

Questions with Answer Keys

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Q1 (20 July 2021 Shift 1)

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

(1) $^{100}C_{16}$

(2) $^{100}C_{15}$

(3) $-^{100}C_{16}$

(4) $-^{100}C_{15}$

Q2 (20 July 2021 Shift 1)

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

Q3 (20 July 2021 Shift 2)

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

Q4 (22 July 2021 Shift 1)

Let $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3\left(1 - \frac{|x|}{2}\right) & \text{if } |x| \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{if } |x| > 2 \end{cases}$$

Let $g : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be given by $g(x) = f(x+2) - f(x-2)$

If n and m denote the number of points in \mathbf{R} where

g is not continuous and not differentiable,

respectively, then $n + m$ is equal to ____.

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Q5 (22 July 2021 Shift 1)

If the constant term, in binomial expansion of

$$\left(2x^r + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{10} \text{ is } 180, \text{ then } r \text{ is equal to } \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

Q6 (25 July 2021 Shift 1)

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 γ is :

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

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

(3) $\frac{b^2}{3a^3}$

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

Q7 (25 July 2021 Shift 1)

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

Q8 (25 July 2021 Shift 1)

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

Q9 (25 July 2021 Shift 2)

The sum of all those terms which are rational

numbers in the expansion of $\left(2^{1/3} + 3^{1/4}\right)^{12}$ is:

(1) 89

(2) 27

(3) 35

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(4) 43

Q10 (25 July 2021 Shift 2)

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

(1) -1

(2) 1

(3) -2

(4) 2

Q11 (25 July 2021 Shift 2)

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

Q12 (25 July 2021 Shift 2)

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 ____

Q13 (25 July 2021 Shift 2)

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 ____

Q14 (27 July 2021 Shift 1)

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

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is equal to:

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

Q15 (27 July 2021 Shift 2)

A possible value of ' x ', for which the ninth term in

the expansion of $\left\{ 3^{\log_3 \sqrt{25^{n-1}+7}} + 3^{\left(-\frac{1}{8}\right) \log_3 (5^{x-1}+1)} \right\}^{10}$ 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

Answer Key

Q1 (2)	Q2 (21)	Q3 (4)	Q4 (4)
Q5 (8)	Q6 (3)	Q7 (1)	Q8 (210)
Q9 (4)	Q10 (4)	Q11 (1)	Q12 (98)
Q13 (55)	Q14 (3)	Q15 (4)	

Hints and Solutions

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Q1

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1-x)^{160} \cdot (x^2+x+1)^{10} \cdot (1-x) \\
 &= ((1-x)(x^2+x+1))^{100} (1-x) \\
 &= (1^3 - x^3)^{100} (1-x) \\
 &= \underbrace{(1-x^3)^{100}}_{\text{No term of } x^{256}} - \underbrace{x(1-x^3)^{100}}_{\text{We find coefficient of } x^{255}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Required coefficient } (-1) \times (-^{100}C_{ss}) \\
 &= ^{100}C_{85} = ^{10}C_{15}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q2

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

Q3

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

Q4

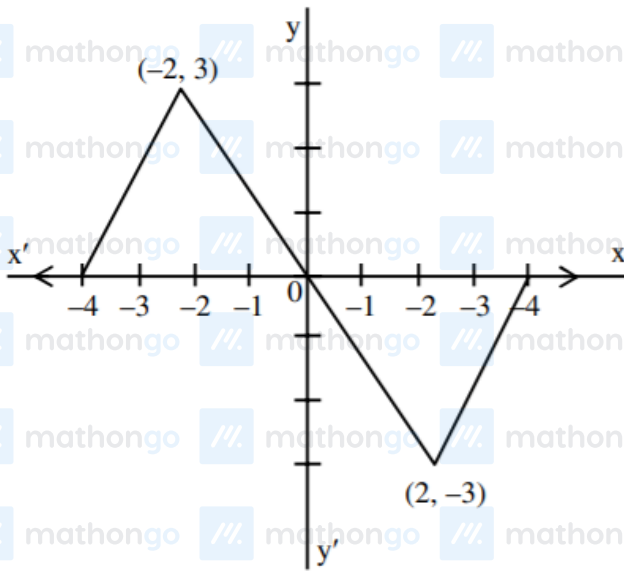
Hints and Solutions

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$$f(x-2) = \begin{cases} \frac{3x}{2} & -4 \leq x \leq -2 \\ -\frac{3x}{2} & -2 < x \leq 0 \\ 0 & x \in (-\infty, -4) \cup (0, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

