \Rightarrow$$

$$+5 \left(\frac{2}{x}\right) \left(\frac{x^4}{16}\right) - \frac{x^5}{32}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{32}{x^5} - \frac{40}{x^3} + \frac{20}{x} - 5x + \frac{5x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{32}$$

Question:3 Expand the expression. $(2x - 3)^6$

Answer:

Given,

The Expression:

$$(2x - 3)^6$$

the expansion of this Expression is,

$$(2x - 3)^6 =$$

$$\Rightarrow {}^6C_0(2x)^6 - {}^6C_1(2x)^5(3) + {}^6C_2(2x)^4(3)^2 - {}^6C_3(2x)^3(3)^3 +$$

$${}^6C_4(2x)^2(3)^4 - {}^6C_5(2x)(3)^5 + {}^6C_6(3)^6$$

$$\Rightarrow 64x^6 - 6(32x^5)(3) + 15(16x^4)(9) - 20(8x^3)(27) + 15(4x^2)(81) - 6(2x)(243)$$

$$+ 729$$

$$\Rightarrow 64x^6 - 576x^5 + 2160x^4 - 4320x^3 + 4860x^2 - 2916x + 729$$

Question:4 Expand the expression. $\left(\frac{x}{3} + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5$

Answer:

Given,

The Expression:

$$\left(\frac{x}{3} + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5$$

the expansion of this Expression is,

$$\left(\frac{x}{3} + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5 \Rightarrow$$

$$+5 \left(\frac{x}{3}\right) \left(\frac{1}{x^4}\right) + \frac{1}{x^5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x^5}{243} + \frac{5x^3}{81} + \frac{10x}{27} + \frac{10}{9x} + \frac{5}{3x^2} + \frac{1}{x^5}$$

Question:5 Expand the expression. $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$

Answer:

Given,

The Expression:

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$$

the expansion of this Expression is,

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$$

$$+15(x^2) \left(\frac{1}{x^4}\right) + 6(x) \left(\frac{1}{x^5}\right) + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^6 + 6x^4 + 15x^2 + 20 + \frac{15}{x^2} + \frac{6}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

Question:6 Using binomial theorem, evaluate the following: $(96)^3$

Answer:

As 96 can be written as $(100-4)$;

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (96)^3 \\ &= (100 - 4)^3 \\ &= {}^3C_0(100)^3 - {}^3C_1(100)^2(4) + {}^3C_2(100)(4)^2 - {}^3C_3(4)^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$= (100)^3 - 3(100)^2(4) + 3(100)(4)^2 - (4)^3$$

$$= 1000000 - 120000 + 4800 - 64$$

$$= 884736$$

Question:7 Using binomial theorem, evaluate the following: $(102)^5$

Answer:

As we can write 102 in the form $100+2$

$$\Rightarrow (102)^5$$

$$= (100 + 2)^5$$

$$= {}^5C_0(100)^5 + {}^5C_1(100)^4(2) + {}^5C_2(100)^3(2)^2$$

$$+ {}^5C_3(100)^2(2)^3 + {}^5C_4(100)^1(2)^4 + {}^5C_5(2)^5$$

$$= 10000000000 + 1000000000 + 40000000 + 800000 + 8000 + 32$$

$$= 11040808032$$

Question:8 Using binomial theorem, evaluate the following:

$$(101)^4$$

Answer:

As we can write 101 in the form $100+1$

$$\Rightarrow (101)^4$$

$$= (100 + 1)^4$$

$$= {}^4C_0(100)^4 + {}^4C_1(100)^3(1) + {}^4C_2(100)^2(1)^2 + {}^4C_3(100)^1(1)^3 + {}^4C_4(1)^4$$

$$= 100000000 + 4000000 + 60000 + 400 + 1$$

$$= 104060401$$

Question:9 Using binomial theorem, evaluate the following: $(99)^5$

Answer:

As we can write 99 in the form 100-1

$$\Rightarrow (99)^5$$

$$= (100 - 1)^5$$

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

$$= 10000000000 - 5000000000 + 100000000 - 100000 + 500 - 1$$

$$= 9509900499$$

Question:10 Using Binomial Theorem, indicate which number is larger $(1.1)^{10000}$ or 1000.

