# Session 3

# Two Important Theorems, Divisibility Problems

## **Two Important Theorems**

Theorem 1 If  $(\sqrt{P} + Q)^n = I + f$ , where I and n are positive integers, n being odd and  $0 \le f < 1$ , then show that  $(I + f) f = k^n$ , where  $P - Q^2 = k > 0$  and  $\sqrt{P} - Q < 1$ .

**Proof** Given,  $\sqrt{P} - Q < 1$   $\therefore 0 < (\sqrt{P} - Q)^n < 1$ 

Now, let 
$$(\sqrt{P} - Q)^n = f'$$
, where  $0 < f' < 1$ 

Also 
$$I + f = (\sqrt{P} + Q)^n \qquad \dots (i)$$

$$0 \le f < 1$$
 ...(ii)  
 $f' = (\sqrt{P} - Q)^n$  ...(iii)

$$f' = (\sqrt{P - Q})^n \qquad \dots (iii)$$

0 < f' < 1and ...(iv) On subtracting Eq. (iii) from Eq. (i), we get

[Since, *n* is odd, RHS contains even powers of  $\sqrt{P}$ , so RHS is an even integer]

- :. LHS is also an integer.
- :: I is an integer.
- $\therefore$  (f f') is also an integer.

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \qquad f - f' = 0 \qquad \qquad [\because -1 < (f - f') < 1]$$
 or 
$$\qquad \qquad f = f'$$

From Eq. (v), I is an even integer and

$$(I+f) f = (I+f) f' = (\sqrt{P} + Q)^n (\sqrt{P} - Q)^n$$
$$= (P - Q^2)^n = k^n$$

#### Remark

If n is even integer, then  $(\sqrt{P} + Q)^n + (\sqrt{P} - Q)^n = I + f + f'$ Since, LHS and / are integers.

 $=(P-Q^2)^n=k^n$ 

Theorem 2 If  $(P + \sqrt{Q})^n = I + f$ , where I and n are positive integers and  $0 \le f < 1$ , show that (I + f) $(1-f) = k^n$ , where  $P^2 - Q = k > 0$  and  $P - \sqrt{Q} < 1$ .

**Proof** Given, 
$$P - \sqrt{Q} < 1$$

$$\therefore \qquad 0 < (P - \sqrt{Q})^n < 1$$

Now, let 
$$(P - \sqrt{Q})^n = f'$$
, where  $0 < f' < 1$ 

Also, 
$$I + f = (P + \sqrt{Q})^n \qquad \dots (i)$$

$$0 \le f < 1$$
 ...(ii)

$$f' = (P - \sqrt{Q})^n \qquad \dots(iii)$$

and 
$$0 < f' < 1$$
 ...(iv)

On adding Eqs. (i) and (iii), we get

$$I + f + f' = (P + \sqrt{Q})^n + (P - \sqrt{Q})^n$$

$$=2[{}^{n}C_{0}P^{n}+{}^{n}C_{2}P^{n-2}(\sqrt{Q})^{2}+{}^{n}C_{4}P^{n-4}(\sqrt{Q})^{4}+...]$$

$$= 2 \text{ (integer)} = \text{Even integer}$$
 ...(v)

[Since, RHS contains even power of  $\sqrt{Q}$ , so RHS is an even integer]

- :. LHS is also an integer.
- :: I is an integer.
- $\Rightarrow$  f + f' is also an integer.

$$f + f' = 1 \qquad [\because 0 < (f + f') < 2]$$
or
$$f' = 1 - f$$

From Eq. (v), I = even integer - 1 = odd integer and

$$(I+f)(1-f) = (I+f) f'$$
  
=  $(P+\sqrt{Q})^n (P-\sqrt{Q})^n = (P^2-Q)^n = k^n$ 

**Example 34.** Show that the integral part of  $(5+2\sqrt{6})^n$  is odd, where n is natural number.

**Sol.**  $(5 + 2\sqrt{6})^n$  can be written as  $(5 + \sqrt{24})^n$ 

Now, let 
$$I + f = (5 + \sqrt{24})^n$$
 ...(i)

$$0 \le f < 1$$
 ...(ii)

and let 
$$f' = (5 - \sqrt{24})^n$$
 ...(iii)

$$0 < f' < 1$$
 ....(iv)

