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Great Theoretical Ideas in Computer Science

Counting III

Lecture 8, September 18, 2008



Review from last time...

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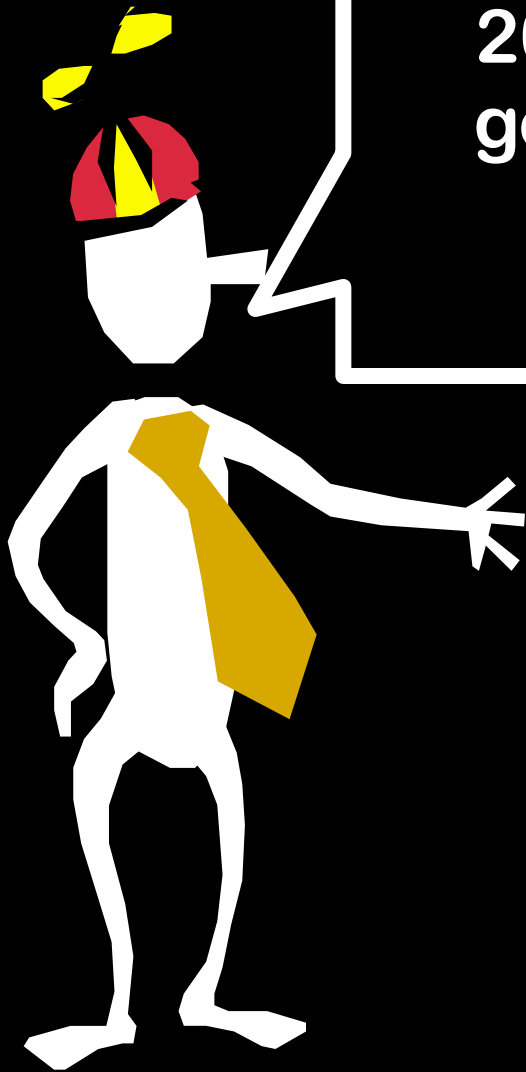
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$$\frac{14!}{2!3!2!} = 3,632,428,800$$

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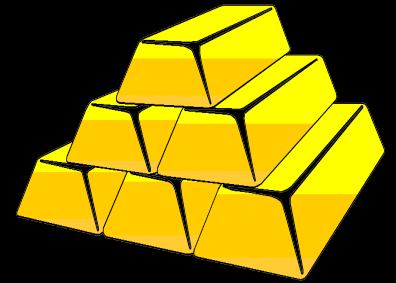
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$$\binom{24}{4}$$

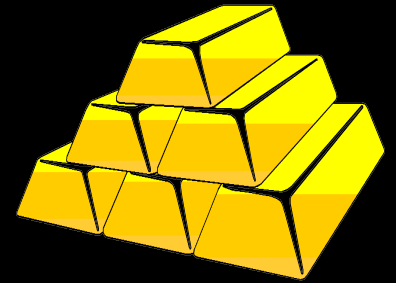


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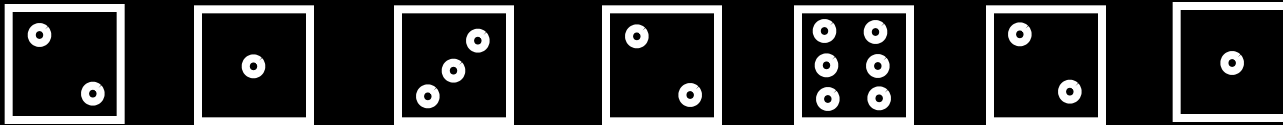
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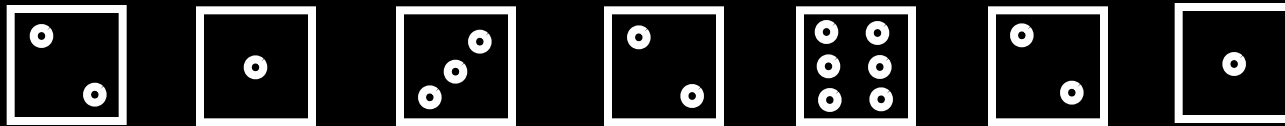
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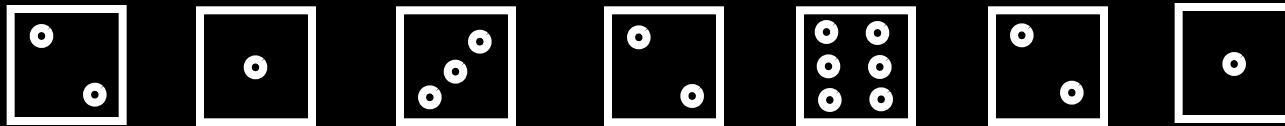
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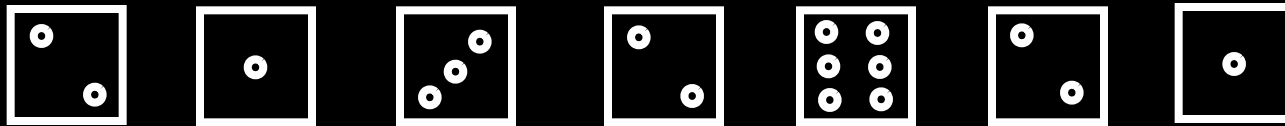


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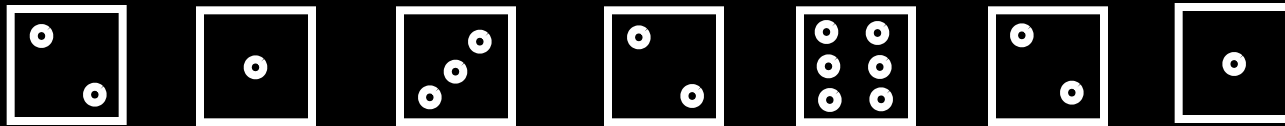
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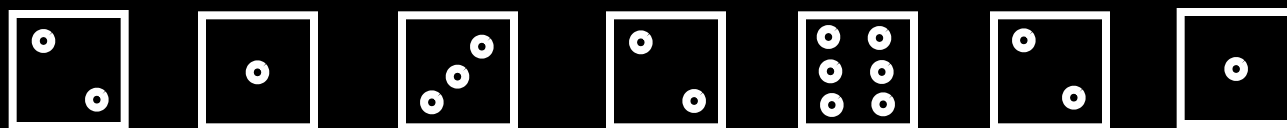
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(Corresponds to 6 pirates and 7 bars of gold)

Identical/Distinct Objects

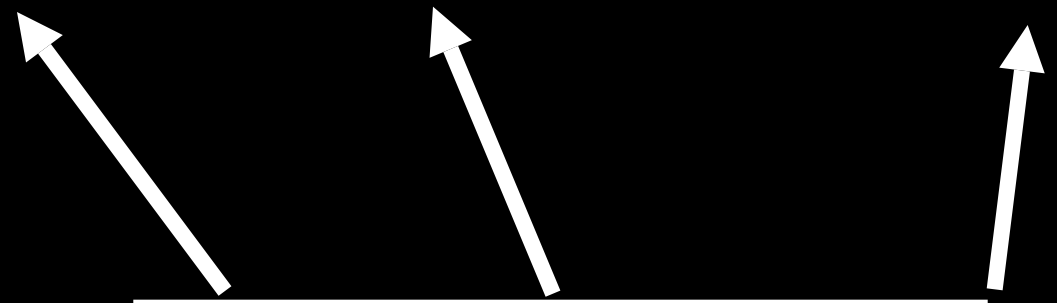
If we are putting k objects into
 n distinct bins.

Objects are distinguishable	n^k
Objects are indistinguishable	$\binom{k+n-1}{k}$

The Binomial Formula

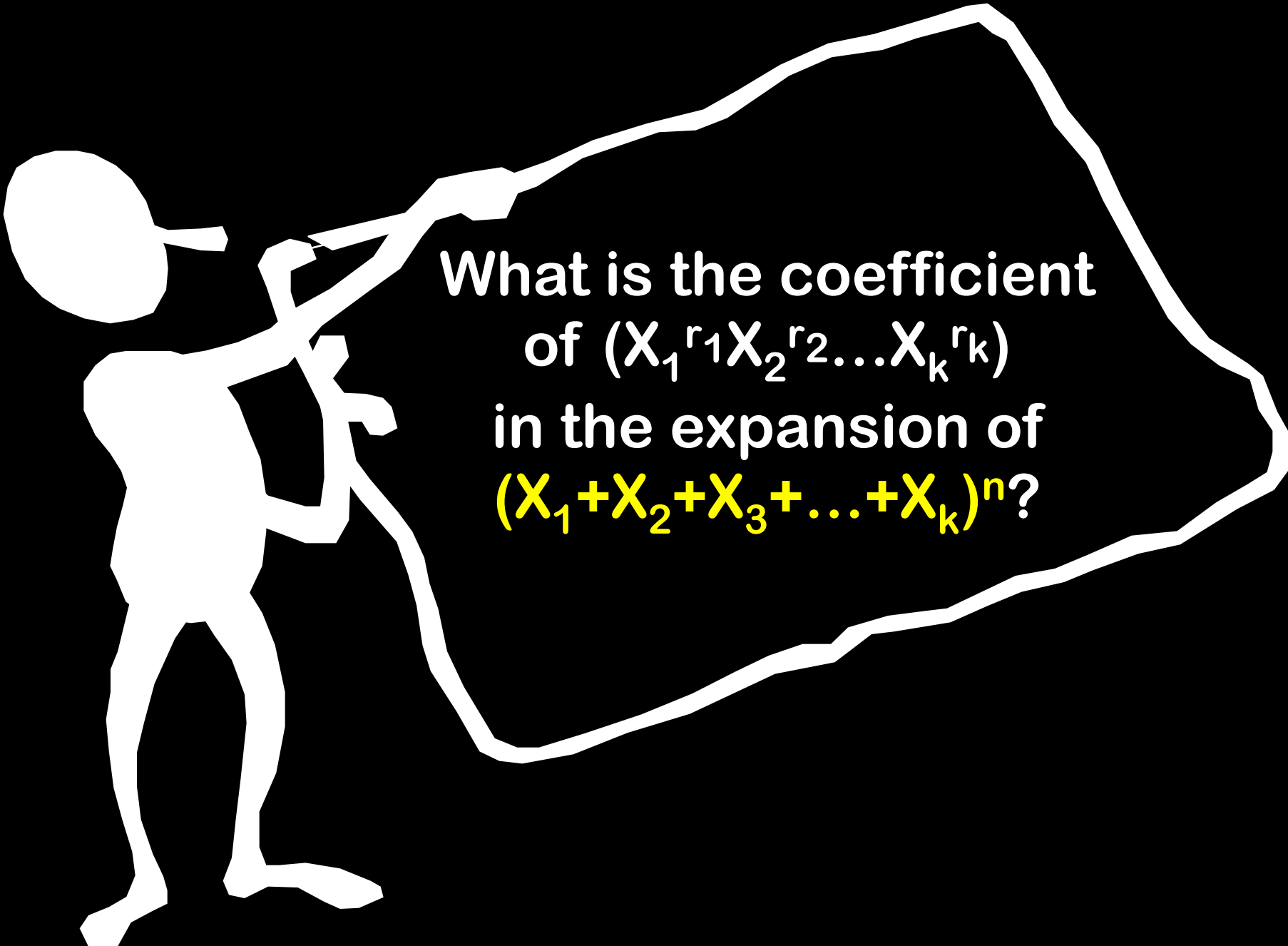
$$(1+X)^n = \begin{bmatrix} n \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x^0 + \begin{bmatrix} n \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} x^1 + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} n \\ n \end{bmatrix} x^n$$

Binomial Coefficients

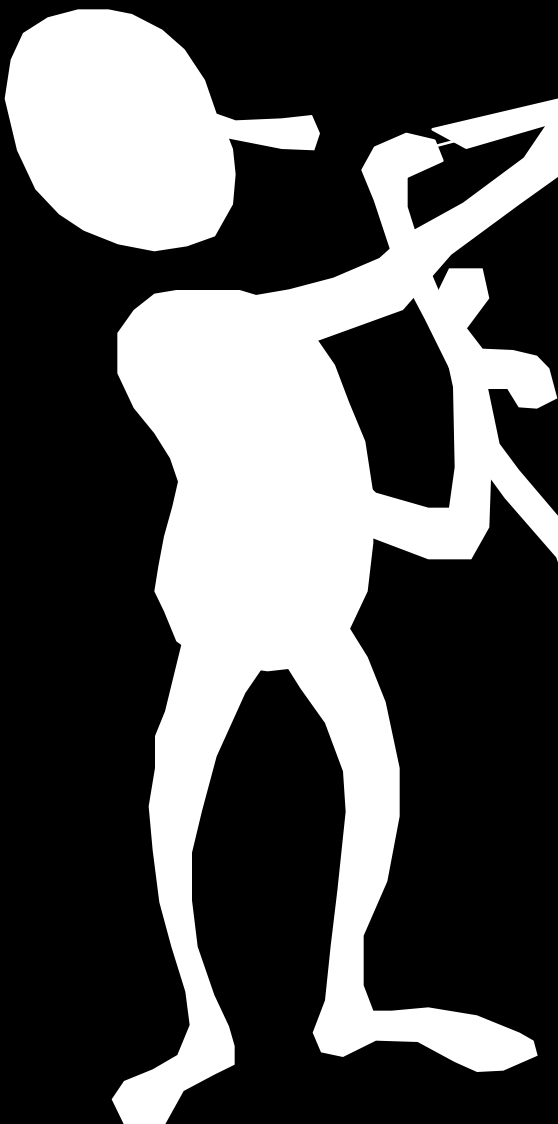


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**And now for some more
counting...**

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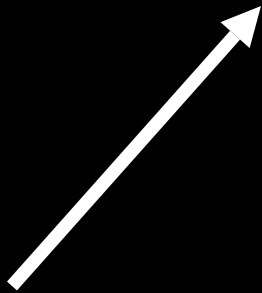
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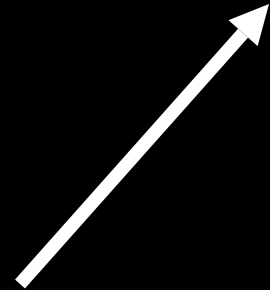
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“Power Series” or “Taylor Series” Expansion

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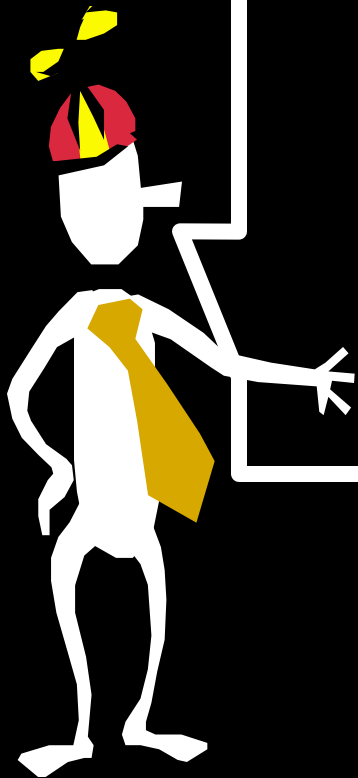
Equivalently,

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**The number of subsets
with even size is the same
as the number of subsets
with odd size**

$$(1+X)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} X^k$$

Proofs that work by manipulating algebraic forms are called “algebraic” arguments.
Proofs that build a bijection are called “combinatorial” arguments



$$\sum_{k \text{ odd}}^n \binom{n}{k} = \sum_{k \text{ even}}^n \binom{n}{k}$$

Let O_n be the set of binary strings of length n with an **odd** number of ones.

Let E_n be the set of binary strings of length n with an **even** number of ones.

We just saw an algebraic proof that

$$|O_n| = |E_n|$$



A Combinatorial Proof

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A combinatorial proof must construct a
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Uh oh. Complementing
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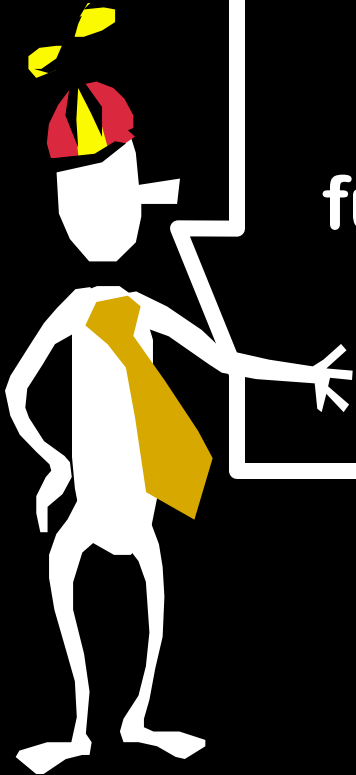
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110011 $\rightarrow$ 010011

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The binomial coefficients have so many representations that many fundamental mathematical identities emerge...



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$$\binom{n}{k}$$

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Pascal's Triangle: k^{th} row are coefficients of $(1+X)^k$

Inductive definition of k^{th} entry of n^{th} row:

$\text{Pascal}(n,0) = \text{Pascal}(n,n) = 1;$

$\text{Pascal}(n,k) = \text{Pascal}(n-1,k-1) + \text{Pascal}(n-1,k)$

“Pascal’s Triangle”



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

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- Al-Karaji, Baghdad 953-1029
- Chu Shin-Chieh 1303
- Blaise Pascal 1654

Pascal's Triangle



				1				
			1		1			
		1		2		1		
	1		3		3		1	
1		4		6		4		1
1	5		10		10		5	1
1	6	15		20		15	6	1

**“It is extraordinary
how fertile in
properties the
triangle is.
Everyone can
try his
hand”**

Summing the Rows

$$2^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}$$

1

1 + 1

1 + 2 + 1

1 + 3 + 3 + 1

1 + 4 + 6 + 4 + 1

1 + 5 + 10 + 10 + 5 + 1

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= 1

1 + 1

= 2

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Summing the Rows

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1 + 1 = 2

1 + 2 + 1 = 4

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1	= 1
1 + 1	= 2
1 + 2 + 1	= 4
1 + 3 + 3 + 1	= 8
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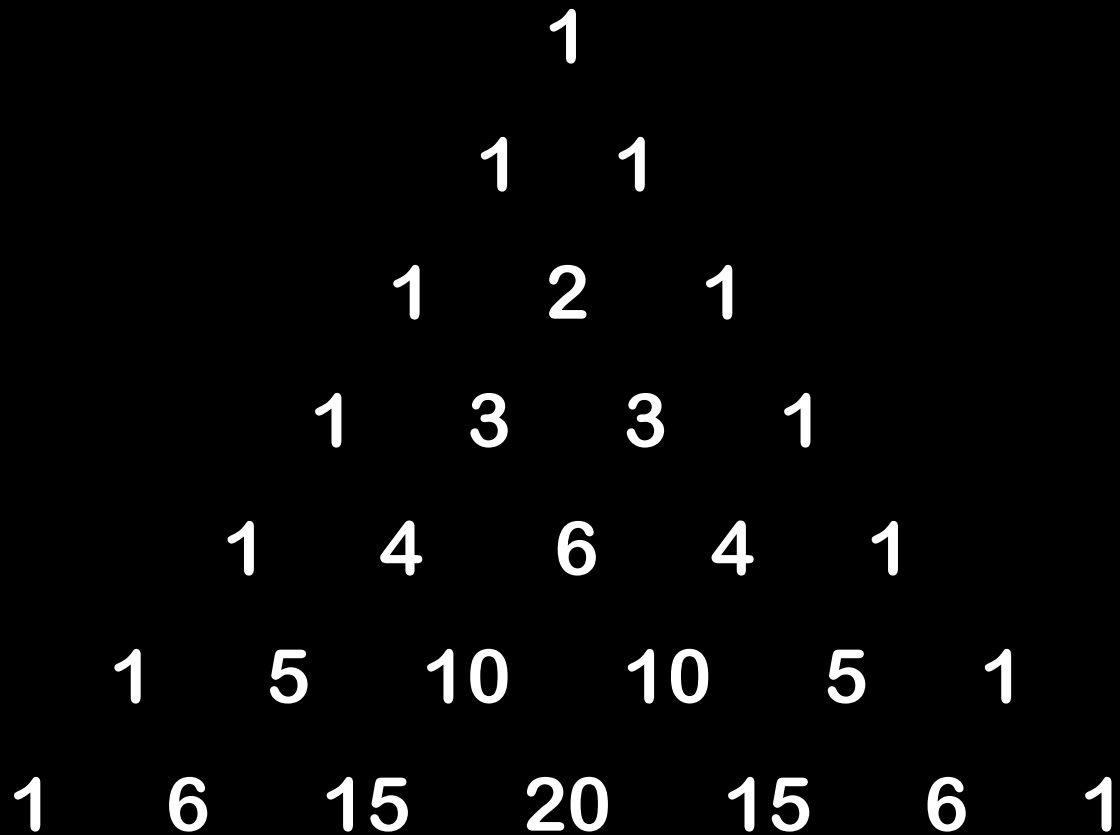
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Odds and Evens



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1

1 1

1 2 1

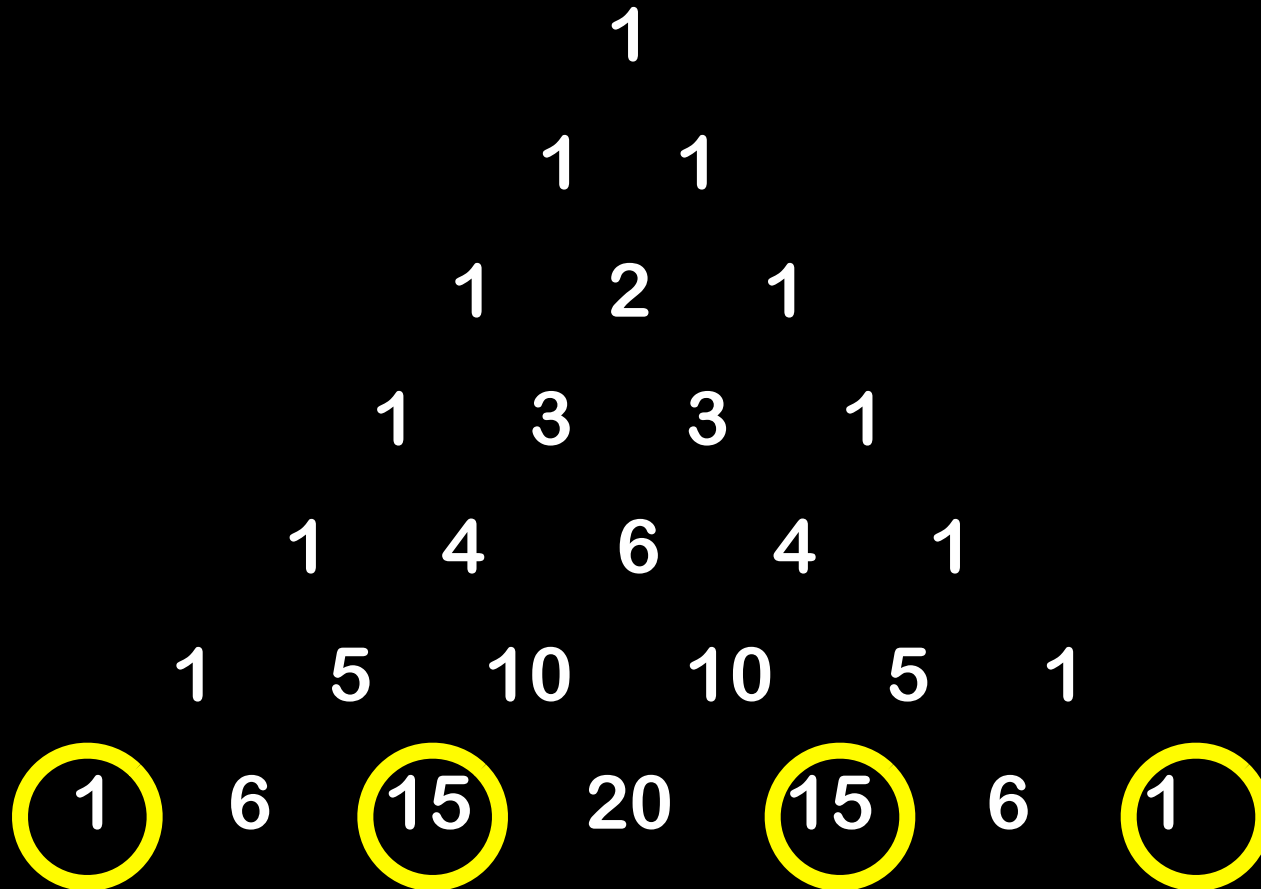
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1 4 6 4 1

