

**BINOMIAL THEOREM**

1. The coefficient of  $x^{256}$  in the expansion of  $(1-x)^{101}(x^2+x+1)^{100}$  is :

- (1)  $^{100}C_{16}$  (2)  $^{100}C_{15}$   
 (3)  $-^{100}C_{16}$  (4)  $-^{100}C_{15}$

2. The number of rational terms in the binomial expansion of  $(4^{\frac{1}{4}} + 5^{\frac{1}{6}})^{120}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

3. For the natural numbers m, n, if  $(1-y)^m(1+y)^n = 1 + a_1y + a_2y^2 + \dots + a_{m+n}y^{m+n}$  and  $a_1 = a_2 = 10$ , then the value of (m + n) is equal to :

- (1) 88 (2) 64 (3) 100 (4) 80

4. For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\text{let } \frac{1}{\alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)\dots(\alpha+20)} = \sum_{k=0}^{20} \frac{A_k}{\alpha+k},$$

where  $\alpha > 0$ . Then the value of

$$100 \left( \frac{A_{14} + A_{15}}{A_{13}} \right)^2 \text{ is equal to } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

5. If the constant term, in binomial expansion of  $(2x^r + \frac{1}{x^2})^{10}$  is 180, then r is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

6. The number of elements in the set  $\{n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 100\} \mid (11)^n > (10)^n + (9)^n\}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

7. If b is very small as compared to the value of a, so that the cube and other higher powers of  $\frac{b}{a}$

can be neglected in the identity

$$\frac{1}{a-b} + \frac{1}{a-2b} + \frac{1}{a-3b} + \dots + \frac{1}{a-nb} = \alpha n + \beta n^2 + \gamma n^3,$$

then the value of  $\gamma$  is :

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

8. The ratio of the coefficient of the middle term in the expansion of  $(1+x)^{20}$  and the sum of the coefficients of two middle terms in expansion of  $(1+x)^{19}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

9. The term independent of 'x' in the expansion of  $\left( \frac{x+1}{x^{2/3}-x^{1/3}+1} - \frac{x-1}{x-x^{1/2}} \right)^{10}$ , where  $x \neq 0, 1$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

10. The sum of all those terms which are rational numbers in the expansion of  $(2^{1/3} + 3^{1/4})^{12}$  is:  
 (1) 89 (2) 27 (3) 35 (4) 43

11. If the greatest value of the term independent of 'x' in the expansion of  $\left( x \sin \alpha + a \frac{\cos \alpha}{x} \right)^{10}$  is  $\frac{10!}{(5!)^2}$ , then the value of 'a' is equal to :

- (1) -1 (2) 1 (3) -2 (4) 2

12. The lowest integer which is greater than  $\left( 1 + \frac{1}{10^{100}} \right)^{10^{100}}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (1) 3 (2) 4 (3) 2 (4) 1

13. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $[x]$  denote the greatest integer less than or equal to x. If the sum of (n + 1) terms  ${}^nC_0, 3 \cdot {}^nC_1, 5 \cdot {}^nC_2, 7 \cdot {}^nC_3, \dots$  is equal to  $2^{100} \cdot 101$ , then  $2 \left[ \frac{n-1}{2} \right]$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

14. If the co-efficient of  $x^7$  and  $x^8$  in the expansion of  $\left( 2 + \frac{x}{3} \right)^n$  are equal, then the value of n is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

