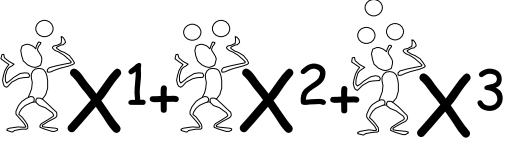


Great Theoretical Ideas In Computer Science		
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Counting III: Pigeonhole principal,
Pascal's Triangle and more




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Application:
two people in Pitt must have the same number of hairs on their heads

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Proof:
Consider $s_i = x_1 + \dots + x_i$ modulo n .
Remainders are either zero or $\{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$.
Exist $s_i = s_k \pmod{n}$. Take $s_i - s_k$

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Proof.

Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n+1}\}$ be a set of $n+1$ integers

$$x_k = 2^{r(k)} \cdot y_k$$

where y_k is odd.

Pigeonhole Principle

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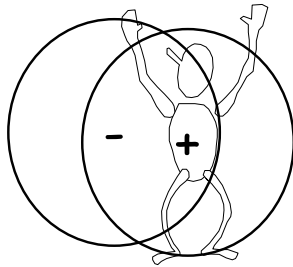
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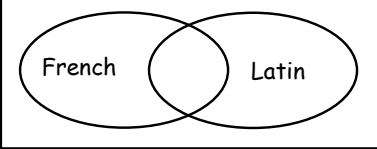
The set $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$ has n odd integers.

Therefore, exist $y_k = y_i$.

To Exclude Or Not To Exclude?



1. A school has 100 students. 50 take French, 40 take Latin, and 20 take both. How many students take neither language?
2. How many positive integers less than 70 are relatively prime to 70? ($70 = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7$)

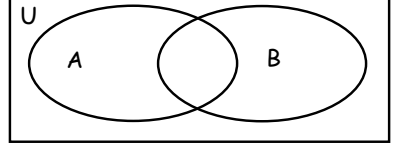


$F \equiv$ French students
 $L \equiv$ Latin students
 $|F| = 50 \quad |L| = 40$

French AND Latin students:
 $|F \cap L| = 20$

French OR Latin students:
 $|F \cup L| = |F| + |L| - |F \cap L|$
 $= 50 + 40 - 20 = 70$

Neither language:
 $100 - 70 = \boxed{30}$



$U \equiv$ universe of elements

$\bar{A} = U - A$
 $\bar{B} = U - B$

Lesson:

$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$

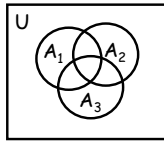
$|\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}| = |U| - (|A| + |B|) + |A \cap B|$

2. How many positive integers less than 70 are relatively prime to 70?

$$70 = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \quad U = [1..70]$$

$A_1 \equiv$ integers in U divisible by 2
 $A_2 \equiv$ integers in U divisible by 5
 $A_3 \equiv$ integers in U divisible by 7

$$|A_1| = 35 \quad |A_2| = 14 \quad |A_3| = 10$$



$$|A_1 \cap A_2| = 7$$

$$|A_2 \cap A_3| = 2$$

$$|A_1 \cap A_3| = 5$$

$$|A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3| = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3| &= [|A_1| + |A_2| + |A_3|] \\ &\quad - [|A_1 \cap A_2| + |A_2 \cap A_3| + |A_1 \cap A_3|] \\ &\quad + [|A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3|] \end{aligned}$$

$$|A_1| + |A_2| + |A_3| = 35 + 14 + 10 = 59$$

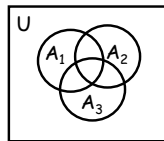
$$|A_1 \cap A_2| + |A_2 \cap A_3| + |A_1 \cap A_3| = 7 + 2 + 5 = 14$$

$$|A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3| = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{A}_1 \cap \bar{A}_2 \cap \bar{A}_3| &= |U| - |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3| \\ &= 70 - 59 + 14 - 1 \\ &= 24 \end{aligned}$$

Lesson:

Let S_k be the sum of the sizes of All k -tuple intersections of the A_i 's.



$$S_1 = |A_1| + |A_2| + |A_3|$$

$$S_2 = |A_1 \cap A_2| + |A_2 \cap A_3| + |A_1 \cap A_3|$$

$$S_3 = |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3|$$

$$|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3| = S_1 - S_2 + S_3$$

$$|\bar{A}_1 \cap \bar{A}_2 \cap \bar{A}_3| = |U| - S_1 + S_2 - S_3$$

The Principle of Inclusion and Exclusion

Let $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ be sets in a universe U . Let S_k denote the sum of size of all k -tuple intersections of A_i 's.

