

EXERCISE 8.3

BINOMIAL SERIES

(Lahore Board 2009, 11)

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

Here index n is negative integer or a fraction.

Q.1 Expand the following upto 4 terms, taking value of x such that the expansion in each case is valid.

(i) $(1-x)^{1/2}$

(ii) $(1+2x)^{-1}$

(iii) $(1+x)^{-1/3}$

(iv) $(4-3x)^{1/2}$

(v) $(8-2x)^{-1}$ (Lahore Board 2008)

(vi) $(2-3x)^{-2}$ (Lahore Board 2010)

(vii) $\frac{(1-x)^{-1}}{(1+x)^2}$

(viii) $\frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{1-x}$

(ix) $\frac{(4+2x)^{1/2}}{(2-x)}$

(x) $(1+x-2x^2)^{1/2}$

(xi) $(1-2x+3x^2)^{-1/3}$

Solution:

(i) $(1-x)^{1/2}$

By binomial series

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(-x) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)}{2!}(-x)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)}{3!}(-x)^3 + \dots \right) \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \times \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \times \frac{1}{6}(-x^3) + \dots \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \frac{1}{16}x^3 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Valid if $|x| < 1$

(ii) $(1+2x)^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1 + (-1)(2x) + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)}{2!}(2x)^2 + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)(-1-2)}{3!}(2x)^3 + \dots \\
 &= 1 - 2x + 4x^2 - 8x^3 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Valid if $|2x| < 1$

$2|x| < 1$

$\Rightarrow |x| < \frac{1}{2}$

(iii) $(1+x)^{-1/3}$

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

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{3}x + \frac{2}{9}x^2 - \frac{14}{81}x^3 + \dots$$

Valid if $|x| < 1$ (iv) $(4-3x)^{1/2}$

$$(4)^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{3x}{4}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$= 2 \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{3x}{4}\right) + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)}{2!} \left(-\frac{3x}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)}{3!} \left(-\frac{3x}{4}\right)^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[1 - \frac{3x}{8} + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}{2} \times \frac{9x^2}{16} + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)}{6} \left(-\frac{27x^3}{64}\right) + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2 - \frac{3x}{4} - \frac{9}{64}x^2 - \frac{27}{512}x^3 + \dots$$

Expansion is valid if

$$\left| \frac{3}{4}x \right| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{4}|x| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| < \frac{4}{3}$$

(v) $(8-2x)^{-1}$

(Lahore Board 2008)

$$= 8^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{2x}{8}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[1 - \frac{x}{4}\right]^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[1 + \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{-1 \times -2}{2 \times 1} \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{(-1) \times (-2) \times (-3)}{3 \times 2 \times 1} \times \frac{-1}{64}x^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[1 + \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{16}x^2 + \frac{1}{64}x^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{32}x + \frac{1}{128}x^2 + \frac{1}{512}x^3 + \dots$$

The expansion valid only if

$$\left| \frac{x}{4} \right| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} |x| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| < 4$$

(vi) $(2 - 3x)^{-2}$

(Lahore Board 2010)

$$\begin{aligned} & 2^{-2} \left(1 - \frac{3x}{2} \right)^{-2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[1 + (-2) \left(-\frac{3}{2} x \right) + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)}{2!} \left(-\frac{3x}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-2-2)}{3!} \left(-\frac{3}{2} x \right)^3 + \dots \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[1 + 3x + \frac{-2x-3}{2} \times \frac{9x^2}{4} + \frac{(-2)(-3)(-4)}{6} \times \frac{-27x^3}{8} + \dots \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[1 + 3x + \frac{27x^2}{4} + \frac{27x^3}{2} + \dots \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{27x^2}{16} + \frac{27x^3}{8} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

The above expansion is valid only if

$$\left| \frac{3x}{2} \right| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} |x| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| < \frac{2}{3}$$

(vii) $\frac{(1-x)^{-1}}{(1+x)^2}$

$$= (1-x)^{-1} (1+x)^{-2}$$

$$= \left[1 + x + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)}{2!} (-x)^2 + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)(-1-2)}{3!} (-x)^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$\left[1 - 2x + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-2-2)}{3!} (+x)^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \left[1 + x + \frac{(-1)(-2)}{2} (x)^2 + \frac{(-1)(-2)(-3)}{6} (-x^3) + \dots \right]$$

$$\left[1 - 2x + \frac{(-2)(-3)}{2} x^2 + \frac{(-2)(-3)(-4)}{6} x^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= [1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots] [1 - 2x + 3x^2 - 4x^3 + \dots] \\
&= 1 - 2x + 3x^2 - 4x^3 + x - 2x^2 + 3x^3 + x^2 - 2x^3 + x^3 + \dots \\
&= 1 - x + 2x^2 - 2x^3 + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

The above expansion are valid if

$$|x| < 1$$

(viii) $\frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{1-x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&(1+2x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-1} \\
&= (1-x)^{-1} (1+2x)^{1/2} \\
&= \left[1 + x + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)}{2!} (-x)^2 + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)(-1-2)}{3!} (-x)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&\quad \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} 2x + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right)}{2!} (2x)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \right)}{3!} (2x)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= \left[1 + x + \frac{-1 \times -2}{2} x^2 + \frac{-1 \times -2 \times -3}{6} (-x^3) + \dots \right] \\
&\quad \left[1 + x + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)}{2} 4x^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{3}{2} \right)}{6} 8x^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= [1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots] \left[1 + x - \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= 1 + x - \frac{1}{2} x^2 + \frac{1}{2} x^3 + x + x^2 - \frac{1}{2} x^3 + x^2 + x^3 + x^3 + \dots \\
&= 1 + 2x + \frac{3}{2} x^2 + 2x^3 + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