15. If the coefficients of  $x^7$  in  $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right)^{11}$  and  $x^{-7}$  in  $\left(x - \frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^{11}$ ,  $b \neq 0$ , are equal, then the value of  $b$  is equal to:  
 (1) 2 (2) -1 (3) 1 (4) -2
16. A possible value of 'x', for which the ninth term in the expansion of  $\left\{3^{\log_3 \sqrt{25^{x-1}+7}} + 3^{\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\log_3(5^{x-1}+1)}\right\}^{10}$  in the increasing powers of  $3^{\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)\log_3(5^{x-1}+1)}$  is equal to 180, is :  
 (1) 0 (2) -1 (3) 2 (4) 1
17. If  ${}^{20}C_r$  is the co-efficient of  $x^r$  in the expansion of  $(1+x)^{20}$ , then the value of  $\sum_{r=0}^{20} r^2 \cdot {}^{20}C_r$  is equal to :  
 (1)  $420 \times 2^{19}$  (2)  $380 \times 2^{19}$   
 (3)  $380 \times 2^{18}$  (4)  $420 \times 2^{18}$
18. If  ${}^1P_1 + 2 \cdot {}^2P_2 + 3 \cdot {}^3P_3 + \dots + 15 \cdot {}^{15}P_{15} = {}^9P_r - s$ ,  $0 \leq s \leq 1$ , then  ${}^{9+s}C_{r-s}$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
19. Let  $\binom{n}{k}$  denotes  ${}^nC_k$  and  $\left[ \begin{matrix} n \\ k \end{matrix} \right] = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{k}, & \text{if } 0 \leq k \leq n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   
 If  $A_k = \sum_{i=0}^9 \binom{9}{i} \left[ \begin{matrix} 12 \\ 12-k+i \end{matrix} \right] + \sum_{i=0}^8 \binom{8}{i} \left[ \begin{matrix} 13 \\ 13-k+i \end{matrix} \right]$   
 and  $A_4 - A_3 = 190p$ , then  $p$  is equal to :
20. If  $0 < x < 1$ , then  $\frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{5}{3}x^3 + \frac{7}{4}x^4 + \dots$ , is equal to :  
 (1)  $x \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right) + \log_e(1-x)$   
 (2)  $x \left( \frac{1-x}{1+x} \right) + \log_e(1-x)$   
 (3)  $\frac{1-x}{1+x} + \log_e(1-x)$   
 (4)  $\frac{1+x}{1-x} + \log_e(1-x)$
21.  $\sum_{k=0}^{20} \left( {}^{20}C_k \right)^2$  is equal to :  
 (1)  ${}^{40}C_{21}$  (2)  ${}^{40}C_{19}$  (3)  ${}^{40}C_{20}$  (4)  ${}^{41}C_{20}$
22.  $3 \times 7^{22} + 2 \times 10^{22} - 44$  when divided by 18 leaves the remainder \_\_\_\_\_.
23. If  $\left(\frac{3^6}{4^4}\right)^k$  is the term, independent of  $x$ , in the binomial expansion of  $\left(\frac{x}{4} - \frac{12}{x^2}\right)^{12}$ , then  $k$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
24. If the coefficient of  $a^7b^8$  in the expansion of  $(a+2b+4ab)^{10}$  is  $K \cdot 2^{16}$ , then  $K$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
25. If the sum of the coefficients in the expansion of  $(x+y)^n$  is 4096, then the greatest coefficient in the expansion is \_\_\_\_\_.
26. If  $n \geq 2$  is a positive integer, then the sum of the series  ${}^{n+1}C_2 + 2({}^nC_2 + {}^3C_2 + {}^4C_2 + \dots + {}^nC_2)$  is:  
 (1)  $\frac{n(n-1)(2n+1)}{6}$  (2)  $\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$   
 (3)  $\frac{n(2n+1)(3n+1)}{6}$  (4)  $\frac{n(n+1)^2(n+2)}{12}$
27. For integers  $n$  and  $r$ , let  $\binom{n}{r} = \begin{cases} {}^nC_r, & \text{if } n \geq r \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$   
 The maximum value of  $k$  for which the sum  $\sum_{i=0}^k \binom{10}{i} \binom{15}{k-i} + \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} \binom{12}{i} \binom{13}{k+1-i}$  exists, is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
28. The value of  $-{}^{15}C_1 + 2 \cdot {}^{15}C_2 - 3 \cdot {}^{15}C_3 + \dots - 15 \cdot {}^{15}C_{15} + {}^{14}C_1 + {}^{14}C_3 + {}^{14}C_5 + \dots + {}^{14}C_{11}$  is :  
 (1)  $2^{16} - 1$  (2)  $2^{13} - 14$   
 (3)  $2^{14}$  (4)  $2^{13} - 13$
29. If the remainder when  $x$  is divided by 4 is 3, then the remainder when  $(2020+x)^{2022}$  is divided by 8 is \_\_\_\_\_.

30. Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\gcd(2, n) = 1$ . If  $30 \binom{30}{0} + 29 \binom{30}{1} + \dots + 2 \binom{30}{28} + 1 \binom{30}{29} = n \cdot 2^m$ ,

then  $n + m$  is equal to

(Here  $\binom{n}{k} = {}^n C_k$ )

31. The maximum value of the term independent of

't' in the expansion of  $\left( tx^{\frac{1}{5}} + \frac{(1-x)^{\frac{1}{10}}}{t} \right)^{10}$

where  $x \in (0, 1)$  is :

(1)  $\frac{10!}{\sqrt{3}(5!)^2}$                       (2)  $\frac{2 \cdot 10!}{3\sqrt{3}(5!)^2}$

(3)  $\frac{2 \cdot 10!}{3(5!)^2}$                       (4)  $\frac{10!}{3(5!)^2}$

32. Let  $n$  be a positive integer. Let

$$A = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k n C_k \left[ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^k + \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^k + \left(\frac{15}{16}\right)^k + \left(\frac{31}{32}\right)^k \right]$$

If  $63A = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{30}}$ , then  $n$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

33. If  $n$  is the number of irrational terms in the expansion of  $(3^{1/4} + 5^{1/8})^{60}$ , then  $(n - 1)$  is divisible by :

(1) 26                      (2) 30                      (3) 8                      (4) 7

34. Let  $[x]$  denote greatest integer less than or equal

to  $x$ . If for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(1 - x + x^3)^n = \sum_{j=0}^{3n} a_j x^j$ , then

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{3n}{2} \rfloor} a_{2j} + 4 \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{3n-1}{2} \rfloor} a_{2j} + 1$$
 is equal to :

(1) 2                      (2)  $2^{n-1}$                       (3) 1                      (4)  $n$

35. The value of  $\sum_{r=0}^6 ({}^6 C_r \cdot {}^6 C_{6-r})$  is equal to :

(1) 1124                      (2) 1324                      (3) 1024                      (4) 924

36. Let the coefficients of third, fourth and fifth terms in the expansion of  $\left( x + \frac{a}{x^2} \right)^n$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , be in the ratio 12 : 8 : 3. Then the term independent of  $x$  in the expansion, is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