1 5 10 10 5 1

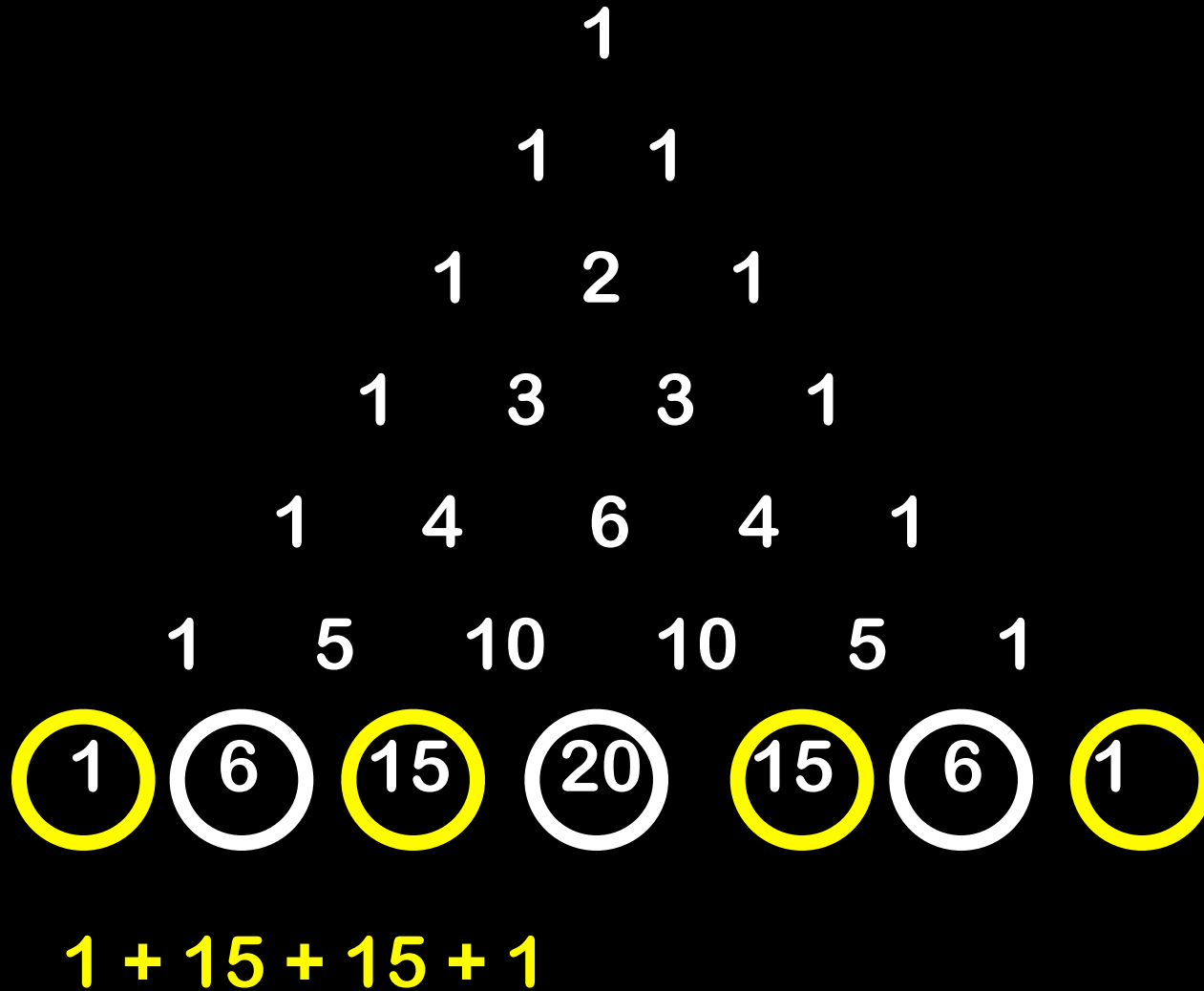
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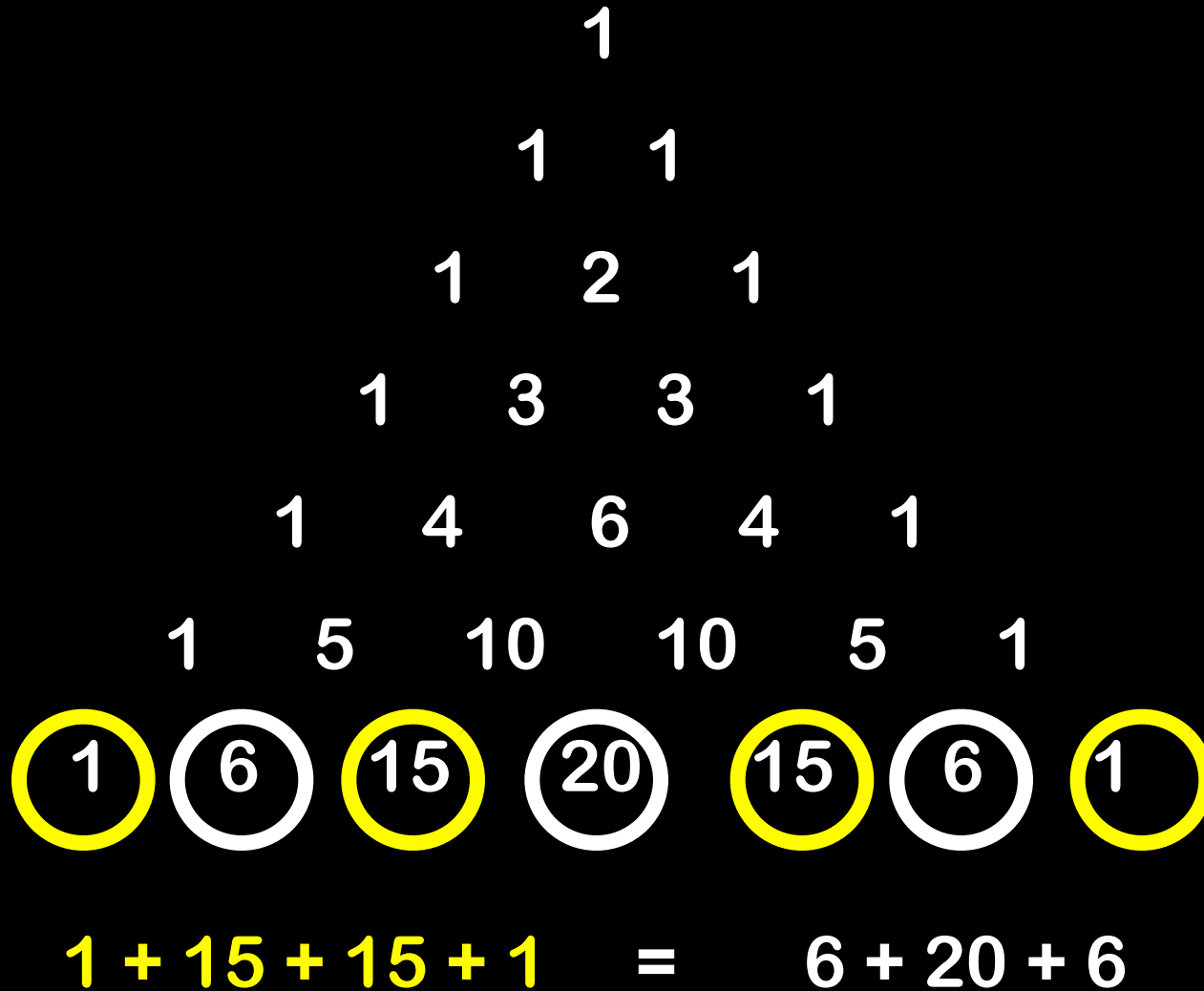


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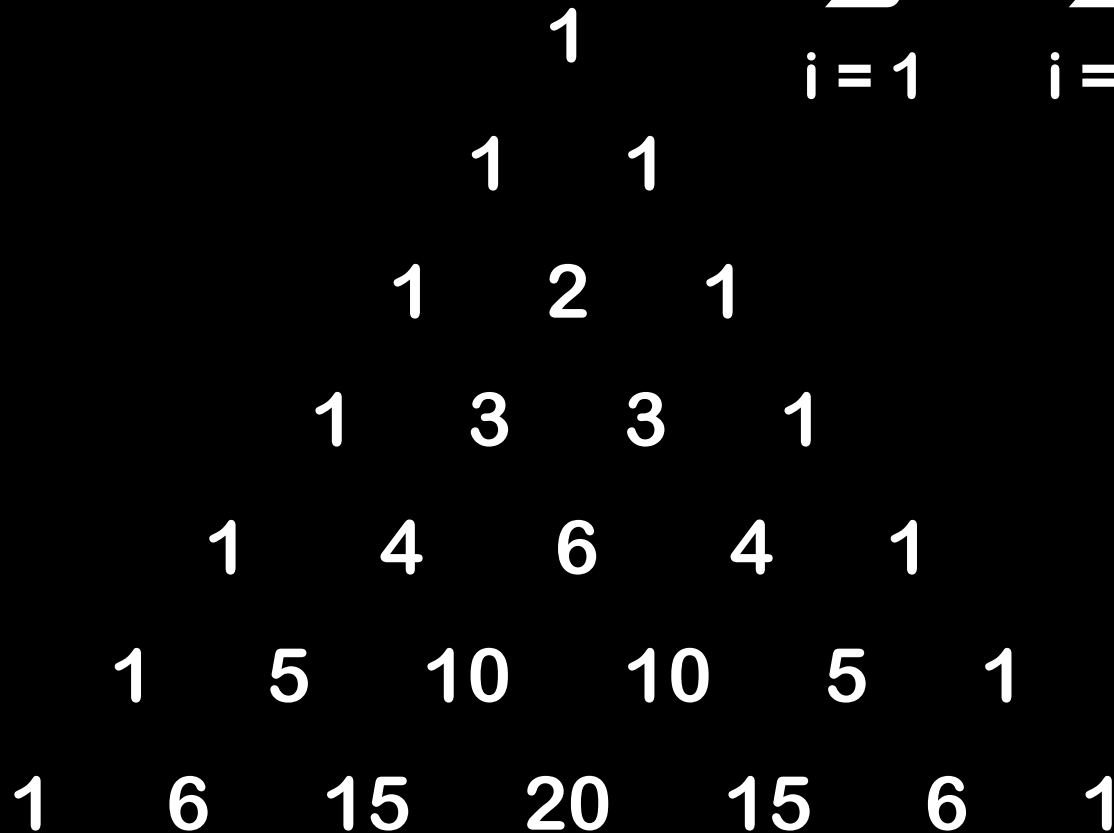


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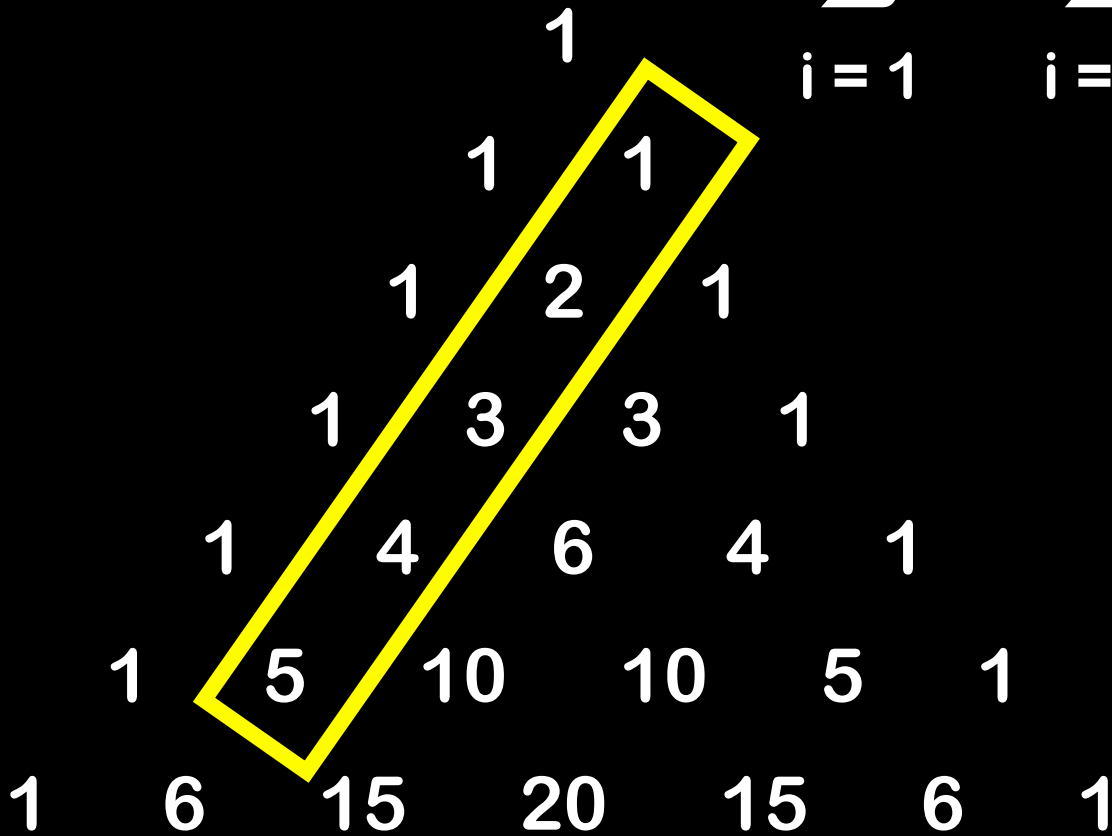
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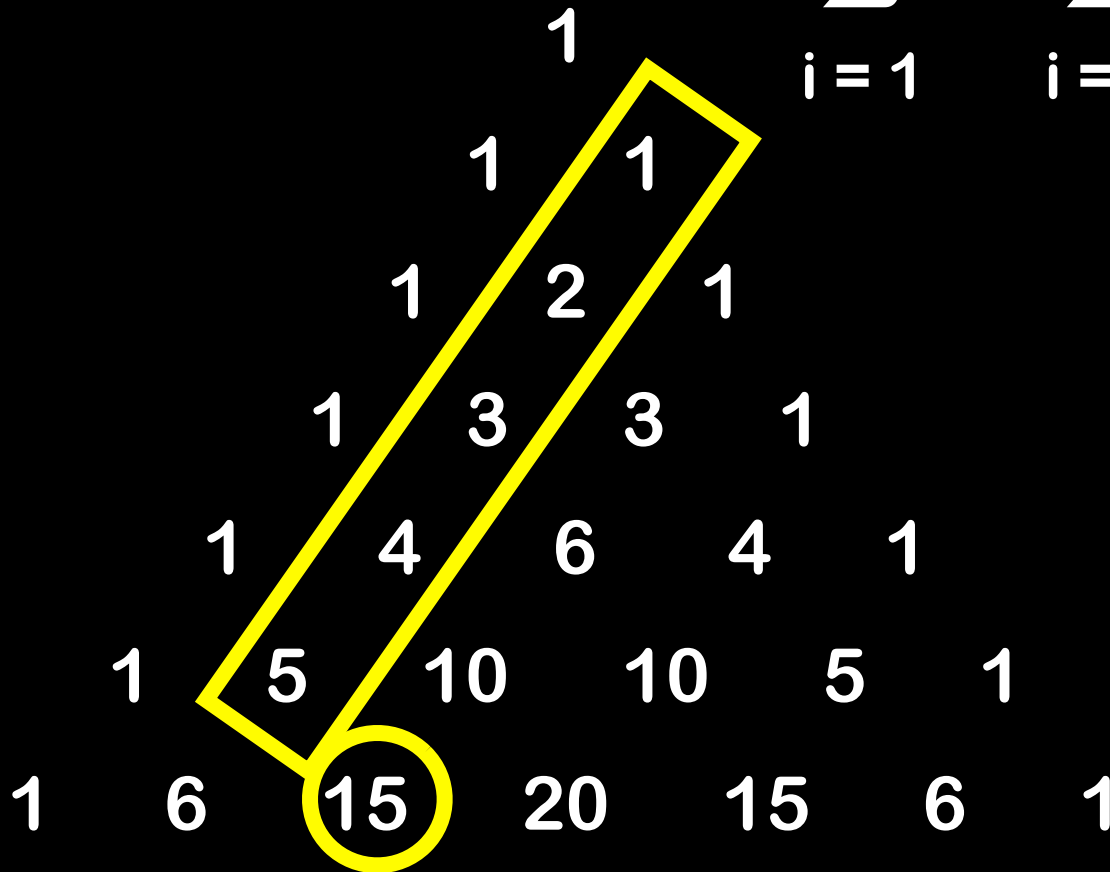
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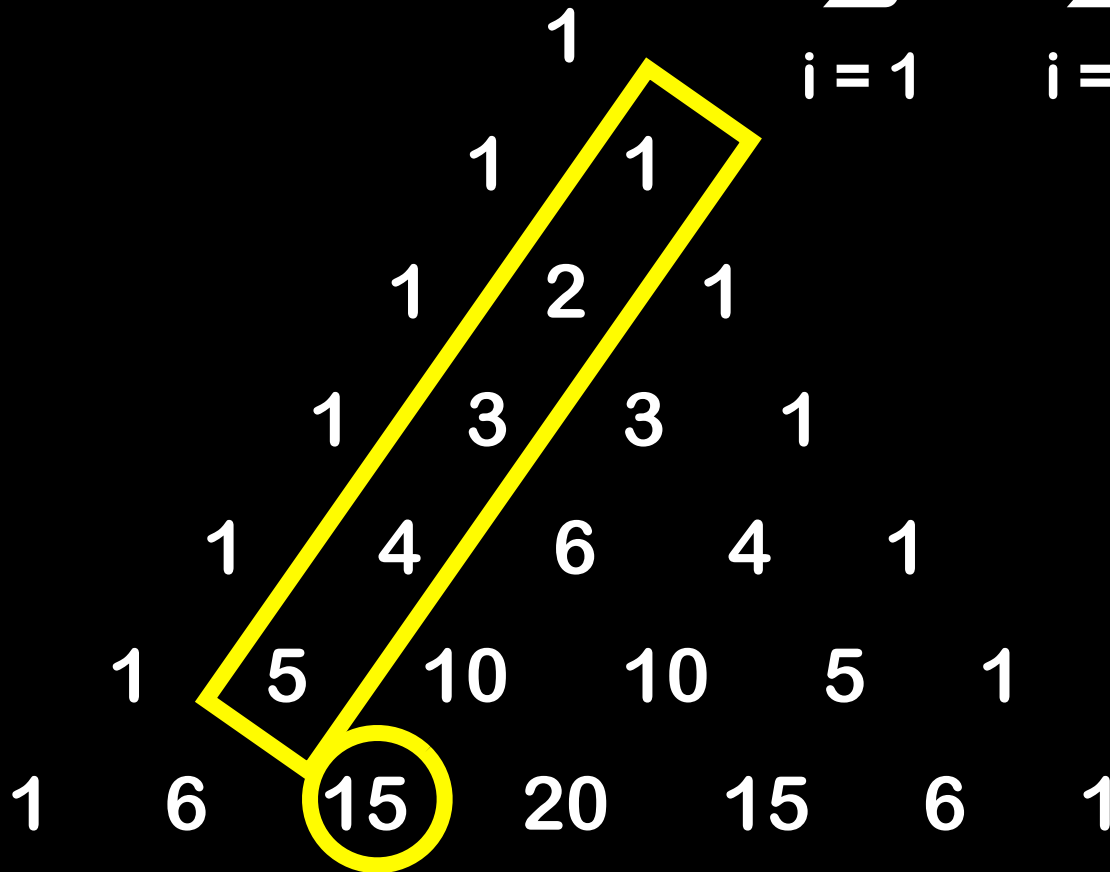
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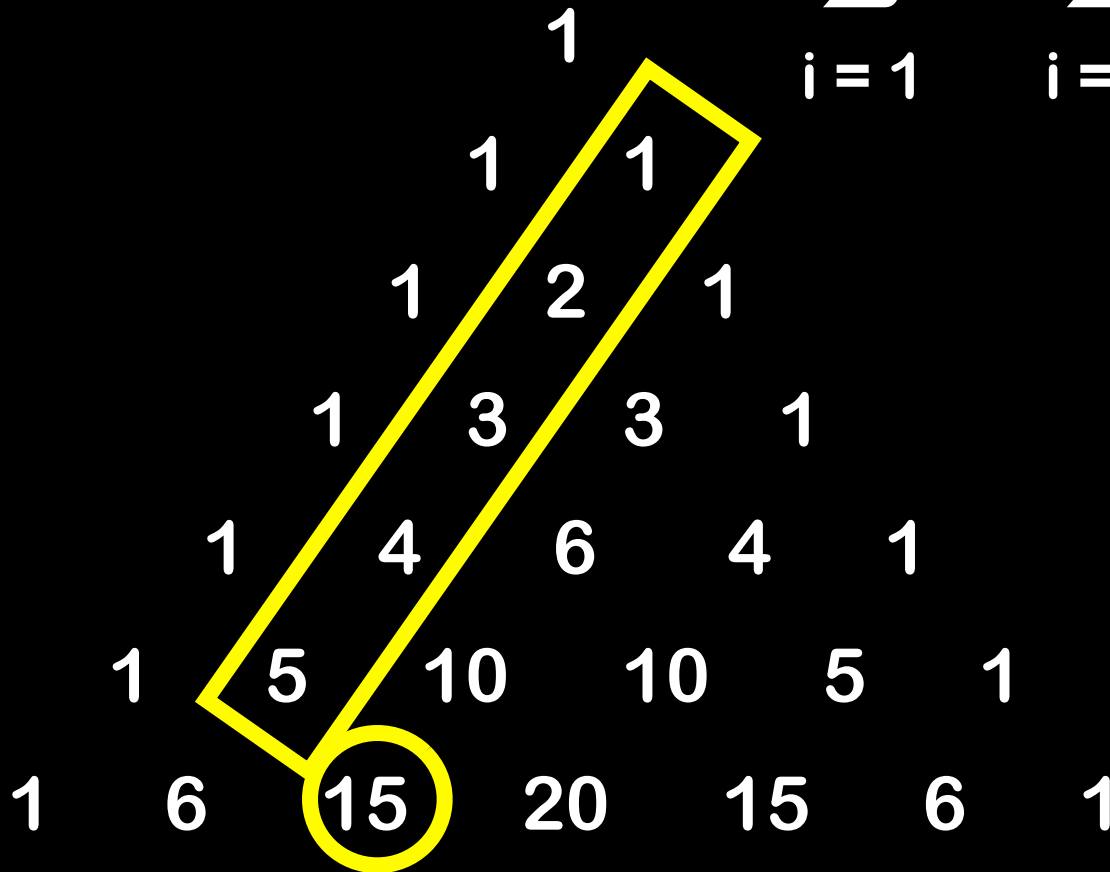
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$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{i}{1}$$



Summing on 1st Avenue

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{i}{1} = \binom{n+1}{2}$$



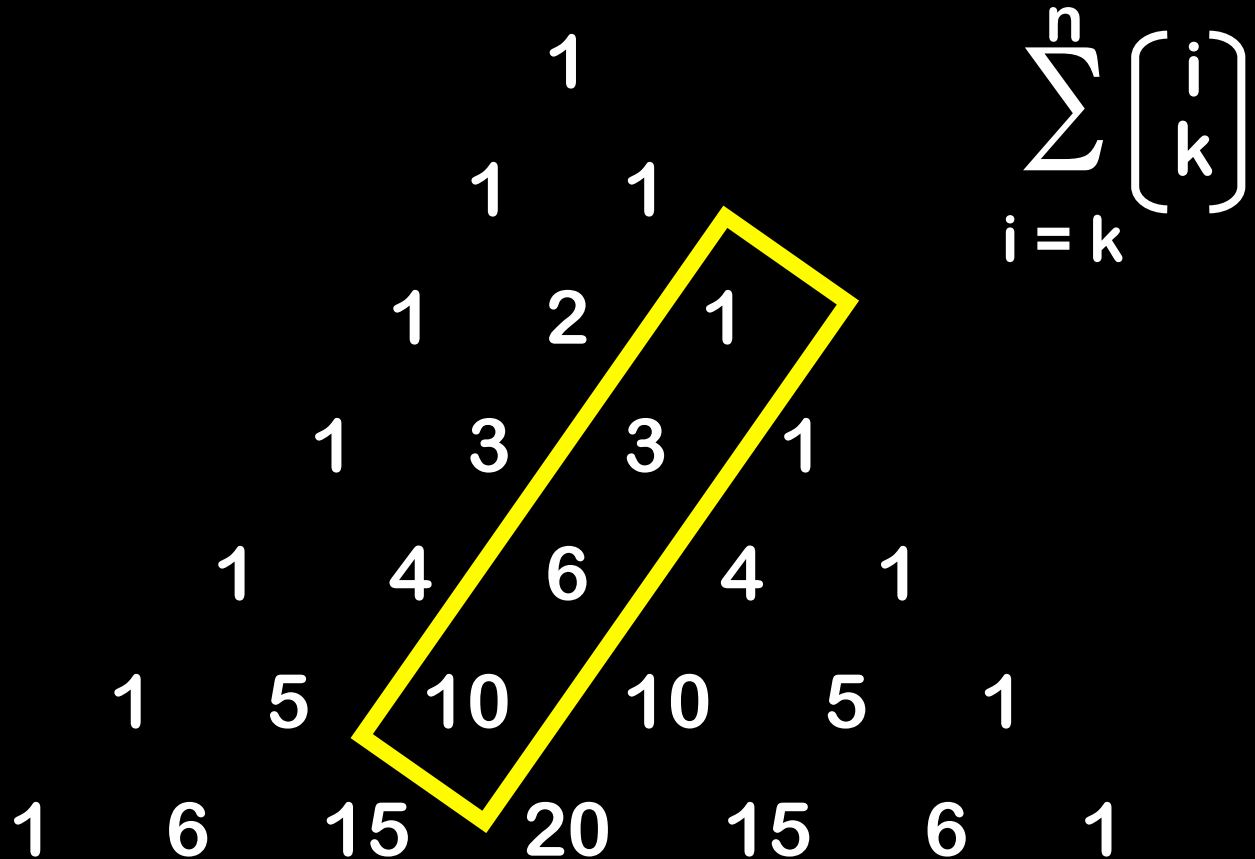
Summing on k^{th} Avenue

A Pascal's Triangle diagram with 7 rows. The rows represent the binomial coefficients $\binom{i}{k}$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$. The columns represent the values of k from 0 to i . The values are: Row 0: 1; Row 1: 1, 1; Row 2: 1, 2, 1; Row 3: 1, 3, 3, 1; Row 4: 1, 4, 6, 4, 1; Row 5: 1, 5, 10, 10, 5, 1; Row 6: 1, 6, 15, 20, 15, 6, 1.

