

CHAPTER-8  
BINOMIAL THEOREMS  
05 MARK TYPE QUESTIONS

Q. NO	QUESTION	MARK
1.	Find $(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4$ . Hence evaluate $(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^4 + (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^4$	5
2.	Show that $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9$ is divisible by 64, whenever $n$ is positive integer.	5
3.	Consider the binomial theorem for positive integral index If $x$ and $a$ are real numbers, then $\forall n \in N$ $(x + a)^n = n_{C_0}x^n a^0 + n_{C_1}x^{n-1}a^1 + \dots + n_{C_{n-1}}x^1 a^{n-1} + n_{C_n}x^0 a^n$ $(x + a)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n n_{C_r} x^{n-r} a^r$ Here, $n_{C_r} = n_{C_{n-r}}$ Putting $x=1$ and $a=x$ , we get $(1 + x)^n = n_{C_0} + n_{C_1}x^1 + \dots + n_{C_{n-1}}x^{n-1} + n_{C_n}x^n$ Based on the above information answer the following questions i. Find the sum of coefficients of second term from beginning and fourth term from the end of the expansion of $(\sqrt[3]{x} - \sqrt[3]{a})^7$ ii. If $n$ is a positive integer, prove that $3^{3n} - 26n - 1$ is divisible by 676	5
4.	A student applies binomial theorem and deduces that $(x + a)^n + (x - a)^n = 2(n_{C_0}x^n a^0 + n_{C_2}x^{n-2}a^2 + n_{C_4}x^{n-4}a^4 \dots)$ $(x + a)^n - (x - a)^n = 2(n_{C_1}x^{n-1}a^1 + n_{C_3}x^{n-3}a^3 + n_{C_5}x^{n-5}a^5 \dots)$ Based on the above information, answer the following i. If the student has deduced right, find the value of $(1 + 2\sqrt{x})^5 + (1 - 2\sqrt{x})^5$ ii. Find the sum of number of digits in the expansions $(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})^6 + (\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})^6$ and $\left((x + \sqrt{y})^7 - (x - \sqrt{y})^7\right)$ iii. With the help of above deduction evaluate $(0.99)^5 + (1.01)^5$	5
5.	If $O$ is the sum of odd terms and $E$ is the sum of even terms in the expansion of $(x + a)^n$ , then prove that $O^2 - E^2 = (x^2 - a^2)^n$	5
6.	Find $(x + y)^5 + (x - y)^5$ . Hence, evaluate $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^5 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^5$	5
7.	Using binomial theorem, prove that $6^n - 5n$ always leaves remainder 1 when divided by 25	5
8.	If $a$ and $b$ are distinct integers, prove that $a^n - b^n$ is divisible by $a - b$ whenever $n \in N$	5
9.	Find the term independent of $x$ in the expansion of $(2x^2 + x + 1) \left[ \left( \frac{3x^2}{2} - \frac{1}{3x} \right) \right]^9$ .	5

10.	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 .	5
11.	The sum of the coefficients of the first three terms in the expansion of $(x - 3/x^2)^m$ is 559, where m is the natural number . Determine the coefficient of expansion containing $x^3$ .	5
12.	Find the value of r, If the coefficients of $(r - 5)$ th and $(2r - 1)$ th terms in the expansion of $(1 + x)^{34}$ are equal.	5

