

# Binomial Theorem

**EXERCISE - 8.1**

1. We have,  $(1 - 2x)^5 = [1 + (-2x)]^5$   
 $= {}^5C_0 + {}^5C_1(-2x) + {}^5C_2(-2x)^2 + {}^5C_3(-2x)^3$   
 $\quad + {}^5C_4(-2x)^4 + {}^5C_5(-2x)^5$   
 $= 1 + 5(-2x) + 10(4x^2) + 10(-8x^3) + 5(16x^4) + (-32x^5)$   
 $= 1 - 10x + 40x^2 - 80x^3 + 80x^4 - 32x^5$

2. We have,  $\left(\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x}{2}\right)^5 = \left[\frac{2}{x} + \left(-\frac{x}{2}\right)\right]^5$   
 $= {}^5C_0\left[\frac{2}{x}\right]^5 + {}^5C_1\left[\frac{2}{x}\right]^4\left[\frac{-x}{2}\right] + {}^5C_2\left[\frac{2}{x}\right]^3\left[\frac{-x}{2}\right]^2$   
 $\quad + {}^5C_3\left[\frac{2}{x}\right]^2\left[\frac{-x}{2}\right]^3 + {}^5C_4\left[\frac{2}{x}\right]\left[\frac{-x}{2}\right]^4 + {}^5C_5\left[\frac{-x}{2}\right]^5$   
 $= 1\left[\frac{32}{x^5}\right] + 5\left(\frac{8}{x^3}\right)(-1) + 10\left[\frac{2}{x}\right] + 10\left[\frac{-x}{2}\right]$   
 $\quad + 5\left[\frac{x^3}{8}\right] + \left[\frac{-x^5}{32}\right]$   
 $= \frac{32}{x^5} - \frac{40}{x^3} + \frac{20}{x} - 5x + \frac{5x^3}{8} - \frac{x^5}{32}$

3. We have,  $(2x - 3)^6 = [2x + (-3)]^6$   
 $= {}^6C_0(2x)^6 + {}^6C_1(2x)^5(-3) + {}^6C_2(2x)^4(-3)^2 + {}^6C_3(2x)^3(-3)^3$   
 $\quad + {}^6C_4(2x)^2(-3)^4 + {}^6C_5(2x)(-3)^5 + {}^6C_6(-3)^6$   
 $= 1(64x^6) + 6(32x^5)(-3) + 15(16x^4)(9) + 20(8x^3)(-27)$   
 $\quad + 15(4x^2)(81) + 6(2x)(-243) + 1(729)$   
 $= 64x^6 - 576x^5 + 2160x^4 - 4320x^3 + 4860x^2 - 2916x + 729.$

4. We have,  $\left(\frac{x}{3} + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5$   
 $= {}^5C_0\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^5 + {}^5C_1\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^4\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + {}^5C_2\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^3\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2$   
 $\quad + {}^5C_3\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 + {}^5C_4\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^4 + {}^5C_5\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^5$   
 $= \frac{x^5}{243} + \frac{5x^3}{81} + \frac{10x}{27} + \frac{10}{9x} + \frac{5}{3x^3} + \frac{1}{x^5}$

5. We have,  $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$   
 $= {}^6C_0(x)^6 + {}^6C_1(x)^5\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + {}^6C_2(x)^4\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2$   
 $\quad + {}^6C_3(x)^3\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^3 + {}^6C_4(x)^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^4 + {}^6C_5(x)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^5 + {}^6C_6\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^6$

$$= x^6 + 6x^4 + 15x^2 + 20 + 15\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) + 6\left(\frac{1}{x^4}\right) + \frac{1}{x^6}$$

$$= x^6 + 6x^4 + 15x^2 + 20 + \frac{15}{x^2} + \frac{6}{x^4} + \frac{1}{x^6}.$$

6. We have,  $96 = 100 - 4$   
 $\therefore (96)^3 = (100 - 4)^3$   
 $= {}^3C_0(100)^3 + {}^3C_1(100)^2(-4) + {}^3C_2(100)(-4)^2 + {}^3C_3(-4)^3$   
 $= (100)^3 + 3(100)^2(-4) + 3(100)(16) + (-64)$   
 $= 1000000 - 120000 + 4800 - 64 = 884736$

