

More Binomial Expansion

(a) Expand and simplify $(x - 2)^6$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \times x^6 \times (-2)^0 \\
 & + 6 \times x^5 \times (-2)^1 \\
 & + 15 \times x^4 \times (-2)^2 \\
 & + 20 \times x^3 \times (-2)^3 \\
 & + 15 \times x^2 \times (-2)^4 \\
 & + 6 \times x^1 \times (-2)^5 \\
 & + 1 \times x^0 \times (-2)^6 \\
 \\
 & = x^6 - 12x^5 + 60x^4 - 160x^3 \\
 & \quad + 240x^2 - 192x + 64
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Expand and simplify $\left(3x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \times (3x)^4 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^0 \\
 & + 4 \times (3x)^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 \\
 & + 6 \times (3x)^2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \\
 & + 4 \times (3x)^1 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \\
 & + 1 \times (3x)^0 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \\
 \\
 & = 81x^4 + 54x^3 + \frac{27}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{16}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Expand and simplify $(x^2 + 5)^3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \times (x^2)^3 \times 5^0 \\
 & + 3 \times (x^2)^2 \times 5^1 \\
 & + 3 \times (x^2)^1 \times 5^2 \\
 & + 1 \times (x^2)^0 \times 5^3 \\
 \\
 & = x^6 + 15x^4 + 75x^2 + 125
 \end{aligned}$$

(d) Expand and simplify $\left(\frac{x}{3} - 1\right)^5$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \times \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^5 \times (-1)^0 + 5 \times \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^4 \times (-1)^1 \\
 & + 10 \times \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^3 \times (-1)^2 + 10 \times \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2 \times (-1)^3 \\
 & + 5 \times \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^1 \times (-1)^4 + 1 \times \left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^0 \times (-1)^5 \\
 \\
 & = \frac{1}{243}x^5 - \frac{5}{81}x^4 + \frac{10}{27}x^3 - \frac{10}{9}x^2 \\
 & \quad + \frac{5}{3}x - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

(e) Expand and simplify $\left(\frac{3}{2} - 5y\right)^4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \times (-5y)^0 \\
 & + 4 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 \times (-5y)^1 \\
 & + 6 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times (-5y)^2 \\
 & + 4 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^1 \times (-5y)^3 \\
 & + 1 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^0 \times (-5y)^4 \\
 \\
 & = \frac{81}{16} - \frac{135}{2}y + \frac{675}{2}y^2 - 750y^3 + 625y^4
 \end{aligned}$$

(f) Expand and simplify $(2x - \sqrt{3})^3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 1 \times (2x)^3 \times (-\sqrt{3})^0 \\
 & + 3 \times (2x)^2 \times (-\sqrt{3})^1 \\
 & + 3 \times (2x)^1 \times (-\sqrt{3})^2 \\
 & + 1 \times (2x)^0 \times (-\sqrt{3})^3 \\
 \\
 & = 8x^3 - 12\sqrt{3}x^2 + 18x - 6\sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$