The above expansion valid if

$$|x| < \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad |x| < 1$$

(ix) $\frac{(4+2x)^{1/2}}{(2-x)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&(4+2x)^{1/2} (2-x)^{-1} \\
&= 4^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{2}{4} x \right)^{1/2} 2^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{x}{2} \right)^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right)}{2!} \cdot \frac{x^2}{4} + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \right)}{3!} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)^3 + \dots \right) \\
&\quad \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)}{2!} \left(-\frac{x}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{(-1)(-1-1)(-1-2)}{3!} \left(-\frac{x}{2} \right)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= \left[1 + \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{1}{32}x^2 + \frac{1}{128}x^3 + \dots \right] \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{8}x^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{8}x^3 + \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 - \frac{1}{32}x^2 - \frac{1}{64}x^3 + \frac{1}{128}x^3 \\
&= 1 + \frac{3}{4}x + \frac{11}{32}x^2 + \frac{23}{128}x^3 + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

The expansion of $\left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{1/2}$ and $\left(1 - \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-1}$ are valid if

$$\left| \frac{x}{2} \right| < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow |x| < 2$$

$$(x) \quad (1 + x - 2x^2)^{1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x - 2x^2) + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right)}{2!} (x - 2x^2)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} - 2 \right)}{3!} (x - 2x^2)^3 + \dots \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}(x - 2x^2) + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times -\frac{1}{2}}{2} (x^2 + 4x^4 - 4x^3) + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{3}{2} \right)}{6} (x^3 - 8x^6 - 6x^4 + 12x^5) + \dots \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - x^2 - \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^4 + \frac{1}{2}x^3 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 - \frac{3}{8}x^4 + \frac{3}{4}x^5 - \frac{1}{2}x^6 + \dots \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{9}{8}x^2 + \frac{9}{16}x^3 + \dots
\end{aligned}$$

The above expansion is valid only if $|x - 2x^2| < 1$ that is either

$$\begin{aligned}
&x - 2x^2 < 1 \quad \text{or} \quad -(x - 2x^2) < 1 \\
\Rightarrow &-2x^2 + x - 1 < 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (1) \quad 2x^2 - x - 1 < 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (2) \\
&2x^2 - 2x + x - 1 < 0 \\
&(x - 1)(2x + 1) < 0 \\
&-\frac{1}{2} < x < 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(xi)} \quad & (1 - 2x + 3x^2)^{-1/3} \\
 & [1 + (3x^2 - 2x)]^{-1/3} \\
 & = \left[1 + \left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)(3x^2 - 2x) + \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{-1}{3} - 1\right)}{2!}(3x^2 - 2x)^2 + \frac{\frac{-1}{3}\left(\frac{-1}{3} - 1\right)\left(\frac{-1}{3} - 2\right)}{3!}(3x^2 - 2x)^3 + \dots \right] \\
 & = 1 - \frac{1}{3}(3x^2 - 2x) - \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{-4}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}(9x^4 + 4x^2 - 12x^3) + \frac{-1}{3} \times \frac{-4}{3} \times \frac{-7}{2} \times \frac{1}{6} \\
 & \quad (27x^6 - 8x^3 - 54x^5 + 36x^4) + \dots \\
 & = 1 - x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x + \frac{2}{9}(9x^4 + 4x^2 - 12x^3) - \frac{7}{27}(27x^6 - 8x^3 - 54x^5 + 36x^4) + \dots \\
 & = 1 - x^2 + \frac{2}{3}x + 2x^4 + \frac{8}{9}x^2 - \frac{24}{9}x^3 - 7x^6 + \frac{56}{27}x^3 + 14x^5 + \dots \\
 & = 1 + \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{1}{9}x^2 - \frac{16}{27}x^3 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

The above expansion is valid only if

$$\begin{aligned}
 |3x^2 - 2x| &< 1 \\
 3x^2 - 2x &< 1 \quad \quad - (3x^2 - 2x) < 1 \\
 3x^2 - 2x - 1 &< 1 \\
 3x^2 - 3x + x - 1 &< 1 \\
 (3x + 1)(x - 1) &< 1 \\
 \frac{-1}{3} &< x < 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Q.2 Using Binomial theorem find the value of the following to three places of decimals.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad & \sqrt{99} \\
 & = (99)^{1/2} = (100 - 1)^{1/2} = (100)^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{100}\right)^{1/2} \\
 & = 10 \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{-1}{100}\right) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right)}{2!}\left(\frac{-1}{100}\right)^2 + \dots \right] \\
 & = 10 \left[1 - \frac{1}{2 \times 100} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{-1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{100 \times 100} + \dots \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 10 - \frac{1}{20} - \frac{1}{8000} + \dots$$

$$= 10 - 0.05 - 0.000125 + \dots = 9.950$$

(ii) $(0.98)^{1/2}$

$$= (1 - .02)^{1/2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}(-.02) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right)(-.02)^2 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - .01 + \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)(.0004) + \dots$$

$$= 1 - .01 - .00005 + \dots = .990$$

(iii) $(1.03)^{1/3}$

$$= (1 + .03)^{1/3}$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}(.03) + \frac{\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{3} - 1\right)}{2!}(.03)^2 + \dots\right)$$

$$= 1 + .01 + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{-2}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times .0009 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + .01 - .0001 + \dots = 1.010$$

