

5. Find the (i) 6th term of $\left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)^{-5}$.

Sol. T_{r+1} in $(1+x)^{-n} = (-1)^r \frac{(n)(n+1)(n+2)\dots(n+r-1)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots r} \cdot x^r$

Put $r = 5$, $n = 5$, x by $x/2$

$$T_6 = (-1)^5 \frac{(5)(5+1)(5+2)(5+3)(5+4)}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} \cdot \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^5$$

$$= \frac{-5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7 \cdot 8 \cdot 9}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \cdot x^5 = \frac{-63}{16} \cdot x^5$$

ii) 7th term of $\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3}\right)^{-4}$

Sol. T_{r+1} in $(1-x)^{-n} =$

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

Put $r = 6$, $n = 4$, x by $\frac{x^2}{3}$

Then 7th term in $\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3}\right)^{-4}$ is

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

$$= \frac{4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7 \cdot 8 \cdot 9}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6} \cdot \frac{x^{12}}{3^6} = \frac{28}{243} \cdot x^{12}$$

iii) 10th term of $(3 - 4x)^{-2/3}$.

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

First find 10th term of $\left(1 - \frac{4}{3}x\right)^{-2/3}$

The general term of $(1-x)^{-p/q}$ is $T_{r+1} = \frac{(p)(p+q)(p+2q)+\dots+[p+(r-1)q]}{(r)!} \left(\frac{x}{q}\right)^r$

Here $p = 2$, $q = 3$, $r = 9$

We know that

$$(1-X)^{p/q} = 1 - p\left(\frac{X}{q}\right) + \frac{(p)(p-q)}{1 \cdot 2}\left(\frac{X}{q}\right)^2 - \dots$$

$$\text{Here } X = \frac{5x}{8}, p = 2, q = 3, \frac{X}{q} = \frac{(5x/8)}{3} = \frac{5x}{24}$$

$$\therefore (8-5x)^{2/3} =$$

$$4 \left[1 - 2\left(\frac{5x}{24}\right) + \frac{(2)(2-3)}{1 \cdot 2}\left(\frac{5x}{24}\right)^2 - \dots \right]$$

$$= 4 \left[1 - \frac{5x}{12} - \left(\frac{5x}{24}\right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$\therefore$ The first 3 terms of $(8-5x)^{2/3}$ are

$$4, \frac{-5x}{3}, \frac{-25}{144}x^2$$

iv) $(2-7x)^{-3/4}$ Try your self

7. Find the general term $(r+1)^{\text{th}}$ term in the expansion of

$$\text{(i) } (4+5x)^{-3/2} \quad \text{(ii) } \left(1-\frac{5x}{3}\right)^{-3} \quad \text{(iii) } \left(1+\frac{4x}{5}\right)^{5/2} \quad \text{(iv) } \left(3-\frac{5x}{4}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$\text{i) } (4+5x)^{-3/2}$$

$$\text{Sol. Write } (4+5x)^{-3/2} = \left[4\left(1+\frac{5}{4}x\right) \right]^{-3/2}$$

$$= (2^2)^{-3/2} \left[\left(1+\frac{5}{4}x\right)^{-3/2} \right] = \frac{1}{8} \left[\left(1+\frac{5}{4}x\right)^{-3/2} \right]$$

General term of $(1+x)^{-p/q}$ is

$$T_{r+1} = (-1)^r$$

iii) x^2 in $\left(7x^3 - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^9$ **Ans.** Coefficient of x^2 in $\left(7x^3 - \frac{2}{x^2}\right)^9$ is $-126 \times 7^4 \times 2^5$.

iv) x^{-7} in $\left(\frac{2x^2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x^5}\right)^7$

Sol. The general term in $\left(\frac{2x^2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x^5}\right)^7$ is

$$\begin{aligned} T_{r+1} &= (-1)^r \cdot {}^7C_r \left(\frac{2x^2}{3}\right)^{7-r} \left(\frac{5}{4x^5}\right)^r \\ &= (-1)^r \cdot {}^7C_r \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{7-r} \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^r x^{14-2r} x^{-5r} \\ \therefore T_{r+1} &= (-1)^r {}^7C_r \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{7-r} \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^r x^{14-7r} \dots(1) \end{aligned}$$