On adding Eqs. (i) and (iii), we get

$$I + f + f' = (5 + \sqrt{24})^n + (5 - \sqrt{24})^n$$
$$I + 1 = 2p,$$

$$\forall p \in N = \text{Even integer}$$
 [from theorem 2]  
 $I = 2p - 1 = \text{Odd integer}$ 

**Example 35.** Show that the integral part of  $(5\sqrt{5} + 11)^{2n+1}$  is even, where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Sol.**  $(5\sqrt{5} + 11)^{2n+1}$  can be written as  $(\sqrt{125} + 11)^{2n+1}$ 

Now, let 
$$I + f = (\sqrt{125} + 11)^{2n+1}$$
 ...(i)

$$0 \le f < 1$$
 ...(ii)

and let 
$$f' = (\sqrt{125} - 11)^{2n+1}$$
 ...(iii)

$$0 < f' < 1$$
 ...(iv)

On subtracting Eq. (iii) from Eq. (i), we get

$$I + f - f' = (\sqrt{125} + 11)^{2n+1} - (\sqrt{125} - 11)^{2n+1}$$

 $I + 0 = 2p, \forall p \in \mathbb{N}$ = Even integer

[from theorem 1]

I = 2p = Even integer

**■ Example 36.** Let  $R = (6\sqrt{6} + 14)^{2n+1}$  and f = R - [R], where  $[\cdot]$  denotes the greatest integer function. Find the value of  $Rf, n \in N$ .

**Sol.**  $(6\sqrt{6} + 14)^{2n+1}$  can be written as  $(\sqrt{216} + 14)^{2n+1}$  and given that f = R - [R]

and 
$$R = (6\sqrt{6} + 14)^{2n+1} = (\sqrt{216} + 14)^{2n+1}$$

$$R] + f = (\sqrt{216} + 14)^{2n+1} \qquad \dots (i)$$

$$0 \le f < 1 \qquad \dots(ii)$$

Let  $f' = (\sqrt{216} - 14)^{2n+1}$  ...(iii)

$$0 < f' < 1$$
 ...(iv)

On subtracting Eq. (iii) from Eq. (i), we get

$$[R] + f - f' = (\sqrt{216} + 14)^{2n+1} - (\sqrt{216} - 14)^{2n+1}$$

 $[R] + 0 = 2p, \forall p \in N = \text{Even integer [from theorem 1]}$  $\therefore f - f' = 0 \text{ or } f = f'$ 

Now, 
$$Rf = Rf' = (\sqrt{216} + 14)^{2n+1} (\sqrt{216} - 14)^{2n+1}$$
  
=  $(216 - 196)^{2n+1} = (20)^{2n+1}$ 

**Example 37.** If  $(7 + 4\sqrt{3})^n = s + t$ , where *n* and *s* are positive integers and *t* is a proper fraction, show that (1-t)(s+t) = 1.

**Sol.**  $(7 + 4\sqrt{3})^n$  can be written as  $(7 + \sqrt{48})^n$ 

$$s + t = (7 + \sqrt{48})^n$$
 ...(i)

$$0 < t < 1$$
 ...(ii)

Now, let 
$$t' = (7 - \sqrt{48})^n$$
 ...(iii)

$$0 < t' < 1$$
 ...(iv)

On adding Eqs. (i) and (iii), we get

$$s + t + t' = (7 + \sqrt{48})^n + (7 - \sqrt{48})^n$$

 $s + 1 = 2p, \forall p \in N = \text{Even integer [from theorem 2]}$ 

t + t' = 1 or 1 - t = t'

Then, 
$$(1-t)(s+t) = t'(s+t) = (7-\sqrt{48})^n (7+\sqrt{48})^n$$
 [from Eqs. (i) and (iii)]  
=  $(49-48)^n = (1)^n = 1$ 

**Example 38.** If  $x = (8 + 3\sqrt{7})^n$ , where n is a natural number, prove that the integral part of x is an odd integer and also show that  $x - x^2 + x[x] = 1$ , where  $[\cdot]$  denotes the greatest integer function.

