

BINOMIAL THEOREM

1. Expand the following binomials.

1. $(x-3)^5$ 2. $(3x+2y)^4$ 3. $(2x-y)^5$ 4. $(1-3a^2)^6$

5. $(x^2+x)^5$ 6. $(1-xy)^7$ 7. $\left(2-\frac{3x^2}{2}\right)^4$ 8. $\left(3a-\frac{2}{3}\right)^6$

9. $\left(1+\frac{x}{2}\right)^7$ 10. $\left(\frac{2x}{3}-\frac{3}{2x}\right)^6$ 11. $(x^2+2y)^5$ 12. $\left(2x-\frac{3}{y}\right)^5$

2.. (1). Find the value of $(x+\sqrt{2})^4 + (x-\sqrt{2})^4$

(2). Find the value of $(\sqrt{2}+1)^6 - (\sqrt{2}-1)^6$

(3). Find the value of $(2-\sqrt{1-x})^6 + (2+\sqrt{1-x})^6$

(4). Find the value of $(\sqrt{x^2-a^2}+x)^5 - (\sqrt{x^2-a^2}-x)^5$

3. Using the binomial theorem, expand $[(x+y)^5 + (x-y)^5]$ and hence find the value $[(\sqrt{2}+1)^5 + (\sqrt{2}-1)^5]$.

4 By using the binomial expansion, expand

i) $(1+x+x^2)^3$ ii) $(1-x+x^2)^4$

5) Find the 10th term of $\left(2x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{12}$

6) Find the 6th term in the expansion of $\left(\frac{4x}{5} - \frac{5}{2x}\right)^9$.

7) Find the 5th term from the end in the expansion of $\left(\frac{x^3}{2} - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^9$.

8) Find the middle term in the expansion of $\left(3x - \frac{x^3}{6}\right)^7$

9) Find the term independent of x in the expansion of

i) $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^9$ ii) $\left(2x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{10}$

10) i. Find the 12th term of $(2x - 1)^{13}$

ii. Find the 28th term of $(5x + 8y)^{30}$

iii. Find the 4th term of $\left(\frac{a}{3} + 9b\right)^{10}$

iv. Find the 5th term of $\left(2a - \frac{b}{3}\right)^8$

v. Find the 7th term of $\left(\frac{4x}{5} - \frac{5}{2x}\right)^9$

11) Prove that there is no term x^6 involving in the expansion of $\left(2x^2 - \frac{3}{x}\right)^{11}$

12) Find the coefficient of x^5 in the expansion of the product $(1 + 2x)^5(1 - x)^7$.

13) Using binomial theorem, find the values of i) $(10.1)^5$ ii) $(0.99)^{15}$

14) Show that the coefficient of the middle term in the expansion of $(1 + x)^{2n}$ is the sum of the coefficients of two middle terms in the expansion of $(1 + x)^{2n-1}$.

- 15) If the coefficients of a^{r-1}, a^r, a^{r+1} in the binomial expansion $(1+a)^n$ are in arithmetic progression, prove that $n^2 - n(4r+1) + 4r^2 - 2 = 0$.
- 16) If P be the sum of odd terms and Q that of even terms in the expansion of $(x+a)^n$, prove that (i) $(P^2 - Q^2) = (x^2 - a^2)^n$
- 17) If the coefficients of 2nd, 3rd and 4th terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^{2n}$ are in arithmetic progression, show that $2n^2 - 9n + 7 = 0$.
- 18) The first three terms in the binomial expansion of $(x+y)^n$ are 1, 56 and 1372 respectively. Find the values of x and y .
- 19) The coefficients of three consecutive terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are in the ratio 1:7:42. Find n .
- 20) Using binomial theorem, prove that when $6^n - 5n$ is divided by 25 always leaves a remainder 1, where n is a positive integer.
- 21) (i). Find the middle term of $\left(\frac{a}{x} + \frac{x}{a}\right)^{10}$
- (ii). Find the middle term of $\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2}\right)^{14}$
- (iii). Find the coefficient of x^{18} in $\left(x^2 + \frac{3a}{x}\right)^{15}$
- (iv). Find the coefficient of x^{18} in $(ax^4 - bx)^9$
- (v). Find the coefficient of x^{32} and x^{-17} in $\left(x^4 - \frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{15}$

(vi). Find the two middle terms of $\left(3a - \frac{a^3}{6}\right)^9$

(vii). Find the term independent of x in $\left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{3x}\right)^9$

(viii). Find the term independent of x in $\left(x - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{3n}$

22.(i). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(1 + 4x)^8$ when $x=2$

(ii). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(x + y)^{30}$ when $x=11, y=4$.