(iv) $\sqrt[3]{65}$

$$= (65)^{1/3} = (64 + 1)^{1/3}$$

$$= (64)^{1/3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{64}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$= 4 \left[1 + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{64}\right) + \frac{\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{1}{3} - 1\right)}{2!}\left(\frac{1}{64}\right)^2 + \dots\right]$$

$$= 4 \left[1 + \frac{1}{192} + \frac{\frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)}{2} \times \frac{1}{4096} + \dots\right]$$

$$= 4 + 0.021 - 0.0001 + \dots = 4.021$$

(v) $\sqrt[4]{17}$

$$= (17)^{1/4} = (16 + 1)^{1/4} = 16^{1/4} \left(1 + \frac{1}{16}\right)^{1/4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2^{4 \times (1/4)} \left[1 + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{16} \right) + \dots \right] \\
 &= 2 + \frac{1}{2 \times 16} + \dots = 2 + \frac{1}{32} + \dots \\
 &= 2 + 0.031 + \dots = 2.031
 \end{aligned}$$

(vi) $\sqrt[5]{31}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (31)^{1/5} = (32 - 1)^{1/5} \\
 &= 32^{1/5} \left(1 - \frac{1}{32} \right)^{1/5} \\
 &= 2^{5 \times (1/5)} \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{5} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{32} \right) + \dots \right] \\
 &= 2 - \frac{1}{5 \times 16} + \dots = 2 - 0.013 = 1.987
 \end{aligned}$$

(vii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{998}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(\frac{1}{(998)^{1/3}} \right) = (998)^{-1/3} \\
 &= (1000 - 2)^{-1/3} = (1000)^{-1/3} \left[1 - \frac{2}{1000} \right]^{-1/3} \\
 &= 10^{3 \times (-1/3)} \left[1 - \frac{1}{500} \right]^{-1/3} \\
 &= 10^{-1} \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) \left(\frac{1}{500} \right) + \dots \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{10} \left[1 + \frac{1}{1500} + \dots \right] = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{15000} + \dots \\
 &= 0.1 + 0.000067 + \dots = 0.1000
 \end{aligned}$$

(viii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{252}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{(252)^{1/5}} = (252)^{-1/5} = (243 + 9)^{-1/5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 243^{-1/5} \left[1 + \frac{9}{243} \right]^{-1/5} = 3^{5 \times -1/5} \left[1 + \left(\frac{-1}{5} \right) \left(\frac{9}{243} \right) + \dots \right] \\
 &= 3^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{27} + \dots \right] = \frac{1}{3} \left[1 - \frac{1}{135} + \dots \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} [1 - 0.007 + \dots] = \frac{1}{3} [0.993] = 0.331
 \end{aligned}$$

(ix) $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{8}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^{1/2} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{8} \right)^{1/2} \\
 &= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{8} \right) + \dots \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{16} + \dots = 1 - 0.063 + \dots = 0.938
 \end{aligned}$$

(x) $(.998)^{-1/3}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1 - 0.002)^{-1/3} \\
 &= 1 + \left(\frac{-1}{3} \right) (-0.002) + \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{3} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{3} - 1 \right)}{2 \times 1} (-0.002)^2 + \dots \\
 &= 1 + 0.001 + \frac{2}{9} (0) + \dots \\
 &= 1 + 0.001 + 0 + \dots = 1.001
 \end{aligned}$$

(xi) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[6]{486}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{(486)^{1/6}} = (486)^{-1/6} = (729 - 243)^{-1/6} \\
 &= (729)^{-1/6} \times \left[1 - \frac{243}{729} \right]^{-1/6} = (3^6)^{-1/6} \left[1 - \frac{1}{3} \right]^{-1/6} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \left[1 - \frac{1}{3} \right]^{-1/6} \Rightarrow = \frac{1}{3} \left[1 + \left(\frac{-1}{6} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{3} \right) + \frac{\left(\frac{-1}{6} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{6} - 1 \right)}{2!} \left(\frac{-1}{3} \right)^2 + \dots \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} [1 + 0.0555 + 0.0108 + \dots] \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} [1.06895] = 0.356
 \end{aligned}$$

(xii) $(1280)^{1/4}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1296 - 16)^{1/4} = 1296^{1/4} \left(1 - \frac{16}{1296} \right)^{1/4} \\
 &= 6^{4 \times (1/4)} \left[1 + \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \left(-\frac{16}{296} \right) + \dots \right] \\
 &= 6 \left[1 - \frac{1}{324} + \dots \right] = 6 [1 - 0.003 + \dots] = 6 [0.997] = 5.981
 \end{aligned}$$

Q.3 Find the coefficient of x^n in the expansion

(i) $\frac{1+x^2}{(1+x)^2}$

(ii) $\frac{(1+x)^2}{(1-x)^2}$

(iii) $\frac{(1+x)^3}{(1-x)^2}$

(iv) $\frac{(1+x)^2}{(1-x)^3}$

(v) $(1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots)$ (Gujranwala Board 2005)

