

EXERCISE: 8.3Q.1 Expand upto 4 terms:

i) $(1-x)^{1/2}$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2}(-x) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2}(-x)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)(\frac{1}{2}-2)}{6}(-x)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{-1}{2})}{2}x^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{-1}{2})(\frac{-3}{2})}{6}(-x^3) + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{16} + \dots$$

Validity: $|-x| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < 1$

ii) $(1+2x)^{-1}$

$$= 1 + (-1)2x + \frac{(-1)(-2)}{2}(2x)^2 + \frac{(-1)(-2)(-3)}{6}(2x)^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - 2x + 4x^2 - 8x^3 + \dots$$

Validity: $|2x| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < \frac{1}{2}$

iii) $(1+x)^{-1/3}$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{3}(x) + \frac{\frac{-1}{3}(\frac{-1}{3}-1)}{2}x^2 + \frac{\frac{-1}{3}(\frac{-1}{3}-1)(\frac{-1}{3}-2)}{6}x^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{x}{3} + \frac{\frac{1}{3}(\frac{4}{3})}{2}x^2 - \frac{\frac{1}{3}(\frac{4}{3})(\frac{7}{3})}{6}x^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 - \frac{x}{3} + \frac{2}{9}x^2 - \frac{14}{81}x^3 + \dots$$

Validity: $|x| < 1$

iv) $(4-3x)^{1/2} = 4^{1/2}(1-\frac{3}{4}x)^{1/2}$

$$= 2 \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}(-\frac{3}{4}x) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2}(-\frac{3}{4}x)^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)(\frac{1}{2}-2)}{6}(-\frac{3}{4}x)^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[1 - \frac{3x}{8} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{-1}{2})}{2} \frac{9x^2}{16} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{-1}{2})(\frac{-3}{2})}{6} \frac{-27x^3}{64} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2 \left[1 - \frac{3x}{8} - \frac{9x^2}{128} - \frac{27x^3}{1024} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2 - \frac{3x}{4} - \frac{9x^2}{64} - \frac{27x^3}{512} + \dots$$

Validity: $|\frac{-3x}{4}| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < \frac{4}{3}$

v) $(8-2x)^{-1} = 8^{-1} \left[1 - \frac{2}{8}x \right]^{-1}$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[1 - \frac{x}{4} \right]^{-1}$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[1 + \frac{x}{4} + \frac{x^2}{16} + \frac{x^3}{64} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{x}{32} + \frac{x^2}{128} + \frac{x^3}{512} + \dots$$

Validity: $|\frac{-x}{4}| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < 4$

vi) $(2-3x)^{-2} = 2^{-2} \left(1 - \frac{3x}{2} \right)^{-2}$

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

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[1 + 3x + \frac{27x^2}{4} + \frac{27x^3}{2} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3x}{4} + \frac{27x^2}{16} + \frac{27x^3}{8} + \dots$$

Validity: $|\frac{-3x}{2}| < 1 \Rightarrow |x| < \frac{2}{3}$

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

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

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

$$= [1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots] [1 - 2x + 3x^2 - 4x^3 + \dots]$$

$$= [1 + x + x^2 + x^3 - 2x - 2x^2 - 2x^3 - 2x^4 + 3x^2 + 3x^3 + 3x^4 - 4x^3 - 4x^4 + \dots]$$

$$= 1 - x + 2x^2 - 2x^3 + \dots$$

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Q.2 Find the value using Binomial Series.

i) $\sqrt{99} = (100-1)^{1/2} = 100^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{100}\right)^{1/2}$
 $= 10[1 - 0.01]^{1/2}$
 $= 10\left[1 + \frac{1}{2}(-0.01) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2}(-0.01)^2 + \dots\right]$
 $= 10[1 - 0.005 - 0]$
 $= 10[0.995]$
 $= 9.950$ Ans

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ii) $(0.98)^{1/2} = [1 - 0.02]^{1/2}$
 $= 1 + \frac{1}{2}(-0.02) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2}(-0.02)^2 + \dots$
 $= 1 - 0.010 - 0$
 $= 0.990$ Ans.

iii) $(1.03)^{1/3} = [1 + 0.03]^{1/3}$
 $= 1 + \frac{1}{3}(0.03) + \frac{\frac{1}{3}(\frac{1}{3}-1)}{2}(0.03)^2 + \dots$
 $= 1 + 0.010 + 0$
 $= 1.010$ Ans.