**Sol.**  $(8 + 3\sqrt{7})^n$  can be written as  $(8 + \sqrt{63})^n$ 

$$x = [x] + f$$
or
$$[x] + f = (8 + \sqrt{63})^n$$
 ...(i)
$$0 \le f < 1$$
 ...(ii)

Now, let 
$$f' = (8 - \sqrt{63})^n$$
 ...(iii)  $0 < f' < 1$  ...(iv)

On adding Eqs. (i) and (iii), we get

$$[x] + f + f' = (8 + \sqrt{63})^n + (8 - \sqrt{63})^n$$
  
 $[x] + 1 = 2p, \forall p \in \mathbb{N} = \text{Even integer}$ 

 $p \in N = \text{Even integer}$  [from theorem 2]

$$\therefore$$
 [x] = 2p - 1 = Odd integer

i.e., Integral part of x = Odd integer

$$f + f' = 1 \implies 1 - f = f' \qquad ...(v)$$
LHS =  $x - x^2 + x [x] = x - x (x - [x]) = x - xf$ 

 $[\because x = [x] + f]$ 

$$= x (1 - f) = x f'$$
 [from Eq.(v)]

=  $(8 + \sqrt{63})^n (8 - \sqrt{63})^n$  [from Eqs.(i) and (iii)]

$$= (64 - 63)^n = (1)^n = 1 = RHS$$

#### Remark

Sometimes, students find it difficult to decide whether a problem is on addition or subtraction. Now, if x = [x] + f and 0 < f' < 1 and if [x] + f + f' =Integer. Then, addition and if [x] + f - f' =Integer, the subtraction and values of (f + f') and (f - f') are 1 and 0, respectively.

## **Divisibility Problems**

## Type I

- (i)  $(x^n a^n)$  is divisible by (x a),  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (ii)  $(x^n + a^n)$  is divisible by (x + a),  $\forall n \in \text{Only odd}$  natural numbers.

**Example 39.** Show that

 $1992^{1998} - 1955^{1998} - 1938^{1998} + 1901^{1998}$  is divisible by 1998.

**Sol.** Here, n = 1998 (Even)

:. Only result (i) applicable.

Let 
$$P = 1992^{1998} - 1955^{1998} - 1938^{1998} + 1901^{1998}$$
  
=  $(1992^{1998} - 1955^{1998}) - (1938^{1998} - 1901^{1998})$   
divisible by (1992 - 1955) divisible by (1938 - 1901)  
i.e. 37 i.e. 37

 $\therefore$  *P* is divisible by 37.

Also, 
$$P = (1992^{1998} - 1938^{1998}) - (1955^{1998} - 1901^{1998})$$
  
divisible by (1992 – 1938) divisible by (1955 – 1901)  
i.e., 54 i.e., 54

 $\therefore$  *P* is also divisible by 54.

Hence, *P* is divisible by  $37 \times 54$ , i.e., 1998.

**Example 40.** Prove that 2222<sup>5555</sup> + 5555<sup>2222</sup> is divisible by 7.

**Sol.** We have,  $2222^{5555} + 5555^{2222}$ 

= 
$$(2222^{5555} + 4^{5555}) + (5555^{2222} - 4^{2222}) - (4^{5555} - 4^{2222}) ...(i)$$

The number  $(2222^{5555} + 4^{5555})$  is divisible by  $2222 + 4 = 2226 = 7 \times 318$ , which is divisible by 7 and the number  $(5555^{2222} - 4^{2222})$  is divisible by

 $5555 - 4 = 5551 = 7 \times 793$ , which is divisible by 7 and the number

$$(4^{5555} - 4^{2222}) = 4^{2222} (4^{3333} - 1) = 4^{2222} (64^{1111} - 1^{1111})$$
 is divisible by  $64 - 1 = 63 = 7 \times 9$ , which is divisible by 7.