Answer:

AS we can write 1.1 as $1 + 0.1$,

$$(1.1)^{10000} = (1 + 0.1)^{10000}$$

$$= {}^{10000}C_0 + {}^{10000}C_1(1.1) + \text{Other positive terms}$$

$$= 1 + 10000 \times 1.1 + \text{Other positive term}$$

$$> 1000$$

Hence,

$$(1.1)^{10000} > 1000$$

Question:11 Find $(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4$. Hence, evaluate $(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^4 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^4$.

Answer:

Using Binomial Theorem, the expressions $(a + b)^4$ and $(a - b)^4$ can be expressed as

$$(a + b)^4 = {}^4C_0 a^4 + {}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_2 a^2 b^2 + {}^4C_3 a b^3 + {}^4C_4 b^4$$

$$(a - b)^4 = {}^4C_0 a^4 - {}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_2 a^2 b^2 - {}^4C_3 a b^3 + {}^4C_4 b^4$$

From Here,

$$(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4 = {}^4C_0 a^4 + {}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_2 a^2 b^2 + {}^4C_3 a b^3 + {}^4C_4 b^4$$

$$- {}^4C_0 a^4 + {}^4C_1 a^3 b - {}^4C_2 a^2 b^2 + {}^4C_3 a b^3 - {}^4C_4 b^4$$

$$(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4 = 2 \times ({}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_3 a b^3)$$

$$(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4 = 8ab(a^2 + b^2)$$

Now, Using this, we get

$$(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^4 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^4 = 8(\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{2})(3 + 2) = 8 \times \sqrt{6} \times 5 = 40\sqrt{6}$$

Question:12 Find $(x + 1)^6 + (x - 1)^6$. Hence or otherwise

evaluate $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^6$.

Answer:

Using Binomial Theorem, the expressions $(x + 1)^6$ and $(x - 1)^6$ can be expressed as ,

$$(x + 1)^6 = {}^6C_0 x^6 + {}^6C_1 x^5 \cdot 1 + {}^6C_2 x^4 \cdot 1^2 + {}^6C_3 x^3 \cdot 1^3 + {}^6C_4 x^2 \cdot 1^4 + {}^6C_5 x \cdot 1^5 + {}^6C_6 1^6$$

$$(x - 1)^6 = {}^6C_0 x^6 - {}^6C_1 x^5 \cdot 1 + {}^6C_2 x^4 \cdot 1^2 - {}^6C_3 x^3 \cdot 1^3 + {}^6C_4 x^2 \cdot 1^4 - {}^6C_5 x \cdot 1^5 + {}^6C_6 1^6$$

From Here,

$$(x + 1)^6 - (x - 1)^6 = {}^6C_0x^6 + {}^6C_1x^5 \cdot 1 + {}^6C_2x^4 \cdot 1^2 + {}^6C_3x^3 \cdot 1^3 + {}^6C_4x^2 \cdot 1^4 + {}^6C_5x \cdot 1^5 + {}^6C_6 \cdot 1^6$$
$$+ {}^6C_0x^6 - {}^6C_1x^5 \cdot 1 + {}^6C_2x^4 \cdot 1^2 - {}^6C_3x^3 \cdot 1^3 + {}^6C_4x^2 \cdot 1^4 - {}^6C_5x \cdot 1^5 + {}^6C_6 \cdot 1^6$$

$$(x + 1)^6 + (x - 1)^6 = 2({}^6C_0x^6 + {}^6C_2x^4 \cdot 1^2 + {}^6C_4x^2 \cdot 1^4 + {}^6C_6 \cdot 1^6)$$

$$(x + 1)^6 + (x - 1)^6 = 2(x^6 + 15x^4 + 15x^2 + 1)$$

Now, Using this, we get

$$(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^6 = 2((\sqrt{2})^6 + 15(\sqrt{2})^4 + 15(\sqrt{2})^2 + 1)$$

$$(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^6 = 2(8 + 60 + 30 + 1) = 2(99) = 198$$

Question:13 Show that $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 64, whenever n is a positive integer.

