



## DPP-02

## SOLUTION

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1. If in the expansion of  $(x + a)^n$ , then sum of the odd terms is A and that of even terms is B, then the value of  $(x^2 - a^2)^n$  is
- (A)  $A^2 + B^2$       (B)  $A^2 - B^2$       (C)  $4AB$       (D)  $2(A - B)$

**Ans.** (B)

- Sol.** As given,  $(x + a)^n = A + B \Rightarrow (x - a)^n = A - B$   
 $\therefore (x^2 - a^2)^n = (x + a)^n(x - a)^n = (A + B) \cdot (A - B) = A^2 - B^2$

2. In the expansion of  $(x + 1/x)^{2n}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ), the middle term is

- (A)  $\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)}{|n|} 2^n$       (B)  $\frac{|2n|}{|n|}$       (C)  $\frac{|2n|}{|n|} 2^n$       (D)  $\frac{|n|}{|2n|}$

**Ans.** (A)

- Sol.** Middle term is  $\left(\frac{2n}{2} + 1\right)^{\text{th}}$  term.  
 $\text{required term} = T_{n+1} = {}^{2n}C_n \cdot \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots n(n+1) \dots (2n)}{|n||n|}$   
 $= \frac{[1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)][2, 4, 6 \dots 2n]}{|n||n|}$   
 $= \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)}{|n|} 2^n$

3. The value of  $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6 + (\sqrt{2} - 1)^6$  is equal to  
 (A) 198      (B) -198      (C) 99      (D) -99

**Ans.** (A)

- Sol.** Exp. = 2 [the sum of odd terms in the expansion of  $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6$ ] = 2[T<sub>1</sub> + T<sub>3</sub> + T<sub>5</sub> + T<sub>7</sub>]  
 $= 2[{}^6C_0(\sqrt{2})^6 + {}^6C_2(\sqrt{2})^4 + {}^6C_4(\sqrt{2})^2 + {}^6C_6]$   
 $= 2[8 + 60 + 30 + 1] = 198$

4. If in the expansion of  $(x^4 - 1/x^3)^{15}$ ,  $x^{-17}$  occurs in the nth term, then  
 (A) r = 10      (B) r = 11      (C) r = 12      (D) r = 13

**Ans.** (C)

- Sol.** If  $x^{-17}$  occurs in  $T_{p+1}$ , then using formula

$$p = \frac{15(D) - (-17)}{4+3} = 11$$

$$r = p + 1 = 11 + 1 = 12.$$



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5. The value of the middle term in the expansion of  $\left(\frac{x\sqrt{y}}{3} - \frac{3}{y\sqrt{x}}\right)^{12}$

(A) C(12,7)x<sup>3</sup>y<sup>-3</sup>    (B) C(12,6)x<sup>3</sup>y<sup>-3</sup>    (C) C(12,7)x<sup>-3</sup>y<sup>3</sup>    (D) C(12,6)x<sup>-3</sup>y<sup>3</sup>

**Ans. (B)**

**Sol.** Middle term =  $T_{6+1} = {}^{12}C_6 \left(\frac{x\sqrt{y}}{3}\right)^6 \left(-\frac{3}{y\sqrt{x}}\right)^6 = C(12,6)x^3y^{-3}$



**Ans. (C)**

**Sol.**  $2^n = 128 \Rightarrow n = 7$ . If  $x^5$  occurs in  $T_{r+1}$ , then

$$r = \frac{7(3/2) - 5}{3/2 + 1/3} = 3.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{reqd. coef} = {}^7C_3 = 35.$$



**Ans. (A)**

**Sol.** In the expansion of the expression every term contains odd powers of  $\sqrt{3}$ , hence its value is an irrational number.



**Ans. (A)**

**Sol.** Exp. =  $2[T_2 + T_4 + \dots + T_{2n+2}]$

$$= 2 \left[ {}^{2n+1}C_1 (\sqrt{5})^{2n} + {}^{2n+1}C_3 (\sqrt{5})^{2n-2} + \dots + {}^{2n+1}C_{2n+1} (\sqrt{5})^0 \right]$$

= 2[ an integer ]

= an even integer.