Therefore, each brackets of Eq. (i) are divisible by 7. Hence,  $2222^{5555} + 5555^{2222}$  is divisible by 7.

# Type II To show that an Expression is Divisible by An Integer

### **Solution Process**

- (i) If a, p, n and r are positive integers, first of all write  $a^{pn+r} = a^{pn} \cdot a^r = (a^p)^n \cdot a^r$
- (ii) If we will show that the given expression is divisible by c. Then, expression  $a^p = \{1 + (a^p 1)\}$ , if some power of  $(a^p 1)$  has c as a factor.

or 
$$a^p = \{2 + (a^p - 2)\}$$
, if some power of  $(a^p - 2)$  has  $c$  as a factor.

or 
$$a^p = \{3 + (a^p - 3)\}$$
, if some power of  $(a^p - 3)$  has  $c$  as a factor.

or 
$$a^p = \{k + (a^p - k)\}$$
, if some power of  $(a^p - k)$  has  $c$  as a factor.

# **Example 41.** If n is any positive integer, show that $2^{3n+3} - 7n - 8$ is divisible by 49.

**Sol.** Given expression

$$= 2^{3n+3} - 7n - 8 = 2^{3n} \cdot 2^3 - 7n - 8$$

$$= 8^n \cdot 8 - 7n - 8 = 8(1+7)^n - 7n - 8$$

$$= 8(1 + {}^nC_1 \cdot 7 + {}^nC_2 \cdot 7^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \cdot 7^n) - 7n - 8$$

$$= 8 + 56n + 8({}^nC_2 \cdot 7^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \cdot 7^n) - 7n - 8$$

$$= 49n + 8({}^nC_2 \cdot 7^2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \cdot 7^n)$$

$$= 49 \{n + 8({}^nC_2 + \dots + {}^nC_n \cdot 7^{n-2})\}$$

Hence,  $2^{3n+3}-7n-8$  is divisible by 49.

**Example 42.** If  $10^n$  divides the number  $101^{100} - 1$ , find the greatest value of n.

**Sol.** We have, 
$$101^{100} - 1 = (1 + 100)^{100} - 1$$
  
 $= 1 + {}^{100}C_1 \cdot 100 + {}^{100}C_2 \cdot 100^2 + ... + {}^{100}C_{100} \cdot 100^{100} - 1$   
 $= {}^{100}C_1 \cdot 100 + {}^{100}C_2 \cdot 100^2 + ... + {}^{100}C_{100} \cdot 10^{100}$   
 $= (100)(100) + {}^{100}C_2 \cdot 100^2 + ... + {}^{100}C_{100} \cdot 100^{100}$   
 $= (100)^2 \left[ 1 + {}^{100}C_2 + ... + 100^{98} \right]$   
 $= 100^2 k$ , where  $k$  is a positive integer

Therefore,  $101^{100} - 1$  is divisible by  $100^2$  i.e.,  $10^4$ .

$$\therefore$$
  $n=4$ 

# How to Find Remainder by Using Binomial Theorem

If a, p, n and r are positive integers, then to find the remainder when  $a^{pn+r}$  is divided by b, we adjust power of a to  $a^{pn+r}$  which is very close to b, say with difference 1 i.e.,  $b \pm 1$ . Also, the remainder is always positive. When number of the type 5n-2 is divided by 5, then we have

$$5) 5n - 2 (n)$$

$$-\frac{5n}{n}$$

We can write -2 = -2 - 3 + 3 = -5 + 3

or 
$$\frac{5n-2}{5} = \frac{5n-5+3}{5} = n-1+\frac{3}{5}$$

Hence, the remainder is 3.