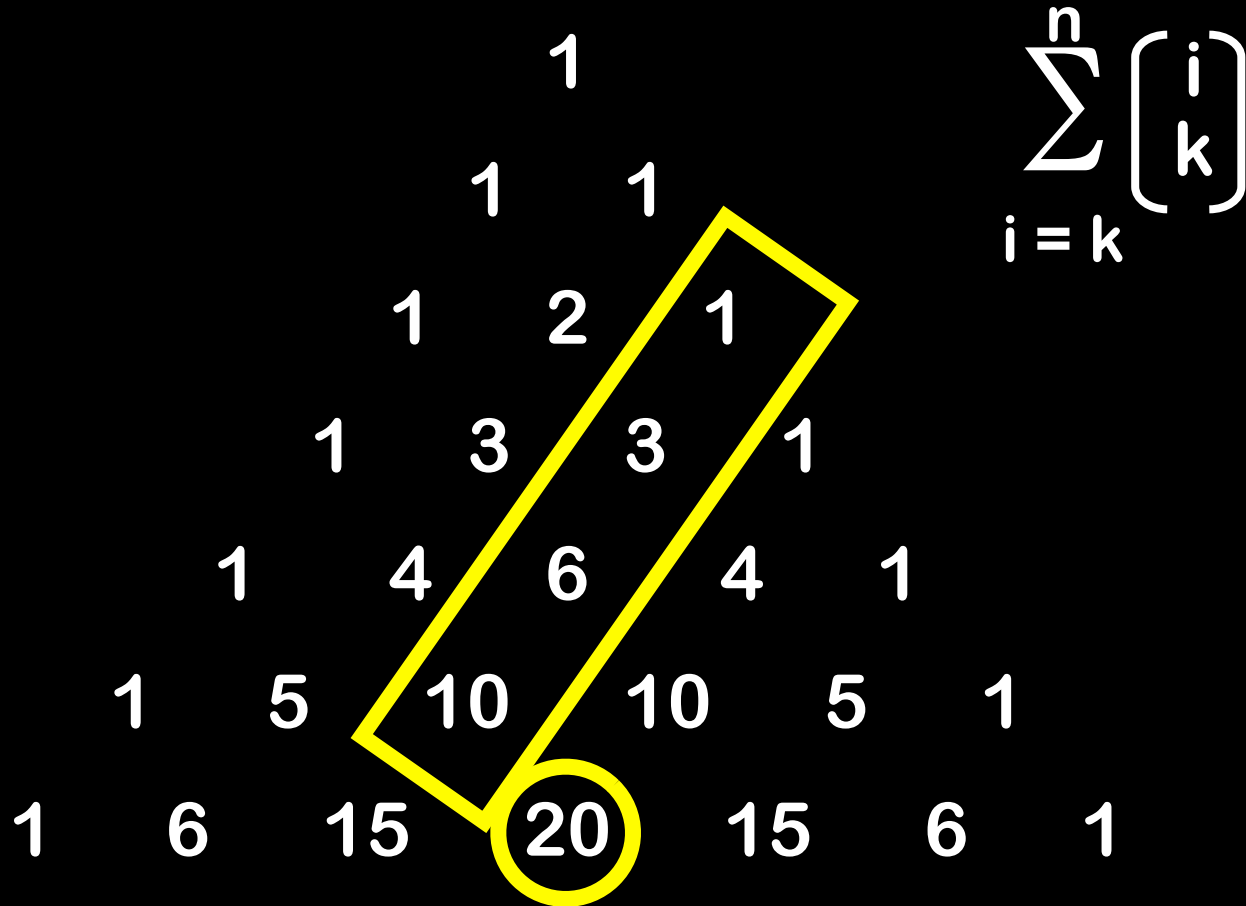
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$$\sum_{i=k}^n \binom{i}{k}$$

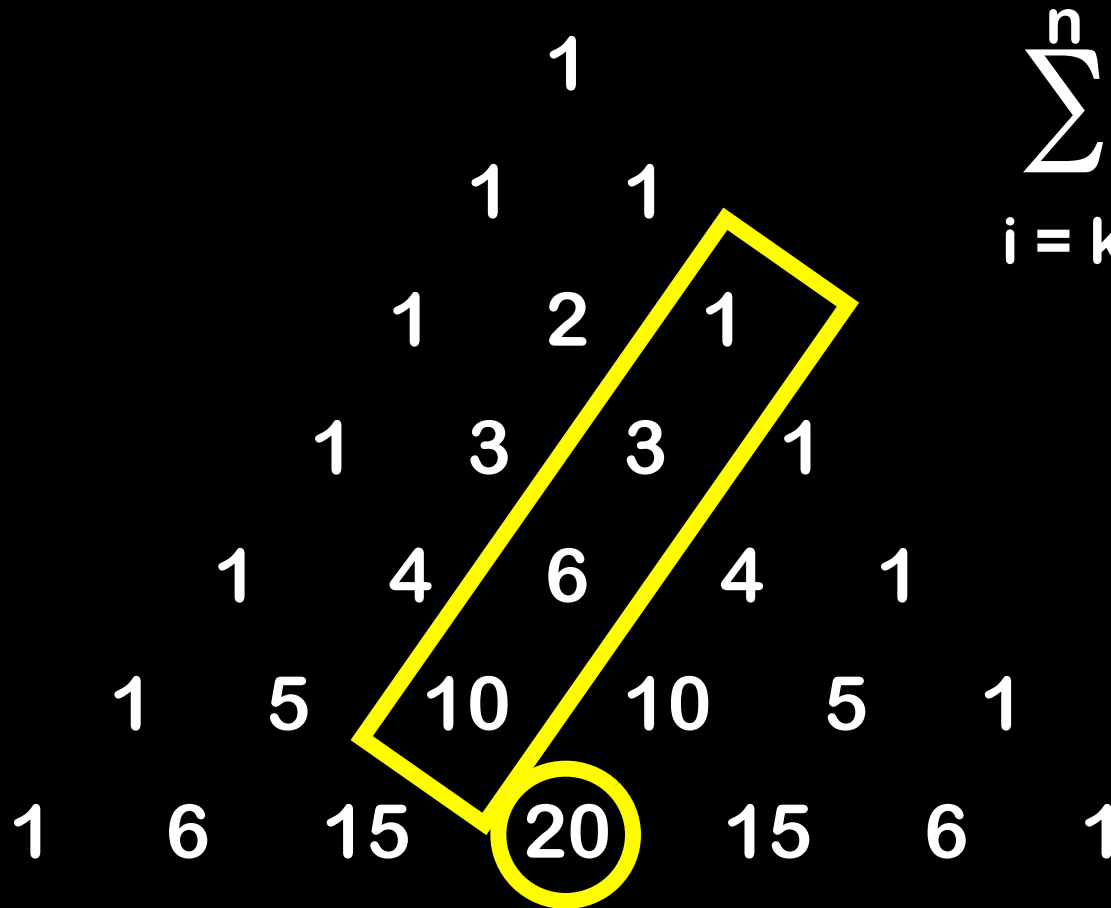
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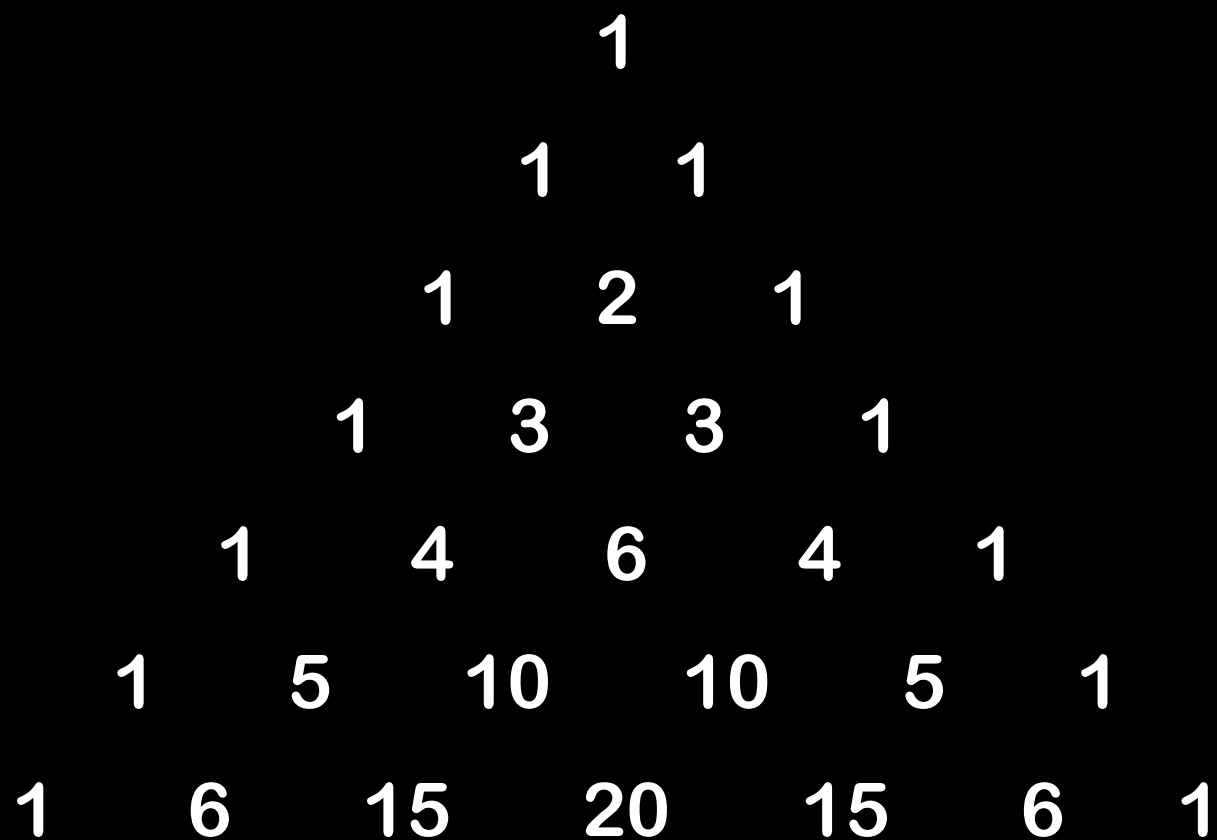
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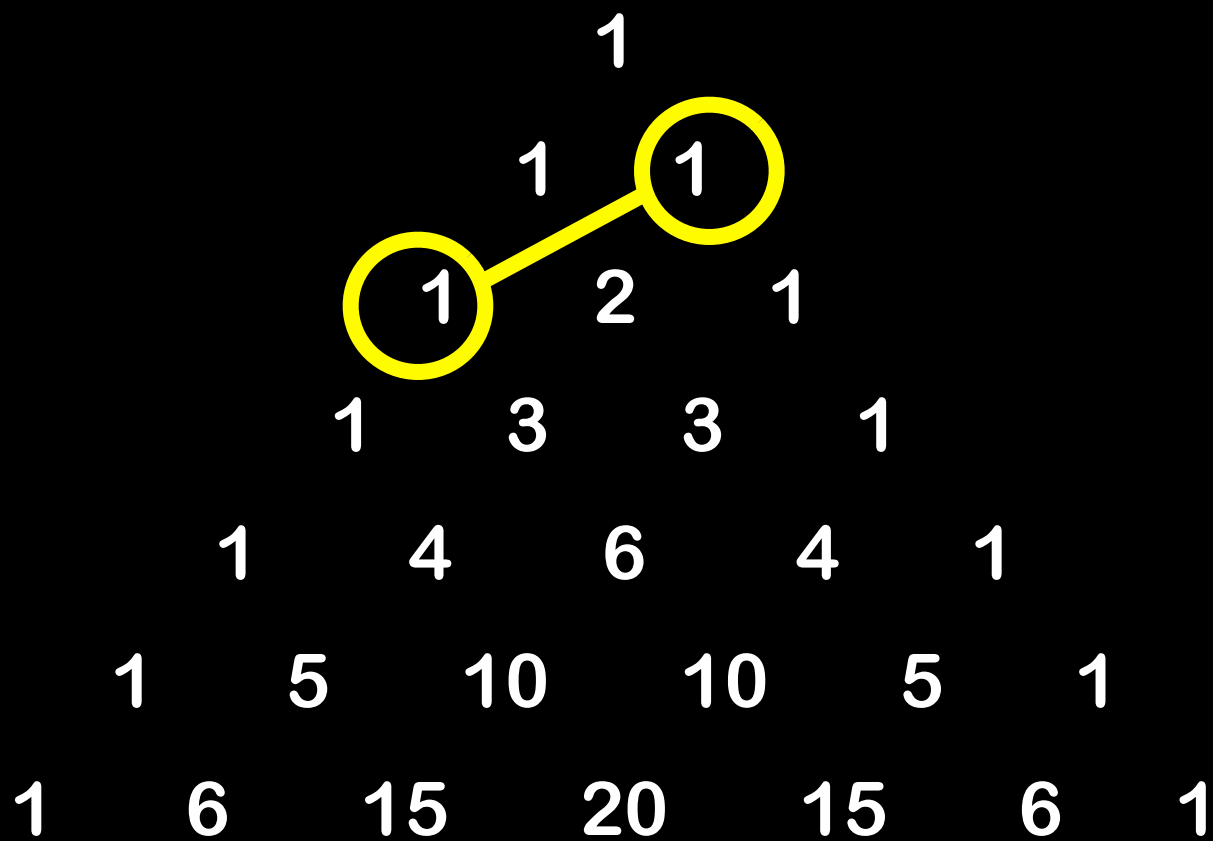


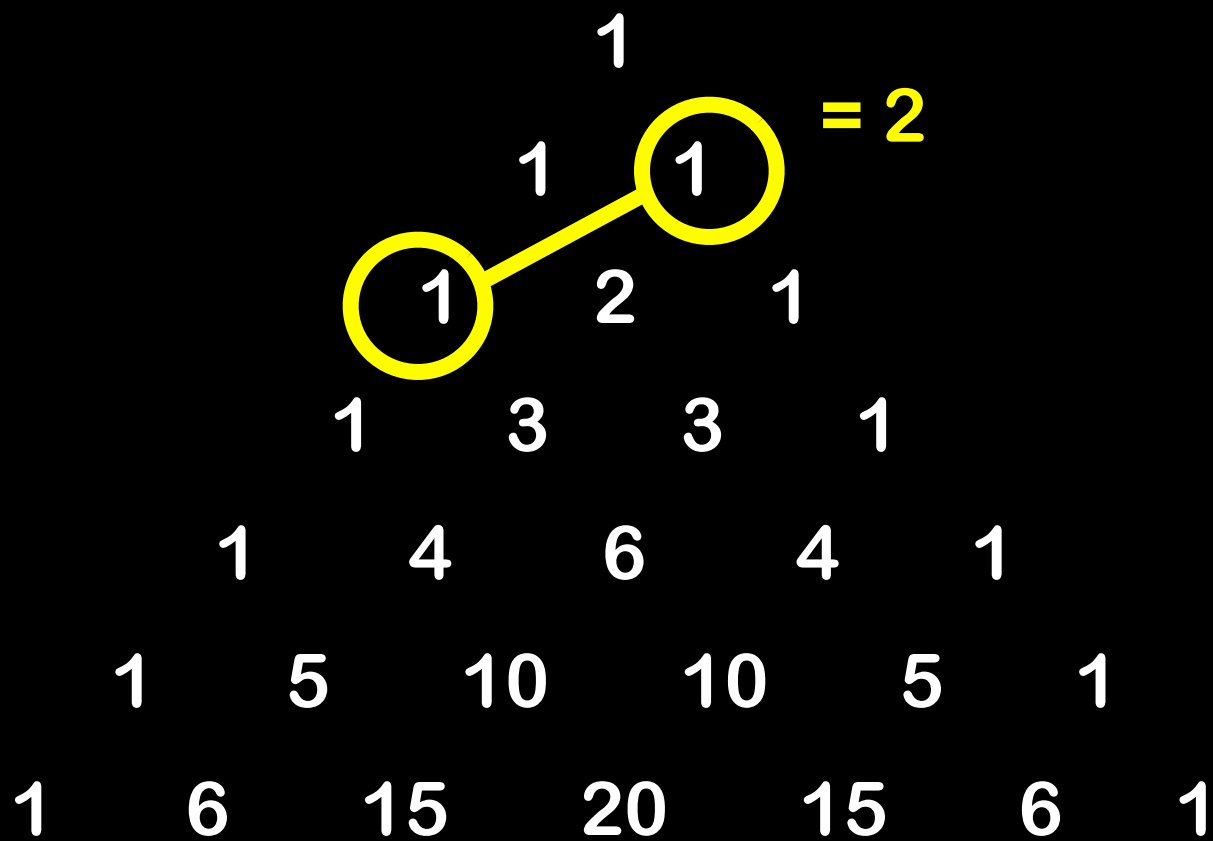
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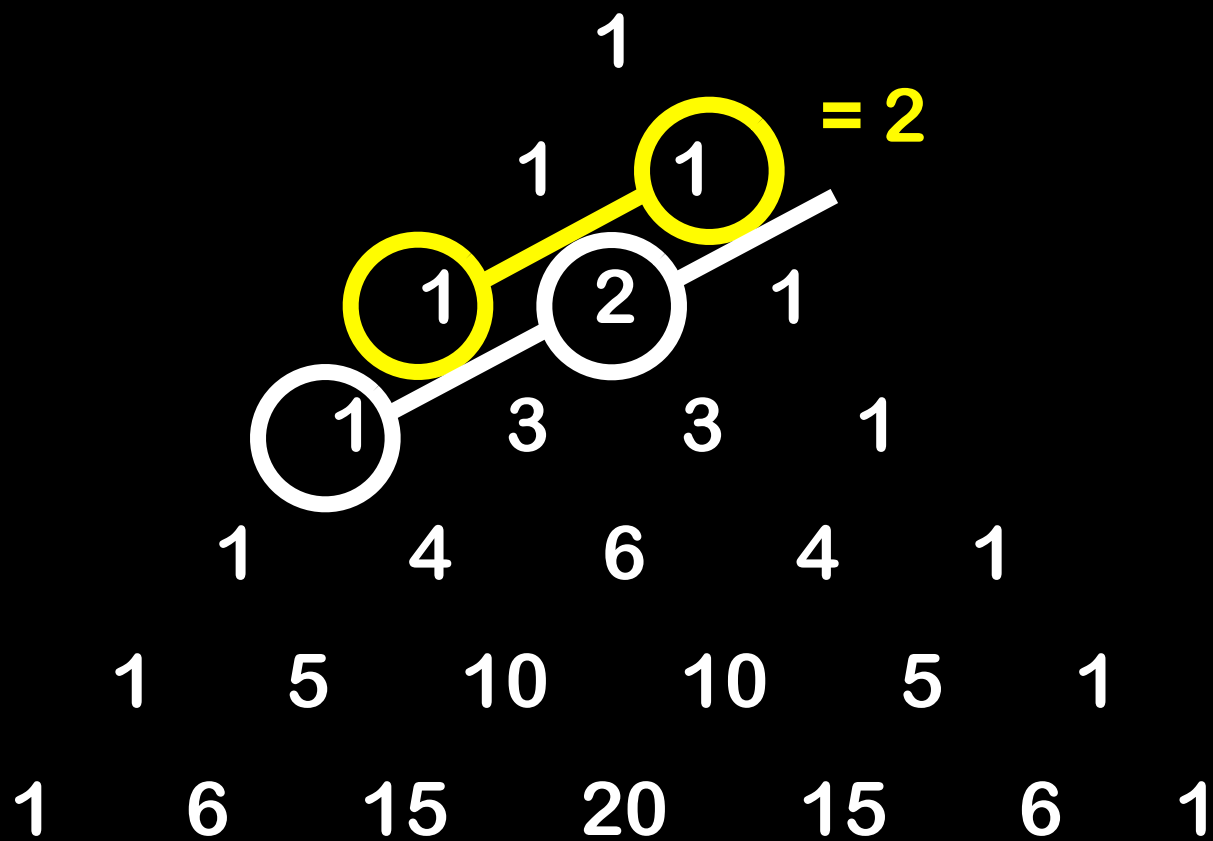


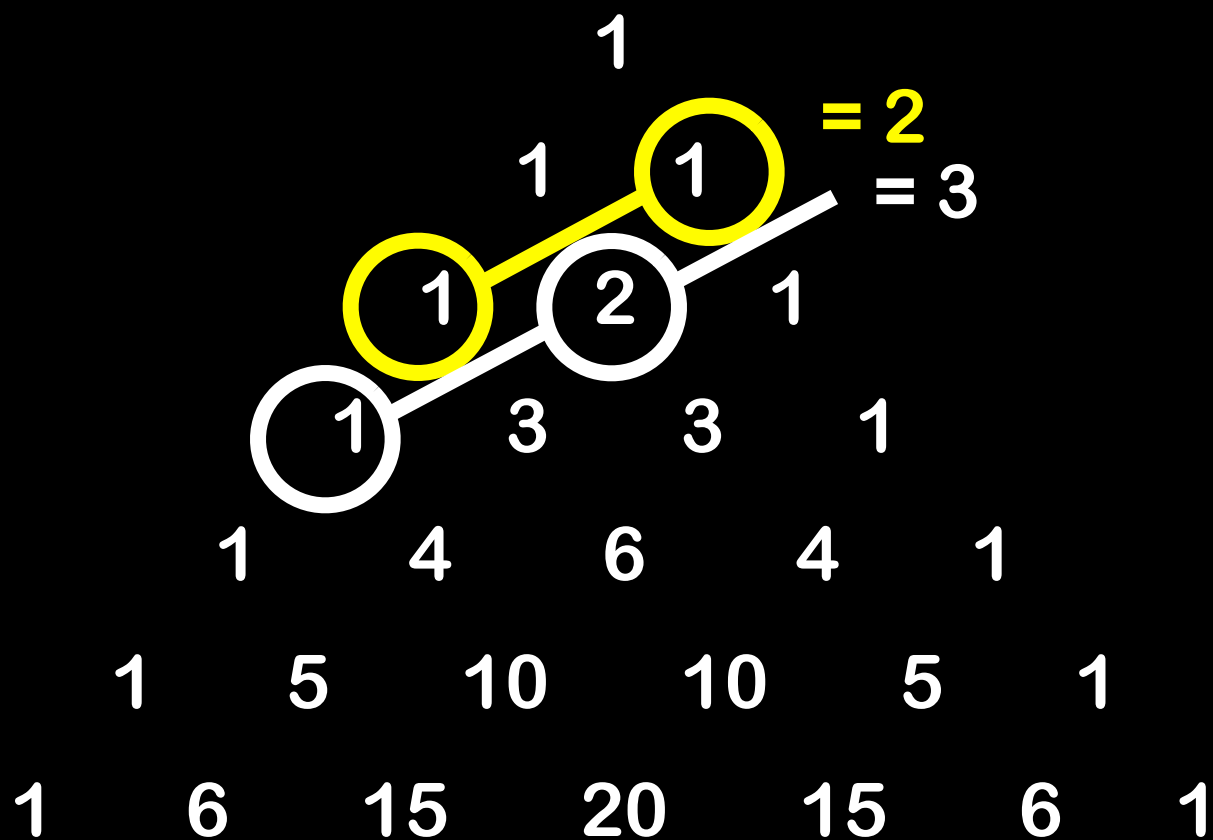
A Pascal's Triangle with 7 rows, displayed on a black background with white numbers. The triangle is centered and symmetrical. The numbers represent the binomial coefficients for the expansion of (a+b)^n.

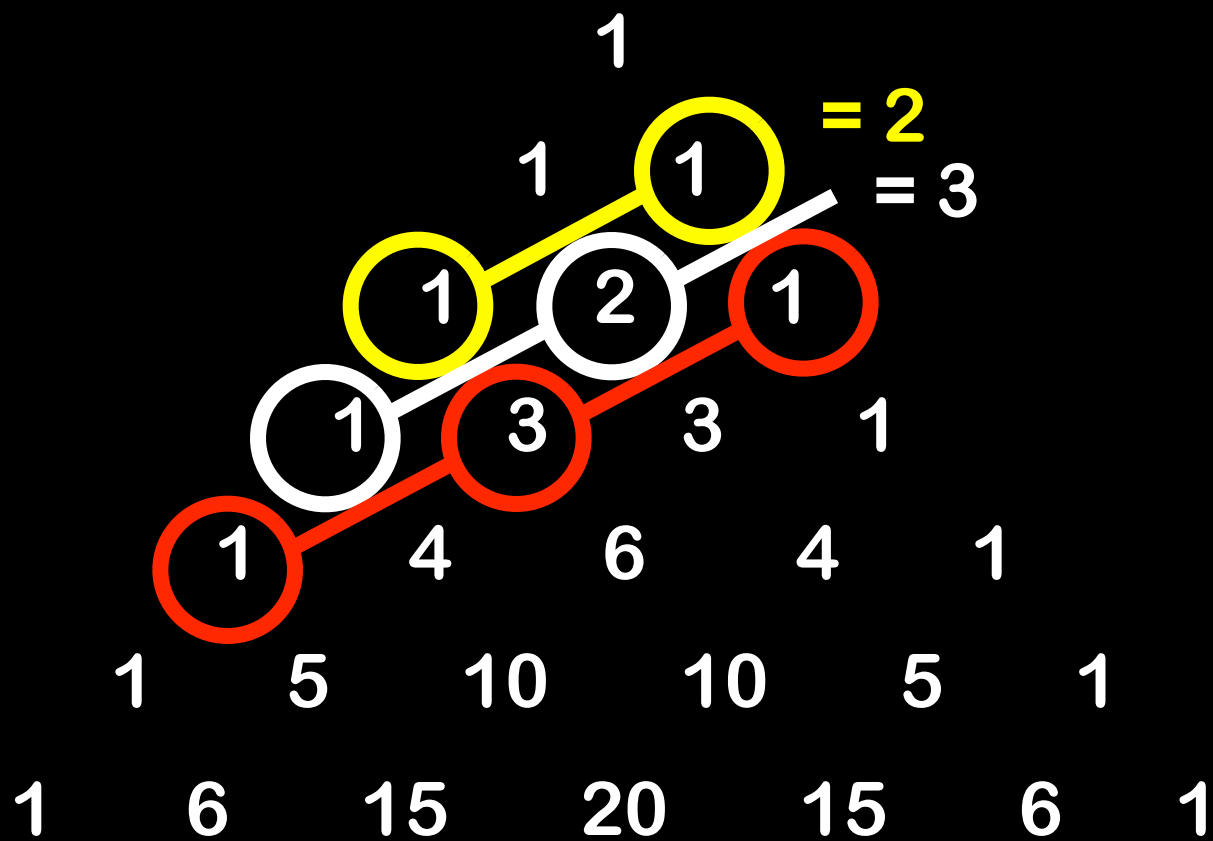
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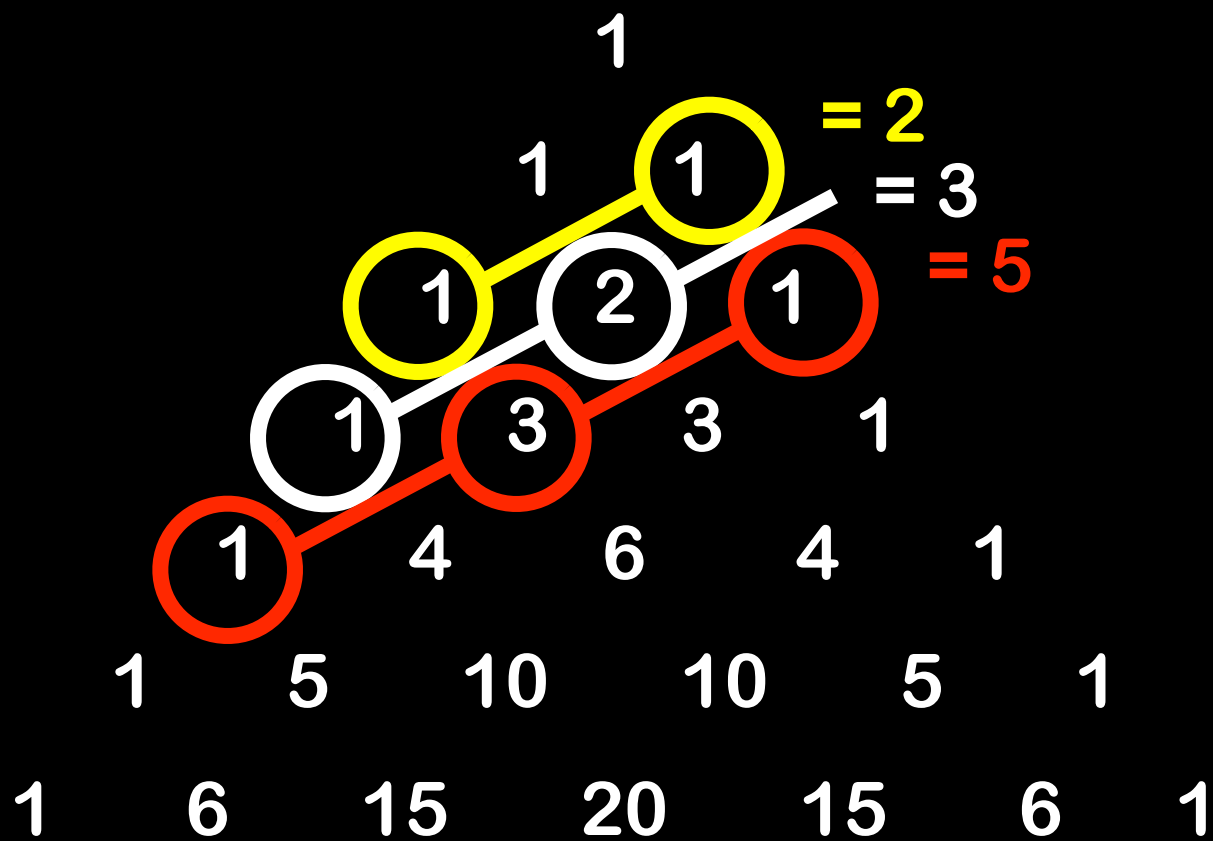