Solution:

(i) $\frac{1+x^2}{(1+x)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1+x^2)(1+x)^{-2} \\
 &= (1+x^2) \left[1 + (-2)(x) + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)x^2}{2!} + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-3-1)(x)^3}{3!} + \dots \right] \\
 &= (1+x^2) \left[1 + (-2)(x) + \frac{(-2)(-3)x^2}{2!} + \frac{(-2)(-3)(-4)}{3 \times 2 \times 1} x^3 + \dots \right] \\
 &= (1+x^2) [1 + (-1)2x + (-1)^2 3x^2 + (-1)^3 4x^3 + \dots \\
 &\quad + \dots + (-1)^{n-2} (n-1)^{n-2} x + (-1)^{n-1} n x^{n-1} + (-1)^n (n+1) x^n] \\
 &= (-1)^{n-2} (n-1) x^n + (-1)^n (n+1) x^n \\
 &= [(-1)^n (-1)^2 (n-1) + (-1)^n (n+1)] x^n = (-1)^n [n-1+n+1] x^n \\
 &= (-1)^n \cdot (2n) x^n
 \end{aligned}$$

Coefficient of x^n is, $(-1)^n \times (2n)$

(ii) $\frac{(1+x)^2}{(1-x)^2}$

$$= (1+x)^2 (1-x)^{-2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (1 + 2x + x^2) \left(1 + 2x + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-x)^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \\
&= (1 + 2x + x^2) \left(1 + 2x + \frac{(-2)(-3)}{2 \times 1} x^2 + \dots \right) \\
&= (1 + 2x + x^2) [1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots + (n-1)x^{n-2} + nx^{n-1} + (n+1)x^n]
\end{aligned}$$

Now multiplying the terms to get terms involving x^n .

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (n+1)x^n + 2nx^{n-1+1} + (n-1)x^{n-2+2} \\
&= (n+1)x^n + 2nx^n + (n-1)x^n \\
&= (n+1+2n+n-1)x^n \\
&= 4nx^n
\end{aligned}$$

Hence coefficient of x^n is $4n$

(iii) $\frac{(1+x)^3}{(1-x)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (1+x)^3 (1-x)^{-2} \\
&= \left[1 + 3x + \frac{(3)(3-1)}{2!} (x)^2 + \frac{3(3-1)(3-2)}{3!} x^3 \right] \\
&\quad \left[1 + 2x + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-x)^2}{2!} + \frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-2-2)}{3!} (-x)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= \left[1 + 3x + \frac{3 \times 2}{2 \times 1} x^2 + \frac{3 \times 2 \times 1}{3 \times 2 \times 1} x^3 \right] \\
&\quad \left[1 + 2x + \frac{(-2)(-3)}{2 \times 1} x^2 + \frac{(-2)(-3)(-4)}{3 \times 2 \times 1} (-x)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= [1 + 3x + 3x^2 + x^3] \\
&\quad [1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3 + \dots + (n-2)x^{n-3} + (n-1)x^{n-2} + nx^{n-1} + (n+1)x^n] \\
&= (n+1)x^n + 3nx^{n-1+1} + 3(n-1)x^{n-2+2} + (n-2)x^{n-3+3} \\
&= (n+1)x^n + 3nx^n + 3(n-1)x^n + (n-2)x^n \\
&= (n+1+3n+3n-3+n-2)x^n \\
&= (8n-4) \cdot x^n = 4(2n-1)x^n
\end{aligned}$$

Hence coefficient of x^n is $4(2n-1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iv)} \quad & \frac{(1+x)^2}{(1-x)^3} \\
 &= (1+x)^2 (1-x)^{-3} \\
 &= \left[(1+2x+x^2) \left(1+3x+\frac{(-3)(-3-1)}{2!}(-x)^2 + \dots \right) \right] \\
 &= (1+2x+x^2) \left(1+3x+\frac{-3x-4}{2 \times 1}x^2 + \dots \right) \\
 &= (1+2x+x^2) \\
 &\quad \left(1+3x+\frac{3 \times 4}{2}x^2+\frac{4 \times 5}{2}x^3+\dots+\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2}x^{n-2}+\frac{n(n+1)}{2}x^{n-1}+\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}x^n \right) \\
 \Rightarrow &= \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}x^n + \frac{2(n)(n+1)}{2}x^{n-1+1} + \frac{(n-1)(n)}{2}x^{n-2+2} \\
 &= \left(\frac{n^2+3n+2+2n^2+2n+n^2-n}{2} \right) x^n \\
 &= \left(\frac{4n^2+4n+2}{2} \right) x^n = (2n^2+2n+1)x^n
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence coefficient of x^n is $2n^2+2n+1$.

$$\text{(v)} \quad (1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots)$$

We know that,

$$(1+x)^{-1} = 1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots$$

Hence given expression becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 [(1+x)^{-1}]^2 &= (1+x)^{-2} \\
 &= 1+(-2)x+\frac{(-2)(-2-1)}{2!}(-x)^2+\frac{(-2)(-2-1)(-2-2)}{3!}(-x)^3+\dots \\
 &= 1+(-1)2x+\frac{(-2)(-3)}{2 \times 1}x^2+\frac{(-2)(-3)(-4)}{3 \times 2 \times 1}(-x)^3+\dots \\
 &= 1+(-1)2x+(-1)^2 3x^2+(-1)^3 4x^3+\dots+(-1)^{n-2}(n-2)x^{n-2} \\
 &\quad +(-1)^{n-1}n x^{n-1}+(-1)^n(n+1)x^n
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence coefficient of x^n is only, $(-1)^n(n+1)$