Answer:

If we want to prove that $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 64, then we have to prove that $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9 = 64k$

As we know, from binomial theorem,

$$(1 + x)^m = {}^mC_0 + {}^mC_1x + {}^mC_2x^2 + {}^mC_3x^3 + \dots + {}^mC_mx^m$$

Here putting $x = 8$ and replacing m by $n+1$, we get,

$$9^{n+1} = {}^{n+1}C_0 + {}^{n+1}C_1 \cdot 8 + {}^{n+1}C_2 \cdot 8^2 + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n+1} \cdot 8^{n+1}$$

$$9^{n+1} = 1 + 8(n+1) + 8^2({}^{n+1}C_2 + {}^{n+1}C_3 8 + {}^{n+1}C_4 8^2 + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n+1} 8^{n-1})$$

$$9^{n+1} = 1 + 8n + 8 + 64(k)$$

Now, Using This,

$$9^{n+1} - 8n - 9 = 9 + 8n + 64k - 9 - 8n = 64k$$

Hence

$9^{n+1} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 64.

$$\sum_{r=0}^n 3^r {}^n C_r = 4^n$$

Question:14 Prove that

Answer:

As we know from Binomial Theorem,

$$\sum_{r=0}^n a^r {}^n C_r = (1+a)^n$$

Here putting $a = 3$, we get,

$$\sum_{r=0}^n 3^r {}^n C_r = (1+3)^n$$

$$\sum_{r=0}^n 3^r {}^n C_r = 4^n$$

Hence Proved.

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Exercise: 8.2

Question:1 Find the coefficient of

$$x^5 \text{ in } (x + 3)^8$$

Answer:

As we know that the $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

Now let's assume x^5 happens in the $(r + 1)^{th}$ term of the binomial expansion of $(x + 3)^8$

So,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^8 C_r x^{8-r} 3^r$$

On comparing the indices of x we get,

$$r = 3$$

Hence the coefficient of the x^5 in $(x + 3)^8$ is

$${}^8 C_3 \times 3^3 = \frac{8!}{5!3!} \times 9 = \frac{8 \times 7 \times 6}{3 \times 2} \times 9 = 1512$$

Question:2 Find the coefficient of $a^5 b^7$ in $(a - 2b)^{12}$

Answer:

As we know that the $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

Now let's assume $a^5 b^7$ happens in the $(r + 1)^{th}$ term of the binomial expansion of $(a - 2b)^{12}$

So,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{12} C_r x^{12-r} (-2b)^r$$

On comparing the indices of x we get,

$$r = 7$$

Hence the coefficient of the $a^5 b^7$ in $(a - 2b)^{12}$ is

Question:3 Write the general term in the expansion of

$$(x^2 - y)^6$$

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So the general term of the expansion of $(x^2 - y)^6$:

$$T_{r+1} = {}^6 C_r (x^2)^{6-r} (-y)^r = (-1)^r \times {}^6 C_r x^{12-2r} y^r .$$

Question:4 Write the general term in the expansion of

$$(x^2 - xy)^{12}, \quad x \neq 0$$

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So the general term of the expansion of $(x^2 - xy)^{12}$, is

Question:5 Find the 4th term in the expansion of $(x - 2y)^{12}$.

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So the 4th term of the expansion of $(x - 2y)^{12}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} &= -8 \times \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2} \times x^9 y^3 \\ &= -8 \times 220 \times x^9 y^3 \\ &= -1760 x^9 y^3 \end{aligned}$$

Question:6 Find the 13th term in the expansion of $\left(9x - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{x}}\right)^{18}$, $x \neq 0$

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So the 13th term of the expansion of $\left(9x - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{x}}\right)^{18}$ is

$$= \frac{18 \times 17 \times 16 \times 15 \times 14 \times 13}{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2} \times 9^6 \left(\frac{1}{3^{12}}\right)$$

$$= 18564$$

Question:7 Find the middle terms in the expansion of $\left(3 - \frac{x^3}{6}\right)^7$

Answer:

As we know that the middle terms in the expansion of $(a + b)^n$ when n is odd are,

$$\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)^{th} \text{ term and } \left(\frac{n+1}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ term}$$

