

Question -

Let $X = ({}^{10}C_1)^2 + 2({}^{10}C_2)^2 + 3({}^{10}C_3)^2 + \dots + 10({}^{10}C_{10})^2$,
where ${}^{10}C_r$, $r \in \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ denote binomial
coefficients. Then, the value of $\frac{1}{1430} X$ is
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Solution -

We have,

$$\begin{aligned} X &= ({}^{10}C_1)^2 + 2({}^{10}C_2)^2 + 3({}^{10}C_3)^2 + \dots + 10({}^{10}C_{10})^2 \\ \Rightarrow X &= \sum_{r=1}^{10} r({}^{10}C_r)^2 \Rightarrow X = \sum_{r=1}^{10} r {}^{10}C_r {}^{10}C_r \\ \Rightarrow X &= \sum_{r=1}^{10} r \times \frac{10}{r} {}^9C_{r-1} {}^{10}C_r \quad \left[\because {}^nC_r = \frac{n}{r} {}^{n-1}C_{r-1} \right] \\ \Rightarrow X &= 10 \sum_{r=1}^{10} {}^9C_{r-1} {}^{10}C_r \\ \Rightarrow X &= 10 \sum_{r=1}^{10} {}^9C_{r-1} {}^{10}C_{10-r} \quad [\because {}^nC_r = {}^nC_{n-r}] \\ \Rightarrow X &= 10 \times {}^{19}C_9 \quad [\because {}^{n-1}C_{r-1} {}^nC_{n-r} = {}^{2n-1}C_{n-1}] \\ \text{Now, } \frac{1}{1430} X &= \frac{10 \times {}^{19}C_9}{1430} = \frac{{}^{19}C_9}{143} = \frac{{}^{19}C_9}{11 \times 13} \\ &= \frac{19 \times 17 \times 16}{8} = 19 \times 34 = 646 \end{aligned}$$