Q.4 If x is so small that its square and higher power can be neglected, then show that

$$(i) \quad \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1-x}} \approx 1 - \frac{3}{2}x \quad (\text{Lahore Board 2009})$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} \approx 1 + \frac{3}{2}x$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{(9+7x)^{1/2} - (16+3x)^{1/4}}{4+5x} \approx \frac{1}{4} - \frac{17}{284}x$$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{\sqrt{4+x}}{(1-x)^3} \approx 2 + \frac{25}{4}x$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{(1+x)^{1/2} (4-3x)^{3/2}}{(8+5x)^{1/3}} \approx \left(1 - \frac{5}{6}x\right) \quad (\text{Gujranwala Board 2006})$$

$$(vi) \quad \frac{(1-x)^{1/2} (9-4x)^{1/2}}{(8+3x)^{1/3}} \approx \frac{3}{2} - \frac{61}{48}x$$

$$(vii) \quad \frac{\sqrt{4-x} + (8-x)^{1/3}}{(8-x)^{1/3}} \approx 2 - \frac{1}{12}x$$

Solution:

$$(i) \quad \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1-x}} \approx 1 - \frac{3}{2}x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (1-x)(1+x)^{-1/2} \\ &= (1-x) \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}x\right) \quad (\text{neglecting square and higher power of } x) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - x \\ &= 1 - \frac{3}{2}x \\ &= \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} \approx 1 + \frac{3}{2}x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (1+2x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-1/2} \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}2x\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= (1+x) \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x \right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + x$$

$$= 1 + \frac{3}{2}x = \text{R.H.S.}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{(9+7x)^{1/2} - (16+3x)^{1/4}}{4+5x} \approx \frac{1}{4} - \frac{17}{284}x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= [(9+7x)^{1/2} - (16+3x)^{1/4}] (4+5x)^{-1} \\ &= \left[9^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{7}{9}x \right)^{1/2} - 16^{1/4} \left(1 + \frac{3x}{16} \right)^{1/4} \right] \cdot 4^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{5x}{4} \right)^{-1} \\ &= \left[3 \left(1 + \frac{7}{8}x \right) - 2 \left(1 + \frac{3}{64}x \right) \right] \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{5x}{4} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[3 + \frac{7}{6}x - 2 - \frac{3}{32}x \right] \left(1 - \frac{5}{4}x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\left(1 + \frac{103}{96}x \right) \left(1 - \frac{5}{4}x \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{5}{4}x + \frac{103}{96}x \right) \quad [\because \text{neglecting higher power of } x] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left(1 - \frac{17}{96}x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{17}{384}x = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(iv) \quad \frac{\sqrt{4+x}}{(1-x)^3} \approx 2 + \frac{25}{4}x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (4+x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-3} \\ &= 4^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{4} \right)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-3} \\ &= 2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{8}x \right) (1+3x) \\ &= 2 \left(1 + 3x + \frac{1}{8}x \right) \\ &= 2 \left(1 + \frac{25}{8}x \right) \\ &= 2 + \frac{25}{4}x = \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(v) \quad \frac{(1+x)^{1/2} (4-3x)^{3/2}}{(8+5x)^{1/3}} \approx \left(1 - \frac{5}{6}x\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (1+x)^{1/2} (4-3x)^{3/2} (8+5x)^{-1/3} \\ &= (1+x)^{1/2} 4^{3/2} \left(1 - \frac{3x}{4}\right)^{3/2} (8)^{-1/3} \left(1 + \frac{5x}{8}\right)^{-1/3} \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right) 2^3 \left(1 - \frac{9}{8}x\right) 2^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{5}{24}x\right) \\ &= 2^3 2^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{9}{8}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{5}{24}x\right) \\ &= 2^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{5}{24}x - \frac{9}{8}x\right) \\ &= 4 \left(1 - \frac{5}{24}x - \frac{9}{8}x + \frac{1}{2}x\right) \\ &= 4 \left(1 - \frac{5}{6}x\right) \\ &= \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

$$(vi) \quad \frac{(1-x)^{1/2} (9-4x)^{1/2}}{(8+3x)^{1/3}} \approx \frac{3}{2} - \frac{61}{48}x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (1-x)^{1/2} (9-4x)^{1/2} (8+3x)^{-1/3} \\ &= (1-x)^{1/2} 9^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{4x}{9}\right)^{1/2} 8^{-1/3} \left(1 + \frac{3x}{8}\right)^{-1/3} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}x\right) 3 \left(1 - \frac{4}{18}x\right) 2^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{3x}{24}\right) \\ &= 3^1 2^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{9}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{8}x\right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{8}x - \frac{2}{9}x\right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{8}x - \frac{2}{9}x - \frac{1}{2}x\right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{61}{72}x\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{61}{72} x$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{61}{48}$$