7. We have,  $102 = 100 + 2$   
 $\therefore (102)^5 = (100 + 2)^5$   
 $= {}^5C_0(100)^5 + {}^5C_1(100)^4(2) + {}^5C_2(100)^3(2)^2 + {}^5C_3(100)^2(2)^3$   
 $\quad + {}^5C_4(100)(2)^4 + {}^5C_5(2)^5$   
 $= (100)^5 + 5(100)^4(2) + 10(100)^3(4) + 10(100)^2(8)$   
 $\quad + 5(100)(16) + 1(32)$   
 $= 10000000000 + 1000000000 + 400000000 + 800000$   
 $\quad + 8000 + 32$   
 $= 11040808032.$

8. We have,  $101 = 100 + 1$   
 $\therefore (101)^4 = (100 + 1)^4$   
 $= {}^4C_0(100)^4 + {}^4C_1(100)^3 + {}^4C_2(100)^2 + {}^4C_3(100) + {}^4C_4(100)^0$   
 $= 100000000 + 4(1000000) + 6(10000) + 400 + 1$   
 $= 100000000 + 4000000 + 60000 + 400 + 1 = 104060401$

9. We have,  $99 = 100 - 1$   
 $\therefore (99)^5 = (100 - 1)^5 = [100 + (-1)]^5$   
 $= {}^5C_0(100)^5 + {}^5C_1(100)^4(-1) + {}^5C_2(100)^3(-1)^2$   
 $\quad + {}^5C_3(100)^2(-1)^3 + {}^5C_4(100)(-1)^4 + {}^5C_5(-1)^5$   
 $= 10000000000 - 500000000 + 10000000 - 100000 + 500 - 1$   
 $= 9509900499.$

10. Splitting 1.1 and using binomial theorem to write the first few terms We have,  $(1.1)^{10000} = (1 + 0.1)^{10000}$   
 $= {}^{10000}C_0 + {}^{10000}C_1(0.1) + {}^{10000}C_2(0.1)^2 + \dots$   
 $\quad \dots + {}^{10000}C_{10000}(0.1)^{10000}$

$$= 1 + 10000 \times \frac{1}{10} + \text{some positive terms}$$

$$= 1 + 1000 + \text{some positive terms} > 1000.$$

Hence,  $(1.1)^{10000}$  is larger than 1000.

11. By binomial theorem, we have  
 $(a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4 = [{}^4C_0 a^4 + {}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_2 a^2 b^2 + {}^4C_3 a b^3$   
 $\quad + {}^4C_4 b^4] - [{}^4C_0 a^4 - {}^4C_1 a^3 b + {}^4C_2 a^2 b^2 - {}^4C_3 a b^3 + {}^4C_4 b^4]$   
 $= a^4 + 4a^3 b + 6a^2 b^2 + 4a b^3 + b^4 - a^4 + 4a^3 b - 6a^2 b^2 + 4a b^3 - b^4$   
 $\therefore (a + b)^4 - (a - b)^4 = 8a^3 b + 8a b^3 = 8ab(a^2 + b^2) \quad \dots (i)$   
 Substituting  $a = \sqrt{3}$  &  $b = \sqrt{2}$  in (i), we get  
 $(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^4 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^4 = 8\sqrt{3}\sqrt{2}[(\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2]$   
 $= 8\sqrt{6}[3 + 2] = 40\sqrt{6}.$

12. By using binomial theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (x+1)^6 + (x-1)^6 &= [{}^6C_0 x^6 + {}^6C_1 x^5 + {}^6C_2 x^4 + {}^6C_3 x^3 \\ &+ {}^6C_4 x^2 + {}^6C_5 x + {}^6C_6] + [{}^6C_0 x^6 - {}^6C_1 x^5 + {}^6C_2 x^4 - {}^6C_3 x^3 + \\ &{}^6C_4 x^2 - {}^6C_5 x + {}^6C_6] \\ &= x^6 + 6x^5 + 15x^4 + 20x^3 + 15x^2 + 6x + 1 + x^6 - 6x^5 + 15x^4 \\ &\quad - 20x^3 + 15x^2 - 6x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (x+1)^6 + (x-1)^6 = 2x^6 + 30x^4 + 30x^2 + 2 \quad \dots (i)$$

Substituting  $x = \sqrt{2}$ , in (i), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{2}+1)^6 + (\sqrt{2}-1)^6 &= 2(\sqrt{2})^6 + 30(\sqrt{2})^4 + 30(\sqrt{2})^2 + 2 \\ &= 16 + 120 + 60 + 2 = 198. \end{aligned}$$