**Example 43.** If 7<sup>103</sup> is divided by 25, find the remainder.

**Soln.** We have, 
$$7^{103} = 7 \cdot 7^{102} = 7 \cdot (7^2)^{51} = 7 (49)^{51} = 7 (50 - 1)^{51}$$

$$= 7 [(50)^{51} - {}^{51}C_1 (50)^{50} + {}^{51}C_2 (50)^{49} - ... - 1]$$

$$= 7 [(50)^{51} - {}^{51}C_1 (50)^{50} + {}^{51}C_2 (50)^{49} - ... + {}^{51}C_{50} (50)]$$

$$- 7 - 18 + 18$$

$$= 7 [50 ((50)^{50} - {}^{51}C_1 (50)^{49} + {}^{51}C_2 (50)^{48} - ... + {}^{51}C_{50})] - 25 + 18$$

$$= 7 [50k] - 25 + 18, \text{ where } k \text{ is an integer.}$$

$$= 25 [14k - 1] + 18 = 25p + 18 \qquad [\text{where } p \text{ is an integer.}]$$
Now,  $\frac{7^{103}}{25} = p + \frac{18}{25}$ . Hence, the remainder is 18.

**Example 44.** Find the remainder, when 5<sup>55...5</sup> (24 times 5) is divided by 24.

**Sol.** Here,  $5^{5^{5}}$  (23 times 5) is an odd natural number. Let  $5^{5^{5}}$  (23 times 5) = 2m + 1

Now, let  $x = 5^{5^{5...5}}$  (24 times 5) =  $5^{2m+1} = 5 \cdot 5^{2m}$ , where *m* is a natural number.

$$x = 5 \cdot (5^{2})^{m} = 5 (24 + 1)^{m}$$

$$= 5 [{}^{m}C_{0} (24)^{m} + {}^{m}C_{1} (24)^{m-1} + ... + {}^{m}C_{m-1} (24) + 1]$$

$$= 5 (24k + 1) = 24 (5k) + 5$$

$$x = \frac{x}{24} = 5k + \frac{5}{24}$$

Hence, the remainder is 5.

**Example 45.** If 7 divides  $32^{32}$ , then find the remainder.

**Solution.** We have,  $32 = 2^5$ 

$$32^{32} = (2^5)^{32} = 2^{160} = (3-1)^{160}$$

$$= {}^{160}C_0 (3)^{160} - {}^{160}C_1 (3)^{159} + \dots - {}^{160}C_{159} (3) + 1$$

$$= 3 (3^{159} - {}^{160}C_1 (3)^{158} + \dots - {}^{160}C_{159}) + 1$$

$$= 3 m + 1, m \in I^+$$

Now, 
$$32^{32} = 32^{3m+1} = 2^{5(3m+1)} = 2^{15m+5}$$
  
 $= 2^2 \cdot 2^{3(5m+1)} = 4(8)^{5m+1} = 4(7+1)^{5m+1}$   
 $= 4[^{5m+1}C_0(7)^{5m+1} + ^{5m+1}C_1(7)^{5m} + ^{5m+1}C_2(7)^{5m-1} + ... + ^{5m+1}C_{5m}(7) + 1]$   
 $= 4[7(^{5m+1}C_0(7)^{5m} + ^{5m+1}C_1(7)^{5m-1} + ... + ^{5m+1}C_{5m}) + 1]$   
 $= 4[7k+1]$ , where  $k$  is positive integer  $= 28k+4$   
 $\therefore \frac{32^{32}}{7} = 4k + \frac{4}{7}$ 

Hence, the remainder is 4

## How to Find Last Digit, Last Two Digits, Last Three Digits, ... and so on.

If a, p, n and r are positive integers, then  $a^{pn+r}$  is adjust of the form  $(10k \pm 1)^m$ , where k and m are positive integers. For last digit, take 10 common. For last two digits, take 100 common, for last three digits, take 1000 common, ... and so on.

i.e. 
$$(10k \pm 1)^m = (10k)^m + {}^mC_1 (10k)^{m-1} (\pm 1)$$
  
  $+ {}^mC_2 (10k)^{m-2} (\pm 1)^2 + ... +$   
  ${}^mC_{m-2} (10k)^2 (\pm 1)^{m-2} + {}^mC_{m-1} (10k) (\pm 1)^{m-1} + (\pm 1)^m$ 

For last digit =  $10\lambda + (\pm 1)^m$ 

For last two digits =  $100 \,\mu + {}^m C_{m-1} (10k) (\pm 1)^{m-1} + (\pm 1)^m$ For last three digits =  $1000 \,\nu + {}^m C_{m-2} (10k)^2 (\pm 1)^{m-2} + {}^m C_{m-1} (10k) (\pm 1)^{m-1} + (\pm 1)^m$  and so on where  $\lambda, \mu, \nu \in I$ .