37. Two dices are rolled. If both dices have six faces numbered 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 and 11, then the probability that the sum of the numbers on the top faces is less than or equal to 8 is :

(1)  $\frac{4}{9}$                       (2)  $\frac{17}{36}$                       (3)  $\frac{5}{12}$                       (4)  $\frac{1}{2}$

38. If the fourth term in the expansion of  $(x + x^{\log_2 x})^7$  is 4480, then the value of  $x$  where  $x \in \mathbb{N}$  is equal to :

(1) 2                      (2) 4                      (3) 3                      (4) 1

39. The value of  $4 + \frac{1}{5 + \frac{1}{4 + \frac{1}{5 + \frac{1}{4 + \dots \infty}}}}$  is :

(1)  $2 + \frac{2}{5}\sqrt{30}$                       (2)  $2 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}\sqrt{30}$

(3)  $4 + \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}\sqrt{30}$                       (4)  $5 + \frac{2}{5}\sqrt{30}$

40. If  $(2021)^{3762}$  is divided by 17, then the remainder is \_\_\_\_\_.

41. Let  $(1 + x + 2x^2)^{20} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{40}x^{40}$ . then  $a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots + a_{37}$  is equal to

(1)  $2^{20}(2^{20} - 21)$                       (2)  $2^{19}(2^{20} - 21)$

(3)  $2^{19}(2^{20} + 21)$                       (4)  $2^{20}(2^{20} + 21)$

42. If  $\sum_{r=1}^{10} r!(r^3 + 6r^2 + 2r + 5) = \alpha(11!)$ , then the value of  $\alpha$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

43. Let  $P(x)$  be a real polynomial of degree 3 which vanishes at  $x = -3$ . Let  $P(x)$  have local minima at  $x = 1$ , local maxima at  $x = -1$  and  $\int_{-1}^1 P(x) dx = 18$ , then the sum of all the coefficients of the polynomial  $P(x)$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.
44. Let  ${}^n C_r$  denote the binomial coefficient of  $x^r$  in the expansion of  $(1 + x)^n$ .  
If  $\sum_{k=0}^{10} (2^2 + 3k) {}^n C_k = \alpha \cdot 3^{10} + \beta \cdot 2^{10}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $\alpha + \beta$  is equal to \_\_\_\_\_.

SOLUTION

1. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol.  $(1-x)^{100} \cdot (x^2+x+1)^{100} \cdot (1-x)$   
 $= ((1-x)(x^2+x+1))^{100} (1-x)$   
 $= (1^3-x^3)^{100} (1-x)$   
 $= (1-x^3)^{100} (1-x)$   
 $= \underbrace{(1-x^3)^{100}}_{\text{No term of } x^{256}} - \underbrace{x(1-x^3)^{100}}_{\text{We find coefficient of } x^{255}}$   
 Required coefficient  $(-1) \times (-^{100}C_{85})$   
 $= {}^{100}C_{85} = {}^{100}C_{15}$

2. Official Ans. by NTA (21)

Sol.  $(4^{1/4} + 5^{1/6})^{120}$   
 $T_{r+1} = {}^{120}C_r (2^{1/2})^{120-r} (5)^{r/6}$   
 for rational terms  $r = 6\lambda \quad 0 \leq r \leq 120$   
 so total no of forms are 21.

3. Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol.  $(1-y)^m (1+y)^n$   
 Coefficient of  $y (a_1) = 1 \cdot {}^nC_1 + {}^mC_1 (-1)$   
 $= n - m = 10 \quad \dots (1)$   
 Coefficient of  $y^2 (a_2)$   
 $= 1 \cdot {}^nC_2 - {}^mC_1 \cdot {}^nC_1 + 1 \cdot {}^mC_2 = 10$   
 $= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} - m \cdot n + \frac{m(m-1)}{2} = 10$   
 $m^2 + n^2 - 2mn - (n+m) = 20$   
 $(n-m)^2 - (n+m) = 20$   
 $n+m = 80 \quad \dots (2)$   
 By equation (1) & (2)  
 $m = 35, n = 45$

4. Official Ans. by NTA (9)

Sol.  $\frac{1}{\alpha(\alpha+1)\dots(\alpha+20)} = \sum_{k=0}^{20} \frac{A_k}{\alpha+k}$   
 $A_{14} = \frac{1}{(-14)(-13)\dots(-1)(1)\dots(6)} = \frac{1}{14! \cdot 5!}$   
 $A_{15} = \frac{1}{(-15)(-14)\dots(-1)(1)\dots(5)} = \frac{1}{15! \cdot 5!}$   
 $A_{13} = \frac{1}{(-13)\dots(-1)(1)\dots(7)} = \frac{-1}{13! \cdot 7!}$   
 $\frac{A_{14}}{A_{13}} = \frac{1}{14! \cdot 6!} \times -13! \times 7! = \frac{-7}{14} = -\frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{A_{15}}{A_{13}} = -\frac{1}{15! \times 5!} \times -13! \times 7! = \frac{42}{15 \times 14} = \frac{1}{5}$   
 $100 \left( \frac{A_{14}}{A_{13}} + \frac{A_{15}}{A_{13}} \right)^2 = 100 \left( -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5} \right)^2 = 9$