(iii). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(2x + 3y)^{28}$. When $x=9, y=4$.

(iv). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(2a + b)^{14}$. When $a=4, b=5$.

(v). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(3 + 2x)^{15}$. When $x = \frac{5}{2}$.

(vi). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(1 + x)^n$. When $x = \frac{2}{3}, n=6$.

(vii). Find the greatest term in the expansion of $(a + x)^n$, When

$$a = \frac{1}{2}, x = \frac{1}{3}, n = 9$$

23. Find the numerically greatest coefficient in the following expansions.

(i). $(1 + x)^{15}$ (ii). $(1 + 2x)^{35}$ (iii). $(2x + 3y)^{11}$

(iv). $(3 - 2x)^{24}$ (v). $(2 + 3x)^{16}$ (vi). $(4 + 3x)^8$

(vii). $(3x + 2y)^{20}$

24. It is given that the greatest coefficient of the expansion

$$\left(x^{1/2} + x^{-3/4}\right)^n \text{ is in } 9^{\text{th}} \text{ term. Find } n \text{ and coefficient of } x^4.$$

25. If $x > 0$, if the middle term of the expansion $(2 + x)^{14}$ is the

greatest, show that $\frac{7}{4} < x < \frac{16}{7}$.

26. If the greatest term of the expansion $\left(2 + \frac{3}{8}x\right)^{10}$ is T_4 , show that

$$2 < x < \frac{64}{21}.$$

27. Prove the following.

(i). ${}^nC_{r-1} + {}^nC_r = {}^{n+1}C_r$

(ii). $r \cdot {}^nC_r = n \cdot {}^{n-1}C_{r-1}$

(iii). $\frac{{}^nC_r}{{}^nC_{r-1}} = \frac{n-r+1}{r}$

(iv). ${}^nC_r = {}^nC_{n-r}$

(v). $\frac{{}^nC_r}{r+1} = \frac{{}^{n+1}C_{r+1}}{n+1}$

28. Prove that $\frac{{}^nC_r}{r+1} = \frac{{}^{n+1}C_{r+1}}{n+1}$.

Hence, by repeated application of this result show that

$$\frac{{}^nC_r}{(r+1)(r+2)(r+3)} = \frac{{}^{n+3}C_{r+3}}{(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}.$$

29. (a). If $(1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^nC_r x^r$ show that

$${}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 + \dots + {}^nC_n = 2^n$$

(b). Show that $r \cdot {}^n C_r = n \cdot {}^{n-1} C_{r-1}$. Hence show that

$${}^n C_1 + 2 \cdot {}^n C_2 + 3 \cdot {}^n C_3 + \dots + n \cdot {}^n C_n = n \cdot 2^{n-1}$$

30. Write down the r^{th} term T_r of the series

$$2C_1 + 3C_2 + 4C_3 + \dots + (n+1)C_n \text{ where } C_r = {}^n C_r \text{ Show that}$$

$$T_r = r \cdot {}^n C_r + {}^n C_r.$$

Hence show that

$$2C_1 + 3C_2 + 4C_3 + \dots + (n+1)C_n = 2^{n-1}(n+2) - 1. \text{ Deduce that}$$

$$C_0 + 2C_1 + 3C_2 + 4C_3 + \dots + (n+1)C_n = 2^{n-1}(n+2).$$

31. Using the expansion of $(1-x)^n$ show that $\sum_{r=0}^n (-1)^r {}^n C_r = 0$.

Consider the series $3 {}^n C_0 - 8 {}^n C_1 + 13 {}^n C_2 - 18 {}^n C_3 + \dots$ up to $(n+1)$ term. Show that the general term T_r can be written as

$T_r = (-1)^r (3+5r) {}^n C_r$ for $r = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. Hence show that the sum of the above series is 0.

