

Warm-up

1) Find the coefficient of x^3 in the expansion of $(2x - \frac{1}{x^3})^{11}$.

$${}^{11}C_0 (2x)^{11} + {}^{11}C_1 (2x)^{10} \left(-\frac{1}{x^3}\right) + {}^{11}C_2 (2x)^9 \left(-\frac{1}{x^3}\right)^2$$

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$${}^{11}C_2 (512 x^9) \left(-\frac{1}{x^6}\right)$$

$$55 (512 x^3)$$

$$28160 x^3$$

$$\boxed{28200 x^3}$$

$$\boxed{28,200}$$

Section 8G : Binomial Theorem

$$(x+y)^n \rightarrow \text{Find the } m \text{ term}$$
$$\binom{n}{m-1} x^{n-m+1} y^{m-1}$$

example 1: The coefficient of x^4 in the expansion $(x+a)^6$ is 60. Find a .

$$\binom{6}{0} x^6 + \binom{6}{1} x^5 a + \binom{6}{2} x^4 a^2$$

$$\binom{6}{2} x^4 a^2 = 60 x^4$$

$$\binom{6}{2} a^2 = 60$$

$$15 a^2 = 60$$

$$a^2 = 4$$

$$\boxed{a = \pm 2}$$

example 2: The coefficient of x^4 in the expansion $(1-2x)^n$ is 560. Find n .

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_n C_0 (1)^n + {}_n C_1 (1)^{n-1} (-2x) + {}_n C_2 (1)^{n-2} (-2x)^2 + {}_n C_3 (1)^{n-3} (-2x)^3 \\ & + {}_n C_4 (1)^{n-4} (-2x)^4 \end{aligned}$$

$${}_n C_4 (1)^{n-4} (-2x)^4 = 560x^4$$

$${}_n C_4 (1) (-2x)^4 = 560x^4$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-4)!4!} (16x^4) = 560x^4$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-4)!24} = 35$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-4)!} = 840$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)(n-4)!}{(n-4)!} = 840$$

$$n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3) = 840$$

$$n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3) - 840 = 0$$

* plug into graphing calc to find zeros *

Zeros are $\boxed{n=7}$ $n=-4$

example 3: Find the term in x^5 in the expansion of

$$(3x+A)(2x+B)^6$$

$$(3x+A) \left[{}_6C_0 (2x)^6 + {}_6C_1 (2x)^5 B + {}_6C_2 (2x)^4 B^2 + {}_6C_3 (2x)^3 B^3 \dots \right]$$

$$3x \left({}_6C_2 (2x)^4 B^2 \right) + A \left({}_6C_1 (2x)^5 B \right)$$

$$3x \left(15 (16x^4) B^2 \right) + A \left(6 (32x^5) B \right)$$

$$720 x^5 B^2 + 192 x^5 AB$$

$$\boxed{(720 B^2 + 192 AB) x^5}$$

example 4: Find the constant term in the expansion of

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

$$\left({}_4C_0 x^4 + {}_4C_1 x^3 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right) + {}_4C_2 x^2 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)^2 + {}_4C_3 x \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)^3 \dots \right)$$

$$\left({}_3C_0 x^6 + {}_3C_1 x^4 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right) + {}_3C_2 x^2 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)^2 + {}_3C_3 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)^3 \right)$$

$$\text{Constant} = \left({}_4C_2 x^2 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)^2 \right) \left({}_3C_2 x^2 \left(-\frac{2}{x}\right)^2 \right)$$

$$\left(6 x^2 \left(\frac{4}{x^2}\right) \right) \left(3 x^2 \left(\frac{4}{x^2}\right) \right)$$

$$(24)(12)$$

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ex 5: Mina + Norbert each have a regular 6 sided die.

Mina throws her die once and eats a cookie if she throws a 4, 5 or 6.

Norbert throws his die 6 times and eats a cookie if he throws a 5 or 6.

Calculate the probability 5 cookies are eaten.

Two ways:

① Mina eats 1, Norbert eats 4

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left({}_6C_4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(15 \left(\frac{1}{81}\right) \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)\right)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{60}{1458}}$$

② Norbert eats 5

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left({}_6C_5 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(6 \left(\frac{1}{243}\right) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\right)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{12}{1458}}$$

$$\frac{60}{1458} + \frac{12}{1458} = \boxed{\frac{72}{1458}} = \boxed{\frac{4}{81}}$$