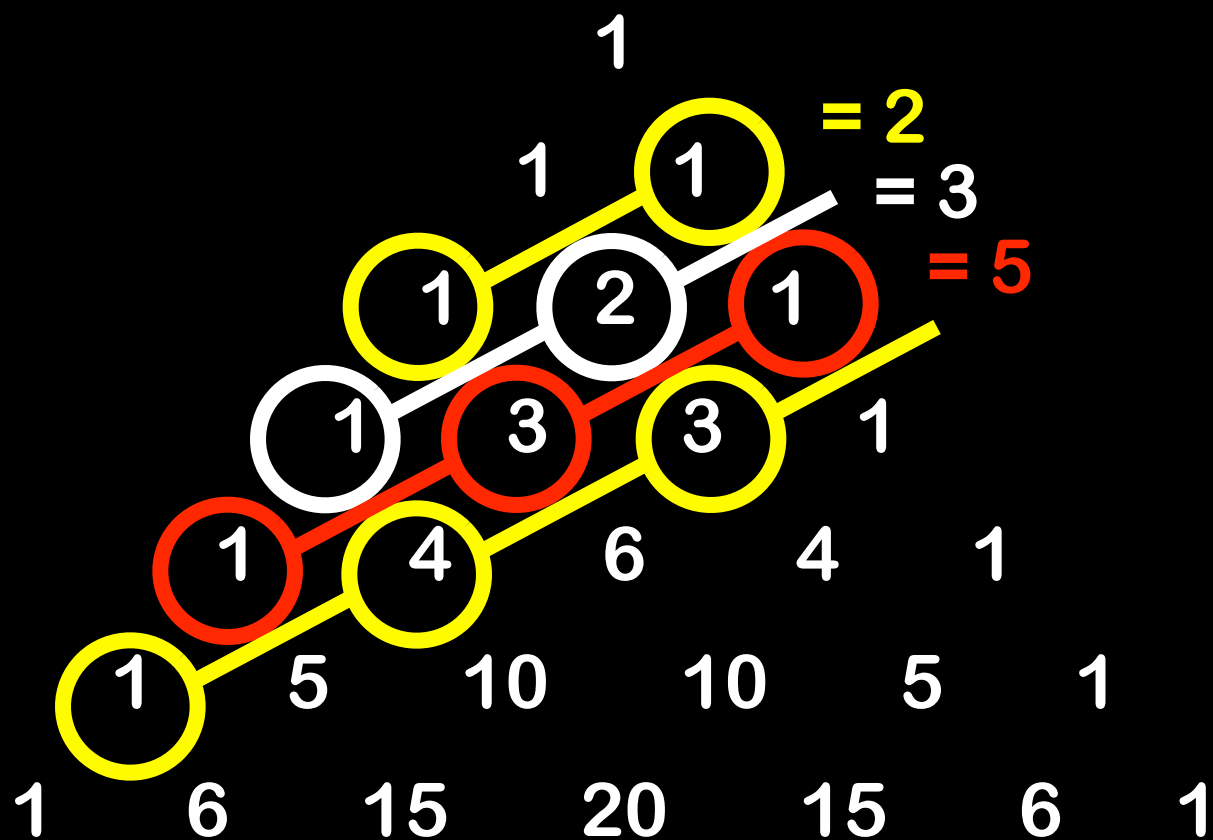


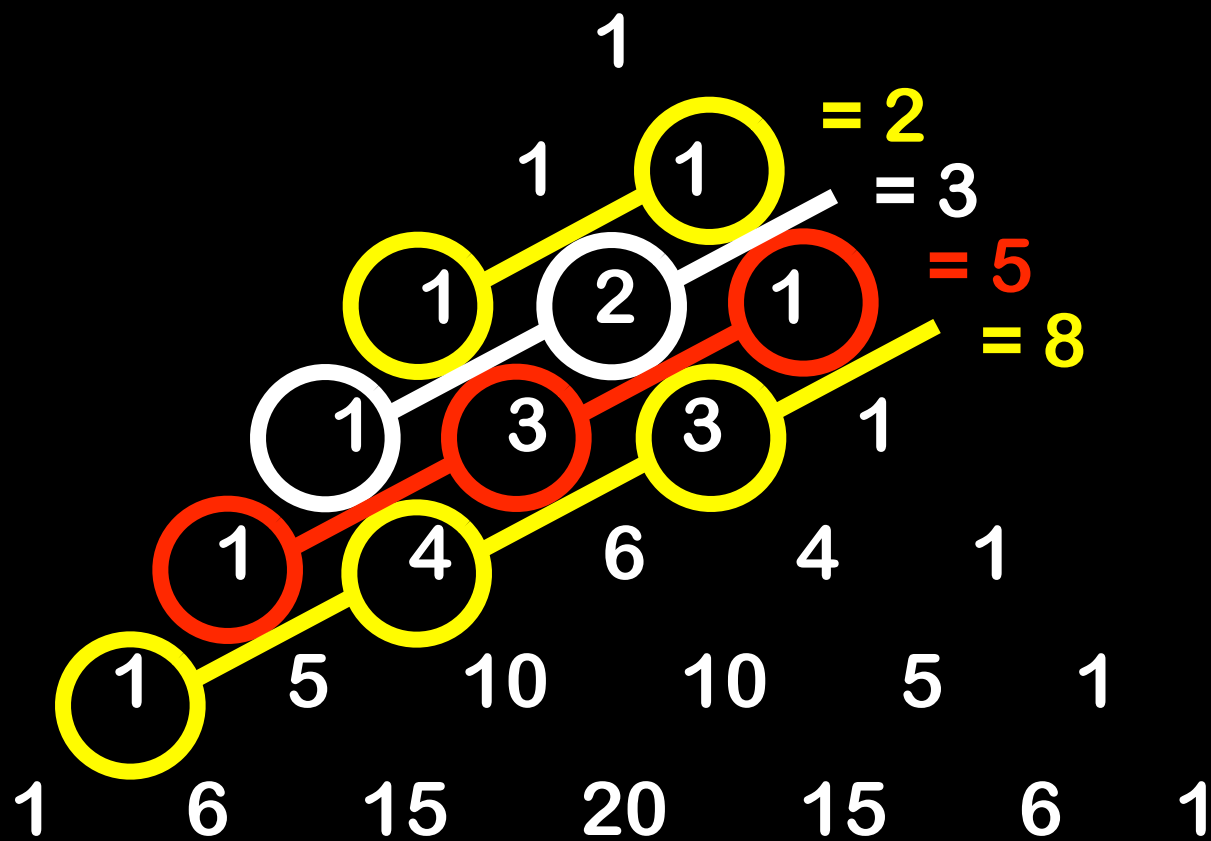


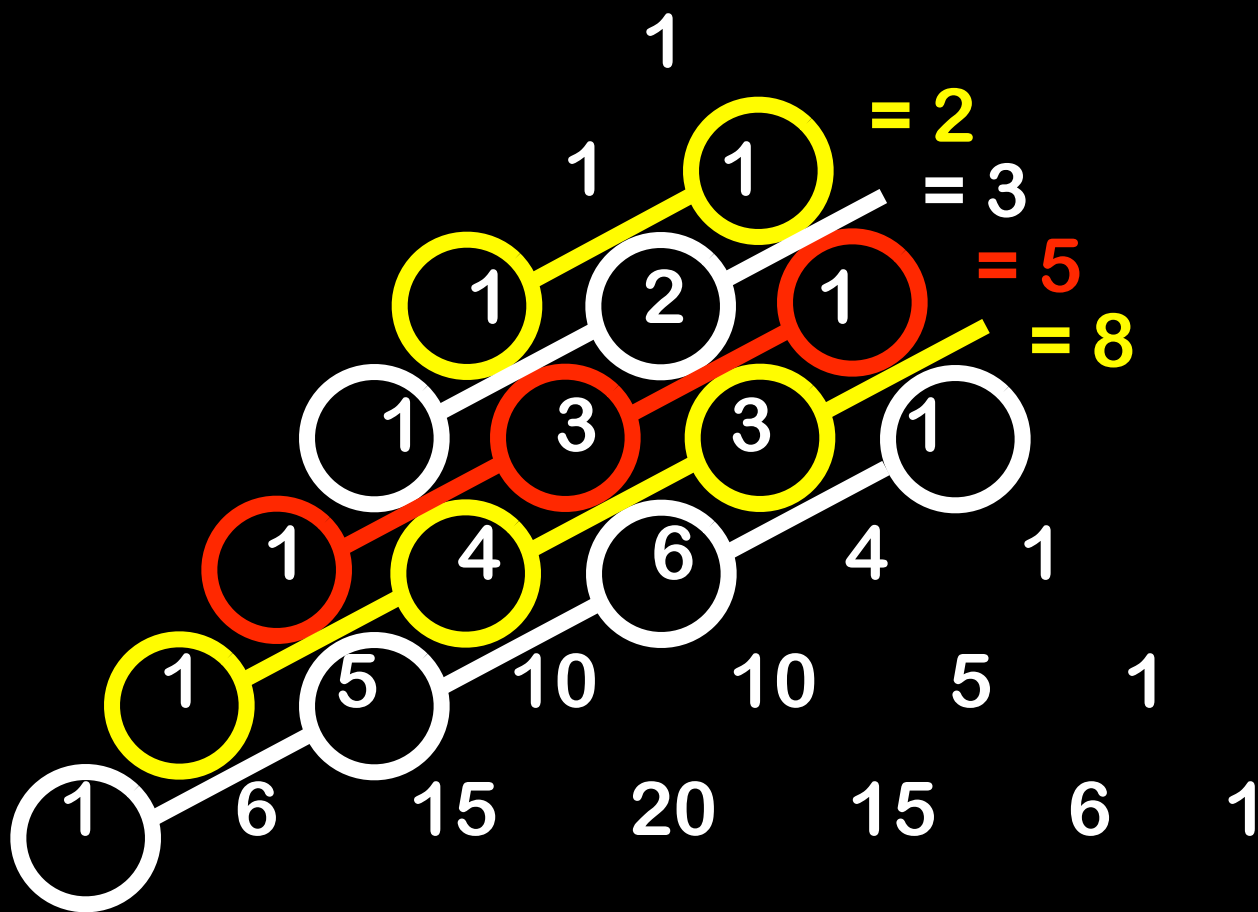


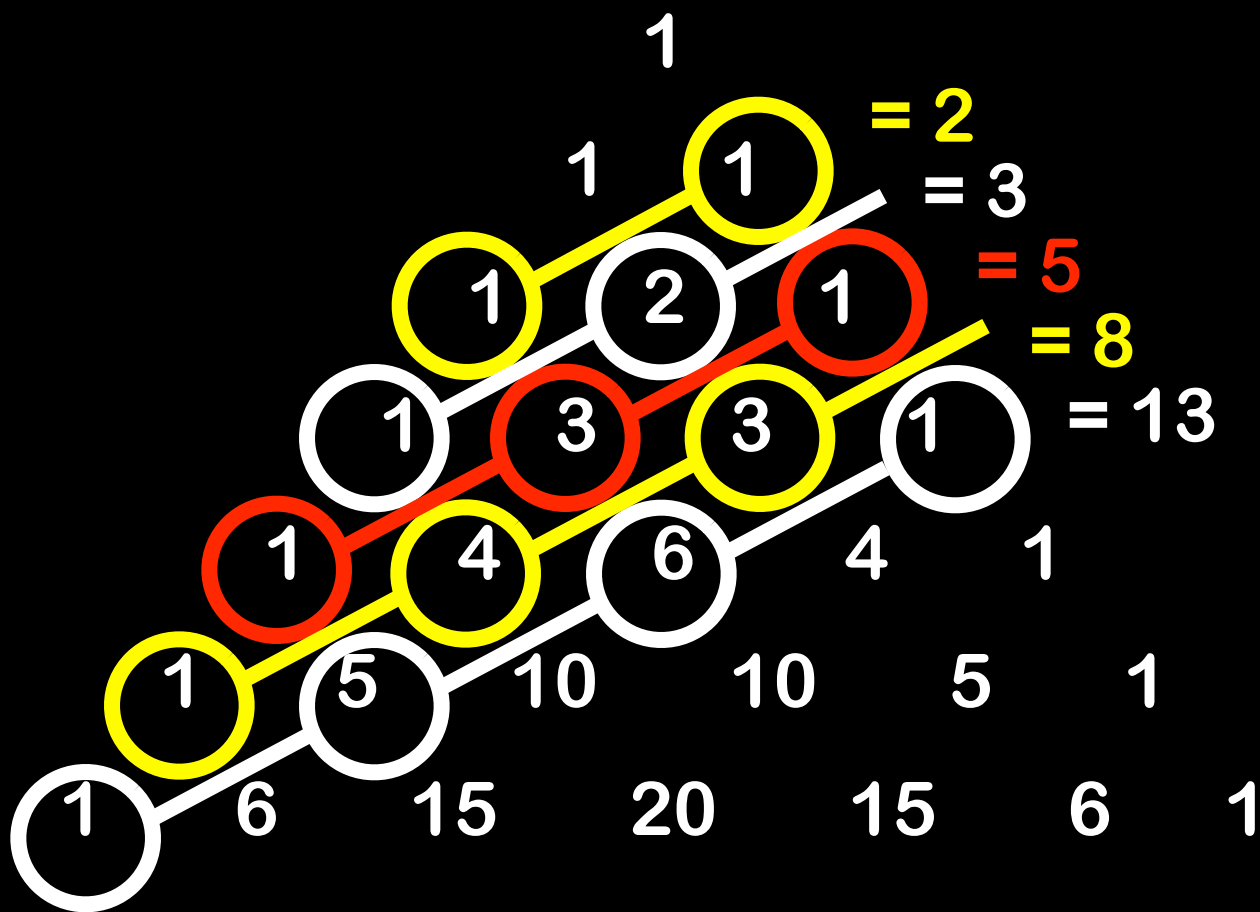




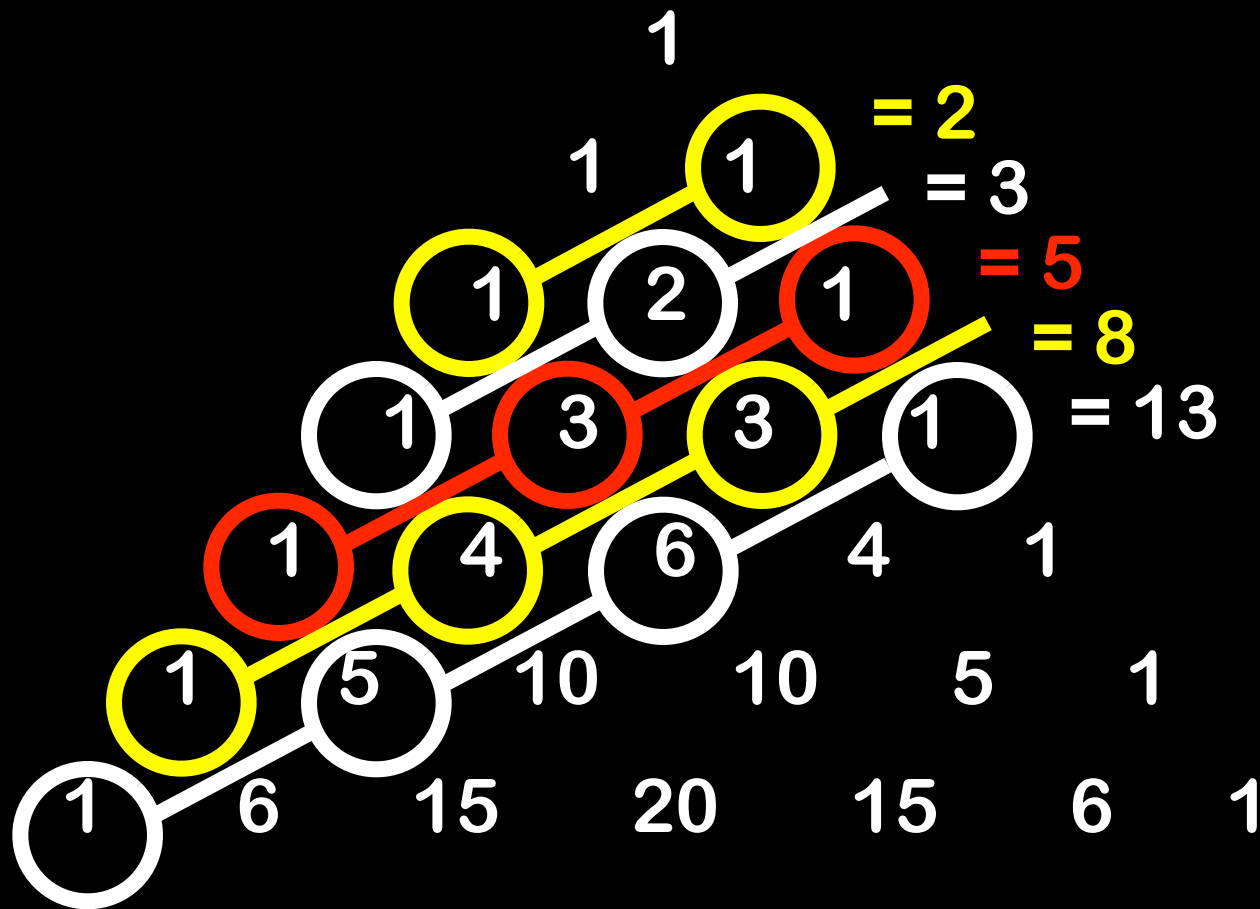




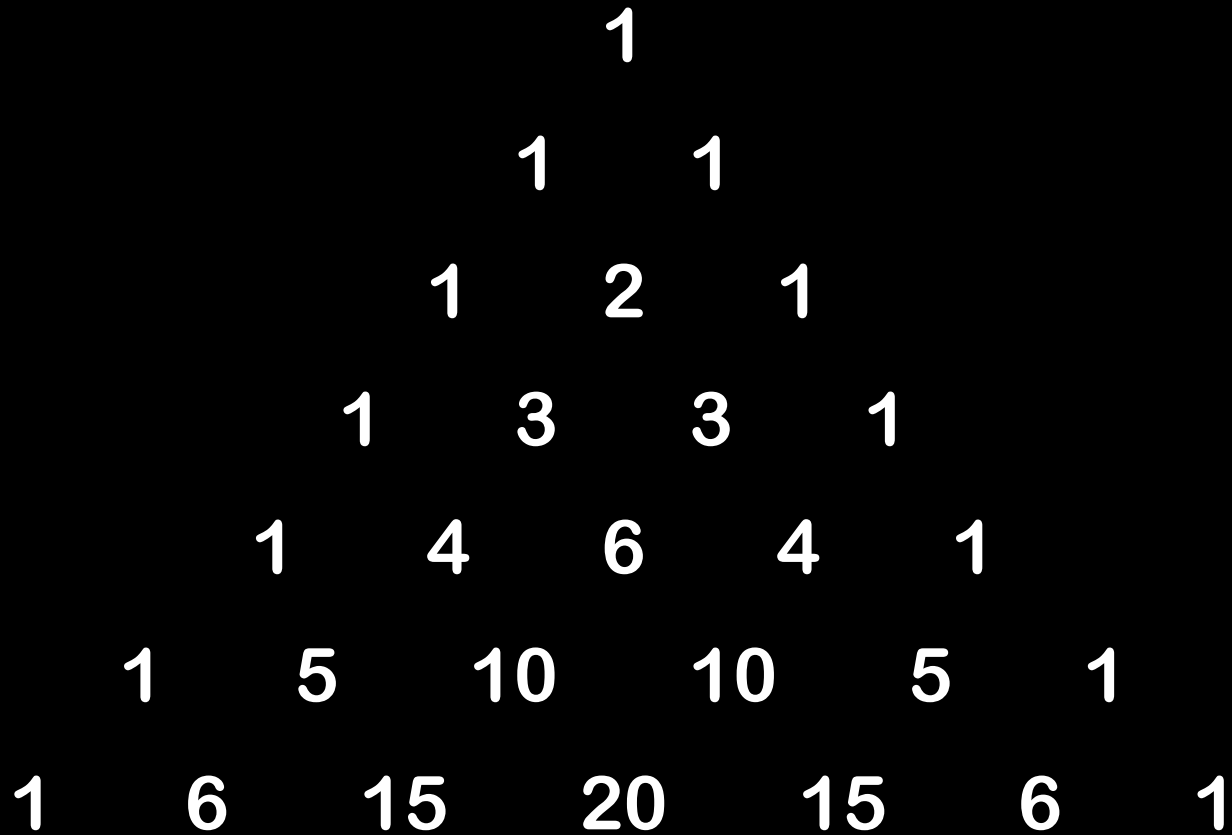




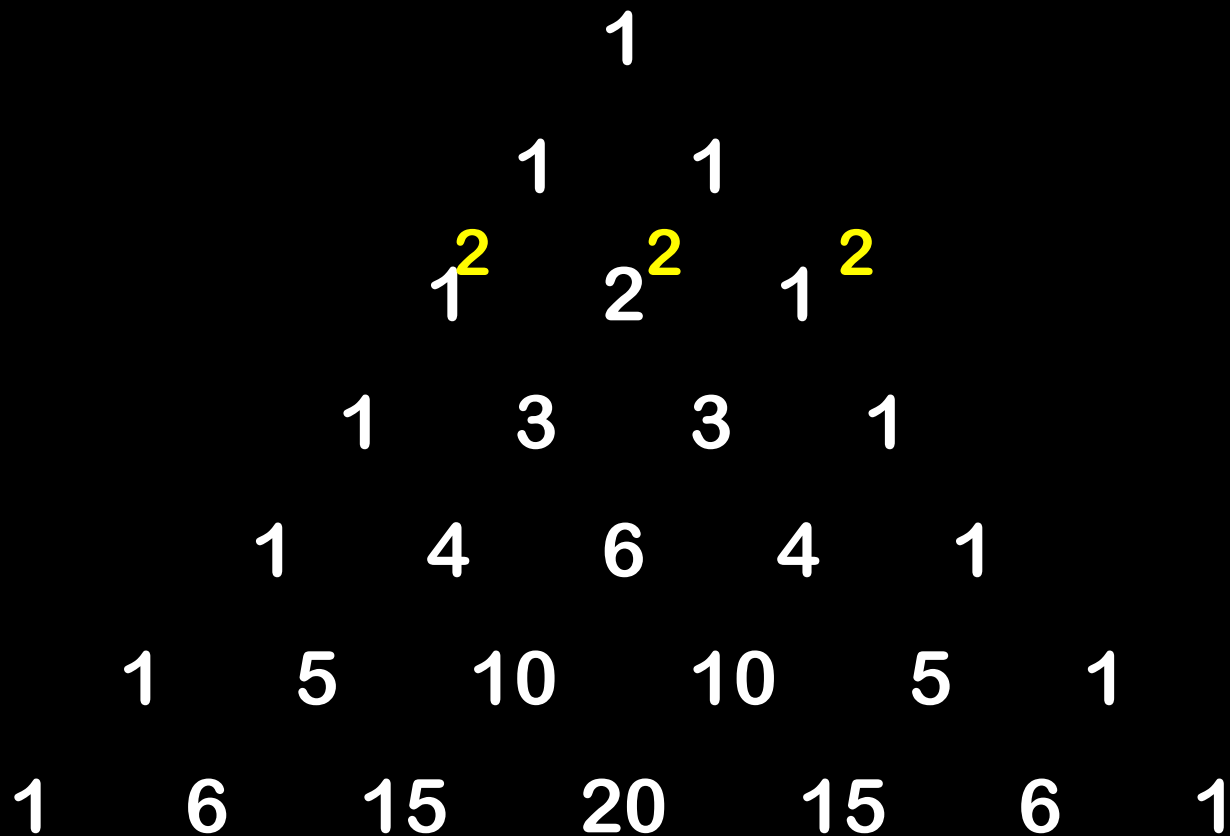
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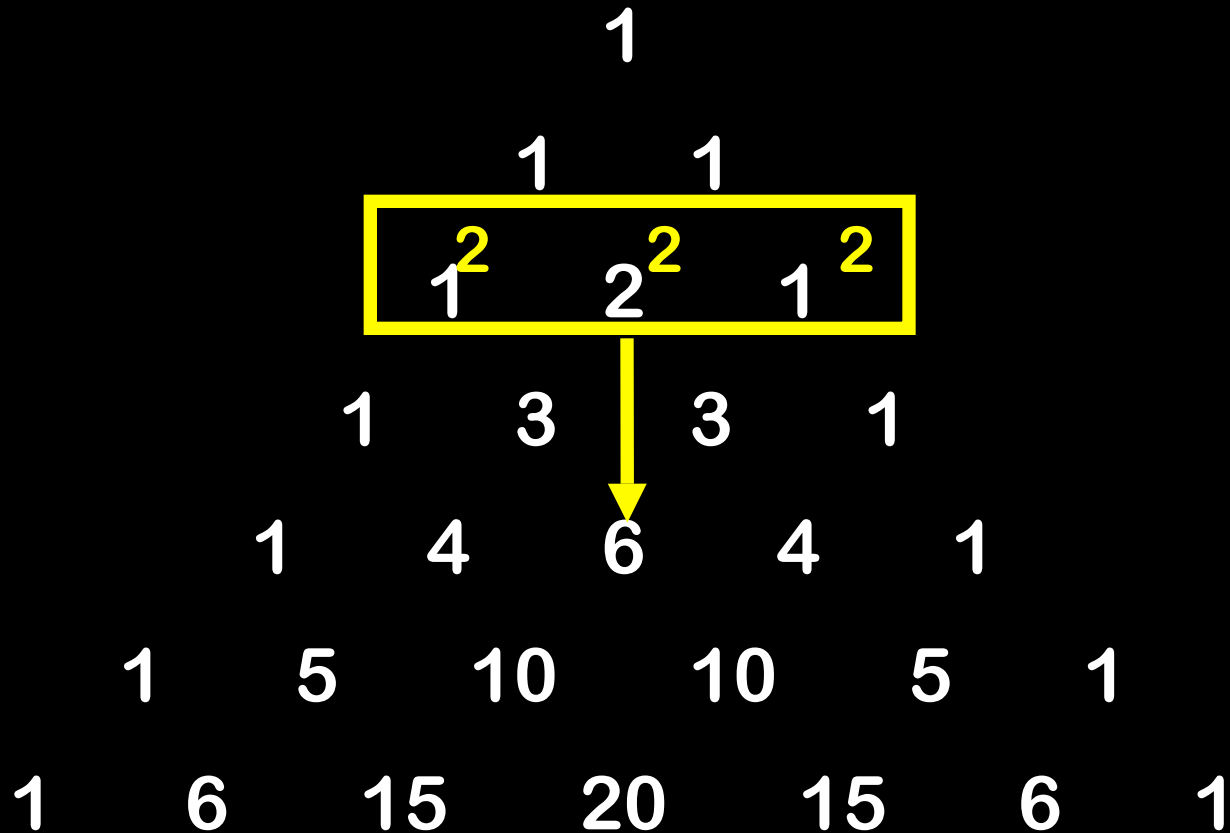
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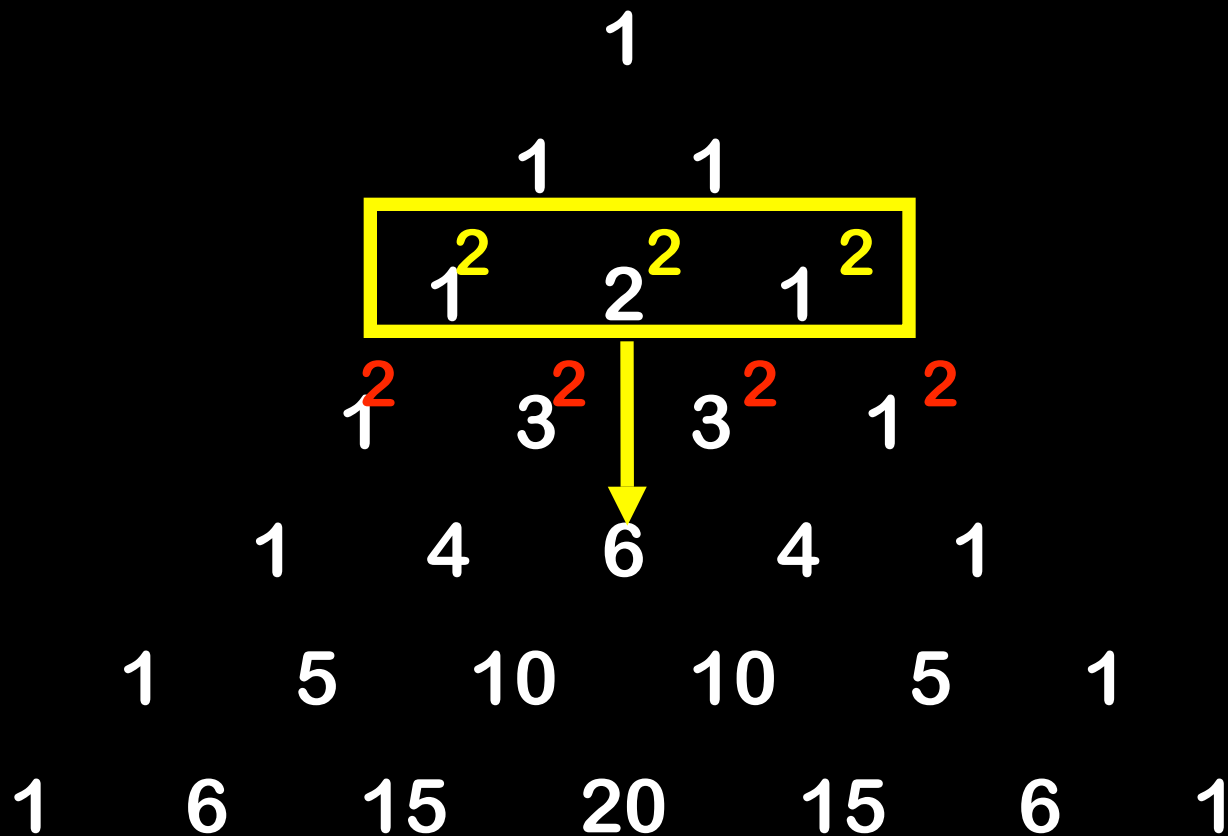
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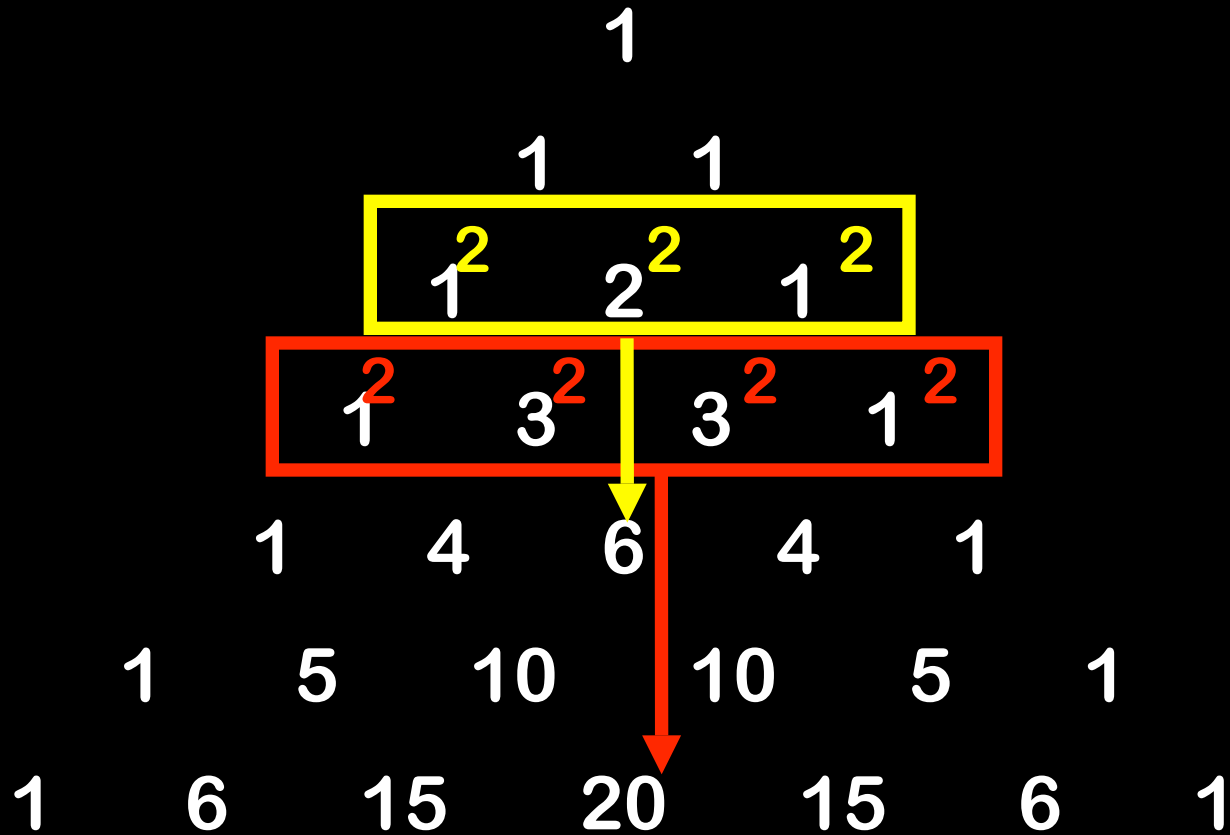
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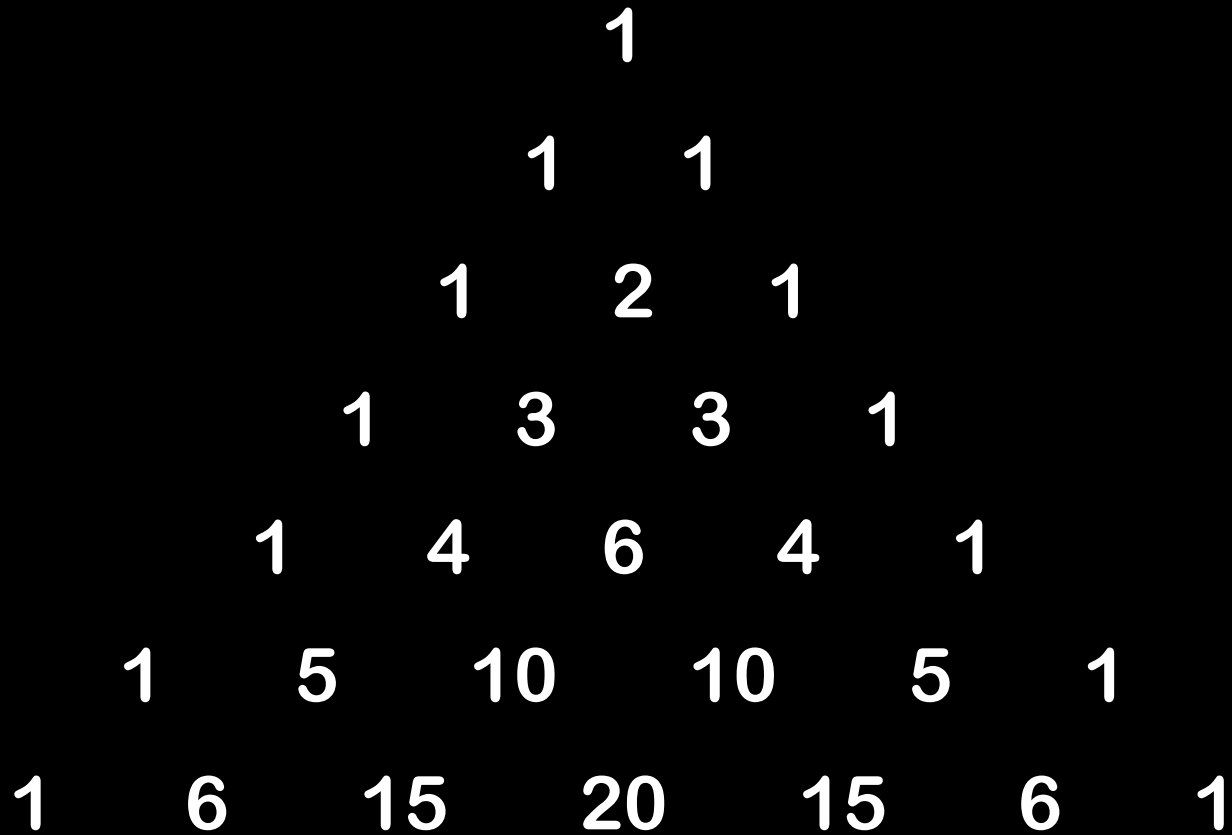
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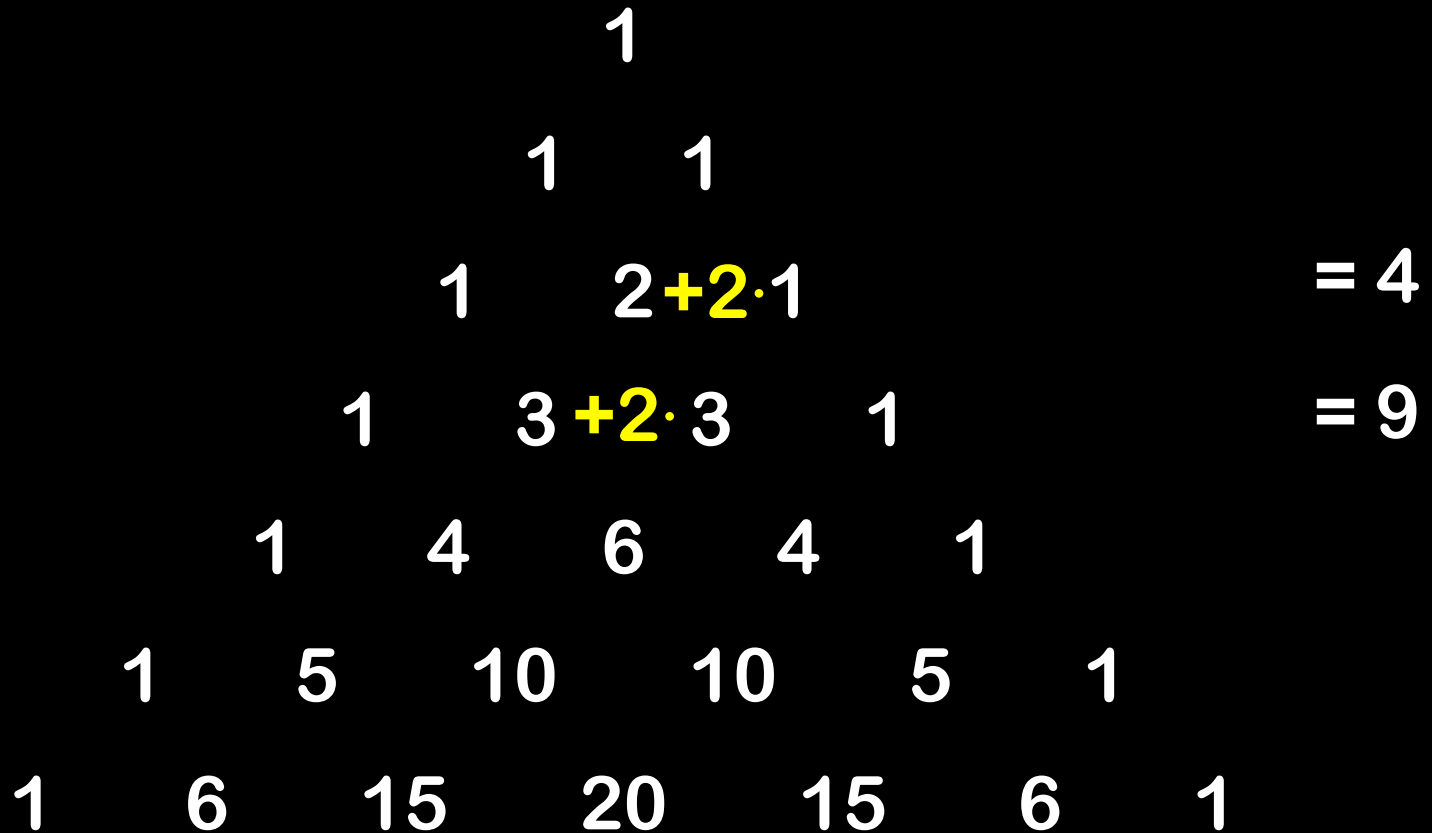