32. If $x + y = 1$ prove that $\sum_{r=0}^n r {}^n C_r x^r \cdot y^{n-r} = nx$

33. Let $S = 1 \cdot 2C_1 + 2 \cdot 3C_2 + 3 \cdot 4C_3 + \dots + n(n+1)C_n$. Where $C_r = {}^n C_r$.

Show that $S = 2n + \sum_{r=2}^n r(r+1) C_r$. Show further that

$$\sum_{r=2}^n r(r+1)C_r = n(n-1) \sum_{r=2}^n {}^{n-2} C_{r-2} + 2n \sum_{r=2}^n {}^{n-1} C_{r-1}. \text{ Hence deduce}$$

that $S = n(n+3)2^{n-2}$.

34. Prove that $\frac{{}^n C_r}{r+1} = \frac{{}^{n+1} C_{r+1}}{n+1}$. Hence, if $(1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r x^r$ show

that $C_0 + \frac{C_1}{2} + \frac{C_2}{3} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{n+1} = \frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{n+1}$ Where $C_r = {}^n C_r$.

35. Write down the general term of the series

$$\frac{{}^n C_1}{2} - \frac{2({}^n C_2)}{3} + \frac{3({}^n C_3)}{4} + \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n({}^n C_n)}{n+1}. \text{ Show that the}$$

sum of n terms of the series is $\frac{1}{n+1}$.

36. (i). Find the sum of ${}^{10}C_1 + {}^{10}C_3 + {}^{10}C_5 + {}^{10}C_7 + {}^{10}C_9$.

(ii). Find the sum of n terms of the series

$$\frac{1}{1!(n-1)!} + \frac{1}{3!(n-3)!} + \frac{1}{5!(n-5)!} + \dots$$

(iii). Show that $\sum_{K=0}^{10} {}^{20}C_K = 2^{19} + \frac{1}{2} {}^{20}C_{10}$

37. (i). Find the sum of all coefficients in the binomial expansion of

$$(x^2 + x - 3)^{319}.$$

(ii). If the sum of the coefficients in the expansion of

$$(a^2x^2 - 2ax + 1)^{51} \text{ vanishes, then find the value of } a.$$

38. (i). If $(1 + x - 2x^2)^{20} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots + a_{40}x^{40}$

then show that $a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + \dots + a_{39} = -2^{19}$.

(ii). If the middle term in the expansion of $\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$ is $924x^6$

then show that $n = 12$.

(iii). If the coefficient of the middle term in the expansion of

$$(1+x)^{2n+2} \text{ is } \alpha \text{ and the coefficients of middle terms in the}$$

expansion of $(1+x)^{2n+1}$ are β and γ show that $\beta + \gamma = \alpha$

39.(i).If the coefficients of three consecutive terms in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are 165, 330 and 462 respectively, then find the value of n .

(ii).If a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 are the coefficients of any four consecutive terms in the

expansion of $(1+x)^n$ then prove that $\frac{a_1}{a_1+a_2} + \frac{a_3}{a_3+a_4} = \frac{2a_2}{a_2+a_3}$.

(iii).Show that $\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{r \cdot {}^n C_r}{{}^n C_{r-1}} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$.

(iv).Find the sum $\sum_{r=1}^n r^2 \frac{{}^n C_r}{{}^n C_{r-1}}$.

40. Show that,

$$(1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + C_3x^3 + \dots + C_{n-1}x^{n-1} + C_nx^n$$

Where $C_r = {}^n C_r$.

(a). Prove that $C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \dots + C_n = 2^n$

(b). When n is odd integer. Prove that

$$C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots + C_{n-1} = C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots + C_n$$

(c). When n is even integer

$$C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots + C_n = C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots + C_{n-1}$$

Hence deduce that,

$$C_0 + C_2 + C_4 + \dots = C_1 + C_3 + C_5 + \dots = 2^{n-1}$$

41. Write down the expansions of $(1+x)^n$ and $(x+1)^n$ in usual notation.

By multiplying above expansions and considering x^n coefficients on both sides, show that,

$$C_0^2 + C_1^2 + C_2^2 + \dots + C_n^2 = \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$$