5. Official Ans. by NTA (8)

Sol.  $\left( 2x^r + \frac{1}{x^2} \right)^{10}$   
 General term  $= {}^{10}C_R (2x^2)^{10-R} x^{-2R}$   
 $\Rightarrow 2^{10-R} {}^{10}C_R = 180 \quad \dots (1)$   
 &  $(10-R)r - 2R = 0$   
 $r = \frac{2R}{10-R}$   
 $r = \frac{2(R-10)}{10-R} + \frac{20}{10-R}$   
 $\Rightarrow r = -2 + \frac{20}{10-R} \quad \dots (2)$   
 $R = 8$  or  $5$  reject equation (1) not satisfied  
 At  $R = 8$   
 $2^{10-R} {}^{10}C_R = 180 \Rightarrow \boxed{r=8}$

**6. Official Ans. by NTA (96)**

**Sol.**  $11^n > 10^n + 9^n$   
 $\Rightarrow 11^n - 9^n > 10^n$   
 $\Rightarrow (10 + 1)^n - (10 - 1)^n > 10^n$   
 $\Rightarrow \{ {}^n C_1 \cdot 10^{n-1} + {}^n C_3 \cdot 10^{n-3} + {}^n C_5 \cdot 10^{n-5} + \dots \} > 10^n$   
 $\Rightarrow 2n \cdot 10^{n-1} + 2 \{ {}^n C_3 \cdot 10^{n-3} + {}^n C_5 \cdot 10^{n-5} + \dots \} > 10^n$   
 .... (1)

For  $n = 5$

$$10^5 + 2 \{ {}^5 C_3 \cdot 10^2 + {}^5 C_5 \} > 10^5 \text{ (True)}$$

For  $n = 6, 7, 8, \dots, 100$

$$2n10^{n-1} > 10^n$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n10^{n-1} + 2 \{ {}^n C_3 \cdot 10^{n-3} + {}^n C_5 \cdot 10^{n-5} + \dots \} > 10^n$$

$$\Rightarrow 11^n - 9^n > 10^n \text{ For } n = 5, 6, 7, \dots, 100$$

For  $n = 4$ , Inequality (1) is not satisfied

$\Rightarrow$  Inequality does not hold good for

$$N = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

So, required number of elements

$$= 96$$

**7. Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

**Sol.**  $(a - b)^{-1} + (a - 2b)^{-1} + \dots + (a - nb)^{-1}$

$$= \frac{1}{a} \sum_{r=1}^n \left( 1 - \frac{rb}{a} \right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} \sum_{r=1}^n \left\{ \left( 1 + \frac{rb}{a} + \frac{r^2 b^2}{a^2} \right) + (\text{terms to be neglected}) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} \left[ n + \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \cdot \frac{b}{a} + \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \cdot \frac{b^2}{a^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{a} \left[ n^3 \left( \frac{b^2}{3a^2} \right) + \dots \right]$$

$$\text{So } \gamma = \frac{b^2}{3a^3}$$

**8. Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.** Coeff. of middle term in  $(1 + x)^{20} = {}^{20}C_{10}$

& Sum of Coeff. of two middle terms in

$$(1 + x)^{19} = {}^{19}C_9 + {}^{19}C_{10}$$

$$\text{So required ratio} = \frac{{}^{20}C_{10}}{{}^{19}C_9 + {}^{19}C_{10}} = \frac{{}^{20}C_{10}}{{}^{20}C_{10}} = 1$$

**9. Official Ans. by NTA (210)**

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

Now General Term

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

For independent term

$$\frac{10-r}{3} - \frac{r}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow r = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow T_5 = {}^{10}C_4 = 210$$

**10. Official Ans. by NTA (4)**

**Sol.**  $T_{r+1} = {}^{12}C_r \left( 2^{1/3} \right)^r \cdot \left( 3^{1/4} \right)^{12-r}$

$T_{r+1}$  will be rational number

when  $r = 0, 3, 6, 9, 12$

&  $r = 0, 4, 8, 12$

$$\Rightarrow r = 0, 12$$

$$T_1 + T_{13} = 1 \times 3^3 + 1 \times 2^4 \times 1$$

$$= 24 + 16 = 43$$

**11. Official Ans. by NTA (4)**

**Sol.**  $T_{r+1} = {}^{10}C_r (x \sin \alpha)^{10-r} \left( \frac{a \cos \alpha}{x} \right)^r$

$$r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 10$$

$T_{r+1}$  will be independent of  $x$

when  $10 - 2r = 0 \Rightarrow r = 5$

$$T_6 = {}^{10}C_5 (x \sin \alpha)^5 \times \left( \frac{a \cos \alpha}{x} \right)^5$$

$$= {}^{10}C_5 \times a^5 \times \frac{1}{2^5} (\sin 2\alpha)^5$$

will be greatest when  $\sin 2\alpha = 1$

$$\Rightarrow {}^{10}C_5 \frac{a^5}{2^5} = {}^{10}C_5 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

12. Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Sol. Let  $P = \left(1 + \frac{1}{10^{100}}\right)^{10^{100}}$ ,

Let  $x = 10^{100}$

$\Rightarrow P = \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x$

$\Rightarrow P = 1 + (x) \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{(x)(x-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2}$   
 $+ \frac{(x)(x-1)(x-2)}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} + \dots$

(upto  $10^{100} + 1$  terms)

$\Rightarrow P = 1 + 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2x^2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \dots\right) + \dots$  so on