Hence the middle term of the expansion $\left(3 - \frac{x^3}{6}\right)^7$ are

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

Which are 4th term and 5th term

Now,

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So the 4th term of the expansion of $\left(3 - \frac{x^3}{6}\right)^7$ is

$$= -\frac{105}{8}x^9$$

And the 5th Term of the expansion of $\left(3 - \frac{x^3}{6}\right)^7$ is,

$$= \frac{35}{48}x^{12}$$

Hence the middle terms of the expansion of given expression are

$$-\frac{105}{8}x^9 \text{ and } \frac{35}{48}x^{12}.$$

Question:8 Find the middle terms in the expansion of $\left(\frac{x}{3} + 9y\right)^{10}$

Answer:

As we know that the middle term in the expansion of $(a + b)^n$ when n is even is,

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

Hence the middle term of the expansion $\left(\frac{x}{3} + 9y\right)^{10}$ is,

$$\left(\frac{10}{2} + 1\right)^{th} \text{ term}$$

Which is 6^{th} term

Now,

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So the 6^{th} term of the expansion of $\left(\frac{x}{3} + 9y\right)^{10}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T_6 &= T_{5+1} \\ &= {}^{10} C_5 \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^{10-5} (9y)^5 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 \times 9^5 \times {}^{10} C_5 \times x^5 y^5 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 \times 9^5 \times \left(\frac{10!}{5!5!}\right) \times x^5 y^5 \\ &= 61236x^5y^5 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the middle term of the expansion of $\left(\frac{x}{3} + 9y\right)^{10}$ is **nbsp;** $61236x^5y^5$.

Question:9 In the expansion of $(1 + a)^{m+n}$, prove that coefficients of a^m and a^n are equal

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So, the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(1 + a)^{m+n}$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{m+n} C_r 1^{m+n-r} a^r = {}^{m+n} C_r a^r$$

Now, as we can see a^m will come when $r = m$ and a^n will come when $r = n$

So,

Coefficient of a^m :

$$K_{a^m} = {}^{m+n} C_m = \frac{(m+n)!}{m!n!}$$

Coefficient of a^n :

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

As we can see $K_{a^m} = K_{a^n}$.

Hence it is proved that the coefficients of a^m and a^n are equal.

Question:10 The coefficients of the $(r - 1)^{th}$, r^{th} and $(r + 1)^{th}$ terms in the expansion of $(x + 1)^n$ are in the ratio 1 : 3 : 5. Find n and r .

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So,

$(r + 1)^{th}$ Term in the expansion of $(x + 1)^n$:

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

r^{th} Term in the expansion of $(x + 1)^n$:

$$T_r = {}^n C_{r-1} x^{n-r+1} 1^{r-1} = {}^n C_{r-1} x^{n-r+1}$$

$(r - 1)^{th}$ Term in the expansion of $(x + 1)^n$:

$$T_{r-1} = {}^n C_{r-2} x^{n-r+2} 1^{r-2} = {}^n C_{r-2} x^{n-r+2}$$

Now, As given in the question,

$$T_{r-1} : T_r : T_{r+1} = 1 : 3 : 5$$

$${}^n C_{r-2} : {}^n C_{r-1} : {}^n C_r = 1 : 3 : 5$$

$$\frac{n!}{(r-2)!(n-r+2)!} : \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(n-r+1)!} : \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = 1 : 3 : 5$$

From here, we get ,

$$\frac{r-1}{n-r+2} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{r}{n-r+1} = \frac{3}{5}$$

Which can be written as

$$n - 4r + 5 = 0 \text{ and } 3n - 8r + 3 = 0$$

From these equations we get,

$$n = 7 \text{ and } r = 3$$

Question:11 Prove that the coefficient of x^n in the expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ is twice the coefficient of x^n in the expansion of $(1+x)^{2n-1}$.

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r+1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a+b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So, general $(r+1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ is,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{2n} C_r 1^{2n-r} x^r$$

x^n will come when $r = n$,

So, Coefficient of x^n in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ is,

$$K_{1x^n} = {}^{2n} C_n$$

Now,

the general $(r+1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^{2n-1}$ is,

$$T_{r+1} = {}^{2n-1} C_r 1^{2n-1-r} x^r$$

Here also x^n will come when $r = n$,

So, Coefficient of x^n in the binomial expansion of $(1 + x)^{2n-1}$ is,

$$K_{2x^n} = {}^{2n-1}C_n$$

Now, As we can see

$${}^{2n-1}C_n = \frac{1}{2} \times {}^{2n}C_n$$

$$2 \times {}^{2n-1}C_n = {}^{2n}C_n$$

$$2 \times K_{2x^n} = K_{1x^n}$$

Hence, the coefficient of x^n in the expansion of $(1 + x)^{2n}$ is twice the coefficient of x^n in the expansion of $(1 + x)^{2n-1}$.