42. Let $(1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + C_3x^3 + \dots + C_r x^r + \dots + C_n x^n$

where ${}^n C_r = C_r$

(a). By differentiating both sides with respect to x and substituting $x=1$,

show that, $C_1 + 2C_2 + 3C_3 + \dots + nC_n = n.2^{n-1}$

(b). By integrating both sides with respect to x and substituting $x=1$, show that,

$$C_0 + \frac{C_1}{2} + \frac{C_2}{3} + \frac{C_3}{4} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{n+1} = \frac{2^{n+1} - 1}{(n+1)}$$

43. State the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ for positive integral n . Show that

$$C_0 + C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_n = 2^n \quad \text{and}$$

$$C_1 + 2C_2 + 3C_3 + \dots + nC_n = n.2^{n-1}$$

Hence show that

$$C_0 + 2C_1 + 3C_2 + \dots + (n+1)C_n = (n+2).2^{n-1}.$$

44. Write down in usual notation the expansions of $(1-x)^n$ and $(1-x)^{n-1}$

show that

$${}^n C_0 - {}^n C_1 + {}^n C_2 - {}^n C_3 + \dots + (-1)^n {}^n C_n = 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$${}^{n-1} C_0 - {}^{n-1} C_1 + {}^{n-1} C_2 - {}^{n-1} C_3 + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} {}^{n-1} C_{n-1} = 0$$

Hence show that,

$$a^n C_0 - {}^n C_1(a-1) + {}^n C_2(a-2) - \dots + (-1)^n {}^n C_n(a-n) = 0$$

45. Let $(1-x+x^2)^n = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + \dots + a_{2n}x^{2n}$ Show

that $a_2 = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ and $a_3 = -\frac{n}{6}(n-1)(n+4)$.

Show also that

$$(i). \quad a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_{2n} = 0.$$

$$(ii). \quad a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots + a_{2n} = 3^n.$$

46.(i). If n is a positive integer and when ${}^n C_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$, prove that

$${}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1} = {}^{n+1} C_r.$$

(ii). When n is a positive integer prove by mathematical induction that

$$(1+x)^n = {}^n C_0 + {}^n C_1 x + {}^n C_2 x^2 + \dots + {}^n C_n x^n.$$

(iii). By using $(1+x)^{2n} = (1+x)^n (1+x)^n$ and using binomial expansion show that

$$\left({}^n C_0\right)^2 + \left({}^n C_1\right)^2 + \dots + \left({}^n C_r\right)^2 + \dots + \left({}^n C_n\right)^2 = 2^n C_n.$$

47. Given that $(1+x+x^2)^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_{2n} x^{2n}$

Prove that,

$$(i). \quad a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{2n} = 3^n$$

$$(ii). \quad a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 + \dots + a_{2n} = 1$$

$$(iii). \quad a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 + \dots + 2na_{2n} = n.3^n$$

48. (a). The coefficients of the expansion $(1+x)^n$ are $C_0, C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$. Find

$$(i). \quad C_1 C_n + C_2 C_{n-1} + C_3 C_{n-2} + \dots + C_n C_1$$

$$(ii). \quad {}^4 C_0 {}^4 C_4 - {}^4 C_1 {}^4 C_3 + {}^4 C_2 {}^4 C_2 - {}^4 C_3 {}^4 C_1 + {}^4 C_4 {}^4 C_0$$

(b). When n is a positive integer. If

$$(1+x)^n = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n \text{ and}$$

$$(1+x)^{n+1} = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2 + \dots + b_{n+1}x^{n+1}.$$

Prove that $b_r = a_r + a_{r-1}$

49. If n is a positive integer prove that

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_r x^r + \dots + C_n x^n. \text{ where}$$

$${}^n C_r = C_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}.$$

$$\text{If } (3-2x)^{20} = a_0 - a_1x + a_2x^2 - \dots + a_{20}x^{20}$$

(i). Show that $a_0 + a_2 + a_4 + \dots + a_{20} = \frac{1}{2}(5^{20} + 1)$

(ii). Show that the greatest coefficient is a_8 .

50. (i). If $(1+x)^n = C_0 + C_1x + C_2x^2 + \dots + C_n x^n$

$$\text{where } C_r = {}^n C_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}.$$

(ii). Prove that $C_0^2 + C_1^2 + C_2^2 + \dots + C_n^2 = \frac{(2n)!}{(n!)^2}$.