$$= \text{R.H.S.}$$

$$(vii) \quad \frac{\sqrt{4-x} + (8-x)^{1/3}}{(8-x)^{1/3}} \approx 2 - \frac{1}{12} x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= [(4-x)^{1/2} + (8-x)^{1/3}] (8-x)^{-1/3} \\ &= \left[4^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{x}{4} \right)^{1/2} + 8^{1/3} \left(1 - \frac{x}{8} \right)^{1/3} \right] (8)^{-1/3} \left(1 - \frac{x}{8} \right)^{-1/3} \\ &= \left[2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{8} x \right) + 2 \left(1 - \frac{x}{24} \right) \right] 2^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{24} x \right) \\ &= \left[2 - \frac{1}{4} x + 2 - \frac{x}{12} \right] \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{24} x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(4 - \frac{1}{3} x \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{24} x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(4 + \frac{1}{6} x - \frac{1}{3} x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(4 - \frac{1}{6} x \right) \\ &= 2 - \frac{1}{12} x \\ &= \text{R.H.S.} \end{aligned}$$

Q.5 If x is so small that its cube and higher power can be neglected, show that

$$(i) \quad \sqrt{1-x-2x^2} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} x - \frac{9}{8} x^2$$

$$(ii) \quad \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \approx 1 + x + \frac{1}{2} x$$

Solution:

$$(i) \quad \sqrt{1-x-2x^2} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{2} x - \frac{9}{8} x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{L.H.S.} &= (1-x-2x^2)^{1/2} \\ &= [1-(x+2x^2)]^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2}(x + 2x^2) + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right)[-(x + 2x^2)^2] \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2}(x + 2x^2) + \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \times \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 4x^4 + 4x^3) \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2}(x + 2x^2) - \frac{1}{8}(x^2 + 4x^4 + 4x^3) \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - x^2 - \frac{1}{8}x^2 \quad (\text{neglecting cube and higher power of } x) \\
&= 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{9}{8}x^2 \\
&= \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) $\sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \approx 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{L.H.S.} &= (1+x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-1/2} \\
&= \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)}{2!}x^2\right] \left[1 + \frac{\frac{(-1)}{2}\left(\frac{-1}{2}-1\right)}{2!}(-x)^2\right] \\
&= \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2\right] \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2\right) \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{3}{16}x^3 - \frac{1}{8}x^2 - \frac{1}{16}x^3 - \frac{3}{64}x^4 \\
&= 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{4}x^2 \\
&= 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 \\
&= \text{R.H.S.}
\end{aligned}$$

Q.6 If x is very nearly equal to 1, then prove that

$$Px^p - qx^q \approx (p - q)x^{p+q}$$

(Gujranwala Board 2005, 2003), (Lahore Board 2003, 2009, 2011)

Solution:

Since $x \approx 1$

Let $x = 1 + h$ where h is so small that its square and higher powers can be neglected.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{L.H.S.} &= Px^p - qx^q \\
&\approx P(1+h)^p - q(1+h)^q
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\approx P(1 + ph) - q(1 + qh) \\
&\approx P + p^2h - q - q^2h \\
&\approx (p - q) + (p^2 - q^2)h \\
&\approx (p - q) + (p - q)(p + q)h \\
&\approx (p - q)[1 + (p + q)h] \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{R.H.S.} &= (P - q)x^{p+q} \\
&\approx (P - q)(1 + h)^{p+q} \\
&\approx (P - q)[1 + (p + q)h] \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)
\end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2) we have

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Hence proved.

Q.7 If $p - q$ is small, when compared with p or q show that

$$\frac{(2n+1)p + (2n-1)q}{(2n-1)p + (2n+1)q} = \left[\frac{p+q}{2q} \right]^{1/n}$$

Solution:

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \frac{(2n+1)p + (2n-1)q}{(2n-1)p + (2n+1)q}$$

$$\text{Let } p - q = h$$

$p = q + h$, where 'h' is a small that its square and higher powers can be neglected.

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{(2n+1)(q+h) + (2n-1)q}{(2n-1)(q+h) + (2n+1)q} \\
&= \frac{2nq + 2nh + q + h + 2nq - q}{2nq + 2nh - q - h + 2nq + q} \\
&= \frac{4nq + 2nh + h}{4nq + 2nh - h} = \frac{4nq + (2n+1)h}{4nq + (2n-1)h} \\
&= \frac{4nq \left[1 + \left(\frac{2n+1}{4nq} \right) h \right]}{4nq \left[1 + \left(\frac{2n-1}{4nq} \right) h \right]} \\
&= \left[1 + \left(\frac{2n+1}{4nq} \right) h \right] \left[1 + \left(\frac{2n-1}{4nq} \right) h \right]^{-1} \\
&= \left[1 + \left(\frac{2n+1}{4nq} \right) h \right] \left[1 - \left(\frac{2n-1}{4nq} \right) h \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1 + \left(\frac{2n+1}{4nq} \right) h - \left(\frac{2n-1}{4nq} \right) h \\
&= 1 + \frac{2nh + h - 2nh + h}{4nq} \\
&= 1 + \frac{2h}{4nq} = 1 + \frac{h}{2nq} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{R.H.S.} &= \left[\frac{p+q}{2q} \right]^{1/n} \\
&= \left[\frac{q+h+q}{2q} \right]^{1/n} \\
&= \left[\frac{2q+h}{2q} \right]^{1/n} = \left[\frac{2q}{2q} + \frac{h}{2q} \right]^{1/n} \\
&= \left[1 + \frac{h}{2q} \right]^{1/n} = 1 + \frac{h}{2nq} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)
\end{aligned}$$

By (1) and (2)

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Q.8 Show that $\left[\frac{n}{2(n+N)} \right]^{1/2} = \frac{8n}{9n-N} - \frac{n+N}{4n}$ where n and N are nearly equal.