$\Rightarrow P = 2 + \left(\text{Positive value less than } \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots\right)$

Also  $e = 1 + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots = e - 2$

$\Rightarrow P = 2 + (\text{positive value less than } e - 2)$

$\Rightarrow P \in (2, 3)$

$\Rightarrow$  least integer value of P is 3

13. Official Ans. by NTA (98)

Sol.  $1 \cdot {}^n C_0 + 3 \cdot {}^n C_1 + 5 \cdot {}^n C_2 + \dots + (2n+1) \cdot {}^n C_n$

$T_r = (2r+1) {}^n C_r$

$S = \sum T_r$

$S = \sum (2r+1) {}^n C_r = \sum 2r {}^n C_r + \sum {}^n C_r$

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

$2^n(n+1) = 2^{100} \cdot 101 \Rightarrow n = 100$

$2 \left[ \frac{n-1}{2} \right] = 2 \left[ \frac{99}{2} \right] = 98$

14. Official Ans. by NTA (55)

Sol.  ${}^n C_7 2^{n-7} \frac{1}{3^7} = {}^n C_8 2^{n-8} \frac{1}{3^8}$

$\Rightarrow n - 7 = 48 \Rightarrow n = 55$

15. Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol. Coefficient of  $x^7$  in  $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{bx}\right)^{11}$

${}^{11}C_r (x^2)^{11-r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{bx}\right)^r$

${}^{11}C_r x^{22-3r} \cdot \frac{1}{b^r}$

$22 - 3r = 7$

$r = 5$

$\therefore {}^{11}C_5 \cdot \frac{1}{b^5} \cdot x^7$

Coefficient of  $x^{-7}$  in  $\left(x - \frac{b}{bx^2}\right)^{11}$

${}^{11}C_r (x)^{11-r} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{bx^2}\right)^r$

${}^{11}C_r x^{11-3r} \cdot \frac{(-1)^r}{b^r}$

$11 - 3r = -7 \therefore r = 6$

${}^{11}C_6 \cdot \frac{1}{b^6} x^{-7}$

${}^{11}C_5 \cdot \frac{1}{b^5} = {}^{11}C_6 \cdot \frac{1}{b^6}$

Since  $b \neq 0 \therefore b = 1$

16. Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol.  ${}^{10}C_8 (25^{(x-1)} + 7) \times (5^{(x-1)} + 1)^{-1} = 180$

$\Rightarrow \frac{25^{x-1} + 7}{5^{(x-1)} + 1} = 4$

$\Rightarrow \frac{t^2 + 7}{t + 1} = 4;$

$\Rightarrow t = 1, 3 = 5^{x-1}$

$\Rightarrow x - 1 = 0$  (one of the possible value).

$\Rightarrow x = 1$

**17. Official Ans. by NTA (4)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & \sum_{r=0}^{20} r^2 \cdot {}^{20}C_r \\ & \sum (4(r-1) + r) \cdot {}^{20}C_r \\ & \sum r(r-1) \cdot \frac{20 \times 19}{r(r-1)} \cdot {}^{18}C_{r-2} + r \cdot \frac{20}{r} \cdot \sum {}^{19}C_{r-1} \\ & \Rightarrow 20 \times 19 \cdot 2^{18} + 20 \cdot 2^{19} \\ & \Rightarrow 420 \times 2^{18} \end{aligned}$$

**18. Official Ans. by NTA (136)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & {}^1P_1 + 2 \cdot {}^2P_2 + 3 \cdot {}^3P_3 + \dots + 15 \cdot {}^{15}P_{15} \\ & = 1! + 2 \cdot 2! + 3 \cdot 3! + \dots + 15 \times 15! \\ & = \sum_{r=1}^{15} (r+1-1)r! \\ & = \sum_{r=1}^{15} (r+1)! - (r)! \\ & = 16! - 1 \\ & = {}^{16}P_{16} - 1 \\ & \Rightarrow q = r = 16, s = 1 \\ & {}^{q+s}C_{r-s} = {}^{17}C_{15} = 136 \end{aligned}$$

**19. Official Ans. by NTA (49)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & A_k = \sum_{i=0}^9 {}^9C_i \cdot {}^{12}C_{k-i} + \sum_{i=0}^8 {}^8C_i \cdot {}^{13}C_{k-i} \\ & A_k = {}^{21}C_k + {}^{21}C_k = 2 \cdot {}^{21}C_k \\ & A_4 - A_3 = 2({}^{21}C_4 - {}^{21}C_3) = 2(5985 - 1330) \\ & 190p = 2(5985 - 1330) \Rightarrow p = 49. \end{aligned}$$

**20. Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & \text{Let } t = \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{5}{3}x^3 + \frac{7}{4}x^4 + \dots \infty \\ & = \left(2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)x^2 + \left(2 - \frac{1}{3}\right)x^3 + \left(2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)x^4 + \dots \infty \\ & = 2(x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + \dots \infty) - \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \infty\right) \\ & = \frac{2x^2}{1-x} - (\ln(1-x) - x) \\ & \Rightarrow t = \frac{2x^2}{1-x} + x - \ln(1-x) \\ & \Rightarrow t = \frac{x(1+x)}{1-x} - \ln(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