**Example 46.** Find the last two digits of  $3^{400}$ .

**Sol.** We have, 
$$3^{400} = (3^2)^{200} = (9)^{200} = (10 - 1)^{200}$$
  
 $= (10)^{200} - {}^{200}C_1 (10)^{199} + {}^{200}C_2 (10)^{198} - {}^{200}C_3 (10)^{197}$   
 $+ \dots + {}^{200}C_{198} (10)^2 - {}^{200}C_{199} (10) + 1$   
 $= 100 \,\mu - {}^{200}C_{199} (10) + 1$ , where  $\mu \in I$   
 $= 100 \,\mu - {}^{200}C_1 (10) + 1 = 100 \,\mu - 2000 + 1$   
 $= 100 \,(\mu - 20) + 1 = 100 \,p + 1$ , where  $p$  is an integer.  
Hence, the last two digits of  $3^{400}$  is  $00 + 1 = 01$ .

## **Example 47.** If the number is 17<sup>256</sup>, find the

- (i) last digit.
- (ii) last two digits.
- (iii) last three digits of 17<sup>256</sup>.

**Sol.** Since, 
$$17^{256} = (17^2)^{128} = (289)^{128} = (290 - 1)^{128}$$
  

$$\therefore 17^{256} = {}^{128}C_0 (290)^{128} - {}^{128}C_1 (290)^{127} + {}^{128}C_2 (290)^{126}$$

$$- {}^{128}C_3 (290)^{125} + \dots - {}^{128}C_{125} (290)^3 + {}^{128}C_{126} (290)^2$$

$$- {}^{128}C_{127} (290) + 1$$

#### (i) For last digit

$$17^{256} = 290[^{128}C_0 (290)^{127} - ^{128}C_1 (290)^{126} + ^{128}C_2 (290)^{125} - \dots - ^{128}C_{127} (1)] + 1$$
$$= 290 (k) + 1, \text{ where } k \text{ is an integer.}$$

 $\therefore$  Last digit = 0 + 1 = 1

### (ii) For last two digits,

$$\begin{split} 17^{256} &= (290)^2 \left[ \, ^{128}C_0 \, (290)^{126} - ^{128}C_1 \, (290)^{125} + \right. \\ &^{128}C_2 \, (290)^{124} - \ldots + ^{128}C_{126} \, (1) \right] - ^{128}C_{127} \, (290) + 1 \\ &= 100 \, m - ^{128}C_{127} \, (290) + 1 \text{, where } m \text{ is an integer.} \\ &= 100 \, m - ^{128}C_1 \, (290) + 1 = 100 \, m - 128 \times 290 + 1 \\ &= 100 \, m - 128 \times (300 - 10) + 1 \\ &= 100 \, (m - 384) + 1281 \\ &= 100 \, n + 1281 \text{, where } n \text{ is an integer.} \end{split}$$

 $\therefore$  Last two digits = 00 + 81 = 81

#### (iii) For last three digits,

$$17^{256} = (290)^3 \left[ ^{128}C_0 (290)^{125} - ^{128}C_1 (290)^{124} \right.$$

$$+ ^{128}C_2 (290)^{123} - \dots - ^{128}C_{125} (1) \right]$$

$$+ ^{128}C_{126} (290)^2 - ^{128}C_{127} (290) + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + ^{128}C_{126} (290)^2 - ^{128}C_{127} (290) + 1$$
where,  $m$  is an integer
$$= 1000 \ m + ^{128}C_2 (290)^2 - ^{128}C_1 (290) + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + \frac{(128)(127)}{2} (290)^2 - 128 \times 290 + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + (128)(127)(290)(145) - (128)(290) + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + (128)(290)(127 \times 145 - 1) + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + (128)(290)(18414) + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + 683527680 + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ m + 683527000 + 680 + 1$$

$$= 1000 \ (m + 683527) + 681$$

 $\therefore$  Last three digits = 000 + 681 = 681

## Two Important Results

(i) 
$$2 \le \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < 3, n \ge 1, n \in \mathbb{N}$$
  
