## Answers - Binomial expansion (page ??)

1. 
$$(x+y)^3 = x^3 + 3x^2y + 3xy^2 + y^3$$

2. 
$$(2x + y)^4 = (2x)^4 + 4(2x)^3y + 6(2x)^2y^2 + 4(2x)y^3 + y^4$$
  
=  $16x^4 + 32x^3y + 24x^2y^2 + 8xy^3 + y^4$ 

3. 
$$(2x-3)^5 = (2x)^5 + 5(2x)^4(-3) + 10(2x)^3(-3)^2 + 10(2x)^2(-3)^3 + 5(2x)(-3)^4 + (-3)^5$$
  
=  $32x^5 - 240x^4 + 720x^3 - 1080x^2 + 810x - 243$ 

4. 
$$(3x + 2y)^4 = (3x)^4 + 4(3x)^3(2y) + 6(3x)^2(2y)^2 + 4(3x)(2y)^3 + (2y)^4$$
  
=  $81x^4 + 216x^3y + 216x^2y^2 + 96xy^3 + 16y^4$ 

5. 
$$(2x + \frac{1}{x^2})^4 = (2x)^4 + 4(2x)^3(\frac{1}{x^2}) + 6(2x)^2(\frac{1}{x^2})^2 + 4(2x)(\frac{1}{x^2})^3 + (\frac{1}{x^2})^4$$
  
=  $16x^4 + 32x + \frac{24}{x^2} + \frac{8}{x^5} + \frac{1}{x^8}$ 

6. We need to find when the powers in a term cancel out and leave a constant. (2, 2)m(-1)n

$$(3x^2)^m(\frac{-1}{3x})^n$$
  
We can form two equations from this:

$$\frac{x^{2m}}{x^n} = x^0$$

$$2m-n=0$$

And we know in this question that m + n = 12

Solving, we get m = 4, n = 8.

This means that if we look in row 12, we look for the column where m=4 to get the coefficient.

Therefore, our term is  $495(3x)^4(\frac{-1}{3x})^8 = \frac{495}{81} = \frac{55}{9}$ 

	n r	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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7. We need to find when the powers in a term cancel out to give  $x^2$  Forming two equations from  $(x^2)^m(\frac{1}{x})^n$ 

$$\frac{x^{2m}}{x^n} = x^2 \to 2m - n = 2$$

$$\tilde{\text{Also}}, m + n = 10$$

Solving, we get 
$$m = 4, n = 6$$

From row 10, we see that when m = 4, the coefficient is 210.

Therefore, our term is  $210(x^2)^4(\frac{1}{x})^6 = 210x^2$ 

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8. Forming two equations from  $(2x^2)^m (\frac{-3}{x})^n$  $\frac{x^2m}{x^n} = x^0 \to 2m - n = 0//$  Also, m + n = 6 Solving, we get m=2, n=4From row 6 we see that when m=2, the coefficient is 15. Therefore our term is  $15(2x^2)^2(\frac{-3}{x})^4=15*4*81=4860$ 

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9. 
$$\cos^{6}(\theta) = (\frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2})^{6} = (\frac{1}{2})^{6}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta})^{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{64}(e^{6i\theta} + 6(e^{5i\theta})(e^{-i\theta}) + 15(e^{4i\theta})(e^{-2i\theta}) + 20(e^{3i\theta})(e^{-3i\theta}) + 15(e^{2i\theta})(e^{-4i\theta}) + 6(e^{i\theta})(e^{-5i\theta}) + e^{-i\theta})$$

$$= \frac{1}{64}(e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta} + 6e^{4i\theta} + 6e^{-4i\theta} + 15e^{2i\theta} + 15e^{-2i\theta} + 20)$$

$$= \frac{1}{32}[(\frac{e^{6i\theta} + e^{-6i\theta}}{2}) + 6(\frac{e^{4i\theta} + e^{-4i\theta}}{2}) + 15(\frac{e^{2i\theta} + e^{-2i\theta}}{2}) + \frac{20}{2}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{32}\cos(6\theta) + \frac{3}{16}\cos(4\theta) + \frac{15}{32}\cos(2\theta) + \frac{5}{16}(\text{As required})$$