For coefficient of x^{-7} , put $14 - 7r = -7$

$$\Rightarrow 7r = 21 \Rightarrow r = 3$$

Put $r = 3$ in equation (1)

$$\begin{aligned} T_{3+1} &= (-1)^3 {}^7C_3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3 x^{14-21} \\ &= \frac{-7 \times 6 \times 5}{1 \times 2 \times 3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^3 x^{-7} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$ Coefficient of x^{-7} in $\left(\frac{2x^2}{3} - \frac{5}{4x^5}\right)^7$ is:

$$= -35 \times \frac{1}{3^4} \cdot \frac{5^3}{2^2} = \frac{-4375}{324}$$

Its integral part $m = \left[11 \frac{17}{29} \right] = 11$

T_{m+1} is the numerically greatest term in the expansion $\left(1 + \frac{3}{4}x \right)^{15}$ and

$$T_{m+1} = T_{12} = {}^{15}C_{11} \left(\frac{3}{4}x \right)^4 = {}^{15}C_{11} \left(\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{7}{2} \right)^{11}$$

$\therefore$ Numerically greatest term in $(4 + 3x)^{15}$

$$= 4^{15} \left[{}^{15}C_{11} \left(\frac{21}{8} \right)^{11} \right] = {}^{15}C_4 \frac{(21)^{11}}{2^3}$$

ii) $(3x + 5y)^{12}$ when $x = \frac{1}{2}$ and $y = \frac{4}{3}$

Sol. Write $(3x + 5y)^{12} = \left[3x \left(1 + \frac{5y}{3x} \right) \right]^{12}$

$$= 3^{12} x^{12} \left(1 + \frac{5y}{3x} \right)^{12}$$

On comparing $\left(1 + \frac{5y}{3x} \right)^{12}$ with $(1 + x)^n$, we get

$$n = 12, x = \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{y}{x} = \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{(4/3)}{(1/2)} = \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{8}{3} = \frac{40}{9}$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{(n+1)|x|}{1+|x|} = \frac{(12+1)\left(\frac{40}{9}\right)}{1+\frac{40}{9}}$$

$$= \frac{13 \times 40}{49} = \frac{520}{49} = 10 \frac{30}{49}$$

Which is not an integer.

$$\therefore k = 11$$

Put $r = 10$ in eq.(1)

$$T_{13+1} = {}^{20}C_{13}(x^2)^7 \left(\frac{-1}{2x}\right)^{13} = (-1)^{20} C_{13} \frac{1}{2^{13}} x$$

12. If the coefficients of $(2r + 4)^{\text{th}}$ and $(r - 2)^{\text{nd}}$ terms in the expansion of $(1 + x)^{18}$ are equal, find r .

Sol. T_{2r+4} term of $(1 + x)^{18}$ is

$$T_{2r+4} = {}^{18}C_{2r+3}(x)^{2r+3}$$

$$T_{r-2} \text{ term of } (1 + x)^{18}$$

$$T_{r-2} = {}^{18}C_{r-3}(x)^{r-3}$$

Given that the coefficients of $(2r + 4)^{\text{th}}$ term = The coefficient of $(r - 2)^{\text{nd}}$ term.

$$\Rightarrow {}^{18}C_{2r+3} = {}^{18}C_{r-3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r + 3 = r - 3 \text{ (or) } (2r + 3) + (r - 3) = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow r = -6 \text{ (or) } 3r = 18 \Rightarrow r = 6$$

13. Find the coefficient of x^{10} in the expansion of $\frac{1+2x}{(1-2x)^2}$.

Sol. $\frac{1+2x}{(1-2x)^2} = (1+2x)(1-2x)^{-2}$

$$= (1+2x)[1 + 2(2x) + 3(2x)^2 + 4(2x)^3 + 5(2x)^4 + 6(2x)^5 + 7(2x)^6 + 8(2x)^7 + 9(2x)^8 + 10(2x)^9 + 11(2x)^{10} + \dots + (r+1)(2x)^r + \dots]$$

$$\therefore \text{The coefficient of } x^{10} \text{ in } \frac{1+2x}{(1-2x)^2} \text{ is}$$

$$= (11)(2)^{10} + 10(2)(2^9) = 2^{10}(11+10) = 2 \times 1^{10}$$

$$= \frac{2}{9} \left(1 + \frac{3}{4}x \right)^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{2}{3} \right)^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{9} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{4}x \right) \left(1 - (-2) \frac{2}{3}x \right)$$

