

Pre-Calculus 12 Binomial Theorem Continued

General Term

$$t_{k+1} = {}_n C_k x^{n-k} y^k \quad t_{k+1} = n C_k a^{n-k} b^k \quad (x+y) \\ (x+(-2))$$

Ex. 1) Determine the 9th term of $(x - 2)^{10}$

$$\begin{aligned} k+1 &= 9^{\text{th}} & t_{k+1} &= n C_k x^{n-k} y^k \\ k &= 8 & t_9 &= {}_{10} C_8 (x)^{10-8} (-2)^8 \\ n &= 10 & &= 45 x^2 (256) \\ & & t_9 &= 11520 x^2 \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 2) Given $(2x - y^3)^6$

a) determine the 4th term.

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 6 & t_4 &= {}_6 C_3 (2x)^3 (-y^3)^3 \\ k &= 3 & &= 20 (8 x^3) (-y^9) \\ & & &= -160 x^3 y^9 \end{aligned}$$

b) determine the last term. # of terms

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 6 & t_7 &= {}_6 C_6 (2x)^0 (-y^3)^6 & \begin{matrix} \rightarrow n+1 \\ 6+1 = 7 \text{ terms} \end{matrix} \\ k &= 6 & &= 1(1)(y^{18}) & \text{last term } t_7 \\ & & &= y^{18} \end{aligned}$$

c) the middle term $\rightarrow t_4$

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 6 & & t_1 \quad t_2 \quad t_3 \quad (t_4) \quad t_5 \quad t_6 \quad t_7 \\ k &= 3 & t_4 &= {}_6 C_3 (2x)^3 (-y^3)^3 & \leftarrow \text{from a)} \\ & & &= -160 x^3 y^9 \end{aligned}$$

* Ex. 2) In the expansion of $(2x - y^3)^{12}$, determine which term contains y^{15} .

$n = 12$
 $k = ?$

$$t_{k+1} = nC_k x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$y^{15} = \cancel{12C_k} (2x)^{12-k} (-y^3)^k$$

need these to be equal

$$\therefore y^{15} = y^{3k}$$

$$15 = 3k$$

$$k = 5$$

t_{k+1}
 t_{5+1}
6

\therefore the 6th term contains y^{15}

Ex. 3) In the expansion of $(a^2 - \frac{1}{a})^5$ which term, in simplified form, contains $a^?$ Determine the value of this term.

$n = 5$
 $k = ?$

ignore coefficients

$$t_{k+1} = nC_k x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$a^? = \cancel{5C_k} (a^2)^{5-k} (\frac{1}{a})^k$$

mult exponents

$$a^? = (a^2)^{5-k} (a^{-1})^k$$

add exponents

$$a^? = a^{10-2k} \cdot a^{-k}$$

$$a^? = a^{10-3k}$$

$$\therefore 1 = 10 - 3k$$

$$3k = 9$$

$$k = 3$$

\therefore 4th term

part 2

$n = 5$
 $k = 3$

$$t_{k+1} = nC_k x^{n-k} y^k$$

$$t_4 = 5C_3 (a^2)^2 (-\frac{1}{a})^3$$

$$t_4 = 10 a^4 (-\frac{1}{a^3})$$

$$t_4 = -10a$$

$\frac{-10a^4}{a^3}$

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