iv) $\sqrt[3]{65} = (64+1)^{1/3}$
 $= 64^{1/3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{64}\right)^{1/3}$
 $= 4 \left[1 + 0.016\right]^{1/3}$
 $= 4 \left[1 + \frac{1}{3}(0.016) + \frac{\frac{1}{3}(\frac{1}{3}-1)}{2}(0.016)^2 + \dots\right]$
 $= 4[1 + 0.005 + 0]$
 $= 4[1.005] = 4.020$ Ans

v) $4\sqrt{17} = (16+1)^{1/4}$
 $= 16^{1/4} \left(1 + \frac{1}{16}\right)^{1/4}$
 $= 2 \left[1 + 0.063\right]^{1/4}$
 $= 2 \left[1 + \frac{1}{4}(0.063) + \frac{\frac{1}{4}(\frac{1}{4}-1)}{2}(0.063)^2 + \dots\right]$
 $= 2[1 + 0.016 + 0]$
 $= 2[1.016] = 2.032$ Ans.

vi) $5\sqrt{31} = (32-1)^{1/5}$
 $= 32^{1/5} \left(1 - \frac{1}{32}\right)^{1/5}$
 $= 2 \left[1 - 0.031\right]^{1/5}$
 $= 2 \left[1 + \frac{1}{5}(-0.031) + \frac{\frac{1}{5}(\frac{1}{5}-1)}{2}(-0.031)^2 + \dots\right]$
 $= 2[1 - 0.006 + 0]$
 $= 2[0.994] = 1.988$ Ans.

vii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{998}} = (1000-2)^{-1/3}$
 $= 1000^{-1/3} \left[1 - \frac{2}{1000}\right]^{-1/3}$
 $= \frac{1}{10} \left[1 - 0.02\right]^{-1/3}$
 $= \frac{1}{10} \left[1 + \frac{1}{3}(-0.02) + \frac{\frac{1}{3}(\frac{1}{3}-1)}{2}(-0.02)^2 + \dots\right]$
 $= \frac{1}{10} [1 + 0.001 + 0]$
 $= \frac{1}{10} [1.001] = 0.100$ Ans.

viii) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{252}} = (243+9)^{-1/5}$
 $= 243^{-1/5} \left(1 + \frac{9}{243}\right)^{-1/5}$
 $= \frac{1}{3} \left[1 + 0.037\right]^{-1/5}$
 $= \frac{1}{3} \left[1 - \frac{1}{5}(0.037) + \frac{\frac{1}{5}(\frac{1}{5}-1)}{2}(0.037)^2 + \dots\right]$
 $= \frac{1}{3} [1 - 0.007 + 0]$
 $= \frac{1}{3} [0.993] = 0.331$ Ans.

ix) $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{8}} = \sqrt{\frac{7}{8}} = \sqrt{0.875} = (1 - 0.125)^{1/2}$
 $= 1 + \frac{1}{2}(-0.125) + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2}(-0.125)^2 + \dots$
 $= 1 - 0.063 + 0$
 $= 0.938$ Ans.

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Coefficient of $x^n =$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{n+2}{2n} + \frac{2n+1}{2n-1} + \frac{n}{2n-2} \\ &= \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2} + \frac{(n+1)n}{2} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \\ &= \frac{n^2+3n+2+2n^2+2n+n^2-n}{2} \\ &= \frac{4n^2+5n-n+2}{2} \\ &= \frac{4n^2+4n+2}{2} \\ &= 2n^2+2n+1 \end{aligned}$$

v) $(1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots)^2$

We know that

$(1+x)^{-1} = 1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots$

$(1-x+x^2-x^3+\dots)^2 = [(1+x)^{-1}]^2$

$= (1+x)^{-2}$

Term involving x^n is

$T_{n+1} = \frac{(-2)(-3)(-4)\dots(-2-(n-1))}{n!} x^n$

$= \frac{(-1)^n [2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots (2+n-1)]}{n!} x^n$

$= \frac{(-1)^n [1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots (n+1)]}{n!} x^n$

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

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

$T_{n+1} = (-1)^n (n+1) x^n$

Coeff. of $x^n = (-1)^n (n+1)$.