13. We have to prove that  $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9 = 64k$

Consider,  $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9 = (8+1)^{n+1} - 8n - 9$

$$\begin{aligned} &= [{}^{n+1}C_0 8^{n+1} + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n-2} 8^3 + {}^{n+1}C_{n-1} 8^2 + {}^{n+1}C_n 8 \\ &\quad + {}^{n+1}C_{n+1}] - 8n - 9 \\ &= {}^{n+1}C_0 8^{n+1} + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n-2} 8^3 + {}^{n+1}C_{n-1} 8^2 + (n+1)8 \\ &\quad + 1 - 8n - 9 \\ &= {}^{n+1}C_0 8^{n+1} + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n-2} 8^3 + {}^{n+1}C_{n-1} 8^2 + 8n + 8 \\ &\quad + 1 - 8n - 9 \\ &= {}^{n+1}C_0 8^{n+1} + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n-2} 8^3 + {}^{n+1}C_{n-1} 8^2 \\ &= 8^2 [{}^{n+1}C_0 8^{n-1} + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n-2} 8 + {}^{n+1}C_{n-1}] \\ &= 64k \quad [\text{where, } k = {}^{n+1}C_0 8^{n-1} + \dots + {}^{n+1}C_{n-1}] \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $9^{n+1} - 8n - 9$  is divisible by 64, whenever  $n$  is a positive integer.

14. We have,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=0}^n 3^r {}^n C_r &= {}^n C_0 3^0 + {}^n C_1 3^1 + {}^n C_2 3^2 + \dots + {}^n C_n 3^n \\ &= (1+3)^n \quad [\because {}^n C_0 a^0 + {}^n C_1 a + \dots + {}^n C_n a^n = (1+a)^n] \\ &= 4^n. \text{ Hence proved.} \end{aligned}$$

### NCERT MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISE

1. We have,  $(3+ax)^9 = {}^9C_0 3^9 (ax)^0 + {}^9C_1 3^8 (ax) + {}^9C_2 3^7 (ax)^2 + {}^9C_3 3^6 (ax)^3 + \dots$

We are given coefficient of  $x^2 =$  coefficient of  $x^3$

$$\therefore 36(3)^7 a^2 = 84(3)^6 a^3$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^3}{a^2} = \frac{36(3)^7}{84(3)^6} = \frac{9}{7} \Rightarrow a = \frac{9}{7}$$

2. We first expand each of the factors of the given product using binomial theorem. We have

$$(1+2x)^6 = {}^6C_0 + {}^6C_1 (2x) + {}^6C_2 (2x)^2 + {}^6C_3 (2x)^3 + {}^6C_4 (2x)^4 + {}^6C_5 (2x)^5 + {}^6C_6 (2x)^6$$

$$= 1 + 12x + 60x^2 + 160x^3 + 240x^4 + 192x^5 + 64x^6$$

$$\text{and } (1-x)^7 = {}^7C_0 + {}^7C_1 (-x) + {}^7C_2 (-x)^2 + {}^7C_3 (-x)^3$$

$$+ {}^7C_4 (-x)^4 + {}^7C_5 (-x)^5 + {}^7C_6 (-x)^6 + {}^7C_7 (-x)^7$$

$$= 1 - 7x + 21x^2 - 35x^3 + 35x^4 - 21x^5 + 7x^6 - x^7$$

Thus  $(1+2x)^6 (1-x)^7$

$$= (1 + 12x + 60x^2 + 160x^3 + 240x^4 + 192x^5 + 64x^6) \times (1 - 7x + 21x^2 - 35x^3 + 35x^4 - 21x^5 + 7x^6 - x^7)$$

We write only those terms which involves  $x^5$ . This can be done if we note, that  $x^r \cdot x^{5-r} = x^5$ .

The terms containing  $x^5$  are

$$1(-21x^5) + 12x(35x^4) + 60x^2(-35x^3) + 160x^3(21x^2) + 240x^4(-7x) + 192x^5(1)$$

$$= -21x^5 + 420x^5 - 2100x^5 + 3360x^5 - 1680x^5 + 192x^5$$

$$= 171x^5$$

Thus, the coefficients of  $x^5$  in the given product is 171.