(After neglecting x^2 and higher powers of x)

$$= \frac{2}{9} \left(1 + \frac{3}{8}x \right) \left(1 + \frac{4}{3}x \right) = \frac{2}{9} \left(1 + \frac{3}{8}x + \frac{4}{3}x \right)$$

(Again by neglecting x^2 term)

$$= \frac{2}{9} \left(1 + \frac{41}{24}x \right) = \frac{2}{9} + \frac{41}{108}x$$

$$\therefore \frac{(4+3x)^{1/2}}{(3-2x)^2} = \frac{2}{9} + \frac{82}{108}x = \frac{2}{9} + \frac{41}{108}x$$

ii)
$$\frac{\left(1 - \frac{2x}{3} \right)^{3/2} (32+5x)^{1/5}}{(3-x)^3}$$

Sol.
$$\frac{\left(1 - \frac{2x}{3} \right)^{3/2} (32+5x)^{1/5}}{(3-x)^3}$$

$$= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{2}{3}x \right)^{3/2} (32)^{1/5} \left(1 + \frac{5}{32}x \right)^{1/5}}{3^3 \left(1 - \frac{x}{3} \right)^3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{27} \left(1 - \frac{2x}{3} \right)^{3/2} \left(1 + \frac{5}{32}x \right)^{1/5} \left(1 - \frac{x}{3} \right)^{-3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{27} \left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{2x}{3} \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{5} \frac{5}{32}x \right) \left(1 + 3 \frac{x}{3} \right)$$

(By neglecting x^2 and higher powers of x)

19. Suppose p, q are positive and p is very small when compared to q . Then find an approximate value of $\left(\frac{q}{q+p}\right)^{1/2} + \left(\frac{q}{q-p}\right)^{1/2}$

Sol. Do it yourself. Same as above.

20. By neglecting x^4 and higher powers of x , find an approximate value of $\sqrt[3]{x^2+64} - \sqrt[3]{x^2+27}$.

Sol. $\sqrt[3]{x^2+64} - \sqrt[3]{x^2+27}$

$$= (64+x^2)^{1/3} - (27+x^2)^{1/3}$$

$$= (64)^{1/3} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{64}\right)^{1/3} - (27)^{1/3} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{27}\right)^{1/3}$$

$$= 4 \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{192}\right) - 3 \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{81}\right)$$

(By neglecting x^4 and higher powers of x)

$$= 4 + \frac{x^2}{48} - 3 - \frac{x^2}{27} = 1 + \frac{(27-48)}{48 \times 27} x^2$$

$$= 1 + \left(\frac{-21}{48 \times 27}\right) x^2 = 1 - \frac{7}{432} x^2$$

$$\therefore \sqrt[3]{x^2+64} - \sqrt[3]{x^2+27} = 1 - \frac{7}{432} x^2$$

21. Expand $3\sqrt{3}$ in increasing powers of $2/3$.

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

$$= 1 + \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{1} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + \frac{\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2} + 1\right)}{1 \cdot 2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \dots + \frac{\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2} + 1\right) \dots \left(\frac{3}{2} + r - 1\right)}{(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots r) 2^r} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^r + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{3}{1 \cdot 2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + \frac{3 \cdot 5}{(1 \cdot 2) 2^2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \dots + \frac{3 \cdot 5 \dots (2r+1)}{(1 \cdot 2 \dots r) 2^r} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^r + \dots$$

25. Find the numerically greatest term(s) in the expansion of

i) $(2 + 3x)^{10}$ when $x = \frac{11}{8}$

Sol. Write $(2 + 3x)^{10} = \left[2 \left(1 + \frac{3}{2}x \right)^{10} \right] = 2^{10} \left(1 + \frac{3x}{2} \right)^{10}$

First find N.G. term in $\left(1 + \frac{3x}{2} \right)^{10}$

Let $X = \frac{3x}{2} = \frac{3 \times \frac{11}{8}}{2} = \frac{33}{16}$

Now consider

$$\frac{(n+1)|x|}{1+|x|} = \frac{(10+1)\left(\frac{33}{16}\right)}{\frac{33}{16}+1} = \frac{11 \times 33}{48} = \frac{363}{48}$$