Question:12 Find a positive value of m for which the coefficient of x^2 in the expansion $(1 + x)^m$ is 6.

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

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

So, the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(1 + x)^m$ is

$$T_{r+1} = {}^mC_r 1^{m-r} x^r = {}^mC_r x^r$$

x^2 will come when $r = 2$. So,

The coefficient of x^2 in the binomial expansion of $(1 + x)^m = 6$

$$\Rightarrow {}^m C_2 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m!}{2!(m-2)!} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{m(m-1)}{2} = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow m(m-1) = 12$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - m - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m+3)(m-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 4 \text{ or } -3$$

Hence the positive value of m for which the coefficient of x^2 in the expansion $(1 + x)^m$ is 6, is 4.

NCERT solutions for class 11 maths chapter 8 binomial theorem- Miscellaneous Exercise

Question:1 Find a , b and n in the expansion of $(a + b)^n$ if the first three terms of the expansion are 729, 7290 and 30375, respectively.

Answer:

As we know the Binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

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

Given in the question,

$${}^n C_0 a^n = 729 \dots \dots (1)$$

$${}^n C_1 a^{n-1} b = 7290 \dots \dots (2)$$

$${}^n C_2 a^{n-2} b^2 = 30375 \dots \dots (3)$$

Now, dividing (1) by (2) we get,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{{}^n C_0 a^n}{{}^n C_1 a^{n-1} b} = \frac{729}{7290}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{n!}{n!0!} \times a}{\frac{n!}{1!(n-1)!}} = \frac{729}{7290}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)!}{n!} \times \frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \times \frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$10a = nb \dots \dots (4)$$

Now, Dividing (2) by (3) we get,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{{}^n C_1 a^{n-1} b}{{}^n C_2 a^{n-2} b^2} = \frac{7290}{30375}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\frac{n!}{1!(n-1)!} \times a}{\frac{n!}{2!(n-2)!}} \times \frac{a}{b} = \frac{7290}{30375}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(n-2)!}{(n-1)!} \times \frac{a}{b} = \frac{7290}{30375}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{(n-1)} \times \frac{a}{b} = \frac{7290}{30375}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \times 30375 \times a = 7290 \times b \times (n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 60750a = 7290b(n-1) \dots \dots (5)$$

Now, From (4) and (5), we get,

$$n = 6, a = 3 \text{ and } b = 5$$

Question:2 Find a if the coefficients of x^2 and x^3 in the expansion of $(3 + ax)^9$ are equal.

Answer:

As we know that the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(a + b)^n$ is given by

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

So, the general $(r + 1)^{th}$ term T_{r+1} in the binomial expansion of $(3 + ax)^9$ is

$$T_{r+1} = {}^n C_r 3^{n-r} (ax)^r = {}^n C_r 3^{n-r} a^r x^r$$

Now, x^2 will come when $r = 2$ and x^3 will come when $r = 3$

So, the coefficient of x^2 is

$$K_{x^2} = {}^n C_2 3^{9-2} a^2 = {}^n C_2 3^7 a^2$$

And the coefficient of x^3 is

$$K_{x^3} = {}^9C_3 3^{9-3} a^2 = {}^9C_3 3^6 a^3$$

Now, Given in the question,

$$K_{x^2} = K_{x^3}$$

$${}^9C_2 3^7 a^2 = {}^9C_3 3^6 a^3$$

$$\frac{9!}{2!7!} \times 3 = \frac{9!}{3!6!} \times a$$

$$a = \frac{18}{14} = \frac{9}{7}$$

Hence the value of a is 9/7.

Question:3 Find the coefficient of x^5 in the product $(1 + 2x)^6(1 - x)^7$ using binomial theorem.