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Al-Karaji Squares

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Al-Karaji Squares



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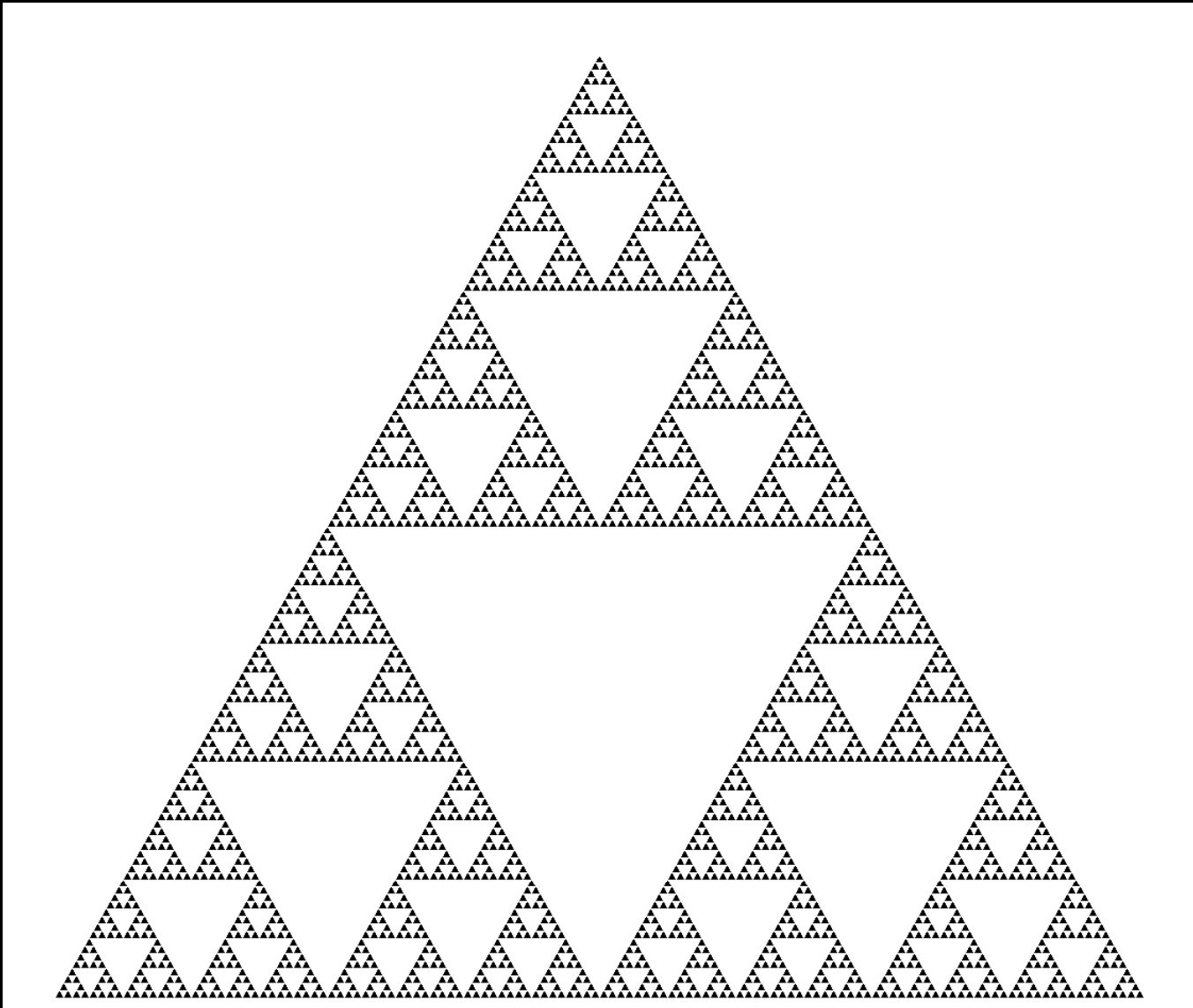
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Al-Karaji Squares

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	1		3	+2	3		1			= 9
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Pascal Mod 2

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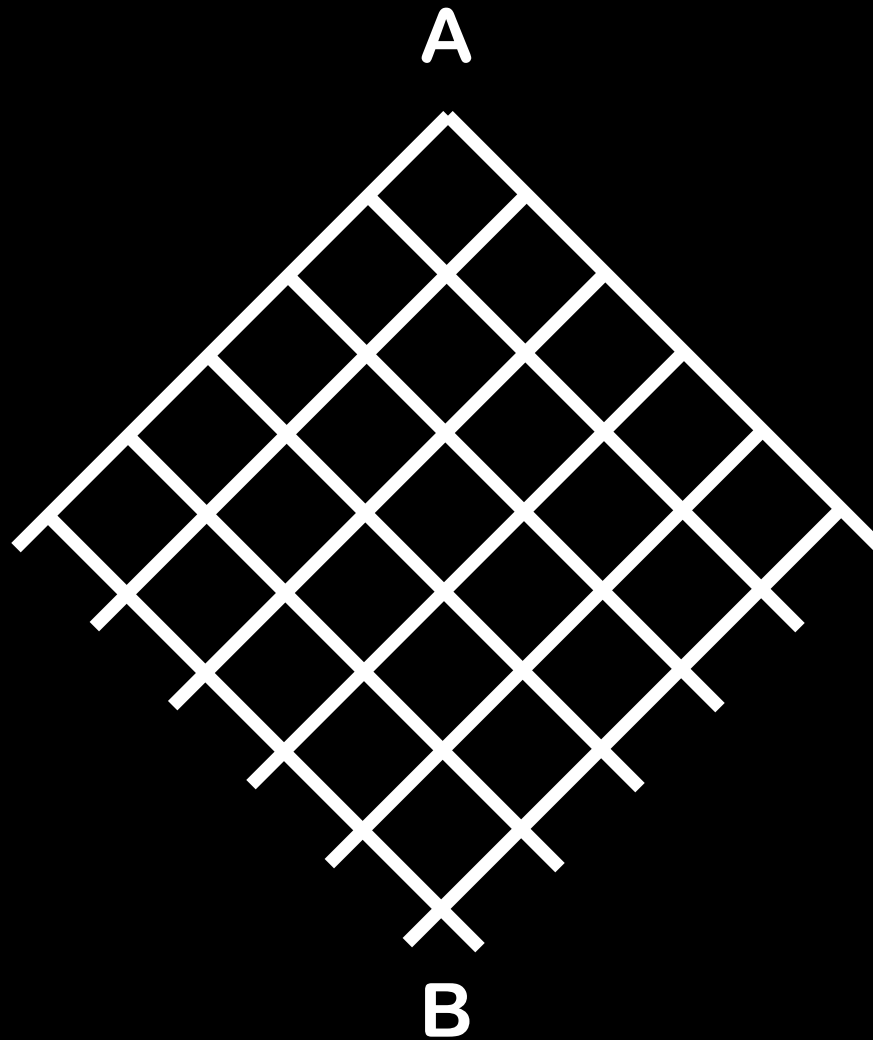




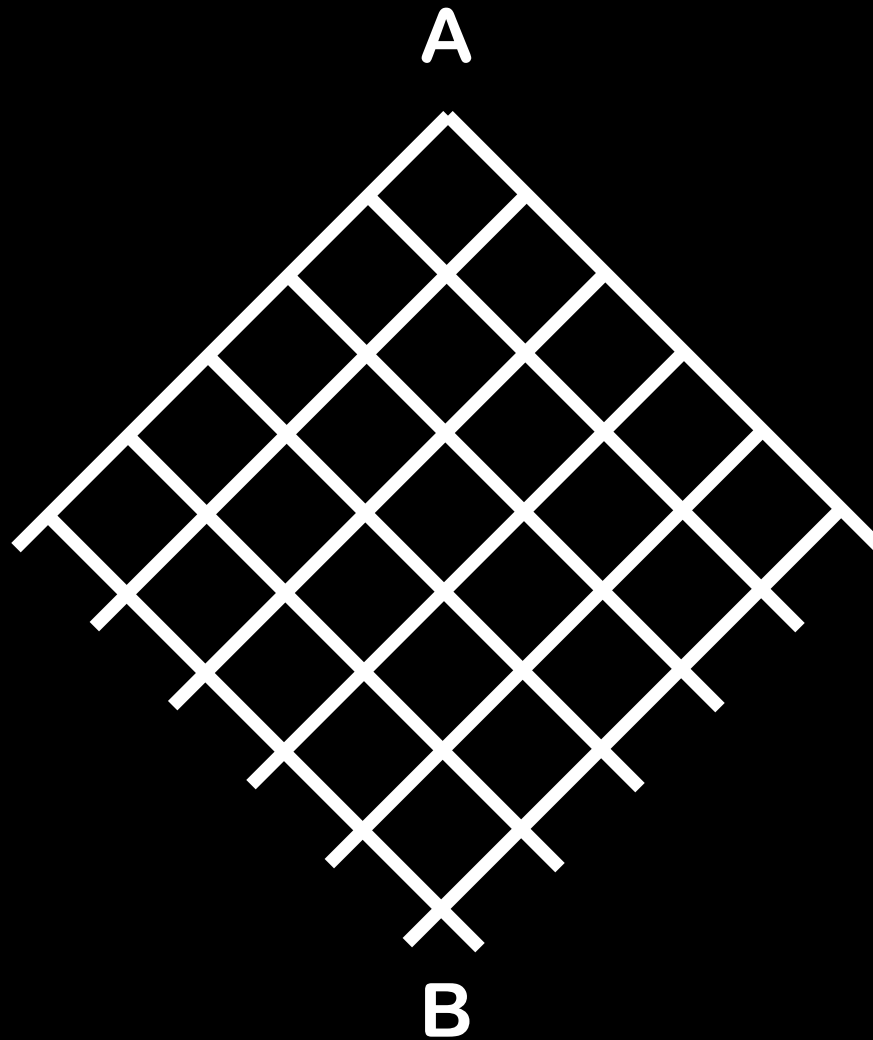
All these properties can
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will give combinatorial
proofs using the

**Manhattan block walking
representation of
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How many shortest routes from A to B?