Its integral part $m = \left[\frac{363}{48} \right] = 7$

$\therefore T_{m+1}$ is the numerically greatest term in

$$\left(1 + \frac{3x}{2} \right)^{10}$$

i.e. $T_{7+1} = T_8 = {}^{10}C_7 \left(\frac{3x}{2} \right)^7$

$$= {}^{10}C_7 \left(\frac{3}{2} \times \frac{11}{8} \right)^7 = {}^{10}C_7 \left(\frac{33}{16} \right)^7$$

$\therefore$ N.G. term in the expansion of $(2 + 3x)^{10}$ is $= 2^{10} \cdot {}^{10}C_7 \left(\frac{33}{16} \right)^7$.

ii) $(3x - 4y)^{14}$ when $x = 8, y = 3$.

Sol. $(3x - 4y)^{14} = \left(3x \left(1 - \frac{4y}{3x} \right) \right)^{14}$

$$= (3x)^{14} \left(1 - \frac{4y}{3x} \right)^{14}$$

Write $X = \frac{-4y}{3x} = -\left(\frac{4 \times 3}{3 \times 8} \right) = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$|X| = \frac{1}{2}$$

Now $\frac{(n+1)|X|}{1+|X|} = \frac{(14+1)\frac{1}{2}}{1+\frac{1}{2}} = 5$, an integer.

Here $|T_5| = |T_6|$ are N.G. terms.

T_5 in the expansion of $\left(1 - \frac{4y}{3x} \right)^{14}$ is

$$T_5 = {}^{14}C_4 \left(\frac{-4y}{3x} \right)^4 = {}^{14}C_4 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^4$$

and $T_6 = {}^{14}C_5 \left(\frac{-4y}{3x} \right)^5 = -{}^{14}C_5 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^5$

Here N.G. terms are T_5 and T_6 . They are

$$T_5 = {}^{14}C_4 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^4 (24)^{14}$$

$$T_6 = -{}^{14}C_5 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^5 (24)^{14}$$

But $|T_5| = |T_6|$

11. If R, n are positive integers, n is odd, $0 < F < 1$ and if $(5\sqrt{5} + 11)^n = R + F$, then prove that

i) R is an even integer and

ii) $(R + F)F = 4^n$.

Sol.i) Since R, n are positive integers, $0 < F < 1$ and $(5\sqrt{5} + 11)^n = R + F$

$$\text{Let } (5\sqrt{5} - 11)^n = f$$

$$\text{Now, } 11 < 5\sqrt{5} < 12 \Rightarrow 0 < 5\sqrt{5} - 11 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < (5\sqrt{5} - 11)^n < 1 \Rightarrow 0 < f < 1 \Rightarrow 0 > -f > -1 \therefore -1 < -f < 0$$

$$R + F - f = (5\sqrt{5} + 11)^n - (5\sqrt{5} - 11)^n$$

$$= \left[{}^nC_0(5\sqrt{5})^n + {}^nC_1(5\sqrt{5})^{n-1}(11) + {}^nC_2(5\sqrt{5})^{n-2}(11)^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n(11)^n \right] - \left[{}^nC_0(5\sqrt{5})^n - {}^nC_1(5\sqrt{5})^{n-1}(11) + {}^nC_2(5\sqrt{5})^{n-2}(11)^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n(-11)^n \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[{}^nC_1(5\sqrt{5})^{n-1}(11) + {}^nC_3(5\sqrt{5})^{n-3}(11)^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2k \text{ where } k \text{ is an integer.}$$

$$\therefore R + F - f \text{ is an even integer.}$$

$$\Rightarrow F - f \text{ is an integer since } R \text{ is an integer.}$$

$$\text{But } 0 < F < 1 \text{ and } -1 < -f < 0 \Rightarrow -1 < F - f < 1$$

$$\therefore F - f = 0 \Rightarrow F = f$$

$$\therefore R \text{ is an even integer.}$$

ii) $(R + F)F = (R + F)f, \therefore F = f$

$$= (5\sqrt{5} + 11)^n (5\sqrt{5} - 11)^n$$

$$= \left[(5\sqrt{5} + 11)(5\sqrt{5} - 11) \right]^n = (125 - 121)^n = 4^n$$

$$\therefore (R + F)F = 4^n.$$

12. If I, n are positive integers, $0 < f < 1$ and if $(7 + 4\sqrt{3})^n = I + f$, then show that

(i) I is an odd integer and (ii) $(I + f)(I - f) = 1$.

