

QUESTION C

If $(C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2)(C_2 + C_3) \cdots (C_{n-1} + C_n) = m * C_1 C_2 C_3 \cdots C_{n-1}$,
then m is equal to

SOLUTION

$$C_i = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$$

$$(C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2)(C_2 + C_3) \cdots (C_{n-1} + C_n) = m * C_1 C_2 C_3 \cdots C_{n-1}$$

$$m = \frac{(C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2)(C_2 + C_3) \cdots (C_{n-1} + C_n)}{C_1 C_2 C_3 \cdots C_{n-1}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2)(C_2 + C_3) \cdots (C_{n-1} + C_n) = \\ & = \left(\frac{n!}{0!(n-0)!} + \frac{n!}{1!(n-1)!} \right) \cdots \left(\frac{n!}{(n-1)!(n-(n-1))!} + \frac{n!}{n!(n-n)!} \right) = \\ & = \left(\frac{n!}{0!(n-0)!} + \frac{n!}{1!(n-1)!} \right) \cdots \left(\frac{n!}{(n-1)!(n-(n-1))!} + \frac{n!}{n!(n-n)!} \right) = \\ & = n! \left(\frac{1}{1!(n)!} + \frac{n}{1!n!} \right) \cdots n! \left(\frac{n}{n!1!} + \frac{1}{n!1!} \right) = (n!)^n \frac{(n+1)^n}{1!2!2! \cdots n!^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$(C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2)(C_2 + C_3) \cdots (C_{n-1} + C_n) = (n!)^n \frac{(n+1)^n}{1!2!2! \cdots n!^2}$$

$$C_1 C_2 C_3 \cdots C_{n-1} = \frac{n!}{1!(n-1)!} \frac{n!}{2!(n-2)!} \cdots \frac{n!}{(n-1)!(n-(n-1))!} =$$

$$= \frac{\overbrace{n! * n! * n! * n! \cdots n!}^{n-1}}{1!2!2! \cdots (n-1)!^2} = \frac{n!^{n-1}}{1!2!2! \cdots (n-1)!^2}$$

$$C_1 C_2 C_3 \cdots C_{n-1} = \frac{n!^{n-1}}{1!2!2! \cdots (n-1)!^2}$$

$$m = \frac{(C_0 + C_1)(C_1 + C_2)(C_2 + C_3) \cdots (C_{n-1} + C_n)}{C_1 C_2 C_3 \cdots C_{n-1}} = \frac{(n!)^n \frac{(n+1)^n}{1!2!2! \cdots n!^2}}{n!^{n-1}} =$$

$$= \frac{(n!)^n (n+1)^n 1!2!2! \cdots (n-1)!^2}{n!^{n-1} 1!2!2! \cdots (n-1)!^2 n!^2} = \frac{n!^n (n+1)^n}{n!^{n-1} * n!^2} = \frac{(n+1)^n}{n!}$$

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$$m = \frac{(n+1)^n}{n!}$$

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QUESTION D

If C_r are the binomial co-efficients in the expansion of $(1+x)^n$, the value of

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (i+j)C_i C_j$$

is

SOLUTION

We need the following properties of binomial coefficients

$$C_i = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$$

$$C_0 = \frac{n!}{0! * (n-0)!} = \frac{n!}{n!} = 1$$

$$(1+x)^n|_{x=1} = 2^n = \left(\sum_{i=0}^n C_i * 1^i * x^{n-i} \right) \Big|_{x=1} = \sum_{i=0}^n C_i * 1^i * 1^{n-i} \iff \sum_{i=0}^n C_i = 2^n$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n C_i = C_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n C_i = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n C_i = 2^n \iff \sum_{i=1}^n C_i = 2^n - 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i * C_i = \sum_{i=1}^n i * \frac{n!}{i! * (n-i)!} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n!}{(i-1)! * (n-i)!} = \binom{n}{i-1} = \binom{n}{i} = \binom{n}{n-i} = \binom{n}{n-i-1} = \binom{n}{n-i-1} = \binom{n}{n-i-1}$$

$$= \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \frac{n!}{t! * (n-t-1)!} = \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \frac{n * (n-1)!}{t! * ((n-1)-t)!} = n * \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{t! * ((n-1)-t)!} =$$

$$= n * \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} C_t = n * 2^{n-1}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i * C_i = n * \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} C_t = n * 2^{n-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (i+j)C_i C_j &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n i * C_i C_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n j * C_i C_j = \sum_{i=1}^n i * C_i \sum_{j=1}^n C_j + \sum_{i=1}^n C_i \sum_{j=1}^n j * C_j = \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n i * C_i}_{n * 2^{n-1}} \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^n C_j}_{2^n - 1} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i}_{2^n - 1} \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^n j * C_j}_{n * 2^{n-1}} = n * 2^{n-1} (2^n - 1) + n * 2^{n-1} (2^n - 1) = n * 2^n * (2^n - 1) \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER

$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (i + j)C_i C_j = n * 2^n * (2^n - 1)$
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