Solution:

Since, $N \approx n$

$\Rightarrow N = n + h$, where 'h' is so small that its square and higher powers can be neglected.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{L.H.S.} &= \left[\frac{n}{2(n+N)} \right]^{1/2} \\
&= \left[\frac{n}{2(n+n+h)} \right]^{1/2} = \left[\frac{n}{2(2n+h)} \right]^{1/2} = \left[\frac{n}{4n+2h} \right]^{1/2} \\
&= \left[\frac{n}{4n \left(1 + \frac{2h}{4n} \right)} \right]^{1/2} = \left[\frac{1}{4^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{2h}{4n} \right)^{1/2}} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} \left[1 + \frac{2h}{4n} \right]^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{2h}{8n} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{h}{4n} \right] \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{R.H.S.} &= \frac{8n}{9n-n} - \frac{n+N}{4n} \\
 &= \frac{8n}{9n-(n+h)} - \frac{(n+n+h)}{4n} \\
 &= \frac{8n}{9n-n-h} - \frac{2n+h}{4n} \\
 &= \frac{8n}{8n-h} - \frac{2n+h}{4n} \\
 &= \frac{8n}{8n\left(1-\frac{h}{8n}\right)} - \frac{2n+h}{4n} \\
 &= \left(1-\frac{h}{8n}\right)^{-1} - \frac{2n+h}{4n} \\
 &\approx 1 + \frac{h}{8n} - \left(\frac{2n+h}{4n}\right) \\
 &\approx \frac{8n+h-4n-2h}{8n} \\
 &\approx \frac{4n-h}{8n} \approx \frac{4n}{8n} - \frac{h}{8n} \approx \frac{1}{2} - \frac{h}{8n} \\
 &\approx \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{h}{4n}\right] \dots\dots\dots (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2), we have

$$\text{L.H.S.} = \text{R.H.S.}$$

Q.9 Identify the following series as binomial expansion and find the sum in case.

(i) $1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2! \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{3! \cdot 8} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 + \dots\dots$

(ii) $1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \dots\dots$

(iii) $1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3 \cdot 5}{4 \cdot 8} + \frac{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7}{4 \cdot 8 \cdot 12} + \dots\dots$

(iv) $1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \dots\dots$

Solution:

$$(i) \quad 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2! \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{3! \cdot 8} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2! \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 - \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Now, comparing term by term of the above two equations, we have

$$nx = \frac{-1}{8} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{3}{128} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2! \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 = \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 1 \cdot 4} \frac{1}{16} = \frac{3}{128}$$

By (1), we have

$$x = \frac{-1}{8n} \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Putting the value of x in (2)

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{64 n^2} = \frac{3}{128}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{128n} = \frac{3}{128}$$

Multiplying both sides by 128

$$\frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \Rightarrow n-1 = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 = 2n$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{n = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Putting value of n in (3)

$$x = -\frac{1}{48 \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{1}{4}}$$

Now, putting the values of x and n in,

$$(1+x)^n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$\text{Required sum} = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$(ii) \quad 1 - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \dots$$

Now comparing term by term of the above two equations, we have

$$nx = -\frac{1}{4} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 = \frac{3}{32} \quad \dots (2)$$

$$\therefore \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{32}$$

By (1), we have

$$x = -\frac{1}{4n} \quad \dots (3)$$

[Putting the value of x in (2)]

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{16n^2} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{32n} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \quad (\because \text{since multiply both sides by } 32)$$

$$\Rightarrow n-1 = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow -1 = 3n - n$$

$$-1 = 2n$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{n = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

Putting the value of n in (3)

$$x = -\frac{1}{2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{1}{2}}$$

Now, putting the values of x and n in

$$(1+x)^n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, \text{ required sum}$$

$$\text{(iii)} \quad 1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3 \cdot 5}{4 \cdot 8} + \frac{3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7}{4 \cdot 8 \cdot 12} + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3 \cdot 5}{4 \cdot 8} + \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Now comparing term by term above two equations, we have

$$nx = \frac{3}{4} \quad \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{15}{32} \quad \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

By (1), we have

$$x = \frac{3}{4n} \quad \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Putting the value of x in (2)

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \frac{9}{16n^2} = \frac{15}{32}$$

$$\frac{(n-1)9}{32n} = \frac{15}{32}$$

$$\frac{(n-1)9}{n} = 15 \quad (\because \text{multiplying both sides by } 32)$$

$$9n - 9 = 15n$$

$$-9 = 15n - 9n$$

$$-9 = 6n \Rightarrow n = \frac{-9}{6} \Rightarrow \boxed{n = \frac{-3}{2}}$$

Putting the value of n in (3).

$$x = \frac{3}{4\left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Now putting the values of x and n in,

$$(1+x)^n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3/2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3/2} = (2)^{3/2} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

$$(iv) \quad 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2 \cdot 4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Now comparing term by term of the above two equations, we have

$$nx = \frac{-1}{6} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{1}{24} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

From (1) $x = \frac{-1}{6n}$ Put in

$$\frac{n^2 - n}{2} \left(\frac{1}{36n^2}\right) = \frac{1}{24}$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \times \frac{1}{36n^2} = \frac{1}{24}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{72n} = \frac{1}{24}$$

$$24n - 24 = 72n$$

$$-24 = 48n$$

$$\boxed{n = \frac{-1}{2}} \quad \text{Put in (1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{6} \times \frac{-2}{1}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Hence } \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{1/2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Q.10 Use binomial theorem to show that, $1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1.3}{4.8} + \frac{1.3.5}{4.8.12} + \dots = \sqrt{2}$

Solution:

L.H.S.