9. The middle term in the expansion of  $(1 - 3x + 3x^2 - x^3)^6$  is  
 (A)  ${}^{18}C_{10}x^{10}$       (B)  ${}^{18}C_9(-x)^9$       (C)  ${}^{18}C_0x^9$       (D)  $-{}^{18}C_{10}x^{10}$

**Ans. (B)**

**Sol.** Exp. =  $[(1 - x)^3]^6 = (1 - x)^{18}$ .



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**Ans. (A)**

$$\text{Sol. } T_{r+1} = {}^{6561}C_r \cdot (7^{1/3})^{6561-r} \cdot (11^{1/9})^r = {}^{6561}C_r \cdot 7^{2187} \cdot 7^{-r/3} \cdot 11^{r/9}, 0 \leq r \leq 6561.$$

Now  $T_{r+1}$  will be rational when  $r/3$  and  $r/9$  both are integers. This is possible only when  $r$  is a multiple of 9. But multiples of 9 from 0 to 6561 are 0,9,18,27,...,6561.

These are in AP, so their number  $n$  is given by

$$6561 = 0 + (n - 1)9 \Rightarrow n = 730.$$

- 11.** If  $a = (\sqrt{3} + 1)^7$ , then  $[a]$  is equal to (where  $[ ]$  is the greatest integer function)  
(A) 1138                  (B) 1137                  (C) 1136                  (D) 968

**Ans. (C)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol. } & (\sqrt{3} + 1)^7 - (\sqrt{3} - 1)^7 = 2[T_2 + T_4 + T_6 + T_8] \\
 & = 2[{}^7C_1(\sqrt{3})^6 + {}^7C_3(\sqrt{3})^4 + {}^7C_5(\sqrt{3})^2 + {}^7C_7(\sqrt{3})^0] \\
 & = 2[189 + 315 + 63 + 1] = 1136 \\
 \Rightarrow & (\sqrt{3} + 1)^7 = 1136 + (\sqrt{3} - 1)^7 \\
 \Rightarrow [a] & = 1136. [\because 0 < \sqrt{3} - 1 < 1]
 \end{aligned}$$



**Ans. (D)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol. } & 2^{2000} = (2^4)^{500} = (17 - 1)^{500} \\
 &= 17^{500} - {}^{909}C_1 \cdot 17^{499} + {}^{500}C_2 \cdot 17^{496} - \dots - {}^{500}C_{499}(17) + (-1)^{500} \\
 &= (\text{a multiple of 17}) + 1 \\
 \therefore & \text{ remainder} = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

13. In the expansion of  $(4 - 3x)^7$  when  $x = 2/3$ , the numerically greatest term is  
(A)  $T_4$       (B)  $T_3$       (C)  $T_5$       (D) none of these

**Ans. (B)**

**Sol.** Here numerically  $x = 4$ ,  $a = 3(2/3) = 2$ ,  $n = 7$ .

$$\frac{(n+1)a}{x+a} = \frac{8 \cdot 2}{4+2} = \frac{8}{3} = 2\frac{2}{3}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  the numerically greatest term =  $T_{2+1} = T_3$ .



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14. If  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4$  are coefficients of  $T_2, T_3, T_4$  and  $T_5$  respectively in  $(1+x)^n$ ; then  $\frac{a_1}{a_1+a_2} + \frac{a_3}{a_3+a_4}$  equals

(A)  $\frac{a_2}{a_2+a_3}$       (B)  $\frac{2a_2}{a_2+a_3}$       (C)  $\frac{-a_2}{a_2+a_3}$       (D)  $\frac{a_2}{2(a_2+a_3)}$

**Ans.** (B)

**Sol.** If  $y$  occurs in  $T_{r+1}$ , then  $r = \frac{5(B)-1}{2+1} = 3$

$$\therefore \text{coef. of } y = {}^5C_3(c)^3 = 10c^3.$$

15. In the expansion of  $\left(\frac{1}{2}x^{1/3} + x^{-1/5}\right)^8$ , the term independent of  $x$  is

(A)  $T_5$       (B)  $T_6$       (C)  $T_7$       (D)  $T_8$

**Ans.** (B)

**Sol.** As above  $r = \frac{8(1/3)-0}{1/3+1/5} = 5$ .

$$\text{So required term} = T_{5+1} = T_6.$$

16. The value of  $(\sqrt{5} + 1)^5 - (\sqrt{5} - 1)^5$  is

(A) 352      (B) 252      (C) 452      (D) 532

**Ans.** (A)

**Sol.**  $\text{Exp} = 2[T_2 + T_4 + T_6]$

$$= 2[{}^5C_1(\sqrt{5})^4 + {}^5C_3(\sqrt{5})^2 + {}^5C_5(\sqrt{5})^0] = 2[125 + 50 + 1] = 352$$