3. We can write  $a^n = (a-b+b)^n$

Then  $a^n = [(a-b) + b]^n$

$$= {}^n C_0 (a-b)^n + {}^n C_1 (a-b)^{n-1} b + \dots$$

$$+ {}^n C_{n-1} (a-b)b^{n-1} + {}^n C_n b^n$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n - b^n = {}^n C_0 (a-b)^n + {}^n C_1 (a-b)^{n-1} b + \dots + {}^n C_{n-1} (a-b)b^{n-1} + b^n - b^n$$

$$= (a-b) [{}^n C_0 (a-b)^{n-1} + {}^n C_1 (a-b)^{n-2} b + \dots + {}^n C_{n-1} b^{n-1}]$$

$$= (a-b) (\text{some integer})$$

[ ${}^n C_0, {}^n C_1, {}^n C_2, \dots, {}^n C_{n-1}$ , are integers & also all non negative powers of  $a-b$  and  $b$ ]

Hence,  $a-b$  is a factor of  $a^n - b^n$ .

4. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^6 &= {}^6C_0 (\sqrt{3})^6 + {}^6C_1 (\sqrt{3})^5 (\sqrt{2}) \\ &+ {}^6C_2 (\sqrt{3})^4 (\sqrt{2})^2 + {}^6C_3 (\sqrt{3})^3 (\sqrt{2})^3 \\ &+ {}^6C_4 (\sqrt{3})^2 (\sqrt{2})^4 + {}^6C_5 (\sqrt{3}) (\sqrt{2})^5 + {}^6C_6 (\sqrt{2})^6 \end{aligned} \quad \dots (i)$$

$$\text{and } (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^6 = {}^6C_0 (\sqrt{3})^6 - {}^6C_1 (\sqrt{3})^5 (\sqrt{2}) + {}^6C_2 (\sqrt{3})^4 (\sqrt{2})^2 - {}^6C_3 (\sqrt{3})^3 (\sqrt{2})^3$$

$$+ {}^6C_4 (\sqrt{3})^2 (\sqrt{2})^4 - {}^6C_5 (\sqrt{3}) (\sqrt{2})^5 + {}^6C_6 (\sqrt{2})^6 \quad \dots (ii)$$

Subtracting (ii) from (i), we get  $(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^6 - (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^6$

$$= 2 [{}^6C_1 (\sqrt{3})^5 (\sqrt{2}) + {}^6C_3 (\sqrt{3})^3 (\sqrt{2})^3 + {}^6C_5 (\sqrt{3}) (\sqrt{2})^5]$$

$$= 2 [6(9\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{2}) + 20(3\sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{2}) + 6(\sqrt{3})(4\sqrt{2})]$$

$$= 2 [54\sqrt{6} + 120\sqrt{6} + 24\sqrt{6}] = 2(198\sqrt{6}) = 396\sqrt{6}$$

5. We have,  $(a^2 + \sqrt{a^2-1})^4 = {}^4C_0 (a^2)^4$

$$+ {}^4C_1 (a^2)^3 (\sqrt{a^2-1}) + {}^4C_2 (a^2)^2 (\sqrt{a^2-1})^2$$

$$+ {}^4C_3 (a^2) (\sqrt{a^2-1})^3 + {}^4C_4 (\sqrt{a^2-1})^4 \quad \dots (i)$$

and  $(a^2 - \sqrt{a^2-1})^4$

$$= {}^4C_0 (a^2)^4 - {}^4C_1 (a^2)^3 (\sqrt{a^2-1}) + {}^4C_2 (a^2)^2 (\sqrt{a^2-1})^2$$

$$- {}^4C_3 (a^2) (\sqrt{a^2-1})^3 + {}^4C_4 (\sqrt{a^2-1})^4 \quad \dots (ii)$$

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (a^2 + \sqrt{a^2 - 1})^4 + (a^2 - \sqrt{a^2 - 1})^4 \\ &= 2 \left[ {}^4C_0 (a^2)^4 + {}^4C_2 (a^2)^2 (\sqrt{a^2 - 1})^2 + {}^4C_4 (\sqrt{a^2 - 1})^4 \right] \\ &= 2[a^8 + 6a^4(a^2 - 1) + (a^2 - 1)^2] = 2[a^8 + 6a^6 - 6a^4 + a^4 - 2a^2 + 1] \\ &= 2a^8 + 12a^6 - 10a^4 - 4a^2 + 2. \end{aligned}$$