Sol. Given I, n are positive integers and

$$(7 + 4\sqrt{3})^n = I + f, 0 < f < 1$$

$$\text{Let } 7 - 4\sqrt{3} = F$$

$$\text{Now } 6 < 4\sqrt{3} < 7 \Rightarrow -6 > -4\sqrt{3} > -7$$

∴ Coefficient of x^8 in $\frac{(1+x)^2}{\left(1-\frac{2}{3}x\right)^3}$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 45\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8 + 2 \times 36\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^7 + 28\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 \\
 &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 \left[45 \times \frac{4}{9} + 72 \times \frac{2}{3} + 28 \right] \\
 &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 (20 + 48 + 28) = \frac{96 \times 2^6}{3^6} = \frac{2048}{243}
 \end{aligned}$$

iii) Find the coefficient of x^7 in $\frac{(2+3x)^3}{(1-3x)^4}$.

Sol. $\frac{(2+3x)^3}{(1-3x)^4} = (2+3x)^3(1-3x)^{-4}$

$$= (8 + 36x + 54x^2 + 27x^3)$$

$$[1 + {}^4C_1(3x) + {}^5C_2(3x)^2 + {}^6C_3(3x)^3 + {}^7C_4(3x)^4 + {}^8C_5(3x)^5 + {}^9C_6(3x)^6 + \dots]$$

∴ Coefficient of x^7 in $\frac{(2+3x)^3}{(1-3x)^4}$ is

$$= 8 \cdot ({}^{10}C_7 \cdot 3^7) + 36 \cdot ({}^9C_6(3)^6) + 54 \cdot ({}^8C_5(3^5)) + 27 \cdot ({}^7C_4(3^4))$$

$$= 8({}^{10}C_3 3^7) + 36({}^9C_3 3^6) + 54({}^8C_3 3^5) + 27({}^7C_3 3^4)$$

18. Find the sum of the infinite series $\frac{7}{5} \left(1 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{1}{10^4} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} \frac{1}{10^6} + \dots \right)$.

Sol. $1 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{1}{10^4} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} \frac{1}{10^6} + \dots$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{1!} \left(\frac{1}{100} \right) + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2!} \left(\frac{1}{100} \right)^2 + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{3!} \left(\frac{1}{100} \right)^3 + \dots$$

Comparing with $(1 - x)^{-p/q}$

$$= 1 + \frac{p}{1!} \left(\frac{x}{q} \right) + \frac{p(p+q)}{2!} \left(\frac{x}{q} \right)^2 \quad p = 1, p+q=3, q=2$$

$$\frac{x}{q} = \frac{1}{100} \Rightarrow x = \frac{q}{100} = \frac{2}{100} = 0.02$$

$$\therefore 1 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{1}{10^4} + \dots = (1 - x)^{-p/q}$$

$$= (1 - 0.02)^{-1/2} = (0.98)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{49}{50} \right)^{-1/2} = \left(\frac{50}{49} \right)^{1/2} = \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{7}$$

$$\therefore \frac{7}{5} \left[1 + \frac{1}{10^2} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{1 \cdot 2} \frac{1}{10^4} + \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} \frac{1}{10^6} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{7}{5} \cdot \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{7} = \sqrt{2}$$

19. Show that

$$1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x(x-1)}{2 \cdot 4} + \frac{x(x-1)(x-2)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{x}{3} + \frac{x(x+1)}{3 \cdot 6} + \frac{x(x+1)(x+2)}{3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9} + \dots$$

Sol. L.H.S. $= 1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x(x-1)}{2 \cdot 4} + \frac{x(x-1)(x-2)}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 6} + \dots$