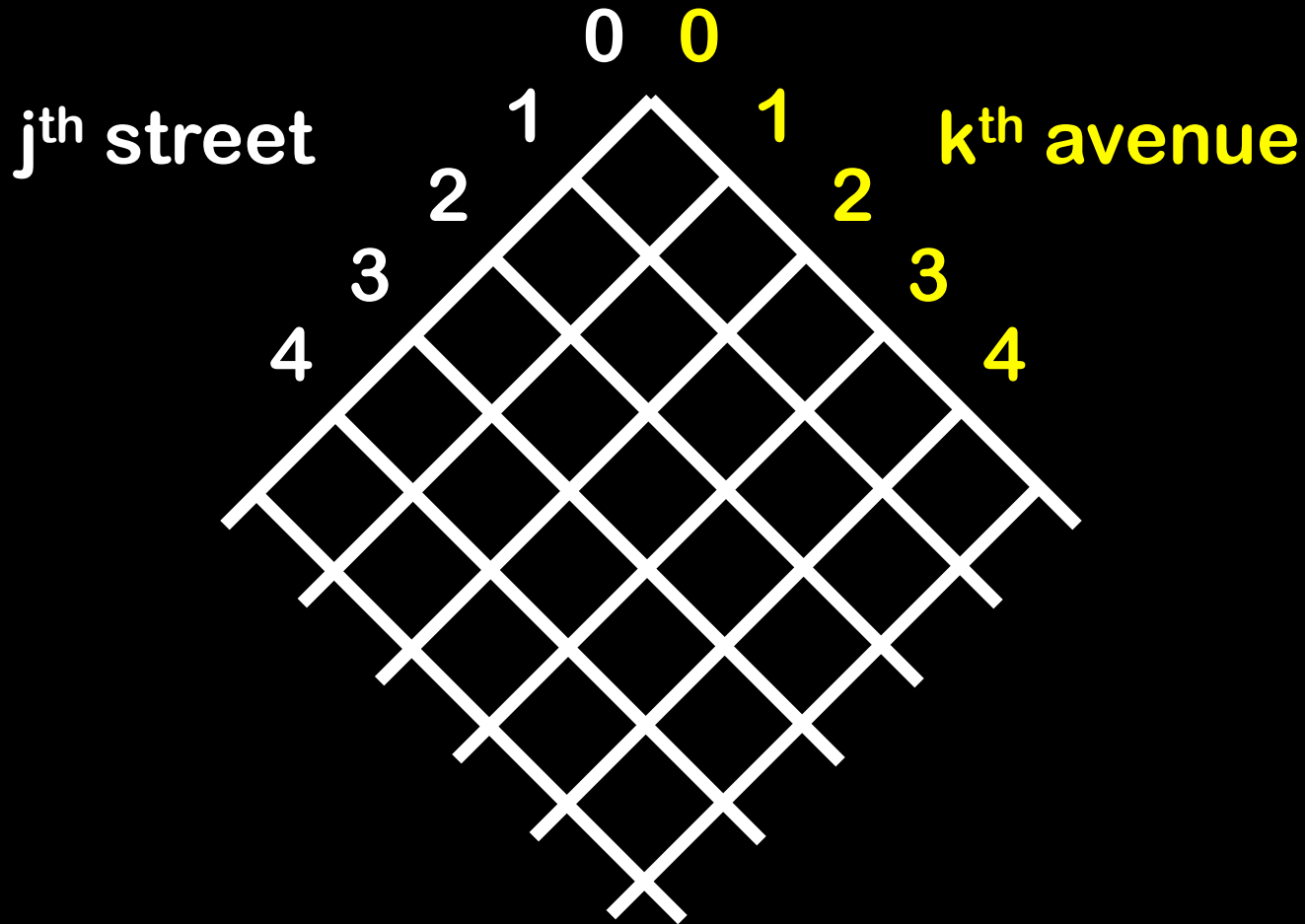


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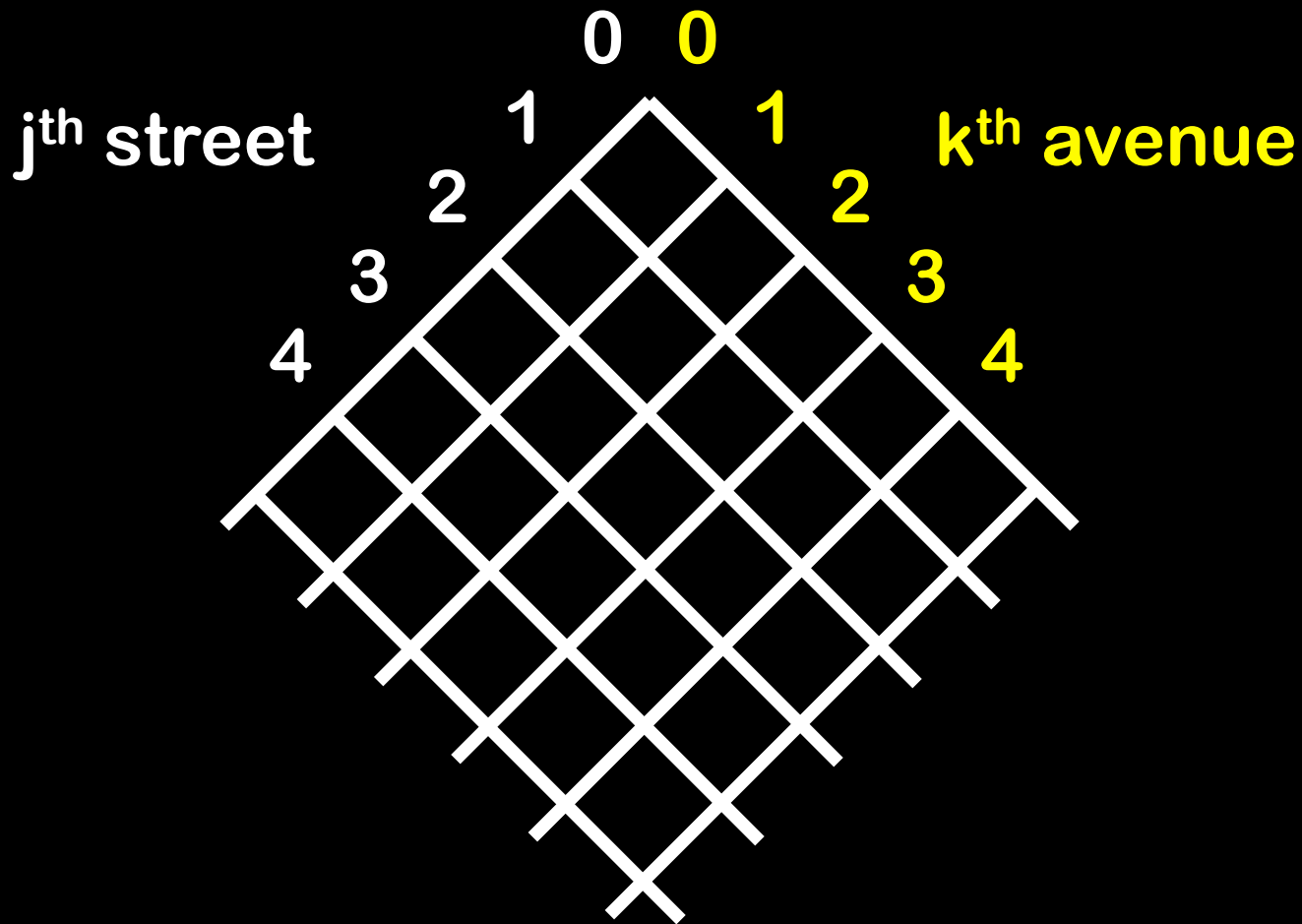
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Manhattan



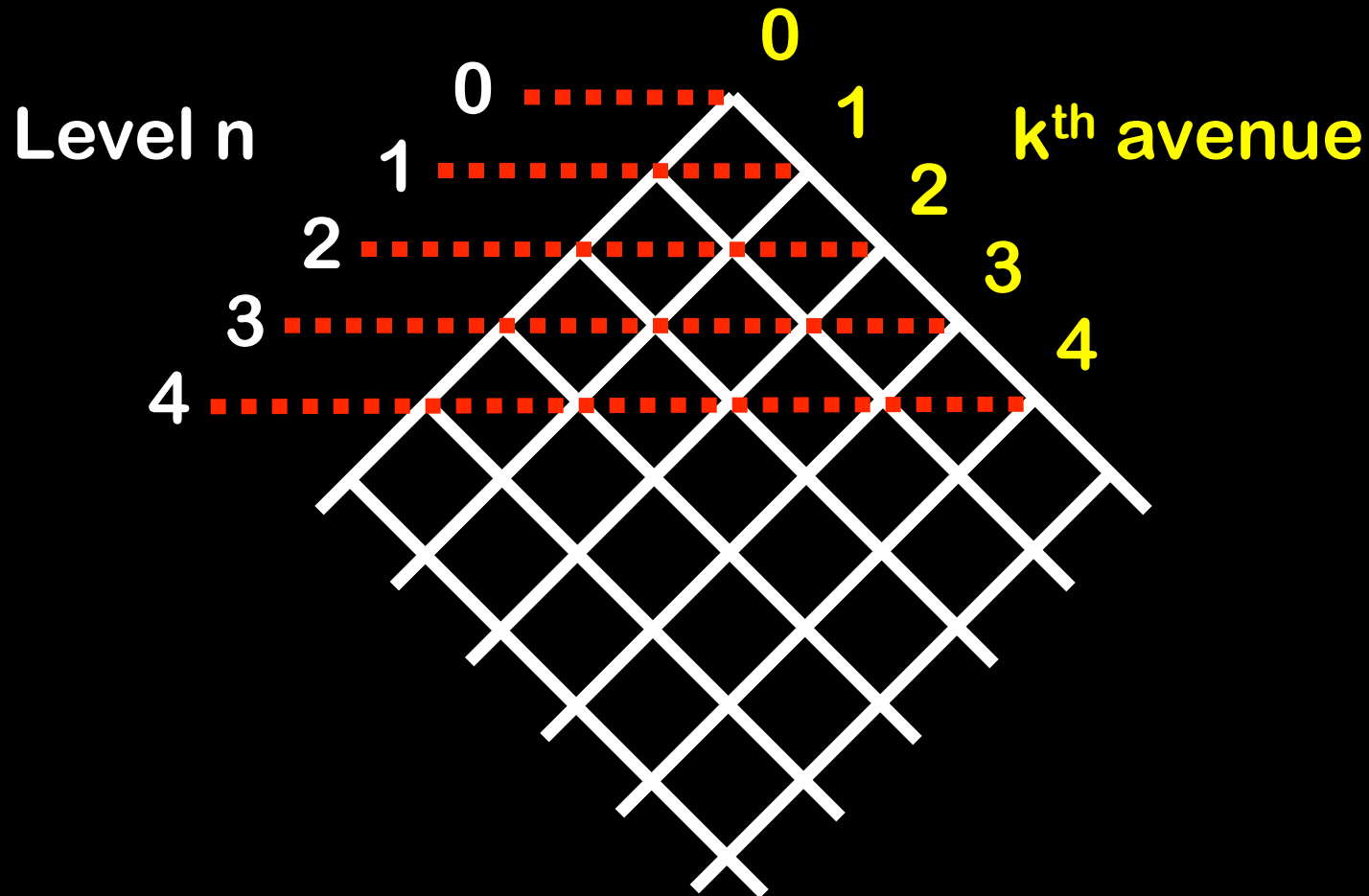
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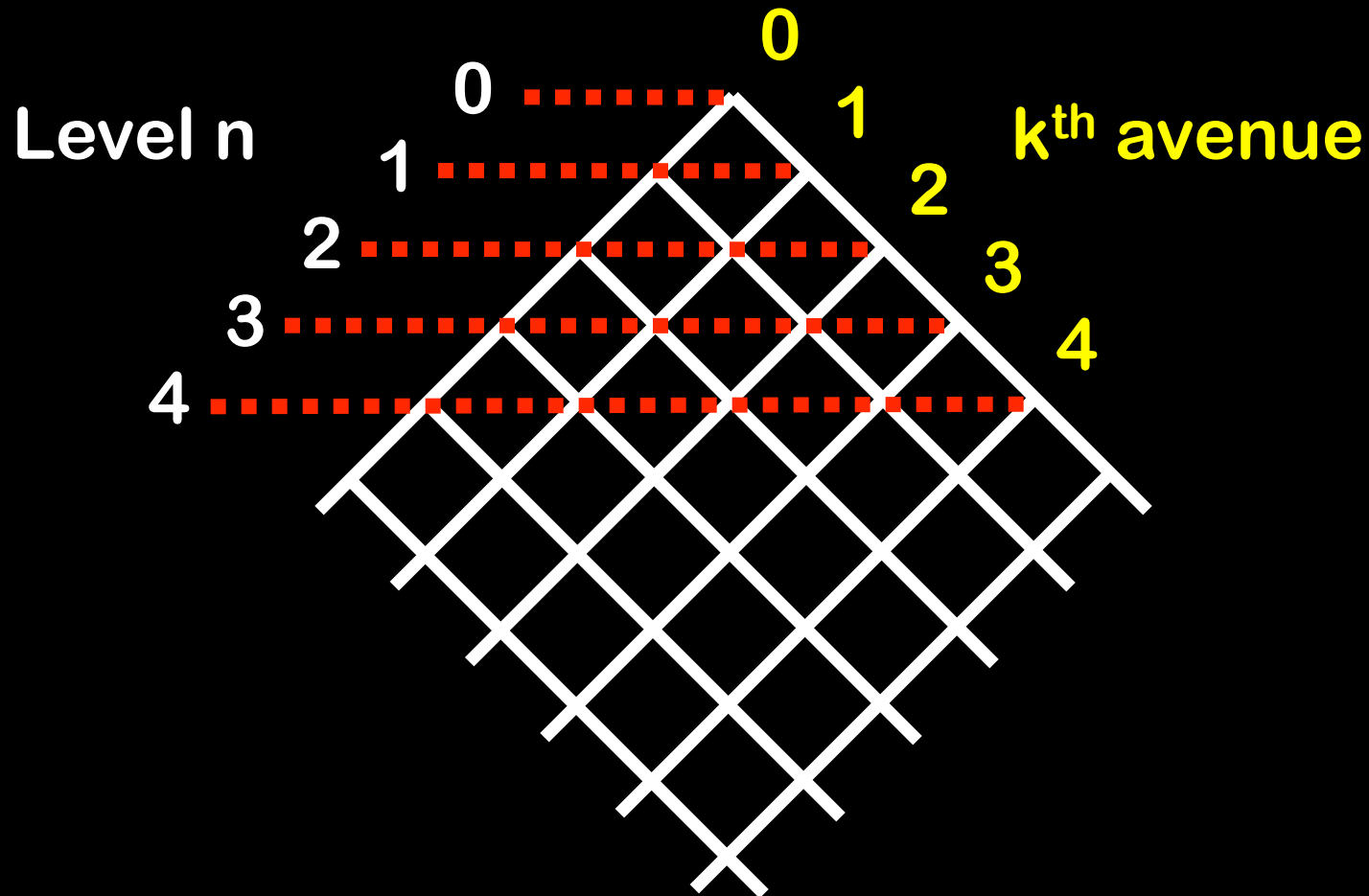
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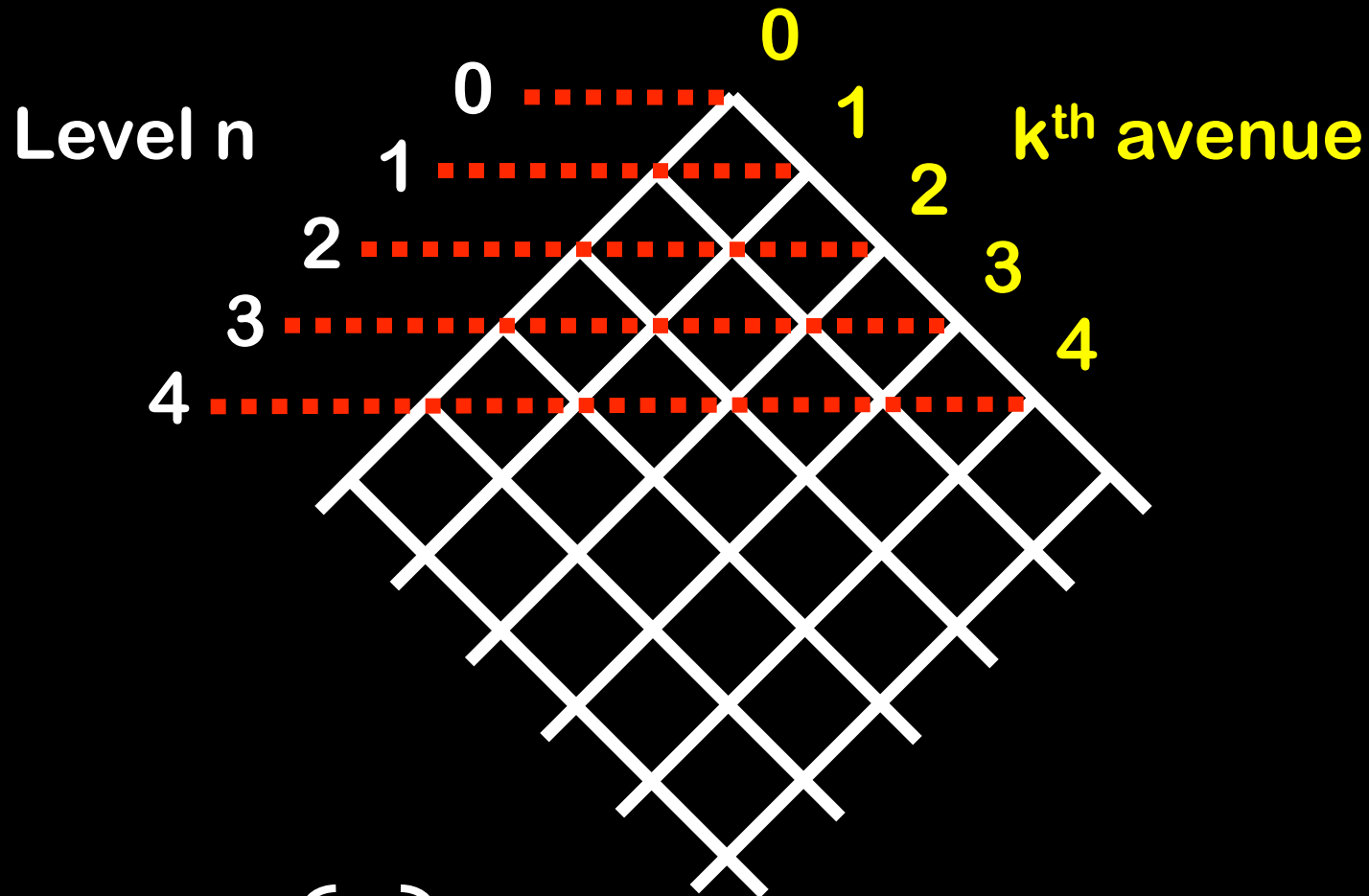
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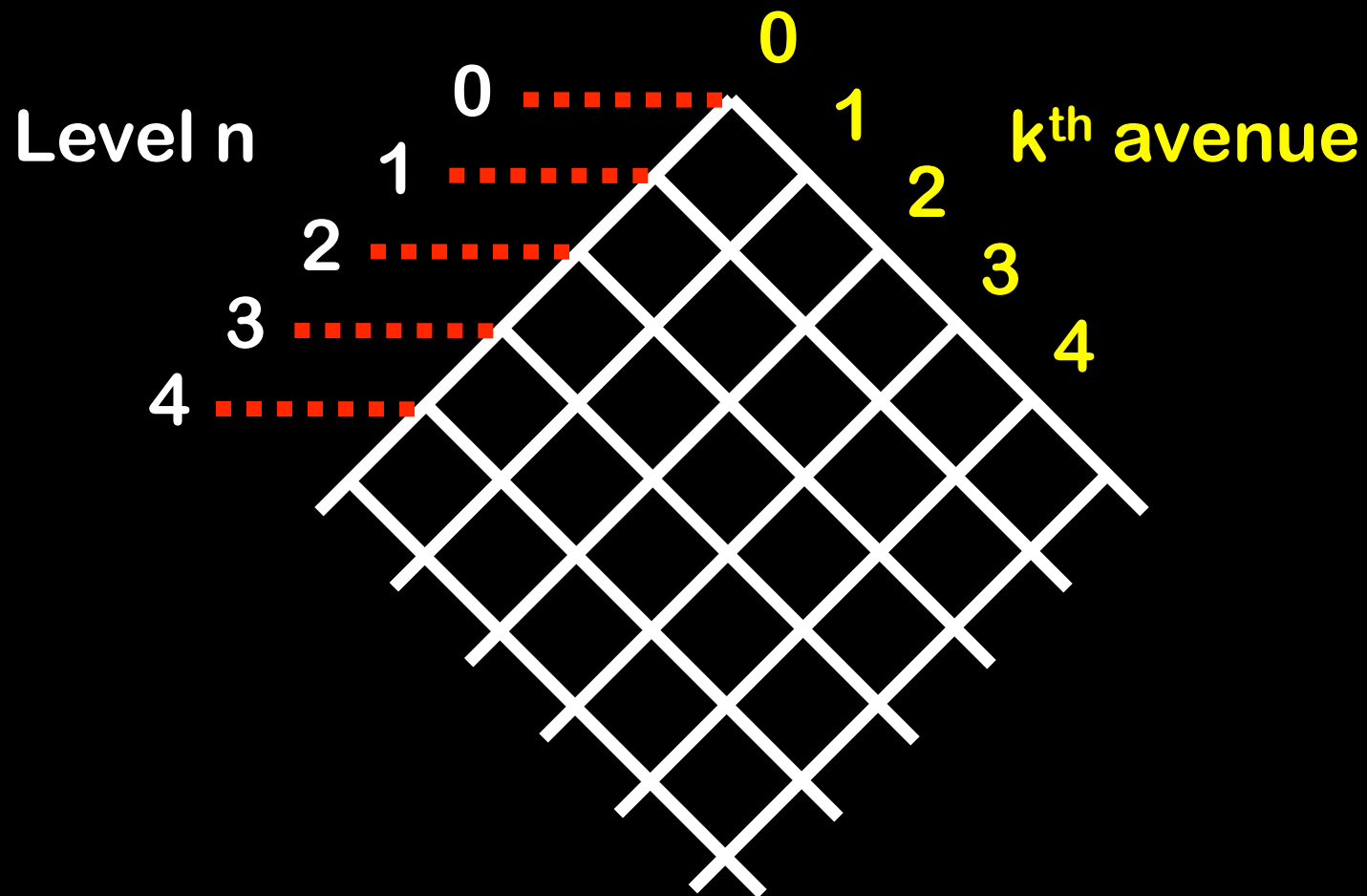