6. We have,  $0.99 = (1 - 0.01)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore (0.99)^5 &= (1 - 0.01)^5 \\ &= {}^5C_0 + {}^5C_1(-0.01) + {}^5C_2(-0.01)^2 + {}^5C_3(-0.01)^3 \\ &\quad + {}^5C_4(-0.01)^4 + {}^5C_5(-0.01)^5 \\ &= 1 + 5(-0.01) + 10(0.0001) + {}^5C_3(-0.01)^3 \\ &\quad + {}^5C_4(-0.01)^4 + {}^5C_5(-0.01)^5 \\ &= 0.951 + {}^5C_3(-0.01)^3 + {}^5C_4(-0.01)^4 + {}^5C_5 \times (-0.01)^5 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $(0.99)^5$  is nearly equal to 0.951.

7. Let  $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x} = y$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \left(1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right)^4 &= (1 + y)^4 \\ &= {}^4C_0 + {}^4C_1 y + {}^4C_2 y^2 + {}^4C_3 y^3 + {}^4C_4 y^4 \\ &= {}^4C_0 + {}^4C_1 \left[\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right] + {}^4C_2 \left[\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right]^2 \\ &\quad + {}^4C_3 \left[\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right]^3 + {}^4C_4 \left[\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right]^4 \\ &= 1 + 4 \left[\frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}\right] + 6 \left[ {}^2C_0 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 + {}^2C_1 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + {}^2C_2 \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right)^2 \right] + 4 \left[ {}^3C_0 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3 + {}^3C_1 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right) \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left. + {}^3C_2 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right)^2 + {}^3C_3 \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right)^3 \right] \\ &+ \left[ {}^4C_0 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^4 + {}^4C_1 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right) + {}^4C_2 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + {}^4C_3 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right)^3 + {}^4C_4 \left(\frac{-2}{x}\right)^4 \right] \\ &= 1 + 2x - \frac{8}{x} + 6 \left[ \frac{x^2}{4} - 2 + \frac{4}{x^2} \right] + 4 \left[ \frac{x^3}{8} - \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{6}{x} - \frac{8}{x^3} \right] \\ &\quad + \left[ \frac{x^4}{16} - x^2 + 6 - \frac{16}{x^2} + \frac{16}{x^4} \right] \\ &= 1 + 2x - \frac{8}{x} + \frac{3}{2}x^2 - 12 + \frac{24}{x^2} + \frac{x^3}{2} - 6x + \frac{24}{x} - \frac{32}{x^3} + \frac{x^4}{16} \\ &\quad - x^2 + 6 - \frac{16}{x^2} + \frac{16}{x^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{16}{x} + \frac{8}{x^2} - \frac{32}{x^3} + \frac{16}{x^4} - 4x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{2} + \frac{x^4}{16} - 5.$$

8. Let  $3x^2 - 2ax = y$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } [3x^2 - 2ax + 3a^2]^3 &= [y + 3a^2]^3 \\ &= {}^3C_0 y^3 + {}^3C_1 y^2 (3a^2) + {}^3C_2 y (3a^2)^2 + {}^3C_3 (3a^2)^3 \\ &= (3x^2 - 2ax)^3 + 3(3x^2 - 2ax)^2 (3a^2) + 3(3x^2 - 2ax) (9a^4) + (27a^6) \\ &= [{}^3C_0 (3x^2)^3 + {}^3C_1 (3x^2)^2 (-2ax) + {}^3C_2 (3x^2) (-2ax)^2 + \\ &\quad {}^3C_3 (-2ax)^3] + 3[{}^2C_0 (3x^2)^2 + {}^2C_1 (3x^2) (-2ax) + {}^2C_2 (-2ax)^2] (3a^2) \\ &\quad + 3(27x^2 a^4 - 18a^5 x) + 27a^6 \\ &= 27x^6 - 54ax^5 + 36a^2 x^4 - 8a^3 x^3 + 81a^2 x^4 - 108a^3 x^3 + 36a^4 x^2 \\ &\quad + 81a^4 x^2 - 54a^5 x + 27a^6 \\ &= 27x^6 - 54ax^5 + 117a^2 x^4 - 116a^3 x^3 + 117a^4 x^2 - 54a^5 x + 27a^6 \end{aligned}$$