**21. Official Ans. by NTA (3)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & \sum_{k=0}^{20} {}^{20}C_k \cdot {}^{20}C_{20-k} \\ & \text{sum of suffix is const. so summation will be } {}^{40}C_{20} \end{aligned}$$

**22. Official Ans. by NTA (15)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & 3(1+6)^{22} + 2 \cdot (1+9)^{22} - 44 = (3+2-44) = 18 \cdot I \\ & = -39 + 18 \cdot I \\ & = (54 - 39) + 18(I - 3) \\ & = 15 + 18 I_1 \\ & \Rightarrow \text{Remainder} = 15. \end{aligned}$$

**23. Official Ans. by NTA (55)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sol. } & \left(\frac{x}{4} - \frac{12}{x^2}\right)^{12} \\ & T_{r+1} = (-1)^r \cdot {}^{12}C_r \left(\frac{x}{4}\right)^{12-r} \left(\frac{12}{x^2}\right)^r \\ & T_{r+1} = (-1)^r \cdot {}^{12}C_r \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{12-r} (12)^r \cdot (x)^{12-3r} \\ & \text{Term independent of } x \Rightarrow 12 - 3r = 0 \Rightarrow r = 4 \\ & T_5 = (-1)^4 \cdot {}^{12}C_4 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^8 (12)^4 = \frac{3^6}{4^4} \cdot k \\ & \Rightarrow k = 55 \end{aligned}$$



24. Official Ans. by NTA (315)

Sol.  $\frac{10!}{\alpha!\beta!\gamma!} a^\alpha (2b)^\beta \cdot (4ab)^\gamma$

$$\frac{10!}{\alpha!\beta!\gamma!} a^{\alpha+\gamma} \cdot b^{\beta+\gamma} \cdot 2^\beta \cdot 4^\gamma$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 10 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\alpha + \gamma = 7 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\beta + \gamma = 8 \quad \dots(3)$$

$$(2) + (3) - (1) \Rightarrow \gamma = 5$$

$$\alpha = 2$$

$$\beta = 3$$

$$\text{so coefficients} = \frac{10!}{2!3!5!} 2^3 \cdot 2^{10}$$

$$= \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5}{2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 5!} \times 2^{13}$$

$$= 315 \times 2^{16} \Rightarrow k = 315$$

25. Official Ans. by NTA (924)

Sol.  $(x + y)^n \Rightarrow 2^n = 4096 \quad 2^{10} = 1024 \times 2$

$$\Rightarrow 2^n = 2^{12} \quad 2^{11} = 2048$$

$$n = 12 \quad 2^{12} = \underline{4096}$$

$${}^{12}C_6 = \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}$$

$$= 11 \times 3 \times 4 \times 7$$

$$= 924$$

26. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol.  ${}^{n+1}C_2 + 2({}^2C_2 + {}^3C_2 + {}^4C_2 + \dots + {}^nC_2)$

$${}^{n+1}C_2 + 2({}^3C_3 + {}^3C_2 + {}^4C_2 + \dots + {}^nC_2)$$

$$\left\{ \text{use } {}^nC_{r+1} + {}^nC_r = {}^{n+1}C_r \right\}$$

$$= {}^{n+1}C_2 + 2({}^4C_3 + {}^4C_2 + {}^5C_3 + \dots + {}^nC_2)$$

$$= {}^{n+1}C_2 + 2({}^5C_3 + {}^5C_2 + \dots + {}^nC_2)$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$$

$$= {}^{n+1}C_2 + 2({}^nC_3 + {}^nC_2)$$

$$= {}^{n+1}C_2 + 2 \cdot {}^{n+1}C_3$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)n}{2} + 2 \cdot \frac{(n+1)(n)(n-1)}{2 \cdot 3}$$

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

27. Official Ans. by NTA (BONUS)

Sol. Bonus

$$\sum_{i=0}^k \binom{10}{i} \binom{15}{k-i} + \sum_{i=0}^{k+1} \binom{12}{i} \binom{13}{k+1-i}$$

$${}^{25}C_k + {}^{25}C_{k+1}$$

$${}^{26}C_{k+1}$$

as  ${}^nC_r$  is defined for all values of n as well as r

so  ${}^{26}C_{k+1}$  always exists

Now k is unbounded so maximum value is not defined.

28. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol.  $(-{}^{15}C_1 + 2 \cdot {}^{15}C_2 - 3 \cdot {}^{15}C_3 + \dots - 15 \cdot {}^{15}C_{15})$   
 $+ ({}^{14}C_1 + {}^{14}C_3 + \dots + {}^{14}C_{11})$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{15} (-1)^r \cdot r \cdot {}^{15}C_r + ({}^{14}C_1 + {}^{14}C_3 + \dots + {}^{14}C_{11} + {}^{14}C_{13}) - {}^{14}C_3$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{15} (-1)^r \cdot 15 \cdot {}^{14}C_{r-1} + 2^{13} - 14$$