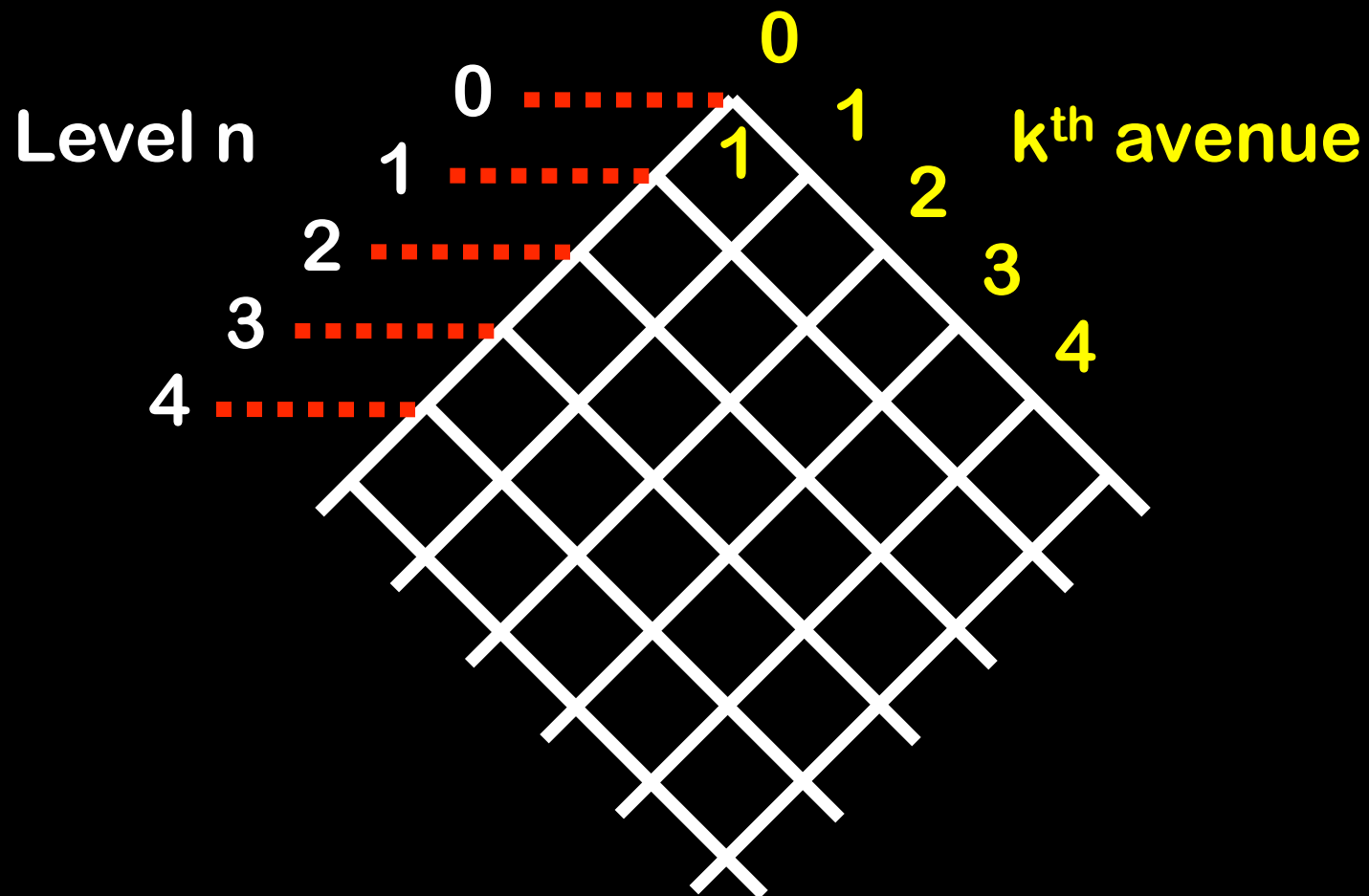
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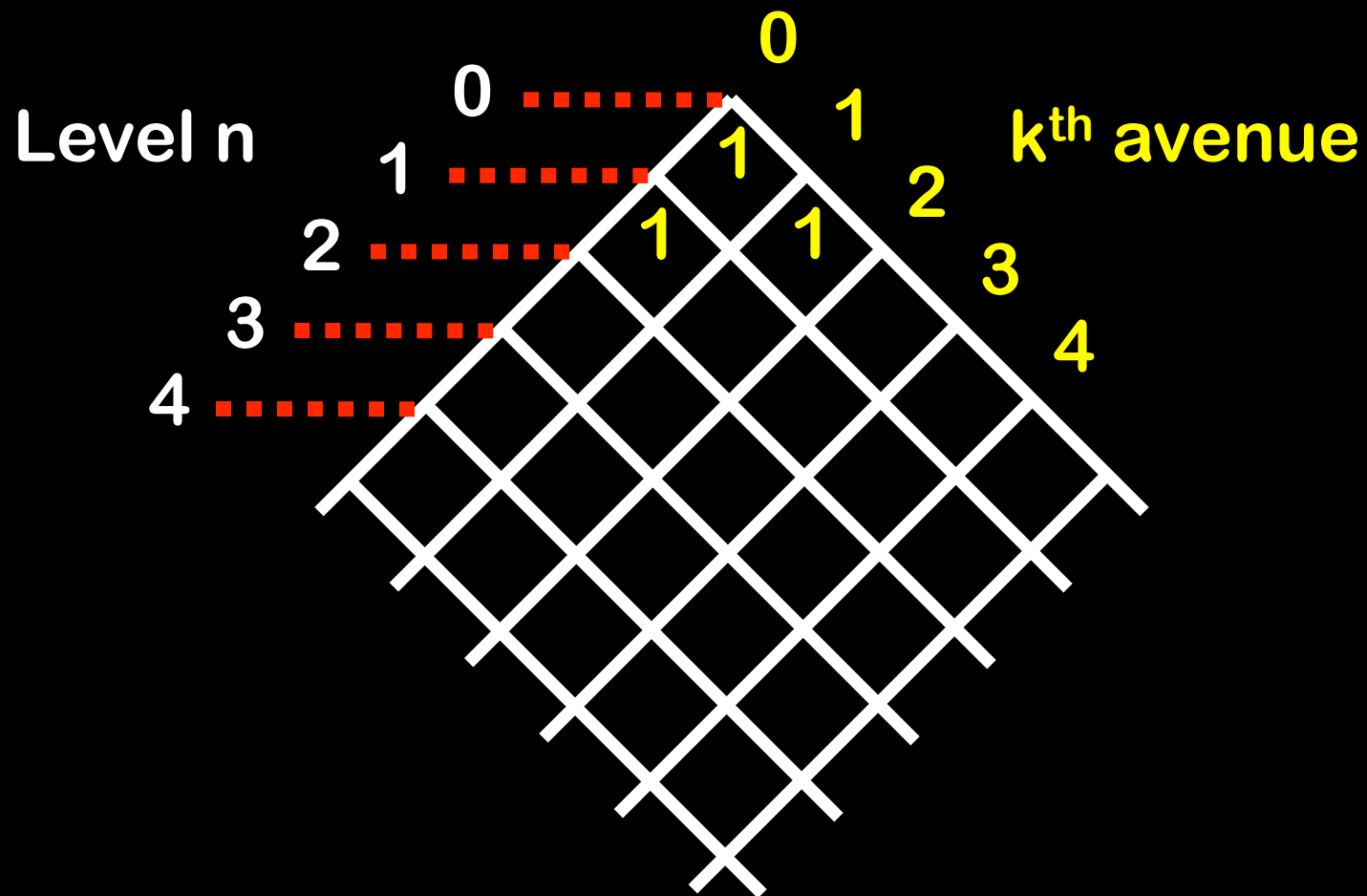
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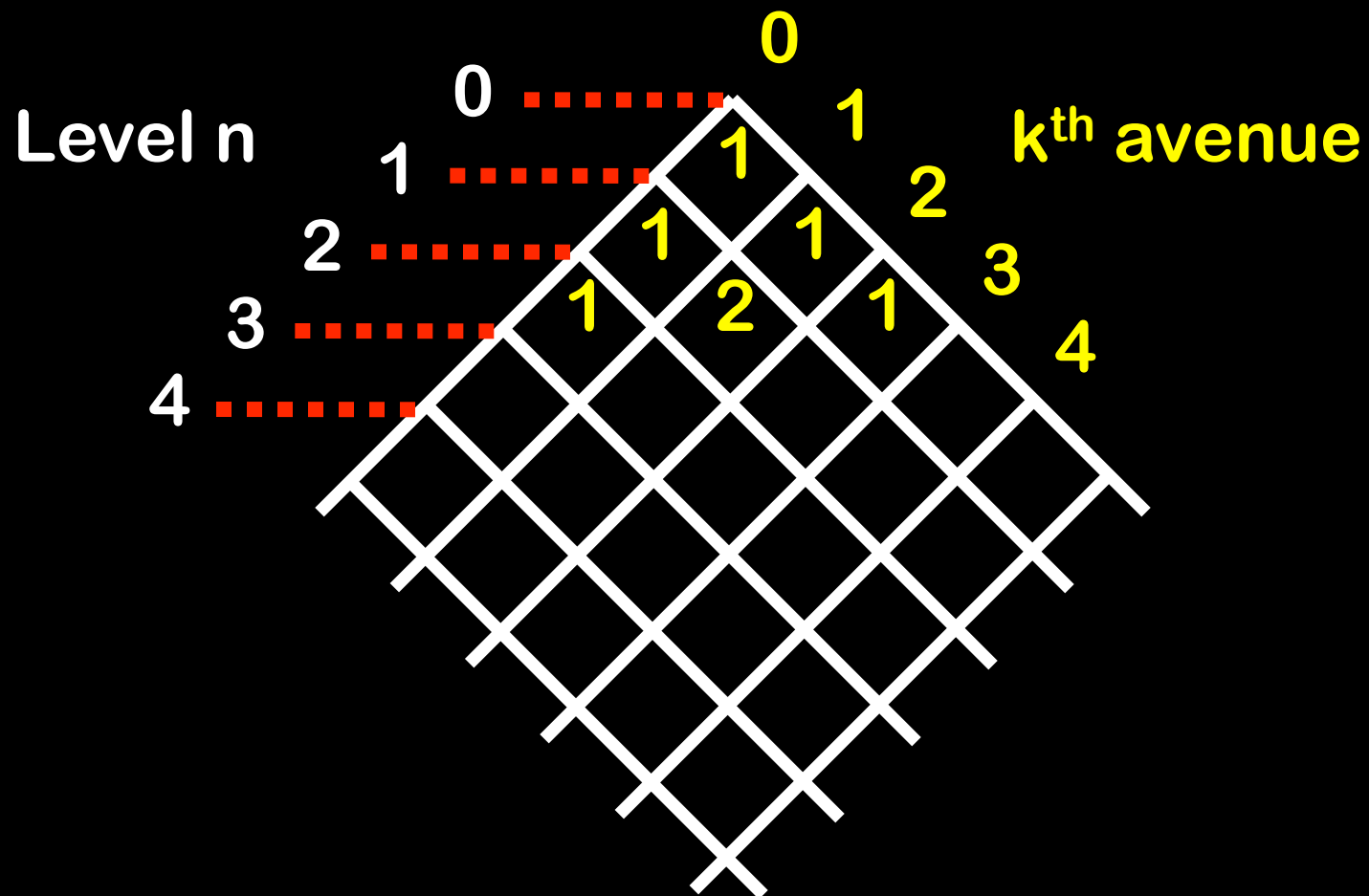


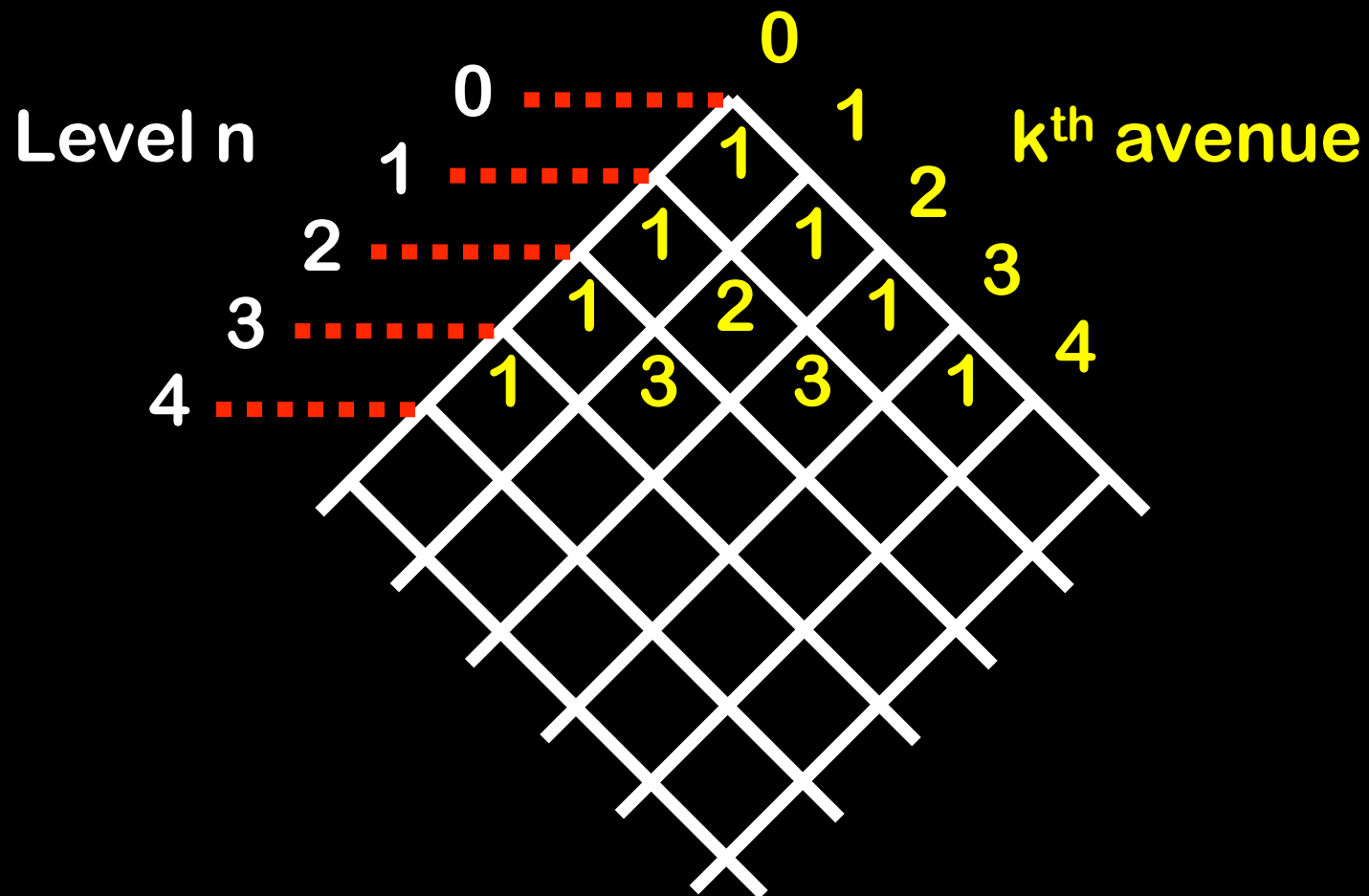
There are $\binom{n}{k}$ shortest routes from (0,0) to level n and k^{th} avenue