(iii). Find the term independent of x in the expansion

$$\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^6 \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^4.$$

51. (i). Find the greatest term of the expansion $\left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{5x}{2}\right)^{11}$ when $x=2$.

(ii). $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{2n}$ are constants and n is a positive integer.

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

show that $a_2 = \frac{n}{2}(n+1)$ and $a_3 = -\frac{n}{6}(n-1)(n+4)$

Also prove that

(a). $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_{2n} = 0$.

(b). $a_0 - a_1 + a_2 - a_3 \dots + a_{2n} = 3^n$.

52. Let $(1+kx)^{10} = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{10}x^{10}$, $x \in \mathfrak{R}$ where

$a_2 = \frac{20}{9}$ and k is a positive constant. Find the value of k .

Show that $a_1 + a_3 + a_5 + a_9 = \frac{11^{10} - 7^{10}}{2 \cdot 9^{10}}$ Deduce the value of

$a_0 + a_2 + a_4 + a_6 + a_8 + a_{10}$.

53. Write down in the usual notation, the binomial expansion of $(a+b)^n$, where a and b are real and n is a positive integer. Using appropriate values for a , b and n write down the corresponding formulae for $(1-x)^4$, $(x+1)^4$ and $(1-x^2)^4$. Hence show in the usual notation that

(i). $\binom{4}{0}^2 - \binom{4}{1}^2 + \binom{4}{2}^2 - \binom{4}{3}^2 + \binom{4}{4}^2 = 6$

(ii). ${}^4C_0 {}^4C_1 - {}^4C_1 {}^4C_2 + {}^4C_2 {}^4C_3 - {}^4C_3 {}^4C_4 = 0$

54. For all $x \in \mathbb{R}$ let in the usual notation

$(1+x)^n = {}^nC_0 + {}^nC_1x + \dots + {}^nC_r x^r + \dots + {}^nC_n x^n$ where n is a positive integer. By considering the product of $(1+x)^{n-1}$ and $(1+x)$ show that ${}^nC_r = {}^{n-1}C_{r-1} + {}^{n-1}C_r$ for $r = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$.

Deduce that ${}^nC_0 - {}^nC_1 + {}^nC_2 - \dots + (-1)^{n-1} {}^nC_{n-1} + (-1)^n {}^nC_n = 0$

verify the above result by an alternative method. If n is an even integer, deduce that ${}^n C_0 + {}^n C_2 + {}^n C_4 + \dots + {}^n C_n = 2^{n-1}$.

55. By using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that

$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r x^{n-r} y^r \text{ where } n \text{ is a positive integer, and } {}^n C_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$$

Deduce that $(p + q)^n - p^n - q^n$ is divisible by pqr , where p, q and n are positive integers.

56.(a). Three consecutive coefficients in the expansion of $(1 + x)^n$ where n is a positive integer are 45, 120 and 210. Find the value of n .

(b). Is it possible for three consecutive coefficients in the expansion of $(1 + x)^n$, where n is a positive integer to be in geometric progression? Justify your answer.

57. State the binomial theorem for a positive integral index.

Let a, b and d be integers such that $a = b + d$. Show that

$$a^n - b^{n-1}(b + nd) \text{ is divisible by } d^2 \text{ for positive integral } n.$$

If U is the n^{th} term of an arithmetic progression whose first term is a and the common difference is d , prove that $a^n - (a - d)^{n-1}U$ is divisible by d^2 . Deduce that $7^{60} - 3^{64}$ is divisible by 16.

58. State the binomial theorem for a positive integral index. By choosing appropriate values for x and y in $3(x + y)^n$, show that 3^{2n+1} can be expressed as $7k + 3(2^n)$ where k and n are positive integers. Hence, show that $3^{2n+1} + 2^{n+2}$ is divisible by 7 for positive integral n .

59.(a).If $n > 1$, then show that $(1+x)^n - nx - 1$ is divisible by x^2 .

(b).By substituting suitable values for x and y in the expansion

$5(2x+y)^n$, show that 5^{2n+1} can be expressed in the form of $5 \cdot 3^n + 11k$.
Where n and k are integers. Hence, show that for all positive integers of n , $3^{n+3} - 5^{2n+1}$ is divisible by 11.