Answer:

First, lets expand both expressions individually,

So,

$$(1 + 2x)^6 = {}^6C_0 + {}^6C_1(2x) + {}^6C_2(2x)^2 + {}^6C_3(2x)^3 + {}^6C_4(2x)^4 + {}^6C_5(2x)^5 + {}^6C_6(2x)^6$$

$$(1 + 2x)^6 = {}^6C_0 + 2 \times {}^6C_1 x + 4 \times {}^6C_2 x^2 + 8 \times {}^6C_3 x^3 + 16 \times {}^6C_4 x^4 + 32 \times {}^6C_5 x^5 + 64 \times {}^6C_6 x^6$$

$$(1 + 2x)^6 = 1 + 12x + 60x^2 + 160x^3 + 240x^4 + 192x^5 + 64x^6$$

And

$$(1 - x)^7 = {}^7C_0 - {}^7C_1x + {}^7C_2x^2 - {}^7C_3x^3 + {}^7C_4x^4 - {}^7C_5x^5 + {}^7C_6x^6 - {}^7C_7x^7$$

$$(1 - x)^7 = 1 - 7x + 21x^2 - 35x^3 + 35x^4 - 21x^5 + 7x^6 - x^7$$

Now,

$$(1 + 2x)^6(1 - x)^7 = (1 + 12x + 60x^2 + 160x^3 + 240x^4 + 192x^5 + 64x^6)$$

$$(1 - 7x + 21x^2 - 35x^3 + 35x^4 - 21x^5 + 7x^6 - x^7)$$

Now, for the coefficient of x^5 , we multiply and add those terms whose product gives x^5 . So,

The term which contain x^5 are,

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

$$\Rightarrow 171x^5$$

Hence the coefficient of x^5 is 171.

Question:4 If a and b are distinct integers, prove that $a - b$ is a factor of $a^n - b^n$, whenever n is a positive integer.

[Hint: write $a^n = (a - b + b)^n$ and expand]

Answer:

we need to prove,

$$a^n - b^n = k(a - b) \text{ where } k \text{ is some natural number.}$$

Now let's add and subtract b from a so that we can prove the above result,

$$a = a - b + b$$

$$a^n = (a - b + b)^n = [(a - b) + b]^n$$

$$= {}^n C_0 (a - b)^n + {}^n C_1 (a - b)^{n-1} b + \dots + {}^n C_n b^n$$

$$= (a - b)^n + {}^n C_1 (a - b)^{n-1} b + \dots + {}^n C_{n-1} (a - b) b^{n-1} + b^n$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n - b^n = (a - b) [(a - b)^{n-1} + {}^n C_2 (a - b)^{n-2} + \dots + {}^n C_{n-1} b^{n-1}]$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n - b^n = k(a - b)$$

Hence, $a - b$ is a factor of $a^n - b^n$.

Question:5 Evaluate $(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^6 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^6$.

Answer:

First let's simplify the expression $(a + b)^6 - (a - b)^6$ using binomial theorem,

So,

$$(a + b)^6 = {}^6 C_0 a^6 + {}^6 C_1 a^5 b + {}^6 C_2 a^4 b^2 + {}^6 C_3 a^3 b^3 + {}^6 C_4 a^2 b^4 + {}^6 C_5 a b^5 + {}^6 C_6 b^6$$

$$(a + b)^6 = a^6 + 6a^5 b + 15a^4 b^2 + 20a^3 b^3 + 15a^2 b^4 + 6ab^5 + b^6$$

And

$$(a - b)^6 = {}^6 C_0 a^6 - {}^6 C_1 a^5 b + {}^6 C_2 a^4 b^2 - {}^6 C_3 a^3 b^3 + {}^6 C_4 a^2 b^4 - {}^6 C_5 a b^5 + {}^6 C_6 b^6$$

$$(a - b)^6 = a^6 - 6a^5 b + 15a^4 b^2 - 20a^3 b^3 + 15a^2 b^4 - 6ab^5 + b^6$$

Now,

$$(a + b)^6 - (a - b)^6 = a^6 + 6a^5b + 15a^4b^2 + 20a^3b^3 + 15a^2b^4 + 6ab^5 + b^6$$

$$-a^6 + 6a^5b - 15a^4b^2 + 20a^3b^3 - 15a^2b^4 + 6ab^5 - b^6$$

$$(a + b)^6 - (a - b)^6 = 2[6a^5b + 20a^3b^3 + 6ab^5]$$

Now, Putting $a = \sqrt{3}$ and $b = \sqrt{2}$, we get

$$(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^6 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^6 = 2[54\sqrt{6} + 120\sqrt{6} + 24\sqrt{6}]$$

$$(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^6 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^6 = 2 \times 198\sqrt{6}$$

$$(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^6 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^6 = 396\sqrt{6}$$