$$= 15(-{}^{14}C_0 + {}^{14}C_1 - \dots - {}^{14}C_{14}) + 2^{13} - 14$$

**29. Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.**  $x = 4k + 3$

$$\therefore (2020 + x)^{2022} = (2020 + 4k + 3)^{2022}$$

$$= (4(505 + k) + 3)^{2022}$$

$$= (4\lambda + 3)^{2022} = (16\lambda^2 + 24\lambda + 9)^{1011}$$

$$= (8(2\lambda^2 + 3\lambda + 1) + 1)^{1011}$$

$$= (8p + 1)^{1011}$$

$$\therefore \text{Remainder when divided by } 8 = 1$$

$$= 2^{13} - 14$$

**30. Official Ans. by NTA (45)**

**Sol.**  $30({}^{30}C_0) + 29({}^{30}C_1) + \dots + 2({}^{30}C_{28}) + 1({}^{30}C_{29})$   
 $= 30({}^{30}C_{30}) + 29({}^{30}C_{29}) + \dots + 2({}^{30}C_2) + 1({}^{30}C_1)$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{30} r \binom{30}{r}$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^{30} r \binom{30}{r} = \sum_{r=1}^{30} \binom{30}{r} (29 C_{r-1})$$

$$= 30 \sum_{r=1}^{30} {}^{29}C_{r-1}$$

$$= 30({}^{29}C_0 + {}^{29}C_1 + {}^{29}C_2 + \dots + {}^{29}C_{29})$$

$$= 30(2^{29}) = 15(2)^{30} = n(2)^m$$

$$\therefore n = 15, m = 30$$

**31. Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

**Sol.** Term independent of  $t$  will be the middle term due to exact same magnitude but opposite sign powers of  $t$  in the binomial expression given

$$\text{so } T_6 = {}^{10}C_5 (tx^2 5)^5 \left( \frac{(1-x)^{\frac{1}{10}}}{t} \right)^5$$

$$T_6 = f(x) = {}^{10}C_5 (x\sqrt{1-x}); \text{ for maximum}$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{2}{3} \text{ \& } f'' \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) < 0$$

$$\text{so } f(x)_{\max} = {}^{10}C_5 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

**32. Official Ans by NTA (6)**

**Sol.**  $A = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^n C_k \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^k + \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right)^k + \left( -\frac{7}{8} \right)^k + \left( -\frac{15}{16} \right)^k + \left( -\frac{31}{32} \right)^k \right]$

$$A = \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \right)^n + \left( 1 - \frac{3}{4} \right)^n + \left( 1 - \frac{7}{8} \right)^n + \left( 1 - \frac{15}{16} \right)^n + \left( 1 - \frac{31}{32} \right)^n$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{4^n} + \frac{1}{8^n} + \frac{1}{16^n} + \frac{1}{32^n}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{2^n} \left( \frac{1 - \left( \frac{1}{2^n} \right)^5}{1 - \frac{1}{2^n}} \right) \Rightarrow A = \frac{\left( 1 - \frac{1}{2^{5n}} \right)}{(2^n - 1)}$$

$$(2^n - 1)A = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{5n}}, \text{ Given } 63A = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{30}}$$

$$\text{Clearly } 5n = 30$$

$$n = 6$$

**33. Official Ans. by NTA (1)**

**Sol.**  $(3^{1/4} + 5^{1/8})^{60}$

$${}^{60}C_r (3^{1/4})^{60-r} (5^{1/8})^r$$

$${}^{60}C_r (3)^{\frac{60-r}{4}} \cdot 5^{\frac{r}{8}}$$

For rational terms.

$$\frac{r}{8} = k; \quad 0 \leq r \leq 60$$

$$0 \leq 8k \leq 60$$

$$0 \leq k \leq \frac{60}{8}$$

$$0 \leq k \leq 7.5$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$$

$$\frac{60-8k}{4} \text{ is always divisible by 4 for all value of } k.$$

$$\text{Total rational terms} = 8$$

$$\text{Total terms} = 61$$

$$\text{irrational terms} = 53$$

$$n - 1 = 53 - 1 = 52$$

$$52 \text{ is divisible by } 26.$$

34. Official Ans. by NTA (3)

Sol.  $(1-x+x^3)^n = \sum_{j=0}^{3n} a_j x^j$

$$(1-x+x^3)^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{3n}x^{3n}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{3n}{2} \rfloor} a_{2j} = \text{Sum of } a_0 + a_2 + a_4 + \dots$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{3n-1}{2} \rfloor} a_{2j+1} = \text{Sum of } a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots$$

put  $x = 1$

$$1 = a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{3n} \quad \dots(A)$$

Put  $x = -1$

$$1 = a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots + (-1)^{3n}a_{3n} \quad \dots(B)$$

Solving (A) and (B)

$$a_0 + a_2 + a_4 + \dots = 1$$

$$a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots = 0$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{3n}{2} \rfloor} a_{2j} + 4 \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{3n-1}{2} \rfloor} a_{2j+1} = 1$$

35. Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol.  $\sum_{r=0}^6 {}^6C_r \cdot {}^6C_{6-r}$

$$= {}^6C_0 \cdot {}^6C_6 + {}^6C_1 \cdot {}^6C_5 + \dots + {}^6C_6 \cdot {}^6C_0$$

Now,

$$(1+x)^6(1+x)^6$$

$$= ({}^6C_0 + {}^6C_1x + {}^6C_2x^2 + \dots + {}^6C_6x^6)$$

$$({}^6C_0 + {}^6C_1x + {}^6C_2x^2 + \dots + {}^6C_6x^6)$$

Comparing coefficient of  $x^6$  both sides

$${}^6C_0 \cdot {}^6C_6 + {}^6C_1 \cdot {}^6C_5 + \dots + {}^6C_6 \cdot {}^6C_0 = {}^{12}C_6$$

$$= 924$$

Ans.(4)

