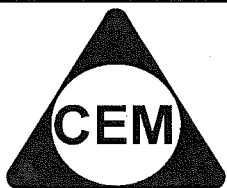


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**YEAR 12 – EXT.1 MATHS**

**REVIEW TOPIC (SP1)  
BINOMIAL THEOREM II**

**\*HSC '99**

(7) (b) By considering  $(1-x)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n$ , or otherwise, express

$\binom{n}{2}\binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{3}\binom{n}{1} + \dots + (-1)^n \binom{n}{n}\binom{n}{n-2}$  in the simplest form.

$$\binom{n}{\frac{n+2}{2}} (-1)^{\frac{n+2}{2}} \text{ if } n \text{ is even; } 0 \text{ if } n \text{ is odd.}$$

**HSC '98**

(7) (a) (i) Use the binomial theorem to obtain an expansion for

$$(1+x)^{2n} + (1-x)^{2n}, \text{ where } n \text{ is a positive integer.}$$

$$2(1 + {}^{2n}C_2x^2 + {}^{2n}C_4x^4 + \dots + {}^{2n}C_{2n}x^{2n})$$

(ii) Hence evaluate  $1 + {}^{20}C_2 + {}^{20}C_4 + \dots + {}^{20}C_{20}$ .

HSC '97

(7) (b) (i) Simplify  $n\binom{n-1}{1} + n\binom{n-1}{2} + \dots + n\binom{n-1}{n-2}$ .

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$$n(2^{n-1} - 2)$$

(ii) Find the smallest positive integer  $n$  such that

$$n\binom{n-1}{1} + n\binom{n-1}{2} + \dots + n\binom{n-1}{n-2} > 20\,000.$$

$$n = 12$$

**HSC '96**

(7) (a) Using the fact that  $(1+x)^4(1+x)^9 = (1+x)^{13}$ , show that

**2**

$${}^4C_0 {}^9C_4 + {}^4C_1 {}^9C_3 + {}^4C_2 {}^9C_2 + {}^4C_3 {}^9C_1 + {}^4C_4 {}^9C_0 = {}^{13}C_4.$$

**HSC '95**

(3) (b) Find the value of the term that does not depend on  $x$  in the expansion of

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

1215

**HSC '92**

(5) (c) Consider the binomial expansion  $1 + \binom{n}{1}x + \binom{n}{2}x^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n}x^n = (1+x)^n$ .

(i) Show that  $1 - \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} - \dots + (-1)^n \binom{n}{n} = 0$ .

(ii) Show that  $1 - \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{1} + \frac{1}{3} \binom{n}{2} - \dots + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{n}{n} = \frac{1}{n+1}$ .

**HSC '90**

(6) (c) (i) Show that  $x^n (1+x)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^n = (1+x)^{2n}$ .

(ii) Hence prove that  $1 + \binom{n}{1}^2 + \binom{n}{2}^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n}^2 = \binom{2n}{n}$ .



**MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISES:**

(1)

Statistics show that, of motorists tested for drink-driving, 3% are found to be over the limit. Find, as decimals to three places, the probability that, in a group of thirty drivers tested:

(i) none will be over the limit

0.401

(ii) exactly one will be over the limit

0.372

(iii) at least two will be over the limit.

0.227

(2) A die is loaded in such a way that in 8 throws of the die, the probability of getting 3 even numbers is four times the probability of getting 2 even numbers.

Find the probability that a single throw of the die results in an even number.

(3) An unbiased die is thrown six times. Find the probabilities that the six scores obtained will: (i) be 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 in some order,

$$\frac{5}{324}$$

(ii) have a product which is an even number

$$\frac{63}{64}$$

(iii) consists of exactly two 6's and four odd numbers

$$\frac{5}{192}$$

(iv) be such that a 6 occurs only on the last throw and exactly three of the first five throws result in odd numbers.

$$\frac{5}{216}$$

(4) A given school in a certain State has 3 mathematics teachers. The probability in that State that a mathematics teacher is female is 0.4.

- (a) What is the probability that in the given school there is at least one female mathematics teacher?

0.784

- (b) In the same State the probability that a mathematics teacher (male or female) is a graduate is 0.7. What is the probability that in the given school none of the three mathematics teachers is a female graduate?

0.373

**SOLUTIONS:**

(1)

(i) Probability =  $(0.97)^{30} = 0.401$

(ii) Probability =  ${}^{30}C_1(0.97)^{29}(0.03)$   
 $= 0.372$

(iii) Probability =  $1 - (0.401 + 0.372)$   
 $= 0.227$

(2) Let  $p$  be the probability of throwing an even number and  $q$  be the probability of throwing an odd number.In 8 throws of a die:  $P(3 \text{ even numbers}) = \text{term in } p^3 \text{ in the expansion of}$ 

$$(q + p)^8 = {}^8C_3 q^5 p^3 = 56q^5 p^3.$$

 $P(2 \text{ even numbers}) = \text{term in } p^2 \text{ in the expansion of}$ 

$$(q + p)^8 = {}^8C_2 q^6 p^2 = 28q^6 p^2 \text{ and since}$$

$$P(3 \text{ even nos}) = 4 \times P(2 \text{ even nos})$$

$$56q^5 p^3 = 4 \times 28q^6 p^2$$

Assuming  $p, q \neq 0$  then  $p = 2q = 2(1 - p)$

$$\therefore p = P(1 \text{ even number}) = \frac{2}{3}$$

(3) (i)  $P(\text{scores will be } 1,2,3,4,5,6 \text{ in some order}) = \frac{6!}{6^6} = \frac{5}{324}$

(ii)  $P(\text{scores will have a product which is an even number})$   
 $= 1 - P(\text{scores will have a product which is an odd number})$   
 $= 1 - P(\text{all 6 scores are odd numbers})$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{63}{64}$$

(iii)  $P(\text{scores will consist of exactly two 6's and four odd numbers})$

$$= {}^6C_2 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 = \frac{5}{192}$$

(iv)  $P(\text{scores will be such that a 6 occurs only on the last throw and exactly three of the first five throws result in odd numbers})$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \times {}^5C_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{5}{216}$$

(4) (a)  $P(\text{at least one female mathematics teacher})$

$$= 1 - P(\text{no female mathematics teacher})$$

$$= 1 - P(3 \text{ male mathematics teacher})$$

$$= 1 - (0.6)^3 = 0.784$$

(b) Let  $p = \text{Probability of any teacher being a female graduate}$

$$= 0.4 \times 0.7 = 0.28$$

$$q = 0.72$$

Using the binomial expansion of  $(p + q)^3$

$$\text{Probability of no female graduates} = {}^3C_0 p^0 q^3 = (0.72)^3 = 0.373$$