Question:6 Find the value of $(a^2 + \sqrt{a^2 - 1})^4 + (a^2 - \sqrt{a^2 - 1})^4$

Answer:

First, lets simplify the expression $(x + y)^4 - (x - y)^4$ using binomial expansion,

$$(x + y)^4 = {}^4C_0x^4 + {}^4C_1x^3y + {}^4C_2x^2y^2 + {}^4C_3xy^3 + {}^4C_4y^4$$

$$(x + y)^4 = x^4 + 4x^3y + 6x^2y^2 + 4xy^3 + y^4$$

And

$$(x - y)^4 = {}^4C_0x^4 - {}^4C_1x^3y + {}^4C_2x^2y^2 - {}^4C_3xy^3 + {}^4C_4y^4$$

$$(x - y)^4 = x^4 - 4x^3y + 6x^2y^2 - 4xy^3 + y^4$$

Now,

$$(x + y)^4 - (x - y)^4 = x^4 + 4x^3y + 6x^2y^2 + 4xy^3 + y^4 - x^4 + 4x^3y - 6x^2y^2 + 4xy^3 - y^4$$

$$(x + y)^4 - (x - y)^4 = 2(x^4 + 6x^2y^2 + y^4)$$

Now, Putting $x = a^2$ and $y = \sqrt{a^2 - 1}$ we get,

$$\left(a^2 + \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)^4 + \left(a^2 - \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)^4 = 2[a^8 + 6a^4(a^2 - 1) + (a^2 - 1)^2]$$

$$\left(a^2 + \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)^4 + \left(a^2 - \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)^4 = 2a^8 + 12a^6 - 12a^4 + 2a^4 - 4a^2 + 2$$

$$\left(a^2 + \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)^4 + \left(a^2 - \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)^4 = 2a^8 + 12a^6 - 10a^4 - 4a^2 + 2$$

Question:7 Find an approximation of $(0.99)^5$ using the first three terms of its expansion.

Answer:

As we can write 0.99 as $1 - 0.01$,

$$(0.99)^5 = (1 - 0.01)^5 = {}^5C_0(1)^5 - {}^5C_1(1)^4(0.01) + {}^5C_2(1)^3(0.01)^2$$

+ other negligible terms

$$\Rightarrow (0.99)^5 = 1 - 5(0.01) + 10(0.01)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (0.99)^5 = 1 - 0.05 + 0.001$$

$$\Rightarrow (0.99)^5 = 0.951$$

Hence the value of $(0.99)^5$ is 0.951 approximately.

Question:8 Find n, if the ratio of the fifth term from the beginning to the fifth term from the end in the expansion of $\left(\sqrt[4]{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3}}\right)^n$ is $\sqrt{6} : 1$

Answer:

Given, the expression

$$\left(\sqrt[4]{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3}}\right)^n$$

Fifth term from the beginning is

$$T_5 = {}^n C_4 (\sqrt[4]{2})^{n-4} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3}}\right)^4$$

$$T_5 = {}^n C_4 \frac{(\sqrt[4]{2})^n}{(\sqrt[4]{2})^4} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$T_5 = \frac{n!}{4!(n-4)!} \times \frac{(\sqrt[4]{2})^n}{2} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

And Fifth term from the end is,

$$T_{n-5} = {}^n C_{n-4} (\sqrt[4]{2})^4 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{3}}\right)^{n-4}$$

$$T_{n-5} = {}^n C_{n-4} (\sqrt[4]{2})^4 \left(\frac{(\sqrt[4]{3})^4}{(\sqrt[4]{3})^n}\right)$$

$$T_{n-5} = \frac{n!}{4!(n-4)!} \times 2 \times \left(\frac{3}{(\sqrt[4]{3})^n}\right)$$

Now, As given in the question,

$$T_5 : T_{n-5} = \sqrt{6} : 1$$

So,

From Here ,

$$\frac{(\sqrt[4]{2})^n}{6} : \frac{6}{(\sqrt[4]{3})^n} = \sqrt{6} : 1$$

$$\frac{(\sqrt[4]{2})^n (\sqrt[4]{3})^n}{6 \times 6} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$(\sqrt[4]{6})^n = 36\sqrt{6}$$

$$6^{\frac{n}{4}} = 6^{\frac{5}{2}}$$

From here,

$$\frac{n}{4} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$n = 10$$

Hence the value of n is 10.