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**ANSWERS:**

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1.	$(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4$ $= 2( {}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_3 a b^3 )$ $= 2(4a^3 b + 4ab^3)$ $= 8ab(a^2 + b^2)$ $a = \sqrt{3} \quad b = \sqrt{2}$ $= 8\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{2} [(\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2]$ $= 40\sqrt{6}.$	5
2.	$9^{n+1} = (1 + 8)^{n+1}$ $= 1 + {}^{n+1}C_1 8^1 + {}^{n+1}C_2 8^2 + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n+1} 8^{n+1}$ $= 1 + (n + 1)8 + 8^2 [ {}^{n+1}C_2 + \dots + 8^{n-1} ]$ $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9 = 64 [ {}^{n+1}C_2 + {}^{n+1}C_3 + \dots + 8^{n-1} ]$ $= 64k$	5
3.	<p>i) <math>T_2 + T_5 = 7C_1 + 7C_4 = 7 + 35 = 42</math></p> <p>ii) <math>3^{3n} = 27^n</math></p> $27^n = (1 + 26)^n = nC_0 + nC_1 26^1 + nC_2 26^2 \dots + nC_{n-1} 26^{n-1} + nC_n 26^n$ $3^{3n} = 1 + 26n + 26^2 (nC_2 + \dots + nC_{n-1} 26^{n-3} + nC_n 26^{n-2})$ $3^{3n} - 26n - 1 = 26^2 k, k \in Z$ $3^{3n} - 26n - 1 \text{ is divisible by } 676$	5
4.	<p>i) <math>(1 + 2\sqrt{x})^5 + (1 - 2\sqrt{x})^5</math></p> $= 2( {}^5C_0 (2\sqrt{x})^0 + {}^5C_2 (2\sqrt{x})^2 + {}^5C_4 (2\sqrt{x})^4 )$ $= 2(1 + 40x + 80x^2)$ <p>ii) The number of digits in expansion of <math>(\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b})^6 + (\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^6</math> is <math>(\frac{6}{2} + 1)</math> terms = 4 terms</p> <p>The number of digits in expansion of <math>((x + \sqrt{y})^7 - (x - \sqrt{y}))</math> is <math>\frac{7+1}{2}</math> terms = 4 terms</p> <p>Sum=8</p> <p>iii) <math>(0.99)^5 + (1.01)^5 = (1 - 0.01)^5 + (1 + 0.01)^5</math></p> $= (1 + 0.01)^5 + (1 - 0.01)^5$ $= 2( {}^5C_0 (0.01)^0 + {}^5C_2 (0.01)^2 + {}^5C_4 (0.01)^4 )$ $= 2(1 + 10 \times 0.0001 + 5 \times 0.00000001)$ $= 2(1 + 0.001 + 0.00000005) = 2.0020001$	5
5.	<p>A/Q <math>(x + a)^n = O + E</math></p> <p>So, <math>(x - a)^n = O - E</math></p>	5

	Multiplying, $O^2 - E^2 = (x^2 - a^2)^n$	
6.	$(x + y)^5 + (x - y)^5 = 2\{x^5 + C(5,2)x^3y^2 + C(5,4)xy^4\} = 2\{x^5 + 10x^3y^2 + 5xy^4\}$ $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^5 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^5 = 2\{(\sqrt{2})^5 + 10(\sqrt{2})^3 + 5\sqrt{2}\} = 58\sqrt{2}$	5
7.	<p>We have <math>(1 + a)^n = {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1 a + {}^nC_2 a^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n a^n</math> putting <math>a=5</math></p> $(1 + 5)^n = {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1 5 + {}^nC_2 5^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n 5^n$	5
	<p>implies <math>6^n - 5n = 1 + 25({}^nC_2 + 5{}^nC_3 + \dots + 5^{n-2})</math></p> $6^n - 5n = 25k + 1$ This shows that when divided by 25 $6^n - 5n$ leaves remainder 1	
8.	$a^n - b^n = \{(a - b) + b\}^n$ $a^n - b^n = (a - b) \left\{ (a - b)^{n-1} + {}^nC_1 (a - b)^{n-2} b + \dots + {}^nC_{n-1} b^{n-1} \right\}$ Clearly RHS is divisible by $a - b$	5
9.	17/52	5
10.	$a = 3, b = 5, n = 6$	5
11.	<p>The coefficients of the first three terms of <math>(x - 3/x^2)^m</math> are <math>mC_0</math>, <math>(-3) mC_1</math>, and <math>9 mC_2</math>. According to the question,</p> $559 = mC_0 - 3 mC_1 + 9 mC_2$ $\Rightarrow 1 - 3m + (9m(m-1)/2) = 559$ $m = 12$ After determining the third term of $(x - 3/x^2)^m$ , ${}^{12}C_r (x)^{12-r} (-3/x^2)^r = T_{r+1}$ $\Rightarrow {}^{12}C_r (x) (x)$ ${}^{12-r}(-3)$ $r.(x-2r)$ $\Rightarrow {}^{12}C_r (x) {}^{12-3r}(-3)^r$ Because we want to find the term with $x^3$ , $12 - 3r = 3$ , i.e., $r = 3$ . Using $r = 3$ as a value $\Rightarrow {}^{12}C_3 (x)^9 (-3)^3 = -5940x^3$ As a result, the coefficient of $x^3$ is $-5940$ .	5
12.	For the given condition, the coefficients of $(r - 5)$ th and $(2r - 1)$ th terms of the	5

expansion  $(1 + x)^{34}$  are  ${}^{34}C_{r-6}$  and  ${}^{34}C_{2r-2}$  respectively.

Since the given terms in the expansion are equal,

$${}^{34}C_{r-6} = {}^{34}C_{2r-2}$$

From this, we can write it as either

$$r-6=2r-2$$

(or)

$$r-6=34-(2r-2) \text{ [We know that, if } nC_r = nC_p \text{ , then either } r = p \text{ or } r = n - p \text{]}$$

So, we get either  $r = -4$  or  $r = 14$ .

We know that  $r$  being a natural number, the value of  $r = -4$  is not possible.

Hence, the value of  $r$  is 14.

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