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1.3}{4.8} + \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \dots$$

Now comparing term by term the above two equations, we have

$$nx = \frac{1}{4} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 = \frac{3}{32} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

By (1), we have

$$x = \frac{1}{4n} \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Putting the value of x in (2)

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \frac{1}{16n^2} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{32n} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \quad (\because \text{multiplying both sides by } 32)$$

$$n-1 = 3n$$

$$-1 = 3n - n$$

$$-1 = 2n \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{n = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Putting the values of n and x in (3)

$$(1+x)^n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1/2} = (2)^{1/2} = \sqrt{2} \text{ R.H.S.}$$

Hence proved.

Q.11 If $y = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{1.3.5}{3!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \dots$ then prove that $y^2 + 2y - 2 = 0$

Solution:

By adding '1' on both sides,

$$1+y = 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \frac{1.3.5}{3!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Now comparing term by term above two equations, we have

$$nx = \frac{1}{3} \quad \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{9}\right) = \frac{3}{18} \quad \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

By (1) we have,

$$x = \frac{1}{3n} \quad \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Putting the value of x in (2)

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3n}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{18}$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \times \frac{1}{9n^2} = \frac{3}{18}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{18n} = \frac{3}{18}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \quad (\because \text{multiplying both sides by } 18)$$

$$n - 1 = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{n = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Putting the value of n in (3)

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

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{-2}{3}}$$

Now, putting the values of x and n in,

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

$$(1+y) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1/2} = \sqrt{3}$$

Taking square on both sides,

$$(1+y)^2 = (\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$1 + y^2 + 2y = 3$$

$$y^2 + 2y + 1 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 2y + 1 - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 2y - 2 = 0$$

Hence proved.

Q.12 If $2y = \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1.3.5}{3!} \left(\frac{1}{2^6}\right) + \dots$ then prove that $4y^2 + 4y - 1 = 0$.

(Lahore Board 2006)

Solution:

By adding '1' on both sides

$$1 + 2y = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1.3.5}{3!} \frac{1}{2^6} + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1+x)^n = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \frac{1}{2^4} + \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Now, comparing term by term of the above two equations, we have

$$nx = \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{1}{4} \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2!} \frac{1}{2^4} = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{16} = \frac{3}{32} \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

By (1) we have,

$$x = \frac{1}{4n} \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Putting the value of x in (2)

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{4n} \right)^2 = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \times \frac{1}{16n^2} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{2} \frac{1}{16n} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{32n} = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \quad (\because \text{multiplying both sides by } 32)$$

$$\frac{n-1}{n} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow n-1 = 3n$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{n = -\frac{1}{2}}$$

Putting the value of n in (3)

$$x = \frac{1}{2^{4(-1/2)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Now putting the values of x and n in

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

$$(1 + 2y) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$(1 + 2y) = \sqrt{2}$$

Taking square on both sides

$$(1 + 2y)^2 = (\sqrt{2})^2$$

$$1 + 4y^2 + 4y = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 + 4y + 1 - 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 4y^2 + 4y - 1 = 0$$

Hence proved.

Q.13 If $y = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + \frac{1.3.5}{3!} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 + \dots$ then prove that $y^2 + 2y - 4 = 0$.

(Gujranwala Board 2003)

Solution:

By adding '1' on both sides,

$$1 + y = 1 + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + \frac{1.3.5}{3!} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{Let } (1 + x)^n = 1 + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{Also, } (1 + x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 + \dots$$

Now, comparing term by term of the above two equations we have

$$nx = \frac{2}{5} \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^2 = \frac{1.3}{2!} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{4}{25} = \frac{6}{25} \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

By (1) we have,

$$x = \frac{2}{5n} \quad \dots \quad (3)$$

Putting the value of x in (2)

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5n}\right)^2 = \frac{6}{25}$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \times \frac{4}{25n^2} = \frac{6}{25}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{2} \times \frac{4}{25} = \frac{6}{25}$$

$$\frac{2(n-1)}{25n} = \frac{6}{25}$$

$$\frac{2(n-1)}{n} = 6 \quad (\because \text{multiplying both sides by } 25)$$

$$2(n-1) = 6n$$

$$n-1 = 3n \Rightarrow \boxed{n = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Putting the value of n in (3)

$$x = \frac{2}{5\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)} = \frac{2}{-\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{-4}{5}}$$

Now, putting the values of x and n in,

$$(1+x)^n = \left(1 - \frac{4}{5}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$(1+y) = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$(1+y) = \sqrt{5}$$

Taking square on both sides,

$$(1+y)^2 = (\sqrt{5})^2$$

$$1 + y^2 + 2y = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 2y - 4 = 0$$

Hence proved.