60.(i).Write down the expansion of $(a+b)^n$. Where n is a positive integer.

Expand $(x+2)^5$ and hence express $(x+2)^5 - (x-2)^5$ as a polynomial in x . Find the exact value of $2 \cdot 1^5 + 1 \cdot 9^5$

(ii).By substituting a suitable value for x in $\left(1 + \frac{x}{5}\right)^6$ find to 4 significant figures correctly the value of $(1.01)^6$.

61.(i).Show that $6^n - 1$ is divisible by 5, for positive integral n .

(ii).Show that for positive integral n , $10^n - 9n - 1$ is divisible by 9.

(iii).By substituting $x=2$ and $x=4$ in $(1+x)^n$ Show that the expressions

$3^n - 2n - 1$ and $5^n - 4n - 1$ are divisible by 4. Hence deduce that $5^n + 3^n - 6n - 2$ is divisible by 4.

62.Let $l = (4\sqrt{6} - 9)^{2n+1}$ and $m = (4\sqrt{6} + 9)^{2n+1}$. By expanding, show that $m - l$ is an integer I . Also show that $0 < l < 1$. Deduce that the integral part and fractional part of m are I and l . Prove that $lm = 15^{2n+1}$.

63.Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. The coefficient of x^{n-2} in the expansion of $\left(2 + \frac{3}{x}\right)(1+x)^n$ is 120. Find the value of n .

64. Let $x \in \mathfrak{R}$ and in the usual notation, $(1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r x^r$, where $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

Show that $\sum_{r=0}^n {}^n C_r = 2^n$. By writing ${}^n C_r$ using factorials, show that

$$\frac{{}^n C_r}{(r+1)} = \frac{{}^{n+1} C_{r+1}}{(n+1)} \text{ and deduce that } \frac{{}^n C_r}{(r+1)(r+2)} = \frac{{}^{n+2} C_{r+2}}{(n+1)(n+2)} \text{ for}$$

positive integral r with $0 \leq r \leq n$. **Hence**, show that

$$\sum_{r=0}^n \frac{{}^n C_r}{(r+1)(r+2)} = \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} (2^{n+2} - n - 3).$$

65. Let $f(x) = \left\{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right\}^6 + \left\{x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}\right\}^6$.

Using binomial expansion, express $f(x)$ as a polynomial in x .

Hence, find the value of $\frac{1}{(2 - \sqrt{3})^6} + \frac{1}{(2 + \sqrt{3})^6}$.

66. If the coefficient of x and the coefficient of x^2 in the binomial expansion of $(1+px)^{12}$, where p is a non-zero constant, are $-q$ and $11q$ respectively, find the values of p and q .

67. Using the binomial expansion for a positive integral index, show that

$$(1 + \sqrt{3})^6 + (1 - \sqrt{3})^6 = 416. \text{ **Hence**, find the integer part of } (1 + \sqrt{3})^6.$$

68. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $n \geq 5$. The coefficient of x^{n-10} in the binomial expansion

of $\left(3x + \frac{2}{x}\right)^n$ is less than 100. Find the value of n .

69. Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$. The term independent of x in the binomial expansion of

$$\left(x + \frac{a}{x^3}\right)^{2n} \text{ is } \frac{969}{2}. \text{ Find the value of } a.$$

70. Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. State, in the usual notation, the binomial expansion for

$(1+x)^n$. Show, in the usual notation, that

$$\frac{{}^n C_{r+1}}{{}^n C_r} = \frac{n-r}{r+1} \text{ for } r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1.$$

The coefficients of x^r , x^{r+1} and x^{r+2} taken in that order, in the binomial expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are in the ratios $1 : 2 : 3$. In this case, show that $n=14$ and $r=4$.

71. Write down the binomial expansion of $(5+2x)^{14}$ in ascending powers of x .

Let T_r be the term containing x^r in the above expansion for $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 14$.

$$\text{Show that } \frac{T_{r+1}}{T_r} = \frac{2(14-r)}{5(r+1)} x \text{ for } x \neq 0.$$

Hence, find the value of r which gives the largest term of the above

expansion, when $x = \frac{4}{3}$.