30. Find an approximate value of $\sqrt[6]{63}$ correct to 4 decimal places.

Sol. $\sqrt[6]{63} = (63)^{1/6} = (64-1)^{1/6}$

$$= (64)^{1/6} \left(1 - \frac{1}{64}\right)^{1/6}$$

$$= 2 \left[1 - (0.5)^6\right]^{1/6}$$

$$= 2 \left[1 - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)(0.5)^6}{1!} + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}-1\right)}{2!}(0.5)^{12} + \dots\right]$$

$$= 2[1 - 0.0026041] = 2[0.9973959]$$

$$= 1.9947918 = 1.9948 \text{ (correct to 4 decimals)}$$

31. If $|x|$ is so small that x^2 and higher powers of x may be neglected, then find an approximate

values of $\frac{\left(1 + \frac{3x}{2}\right)^{-4} (8+9x)^{1/3}}{(1+2x)^2}$.

Sol. $\frac{\left(1 + \frac{3x}{2}\right)^{-4} (8+9x)^{1/3}}{(1+2x)^2}$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{3x}{2}\right)^{-4} \left[8 \left(1 + \frac{9}{8}x\right)\right]^{1/3} (1+2x)^{-2}$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{3x}{2}\right)^{-4} \cdot 8^{1/3} \left(1 + \frac{9}{8}x\right)^{1/3} (1+2x)^{-2}$$

$$= 2 \left[1 - \frac{4}{1} \left(\frac{3x}{2}\right)\right] \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{9x}{8}\right)\right] [1 + (-2)(2x)]$$

$\therefore x^2$ and higher powers of x are neglecting

$$= 2(1-6x) \left(1 + \frac{3x}{8}\right) (1-4x)$$

$$= 2 \left(1 - 6x + \frac{3x}{8}\right) (1-4x)$$

33. Suppose that x and y are positive and x is very small when compared to y . Then find the

approximate value of $\left(\frac{y}{y+x}\right)^{3/4} - \left(\frac{y}{y+x}\right)^{4/5}$.

Sol. $\left(\frac{y}{y+x}\right)^{3/4} - \left(\frac{y}{y+x}\right)^{4/5}$

$$= \left(\frac{y}{y\left(1+\frac{x}{y}\right)}\right)^{3/4} - \left(\frac{y}{y\left(1+\frac{x}{y}\right)}\right)^{4/5}$$

$$= \left(1+\frac{x}{y}\right)^{-3/4} - \left(1+\frac{x}{y}\right)^{-4/5}$$

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

$$- \left\{ 1 + \left(\frac{-4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + \frac{\left(\frac{-4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{-4}{5}-1\right)}{1 \cdot 2} \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 + \dots \right\}$$

(By neglecting $(x/y)^3$ and higher powers of x/y)

$$= \left[1 - \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + \frac{21}{32}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 \right] - \left[1 - \frac{4}{5}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) + \frac{16}{25}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{5} - \frac{3}{4}\right)\frac{x}{y} - \left(\frac{21}{32} - \frac{16}{25}\right)\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{20}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) - \frac{1101}{800}\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{4}{3} + 2S = (1-x)^{-p/q} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2/3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2/3} = (2)^{2/3} = \sqrt[3]{4}$$

$$\therefore 2S = \sqrt[3]{4} - \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow S = \frac{\sqrt[3]{4}}{2} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\therefore \frac{5}{6 \cdot 12} + \frac{5 \cdot 8}{6 \cdot 12 \cdot 18} + \frac{5 \cdot 8 \cdot 11}{6 \cdot 12 \cdot 18 \cdot 24} + \dots = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2}} - \frac{2}{3}$$

36. If the coefficients of x^9, x^{10}, x^{11} in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are in A.P. then prove that

$$n^2 - 41n + 398 = 0.$$

Sol: Coefficient of x^r in the expansion $(1+x)^n$ is nC_r .

Given coefficients of x^9, x^{10}, x^{11} in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$ are in A.P., then

$$2({}^nC_{10}) = {}^nC_9 + {}^nC_{11}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \frac{n!}{(n-10)!10!} = \frac{n!}{(n-9)!9!} + \frac{n!}{(n-11)!11!}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{10(n-10)} = \frac{1}{(n-9)(n-10)} + \frac{1}{(n-11)10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{(n-10)10} = \frac{110 + (n-9)(n-10)}{110(n-9)(n-10)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 22(n-9) = 110 + n^2 - 19n + 90$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 41n + 398 = 0$$