$$f(x+2) = \begin{cases} \frac{3x}{2} + 6 & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ -\frac{3x}{2} + 6 & 2 < x \leq 4 \\ 0 & x \in (-\infty, 0) \cup (4, +\infty) \end{cases}$$

$$g(x) = f(x+2) - f(x-2) = \begin{cases} \frac{3x}{2} + 6 & -4 \leq x \leq -2 \\ -\frac{3x}{2} & -2 < x < 2 \\ \frac{3x}{2} - 6 & 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & x \in (-\infty, -4) \cup (4, +\infty) \end{cases}$$



$$n = 0$$

$$m = 4 \Rightarrow (n + m = 4)$$

Q5

$$\left(2x^r + \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{10}$$

$$\text{General term} = {}^{10}C_R (2x^2)^{10-R} x^{-2R}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2^{10-R} C_R = 180 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\&(10 - R)r - 2R = 0$$

$$r = \frac{2R}{10-R}$$

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$$r = \frac{2(R-10)}{10-R} + \frac{20}{10-R}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = -2 + \frac{20}{10-R} \dots \dots (2)$$

$R = 8$ or 5 reject equation (1) not satisfied

At $R = 8$

$$2^{10-R^{10}} C_R = 180 \Rightarrow r = 8$$

Q6

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

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

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

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

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

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

Q7

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

$$\& \text{ Sum of Coeff. of two middle terms in } (1+x)^{19} = {}^{19}C_9 + {}^{19}C_{10}$$

$$\text{So required ratio} = \frac{{}^{20}C_{10}}{{}^9C_9 + {}^{19}C_{10}} = \frac{{}^{20}C_{10}}{{}^{20}C_{10}} = 1$$

Q8

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

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

Now General Term

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

$$\text{For independent term } \frac{10-r}{3} - \frac{r}{2} = 0 \Rightarrow r = 4$$

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

Q9

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

T_{t+1} will be rational number when $r = 0, 3, 6, 9, 12$

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

$$\Rightarrow r = 0, 12$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 + T_{13} &= 1 \times 3^3 + 1 \times 2^4 \times 1 \\ &= 24 + 16 = 43 \end{aligned}$$

Q10

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

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

T_{i+1} will be independent of x
when $10 - 2r = 0 \Rightarrow r = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} T_6 &= {}^{10}C_5 (x \sin \alpha)^5 \times \left(\frac{a \cos \alpha}{x}\right)^5 \\ &= {}^{10}C_5 \times a^5 \times \frac{1}{2^5} (\sin 2\alpha)^5 \end{aligned}$$

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

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

Q11

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

$$\text{Let } x = 10^{100}$$

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

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

$$+ \frac{(x)(x-1)(x-2)}{3!} \cdot \frac{1}{x^3} + \dots$$

$$(\text{upto } 10^{100} + 1 \text{ terms}) \Rightarrow P = 1 + 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2x^2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \dots\right) + \dots \text{ so on}$$

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

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

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

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$$\Rightarrow P = 2 + (\text{positive value less than } e - 2) \Rightarrow P \in (2, 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{least integer value of } P \text{ is } 3$$

Q12

$$1 \cdot {}^nC_0 + 3 \cdot {}^nC_1 + 5 \cdot {}^nC_2 + \dots + (2n+1) \cdot {}^nC_n$$

$$T_t = (2r+1) {}^nC_t$$

$$S = \sum T_t$$

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

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

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

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

Q13

$${}^nC_7 2^{n-7} \frac{1}{3^7} = {}^nC_8 2^{n-8} \frac{1}{3^8}$$

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

Q14

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

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

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

$$22-3r = 7$$

$$r = 5$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\text{Since } b \neq 0 \quad \therefore b = 1$$

Q15

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

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

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow x = 1$$