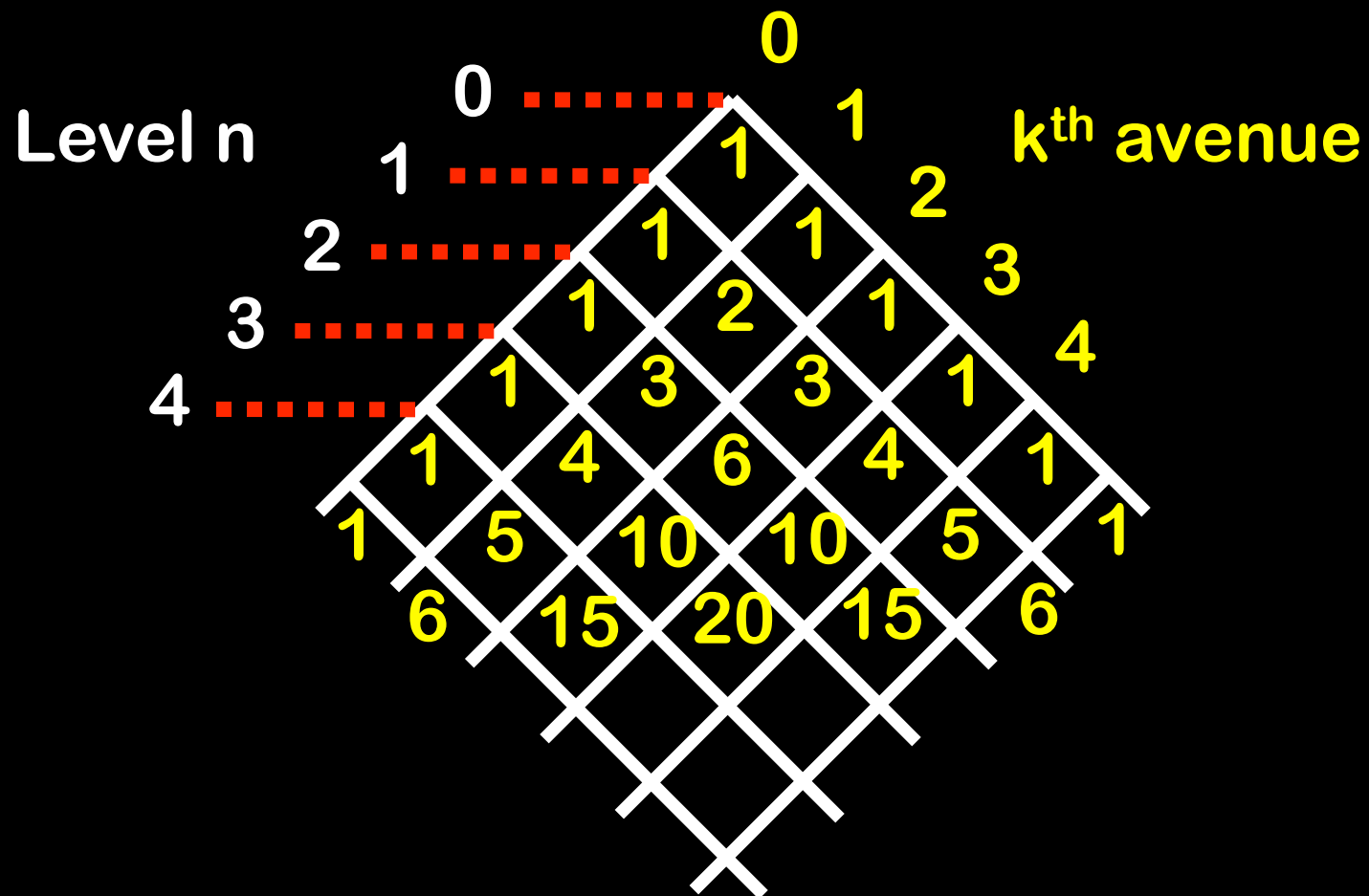


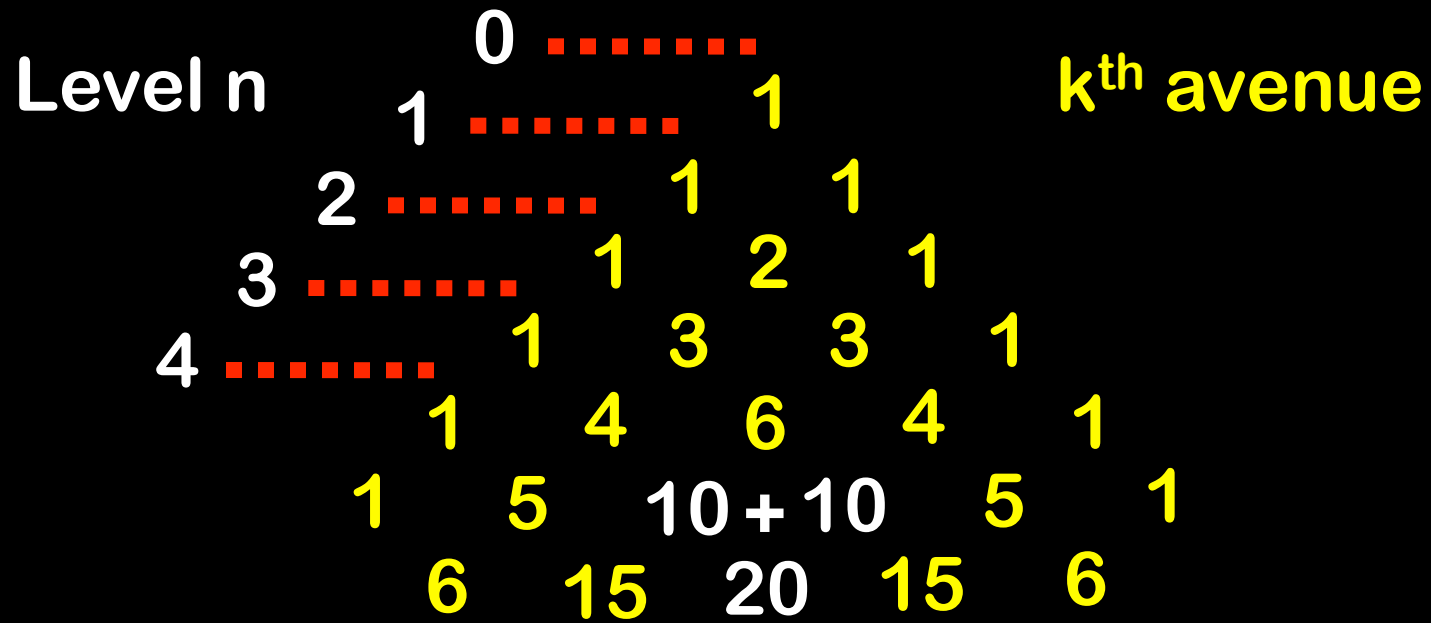


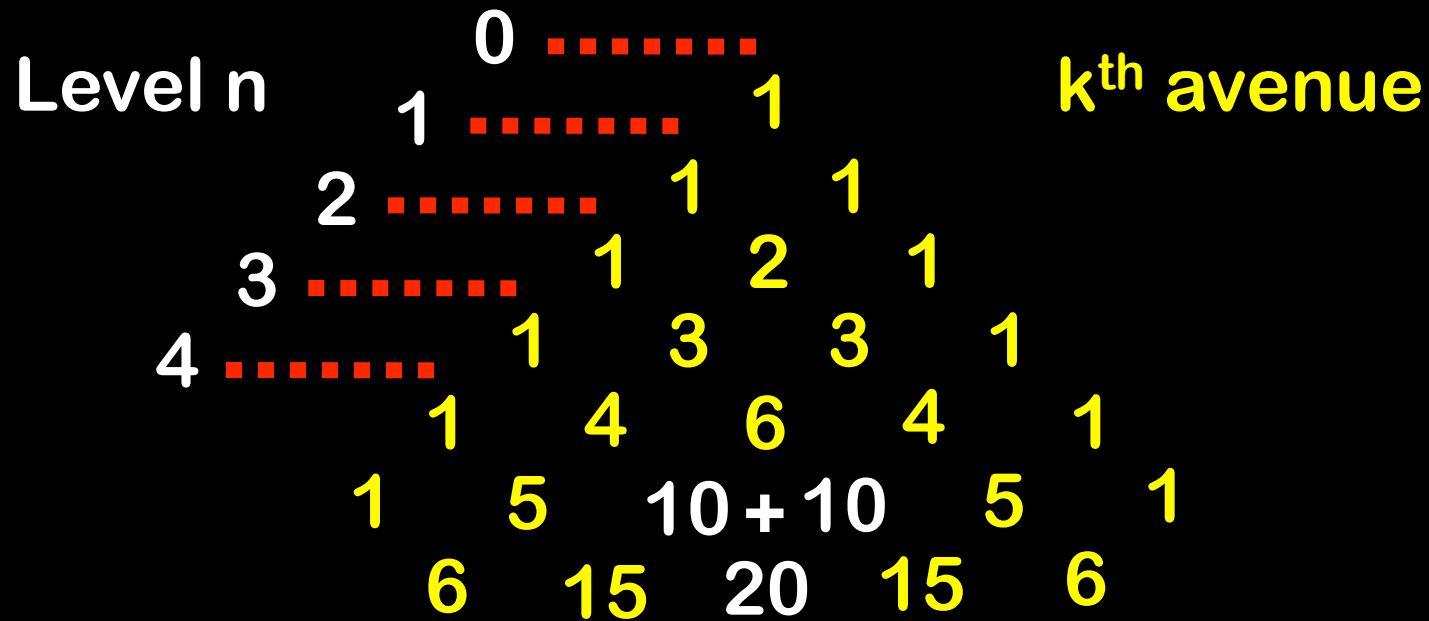




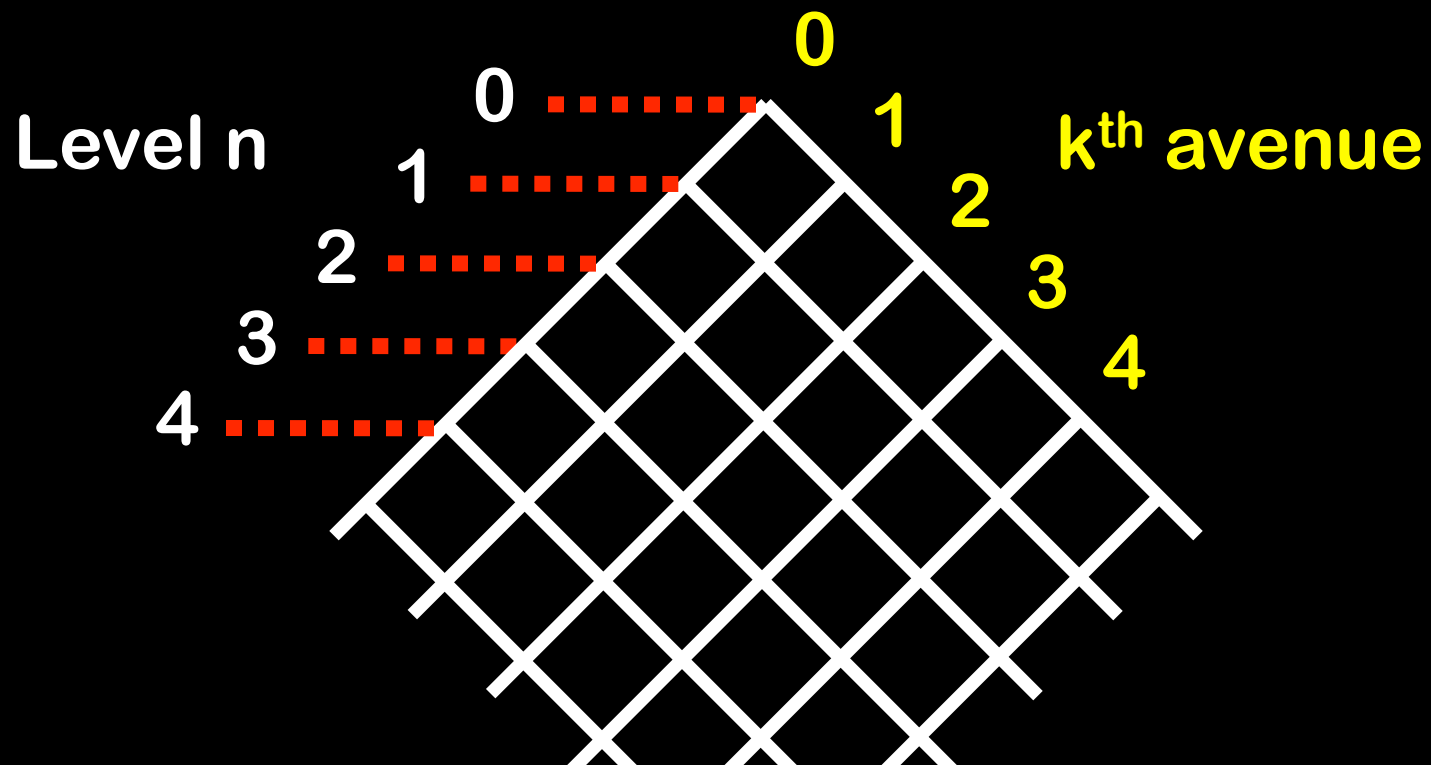




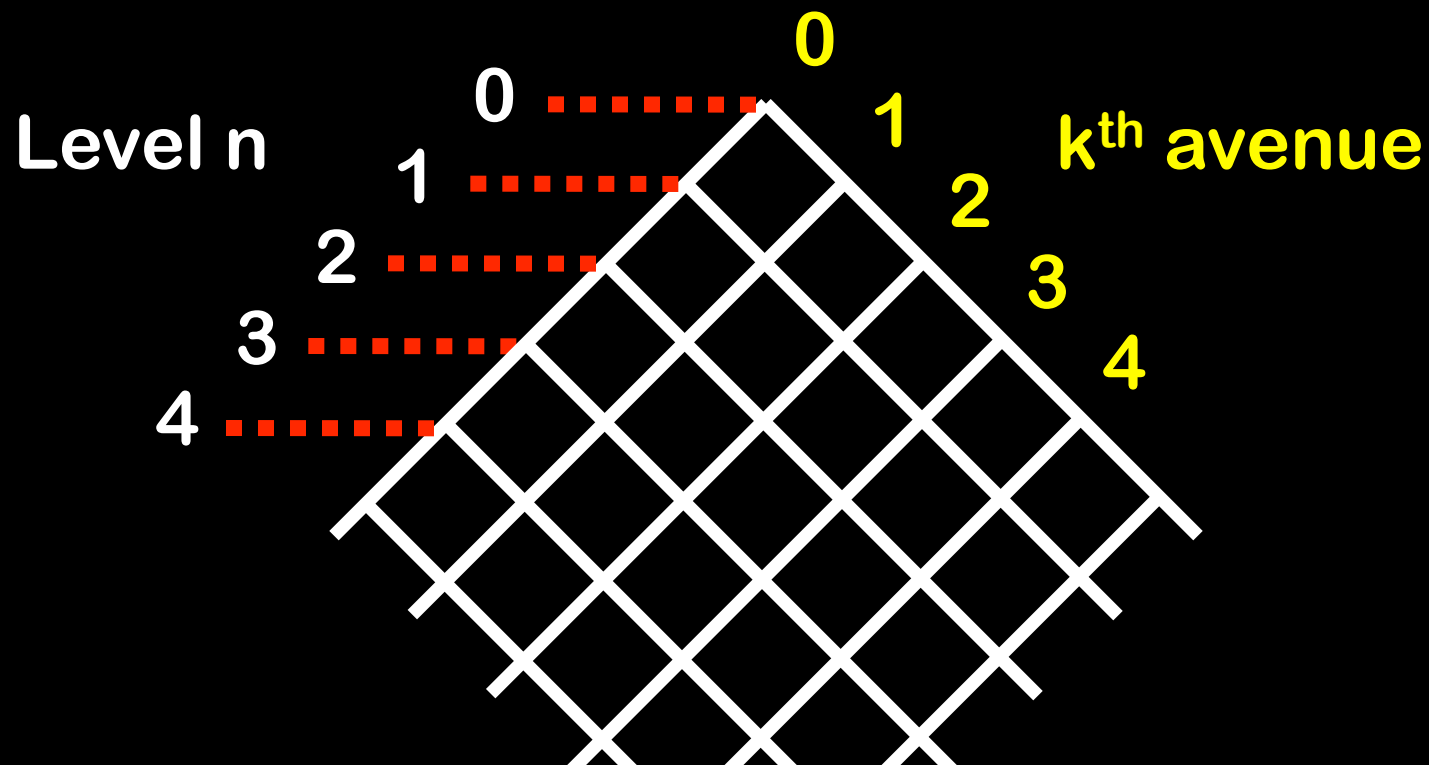




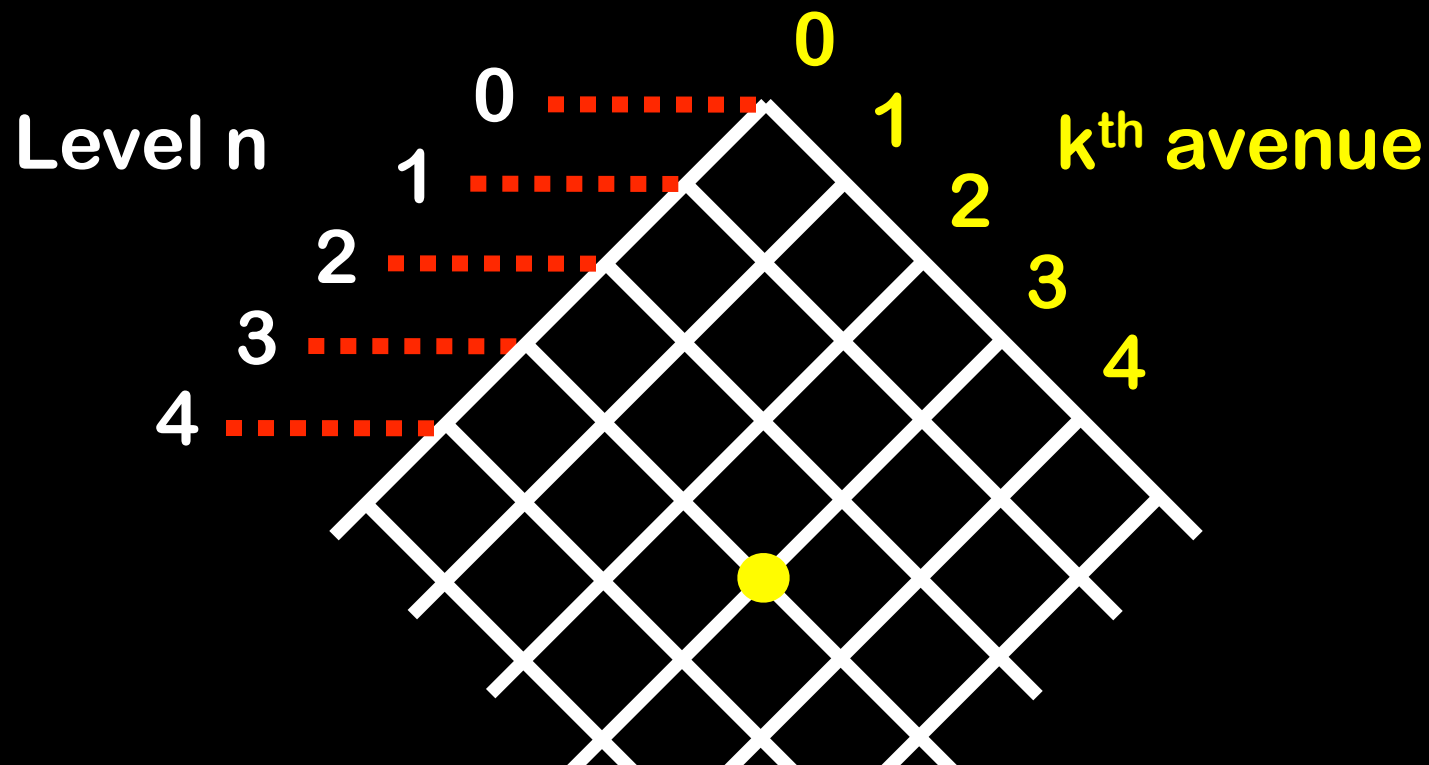
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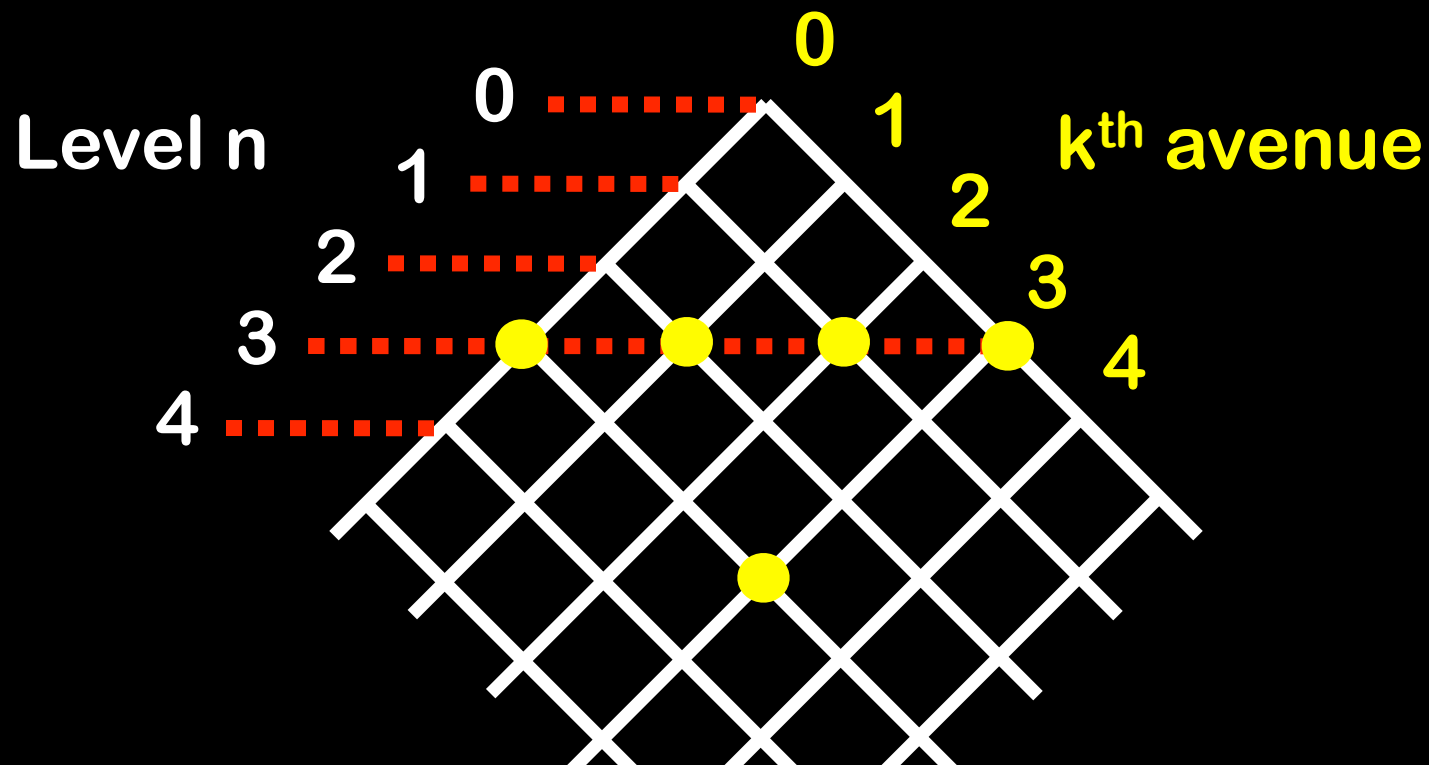
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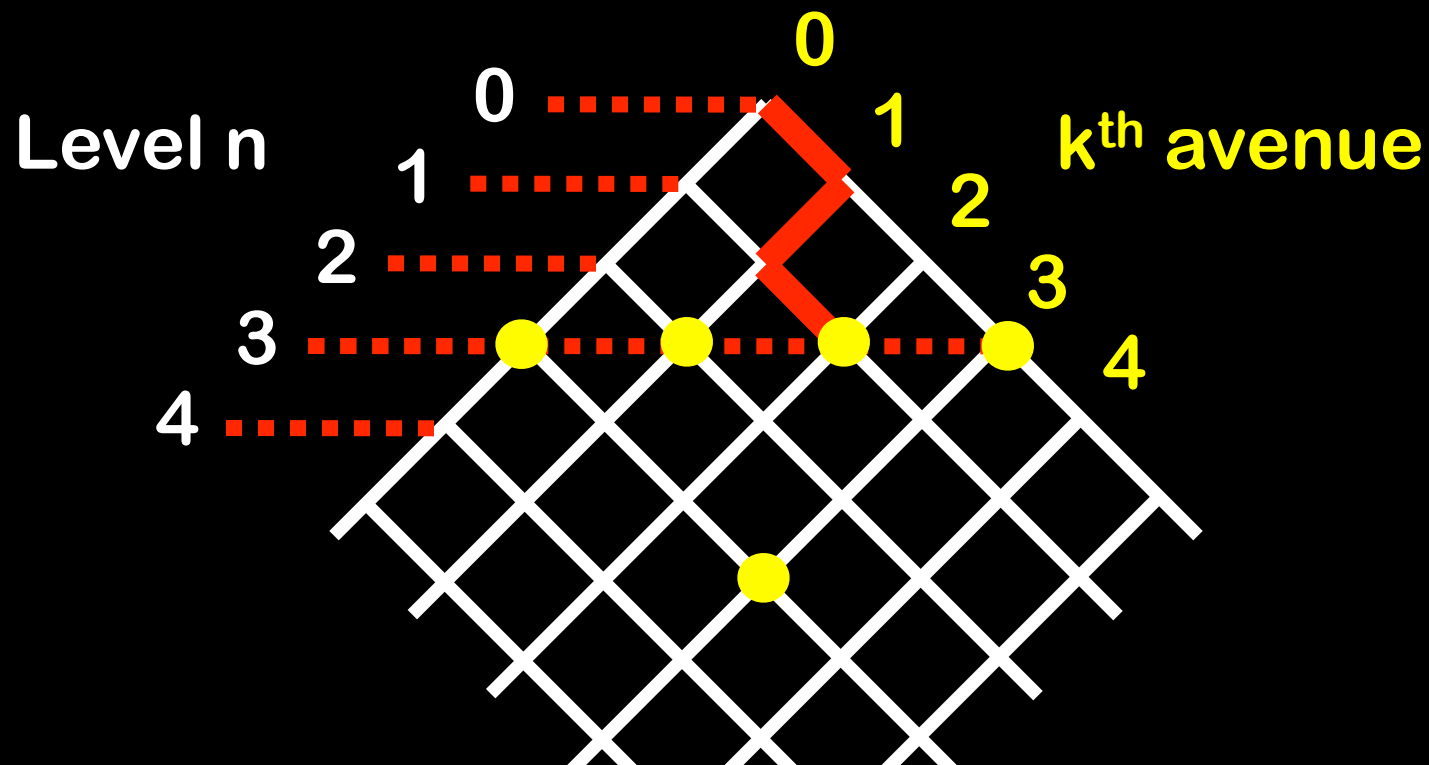
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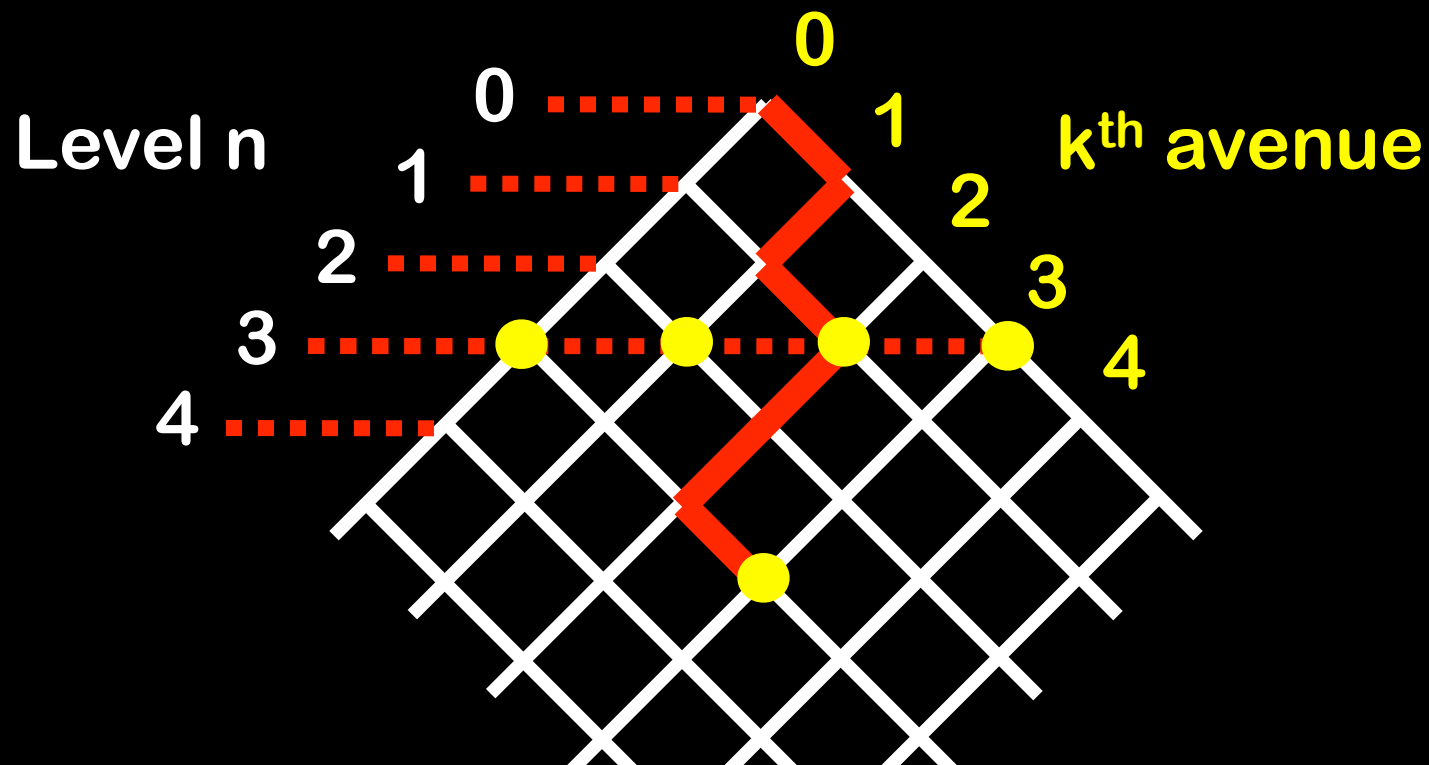
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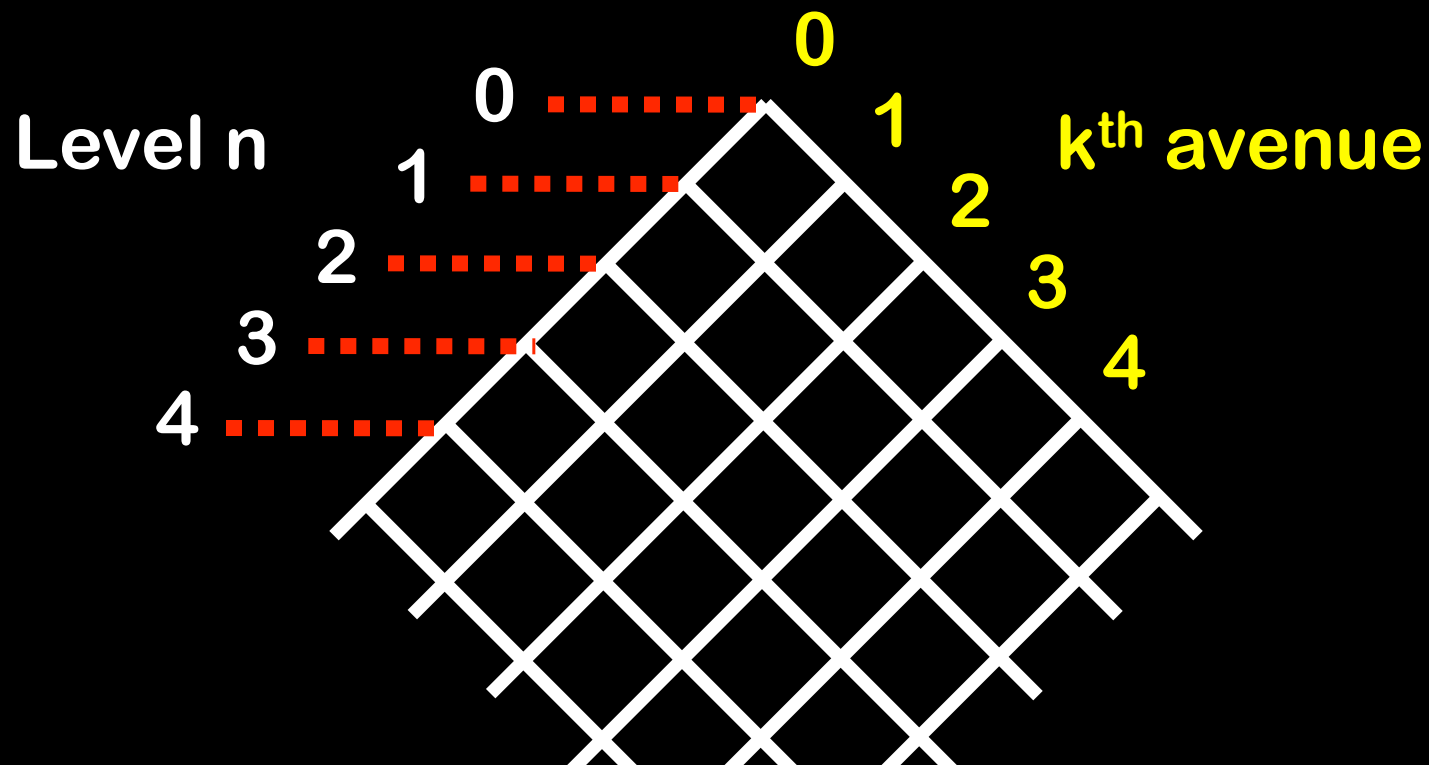
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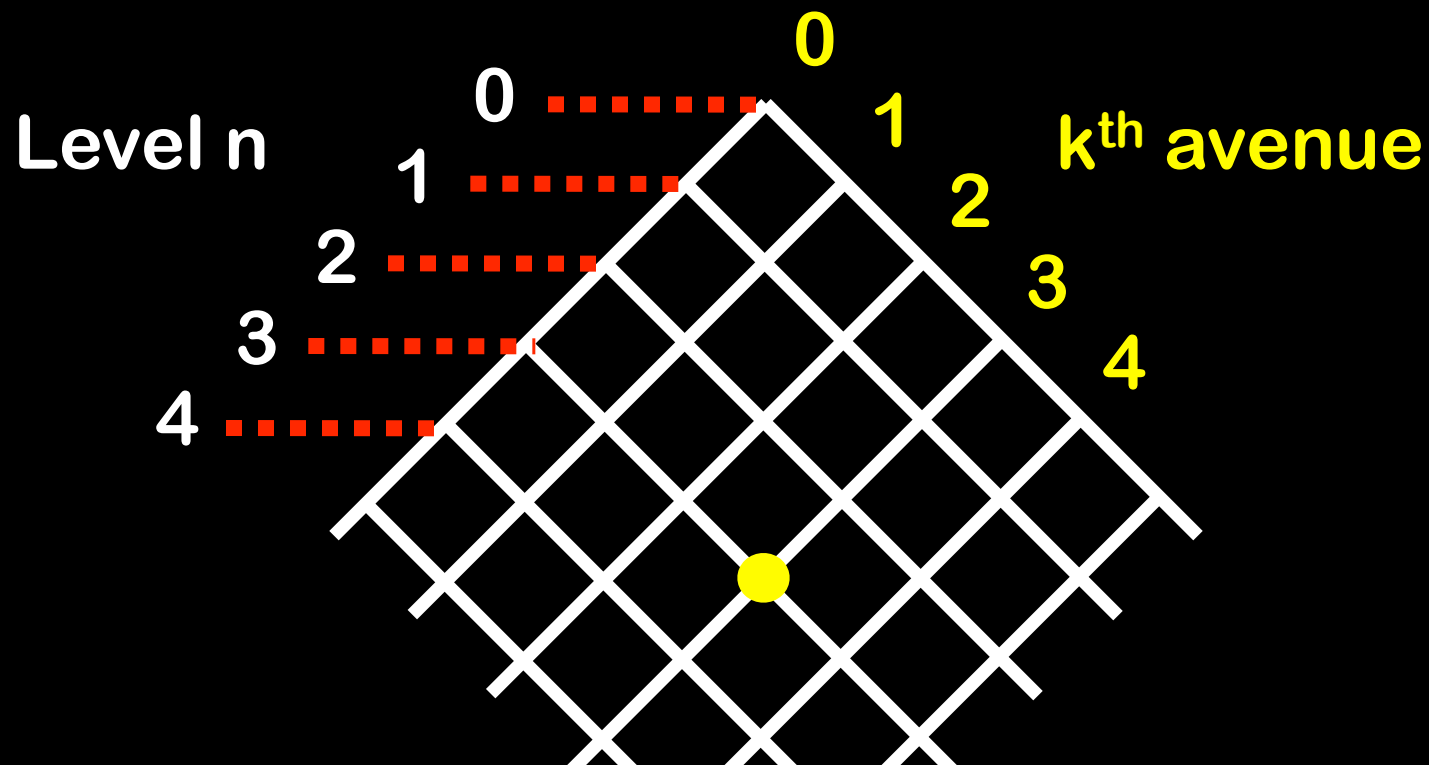
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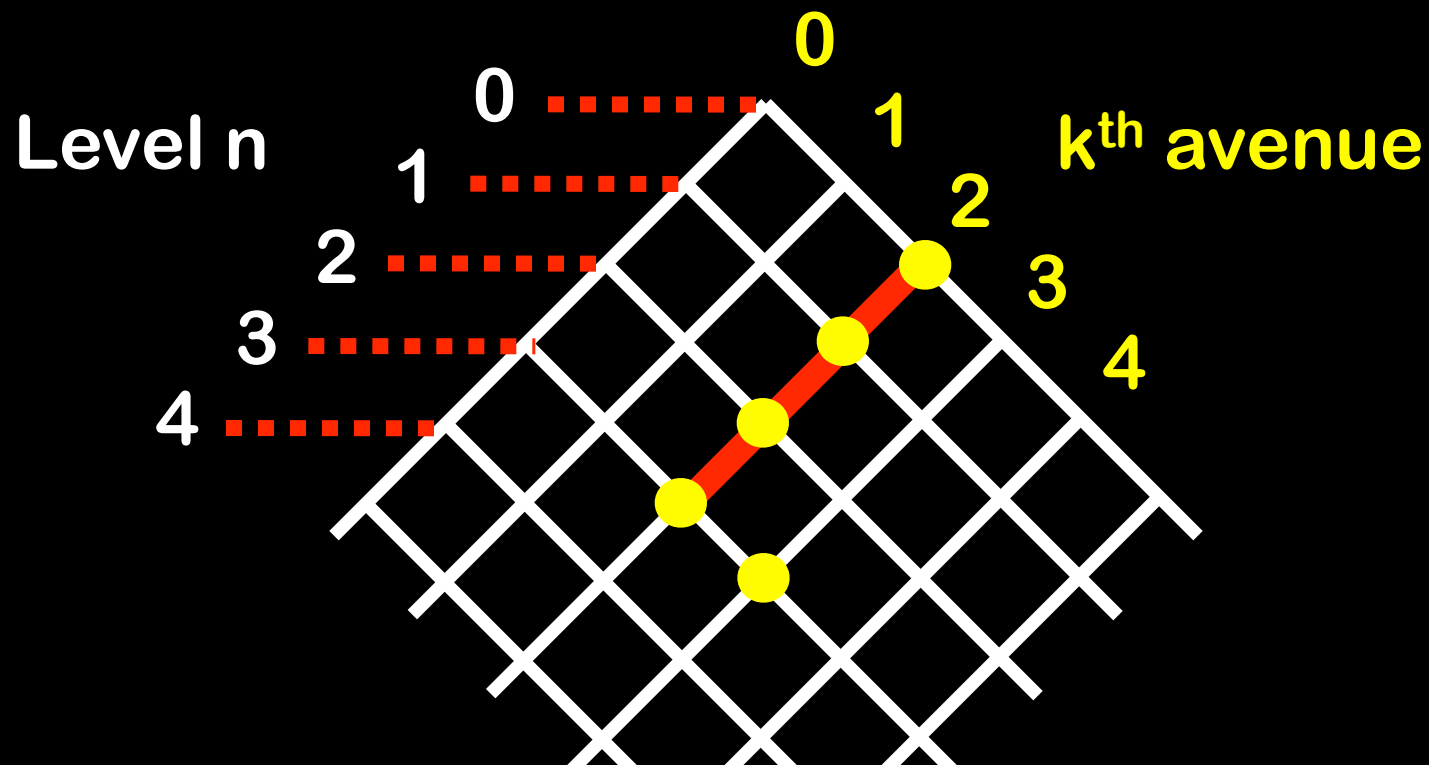
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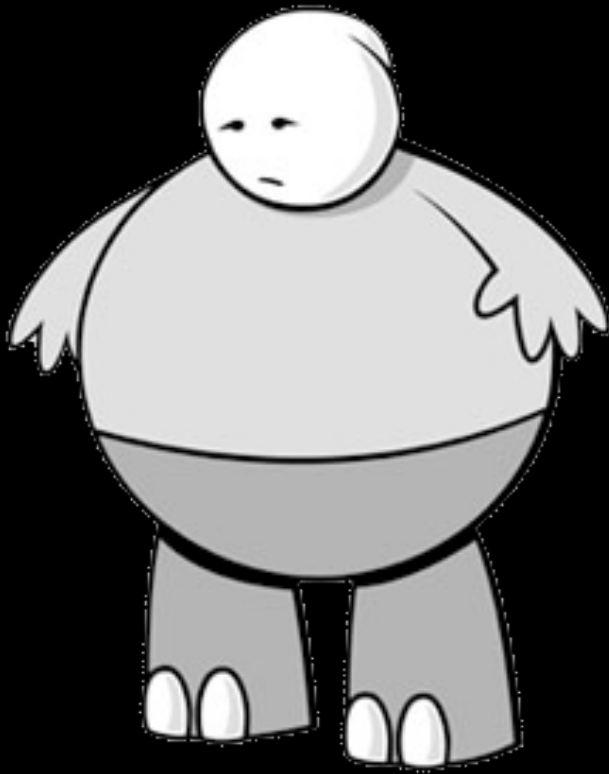


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Handout on generating functions



Here's What
You Need to
Know...

- Polynomials count
- Binomial formula
- Combinatorial proofs of binomial identities
- Basic generating functionology