17. If three consecutive coefficients in the expansion of  $(1+x)^n$  are 28, 56 and 70, then the value of  $n$  is

(A) 4      (B) 6      (C) 8      (D) 10

**Ans.** (C)

**Sol.**  ${}^nC_{r-1} = 28, {}^nC_r = 56, {}^nC_{r+1} = 70$

$$\frac{{}^nC_r}{{}^nC_{r-1}} = \frac{n-r+1}{r} = 2 \Rightarrow \frac{{}^nC_{r+1}}{{}^nC_r} = \frac{n-r}{r+1} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\text{They given } n+1 = 3r \text{ and } 4n+9r = 5.$$

18. The number of terms in the expansion of  $[(x+3y)^2(3x-y)^2]^3$  is

(A) 14      (B) 28      (C) 32      (D) 56

**Ans.** (B)

**Sol.**  $\text{Exp.} = [(x+3y)(3x-y)]^6 = (3x^2 + 8xy - 3y^2)^6$ .

Now since number of terms in the expansion of



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$$(a+b+c)^n = \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}.$$

$\therefore$  In the given expansion number of terms  $= \frac{7 \times 8}{2} = 28$ .

19. The middle term in the expansion of  $(1+x)^{2n}$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) is

(A)  $\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n+1)}{|n|} 2^n x^n$

(B)  $\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)}{|n|} 2^n x^n$

(C)  $\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1)}{|n|} 2^{n-1} x^n$

(D)  $\frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n+1)}{|n|} 2^{n+1} x^n$

Ans. (B)

Sol. Middle term  $= T_{n+1} = {}^{2n}C_n x^n$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot n(n+1) \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1) \cdot 2n}{|n|n} x^n$$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1)[2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6 \cdot \dots \cdot 2n]}{|n|n} x^n$$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1)2^n |n|}{|n|n} x^n = \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot \dots \cdot (2n-1)}{|n|} 2^n x^n.$$

20. In the expansion of  $\left(\frac{2\sqrt{x}}{5} - \frac{1}{2x\sqrt{x}}\right)^{11}$ , the term independent of x is

(A) no term

(B) 5th term

(C) 6th term

(D) 11th term

Ans. (A)

Sol. If  $T_{n-1}$  is the required term, then  $r = \frac{11(1/2)}{1/2+3/2} = \frac{11}{4} \notin \mathbb{N}$ .

21. In the expansion of  $\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3x}\right)^9$ , the term without x is equal to

(A) 28/81

(B) -28/243

(C) 28/243

(D) none of these

Ans. (C)

Sol. If  $T_{r+1}$  is the term without x, then  $r = \frac{9(2)}{2+1} = 6$ .

$$\therefore \text{required term} = T_7 = {}^9C_6 (x^2)^3 \left(-\frac{1}{3x}\right)^6 = \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} \cdot \frac{1}{3^6} = \frac{28}{243}.$$

22. The middle term in the expansion of  $\left(\frac{2x^2}{3} + \frac{3}{2x^2}\right)^{10}$  is

(A) 251

(B) 252

(C) 250

(D) none of these

Ans. (B)

Sol. Here  $n = 10$  is even; so that middle term  $= 10/2 + 1 = 6$  th term.

$$\therefore \text{Middle term} = T_6 = {}^{10}C_3 \left(\frac{2x^2}{3}\right)^5 \left(\frac{3}{2x^2}\right)^5 = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} = 252.$$



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**Ans. (A)**

$$\text{Sol. } T_{r+1} = {}^{15}C_r (x^{1/5})^{55-r} (y^{1/10})^r = {}^{55}C_r x^{(55-r)/5} y^{r/10}.$$

Now powers of x and y are not fractional when  $r = 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50$ . Hence six terms do not have fractional power.

ANSWER KEY

- 1.** (B)   **2.** (A)   **3.** (A)   **4.** (C)   **5.** (B)   **6.** (C)   **7.** (A)  
**8.** (A)   **9.** (B)   **10.** (A)   **11.** (C)   **12.** (D)   **13.** (B)   **14.** (B)  
**15.** (B)   **16.** (A)   **17.** (C)   **18.** (B)   **19.** (B)   **20.** (A)   **21.** (C)  
**22.** (B)   **23.** (A)