(ii) If  $n > 6$ , then  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)^n < n! < \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)^n$ 

# **Example 48.** Find the positive integer just greater than $(1+0.0001)^{10000}$ .

**Sol.** 
$$(1 + 0.0001)^{10000} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{10000}\right)^{10000}$$

We know that,  $2 \le \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < 3$ ,  $n \ge 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  [Result (i)]

Hence, positive integer just greater than  $(1 + 0.0001)^{10000}$ 

**Example 49.** Find the greater number is  $100^{100}$  and

**Sol.** Using Result (ii), We know that,  $\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)^n < n!$ 

Putting n = 300, we get

$$(100)^{300} < (300)!$$
 ...(i)

But

$$(100)^{100} < (100)^{300}$$
 ...(ii)

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$(100)^{100} < (100)^{300} < (300)!$$

$$(100)^{100} < (300)!$$

Hence, the greater number is (300)!.

**Example 50.** Find the greater number in 300! and  $\sqrt{300^{300}}$ 

**Sol.** Since,  $(100)^{150} > 3^{150}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \qquad (100)^{150} \cdot (100)^{150} > 3^{150} \cdot (100)^{150}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad (100)^{300} > (300)^{150}$$

or 
$$(100)^{300} > \sqrt{300^{300}}$$
 ...(i)

Using result (ii), 
$$\left(\frac{n}{3}\right)^n < n!$$

Putting 
$$n = 300$$
, we get  $(100)^{300} < 300!$  ...(ii)

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\sqrt{300^{300}} < (100)^{300} < 300!$$

$$\sqrt{300^{300}} < 300!$$

Hence, the greater number is 300 !.

# Exercise for Session 3

**1.** If  $x = (7 + 4\sqrt{3})^{2n} = [x] + f$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \le f < 1$ , then x (1 - f) is equal to

(d) even integer

2. If  $(5 + 2\sqrt{6})^n = I + f$ ;  $n, I \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $0 \le f < 1$ , then I equals

(a) 
$$\frac{1}{f} - f$$

(b) 
$$\frac{1}{1+f} - f$$

(c) 
$$\frac{1}{1-f} - f$$

(d) 
$$\frac{1}{1+f} + f$$

3. If n > 0 is an odd integer and  $x = (\sqrt{2} + 1)^n$ , f = x - [x], then  $\frac{1 - f^2}{f}$  is

(a) an irrational number (b) a non-integer rational number (c) an odd number

(d) an even number

**4.** Integral part of  $(\sqrt{2} + 1)^6$  is

(a) 196

(b) 197

(c) 198

(d) 199

**5.**  $(103)^{86} - (86)^{103}$  is divisible by

(c) 17

(d) 23

**6.** Fractional part of  $\frac{2^{78}}{31}$  is

(c)  $\frac{8}{31}$ 

(d)  $\frac{16}{31}$ 

7. The unit digit of  $17^{1983} + 11^{1983} - 7^{1983}$  is

(c) 3

(d) 0

8. The last two digits of the number (23)<sup>14</sup> are

(a) 01

(b) 03

(c) 09

(d) 27

**9.** The last four digits of the number  $3^{100}$  are

(b) 3211

(c) 1231

(d) 0001

**10.** The remainder when  $23^{23}$  is divided by 53 is

(a) 17

(b) 21

(c) 30

(d) 47

# **Answers**

## **Exercise for Session 3**

1. (a) 2. (c) 3. (d) 4. (b) 5. (c) 6. (c)

7. (a) 8. (c) 9. (a) 10. (c)