36. Official Ans. by NTA (4)

Sol.  $T_{r+1} = {}^nC_r(x)^{n-r} \left(\frac{a}{x^2}\right)^r$

$$= {}^nC_r a^r x^{n-3r}$$

$${}^nC_2 a^2 : {}^nC_3 a^3 : {}^nC_4 a^4 = 12 : 8 : 3$$

After solving

$$n = 6, a = \frac{1}{2}$$

For term independent of 'x'  $\Rightarrow n = 3r$

$$r = 2$$

$\therefore$  Coefficient is  ${}^6C_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{15}{4}$

Nearest integer is 4.

37. Official Ans. by NTA (2)

Sol.  $n(E) = 5 + 4 + 4 + 3 + 1 = 17$

$$\text{So, } P(E) = \frac{17}{36}$$

38. Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Sol.  ${}^7C_3 x^4 \cdot x^{(3 \log_2^3)} = 4480$

$$\Rightarrow x^{(4+3 \log_2^3)} = 2^7$$

$$\Rightarrow (4+3t)t = 7; t = \log_2^x$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 1, \frac{-7}{3} \Rightarrow x = 2$$

39. Official Ans. by NTA (1)

Sol.  $y = 4 + \frac{1}{\left(5 + \frac{1}{y}\right)}$

$$y - 4 = \frac{y}{(5y+1)}$$

$$5y^2 - 20y - 4 = 0$$

$$y = \frac{20 + \sqrt{480}}{10}$$

$$y = \frac{20 - \sqrt{480}}{10} \rightarrow \text{rejected}$$

$$y = 2 + \sqrt{\frac{480}{100}}$$

Correct with Option (A)



**40. Official Ans. by NTA (4)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol. } (2023 - 2)^{3762} &= 2023k_1 + 2^{3762} \\
 &= 17k_2 + 2^{3762} \text{ (as } 2023 = 17 \times 17 \times 9) \\
 &= 17k_2 + 4 \times 16^{940} \\
 &= 17k_2 + 4 \times (17 - 1)^{940} \\
 &= 17k_2 + 4(17k_3 + 1) \\
 &= 17k + 4 \Rightarrow \text{remainder} = 4
 \end{aligned}$$

**41. Official Ans. by NTA (2)**

$$\text{Sol. } (1 + x + 2x^2)^{20} = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_{40}x^{40}$$

$$\text{put } x = 1, -1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{40} = 2^{20}$$

$$a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - \dots + a_{40} = 2^{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 + a_3 + \dots + a_{39} = \frac{4^{20} - 2^{20}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 + a_3 + \dots + a_{37} = 2^{39} - 2^{19} - a_{39}$$

$$\text{here } a_{39} = \frac{20!(2)^{19} \times 1}{19!} = 20 \times 2^{19}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 + a_3 + \dots + a_{37} = 2^{19}(2^{20} - 1 - 20)$$

$$= 2^{19}(2^{20} - 21)$$

**42. Official Ans. by NTA (160)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol. } \sum_{r=1}^{10} r! \{ (r+1)(r+2)(r+3) - 9(r+1) + 8 \} \\
 &= \sum_{r=1}^{10} [ \{ (r+3)! - (r+1)! \} - 8 \{ (r+1)! - r! \} ] \\
 &= (13! + 12! - 2! - 3!) - 8(11! - 1) \\
 &= (12 \cdot 13 + 12 - 8) \cdot 11! - 8 + 8 \\
 &= (160)(11)!
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \alpha = 160$$

**43. Official Ans. by NTA (8)**

$$\text{Sol. Let } p'(x) = a(x-1)(x+1) = a(x^2-1)$$

$$p(x) = a \int (x^2 - 1) dx + c$$

$$= a \left( \frac{x^3}{3} - x \right) + c$$

$$\text{Now } p(-3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left( -\frac{27}{3} + 3 \right) + c = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -6a + c = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Now } \int_{-1}^1 \left( a \left( \frac{x^3}{3} - x \right) + c \right) dx = 18$$

$$= 2c = 18 \Rightarrow c = 9 \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{from (1) \& (2)} \Rightarrow -6a + 9 = 0 \Rightarrow a = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{x^3}{3} - x \right) + 9$$

sum of coefficient

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} + 9$$

$$= 8$$

**44. Official Ans. by NTA (19)**

**Allen Answer (Bonus)**

**Sol. BONUS**

Instead of  ${}^nC_k$  it must be  ${}^{10}C_k$  i.e.

$$\sum_{k=0}^{10} (2^2 + 3k)^{10} C_k = \alpha \cdot 3^{10} + \beta \cdot 2^{10}$$

$$\text{LHS} = 4 \sum_{k=0}^{10} {}^{10}C_k + 3 \sum_{k=0}^{10} k \cdot \frac{10}{k} \cdot {}^9C_{k-1}$$

$$= 4 \cdot 2^{10} + 3 \cdot 10 \cdot 2^9$$

$$= 19 \cdot 2^{10} = \alpha \cdot 3^{10} + \beta \cdot 2^{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0, \beta = 19 \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta = 19$$