Question:9 Expand using Binomial Theorem $\left(1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right)^4$, $x \neq 0$

Answer:

Given the expression,

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right)^4, x \neq 0$$

Binomial expansion of this expression is

$${}^4C_2 \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^2 - {}^4C_3 \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^3 + {}^4C_4 \left(\frac{2}{x}\right)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^4 - \frac{8}{x} \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^3 + \frac{24}{x^2} + \frac{24}{x} + 6 - \frac{32}{x^3} + \frac{16}{x^4} \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Now Applying Binomial Theorem again,

$$+{}^4C_4 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^4$$

$$= 1 + 2x + \frac{3x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{16} \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

And

$$\left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^3 = 1 + \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{x^3}{8} \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Now, From (1), (2) and (3) we get,

$$+ \frac{8}{x^2} + \frac{24}{x} + 6 - \frac{32}{x^3} + \frac{16}{x^4}$$

$$+ \frac{8}{x^2} + \frac{24}{x} + 6 - \frac{32}{x^3} + \frac{16}{x^4}$$

$$= \frac{16}{x} + \frac{8}{x^2} - \frac{32}{x^3} + \frac{16}{x^4} - 4x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{2} + \frac{x^4}{16} - 5$$

Question:10 Find the expansion of $(3x^2 - 2ax + 3a^2)^3$ using binomial theorem .

Answer:

$$\text{Given } (3x^2 - 2ax + 3a^2)^3$$

By Binomial Theorem It can also be written as

$$\begin{aligned}(3x^2 - 2ax + 3a^2)^3 &= ((3x^2 - 2ax) + 3a^2)^3 \\ &= {}^3C_0(3x^2 - 2ax)^3 + {}^3C_1(3x^2 - 2ax)^2(3a^2) + {}^3C_2(3x^2 - 2ax)(3a^2)^2 + {}^3C_3(3a^2)^3 \\ &= (3x^2 - 2ax)^3 + 3(3x^2 - 2ax)^2(3a^2) + 3(3x^2 - 2ax)(3a^2)^2 + (3a^2)^3 \\ &= (3x^2 - 2ax)^3 + 81a^2x^4 - 108a^3x^3 + 36a^4x^2 + 81a^4x^2 - 54a^5x + 27a^6 \\ &= (3x^2 - 2ax)^3 + 81a^2x^4 - 108a^3x^3 + 117a^4x^2 - 54a^5x + 27a^6 \dots\dots\dots(1)\end{aligned}$$

Now, Again By Binomial Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}(3x^2 - 2ax)^3 &= {}^3C_0(3x^2)^3 - {}^3C_1(3x^2)^2(2ax) + {}^3C_2(3x^2)(2ax)^2 - {}^3C_3(2ax)^3 \\ (3x^2 - 2ax)^3 &= 27x^6 - 3(9x^4)(2ax) + 3(3x^2)(4a^2x^2) - 8a^2x^3 \\ (3x^2 - 2ax)^3 &= 27x^6 - 54x^5 + 36a^2x^4 - 8a^3x^3 \dots\dots\dots(2)\end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2) we get,

$$\begin{aligned}(3x^2 - 2ax + 3a^2)^3 &= 27x^6 - 54x^5 + 36a^2x^3 + 81a^2x^4 - 108a^3x^3 + 117a^4x^2 \\ &\quad - 54a^5x + 27a^6 \\ (3x^2 - 2ax + 3a^2)^3 &= 27x^6 - 54x^5 + 117a^2x^3 - 116a^3x^3 + 117a^4x^2 \\ &\quad - 54a^5x + 27a^6\end{aligned}$$