Q.4 If x is so small that its square and higher powers are neglected then
Show that:

i) $\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1+x}} \approx 1 - \frac{3}{2}x$

LHS = $\frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1+x}} = (1-x)(1+x)^{-1/2}$
 $= (1-x)[1 - \frac{1}{2}x + \text{neglected term}]$
 $= (1-x)(1 - \frac{x}{2})$
 $= 1-x - \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{2}$ neglecting x^2
 $= 1 - \frac{3}{2}x$
 $= \text{RHS}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1-x}{\sqrt{1+x}} \approx 1 - \frac{3}{2}x$ (Proved)

ii) $\frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} \approx 1 + \frac{3}{2}x$

LHS = $\frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} = (1+2x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-1/2}$
 $= [1 + \frac{1}{2}(2x) + \dots][1 - \frac{1}{2}(-x) + \dots]$
 $= (1+x)(1 + \frac{x}{2})$ neglecting x^2 terms.
 $\approx 1+x + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{2}$
 $\approx 1 + \frac{3}{2}x$ neglecting x^2
 $\approx \text{RHS}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{1+2x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} \approx 1 + \frac{3}{2}x$ (Proved)

iii) $\frac{(9+7x)^{1/2} - (16+3x)^{1/4}}{4+5x} \approx \frac{1}{4} - \frac{17}{384}x$

LHS = $\frac{(9+7x)^{1/2} - (16+3x)^{1/4}}{(4+5x)}$
 $= \frac{9^{1/2}(1 + \frac{7}{9}x)^{1/2} - 16^{1/4}(1 + \frac{3}{16}x)^{1/4}}{4[1 + \frac{5x}{4}]}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{x}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{9}{9}x\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{8}x\right)\right) \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{x}{2}\right] \left[1 - \frac{2}{9}x\right] \left[1 - \frac{x}{8}\right] \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2x}{9} + x^2 \text{ term}\right] \left[1 - \frac{x}{8}\right] \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{9x+4x}{18}\right] \left[1 - \frac{x}{8}\right] \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{13}{18}x\right] \left[1 - \frac{x}{8}\right] \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{13}{18}x - \frac{x}{8} + x^2 \text{ term}\right] \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{52x+9x}{72}\right] \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} \left[1 - \frac{61}{72}x\right] \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} - \frac{61}{72} \times \frac{3}{2}x \\
 &\approx \frac{3}{2} - \frac{61}{48}x = \text{RHS.}
 \end{aligned}$$

neglecting x^2 and higher Powers.

$$\text{vii) } \frac{\sqrt{4-x} + (8-x)^{1/3}}{(8-x)^{1/3}} \approx 2 - \frac{x}{12}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &= \frac{\sqrt{4-x} + (8-x)^{1/3}}{(8-x)^{1/3}} \\
 &= 1 + (4-x)^{1/2} (8-x)^{-1/3} \\
 &\approx 1 + 4^{1/2} \left[1 - \frac{x}{4}\right]^{1/2} 8^{-1/3} \left[1 - \frac{x}{8}\right]^{-1/3} \\
 &\approx 1 + 2 \left[1 - \frac{x}{8} + x^2 \text{ term}\right] \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \frac{x}{24} + x^2 \text{ term}\right] \\
 &\approx 1 + \left(1 - \frac{x}{8}\right) \left(1 + \frac{x}{24}\right) \\
 &\approx 1 + 1 - \frac{x}{8} + \frac{x}{24} + x^2 \text{ term} \\
 &\approx 2 + \frac{x-3x}{24} \\
 &\approx 2 - \frac{2}{24}x = 2 - \frac{1}{12}x = \text{RHS}
 \end{aligned}$$

neglecting x^2, x^3, \dots

Q.5 If x is so small that x^3 and higher Powers are negligible, show that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{i) } \sqrt{1-x-2x^2} &\approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{9}{8}x^2 \\
 \text{LHS} &= \sqrt{1-x-2x^2} = \left[1 - (x+2x^2)\right]^{1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\approx 1 - \frac{1}{2}(x+2x^2) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \left[-(x+2x^2)\right]^2 + \dots \\
 &= 1 - \frac{x}{2} - x^2 - \frac{1}{8} \left[x^2 + 4x^4 + 4x^3\right] + \dots \\
 &\approx 1 - \frac{x}{2} - x^2 - \frac{x^2}{8} + x^3 \text{ terms.} \\
 &\approx 1 - \frac{x}{2} - \frac{9}{8}x^2 = \text{RHS.}
 \end{aligned}$$

neglecting x^3, x^4, \dots

$$\text{ii) } \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} \approx 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &= \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{1-x}} = (1+x)^{1/2} (1-x)^{-1/2} \\
 &= \left[1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots\right] \left[1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots\right] \\
 &\approx \left[1 + \frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{8}\right] \left[1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{3x^2}{8}\right] \\
 &\approx 1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{3x^2}{8} + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{4} + x^3 \text{ terms.} \\
 &\approx 1 + x + \left(\frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4}\right) x^2 \\
 &\approx 1 + x + \frac{3-1+2}{8} x^2 \\
 &\approx 1 + x + \frac{4}{8} x^2 \\
 &\approx 1 + x + \frac{1}{2} x^2 = \text{RHS}
 \end{aligned}$$

neglecting x^3, x^4, \dots

Q.6 If x is nearly equal to 1, show that

$$P x^P - Q x^Q \approx (P-Q) x^{P+Q}$$

Sol: Let $x = 1+h$ where h^2 and higher Powers are negligible.

$$P x^P - Q x^Q = P(1+h)^P - Q(1+h)^Q$$

$$\approx P(1+Ph) - Q(1+Qh)$$

$$\approx P + P^2h - Q - Q^2h$$

$$\approx (P-Q) + (P^2-Q^2)h$$

$$\approx (P-Q) [1 + (P+Q)h]$$

$$\approx (P-Q) [1+h]^{P+Q}$$

$$\approx (P-Q) x^{P+Q}$$

$$\Rightarrow P x^P - Q x^Q \approx (P-Q) x^{P+Q} \quad (\text{Proved})$$

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$$nx = \frac{-1}{8} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^2 = \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{8n} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left[\frac{-1}{8n}\right]^2 = \frac{3}{2.4} \cdot \frac{1}{16}$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{8[-\frac{1}{2}]} \quad \left| \quad \frac{n(n-1)}{64n^2} = \frac{3}{64} \right.$$

$$x = \frac{1}{4} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \Rightarrow n-1=3n$$

$$\Rightarrow 2n = -1 \Rightarrow n = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \dots &= (1+x)^n = \left[1 + \frac{1}{4}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left[\frac{4+1}{4}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ii) } 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \dots$$

Compare with

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

$$nx = \frac{-1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^2 = \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{4n} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left[\frac{-1}{4n}\right]^2 = \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{4[-\frac{1}{2}]} \quad \left| \quad \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{16n^2} = \frac{3}{32} \right.$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \quad \left| \quad \frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \Rightarrow n-1=3n \right.$$

$$\text{so } 2n = -1 \Rightarrow n = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \dots &= (1+x)^n = \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left[\frac{2+1}{2}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left[\frac{3}{2}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{iii) } 1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3.5}{4.8} + \dots$$

Compare with

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

$$nx = \frac{3}{4} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^2 = \frac{3.5}{4.8}$$

$$x = \frac{3}{4n} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left(\frac{3}{4n}\right)^2 = \frac{15}{32}$$

$$x = \frac{3}{4[-\frac{3}{2}]} \quad \left| \quad \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{9}{16n^2} = \frac{15}{32} \right.$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \left| \quad \begin{aligned} 3n-3 &= 5n \\ -3 &= 2n \Rightarrow n = -\frac{3}{2} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } 1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3.5}{4.8} + \dots &= (1+x)^n = \left[1 - \frac{1}{2}\right]^{-\frac{3}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{2-1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \\ &= (2)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 2\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{iv) } 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \dots$$

Compare with

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

$$nx = \frac{-1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^2 = \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{6n} \text{ and } \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left[\frac{-1}{6n}\right]^2 = \frac{3}{72}$$

$$x = \frac{-1}{6[-\frac{1}{2}]} \quad \left| \quad \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{36n^2} = \frac{3}{72} \right.$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3} \quad \left| \quad \frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \Rightarrow 2n = -1 \right.$$

$$\text{so } n = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1.3}{2.4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \dots &= (1+x)^n \\ &= \left[1 + \frac{1}{3}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{3+1}{3}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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Q.13 $y = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{12} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + \dots$

$$1+y = 1 + \frac{2}{5} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{12} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2 + \dots$$

Comparing with $(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{12} x^2 + \dots$

$$nx = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{5n}$$

$$\text{so } x = \frac{2}{5[-\frac{1}{2}]}$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{5}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{n(n-1)}{12} x^2 = \frac{1 \cdot 3}{12} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{12} \left(\frac{2}{5n}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{12} \cdot \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{25n^2} = \frac{3}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{25}$$

$$\frac{n-1}{n} = 3 \Rightarrow 3n = n-1$$

$$2n = -1 \Rightarrow n = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{so } 1+y = (1+x)^n$$

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

$$1+y = 5^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{Squaring both sides}$$

$$(1+y)^2 = 5 \Rightarrow y^2 + 2y + 1 = 5$$

$$y^2 + 2y - 4 = 0 \quad (\text{Proved})$$

THE End

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