$$\begin{aligned} |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup \dots \cup A_n| &= \\ S_1 - S_2 + S_3 - S_4 + S_5 - \dots + (-1)^{n-1} S_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{A}_1 \cap \bar{A}_2 \cap \bar{A}_3 \cap \dots \cap \bar{A}_n| &= \\ |U| - S_1 + S_2 - S_3 + S_4 - S_5 + \dots + (-1)^n S_n \end{aligned}$$

$$|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n| = S_1 - S_2 + S_3 - S_4 + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} S_n$$

Let $x \in A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_n$ be an element appearing in m of the A_i 's.

x gets counted m times by S_1

" " " $\binom{m}{2}$ times by S_2

" " " $\binom{m}{3}$ times by S_3

" " " $\binom{m}{n}$ times by S_n

The formula counts x

$$m - \binom{m}{2} + \binom{m}{3} - \binom{m}{4} + \dots + (-1)^{m-1} \binom{m}{m} =$$

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The formula counts x

$$m - \binom{m}{2} + \binom{m}{3} - \binom{m}{4} + \binom{m}{5} - \dots + (-1)^{m-1} \binom{m}{m} = 1 \text{ time.}$$

$$(1+x)^m = 1 + mx + \binom{m}{2} x^2 + \dots + \binom{m}{m} x^m \quad x = -1$$

$$1 = m - \binom{m}{2} + \binom{m}{3} - \binom{m}{4} + \dots$$

The Binomial Formula

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

One polynomial,
two representations

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

“Closed form” or
“Generating form”

“Power series” or
“Expanded form”

By playing these two representations against each other we obtain a new representation of a previous insight:

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

Let $x=1$.

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

The number of
subsets of an
 n -element set

By varying x , we can discover new identities

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

Let $x=-1$.

$$0 = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \cdot (-1)^k$$

Equivalently,

$$\sum_{k \text{ even}} \binom{n}{k} = \sum_{k \text{ odd}} \binom{n}{k} = 2^{n-1}$$

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Proofs that work by manipulating algebraic forms are called “algebraic” arguments. Proofs that build a 1-1 onto correspondence are called “combinatorial” arguments.

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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 gave an algebraic proof that

$$|O_n| = |E_n|$$

A Combinatorial Proof

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.

A combinatorial proof must construct a one-to-one correspondence between O_n and E_n

An attempt at a correspondence

Let f_n be the function that takes an n -bit string and flips all its bits.

f_n is clearly a one-to-one and onto function

...but do even n work? In f_6 we have

for odd n . E.g. in f_7 we have
 $0010011 \rightarrow 1101100$
 $1001101 \rightarrow 0110010$

$110011 \rightarrow 001100$
 $101010 \rightarrow 010101$

Uh oh...

A correspondence that works for all n

Let f_n be the function that takes an n -bit string and flips only *the first bit*.
 For example,

$0010011 \rightarrow 1010011$
 $1001101 \rightarrow 0001101$

$110011 \rightarrow 010011$
 $101010 \rightarrow 001010$



Problem. Consider all words of length n made from $\{a,b,c,d\}$.

How many such words have an even number of a's?



Pascal's Triangle

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



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

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

$$\begin{aligned}(1+X)^0 &= 1 \\ (1+X)^1 &= 1 + 1X \\ (1+X)^2 &= 1 + 2X + 1X^2 \\ (1+X)^3 &= 1 + 3X + 3X^2 + 1X^3 \\ (1+X)^4 &= 1 + 4X + 6X^2 + 4X^3 + 1X^4\end{aligned}$$

k^{th} Row Of Pascal's Triangle:

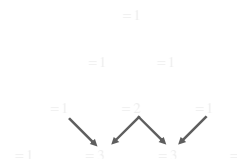
$$\binom{n}{0} \binom{n}{1} \binom{n}{2} \dots \binom{n}{k} \dots \binom{n}{n}$$

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Inductive definition of k^{th} entry of n^{th} row:
 $\text{Pascal}(n,0) = \text{Pascal}(n,n) = 1$;
 $\text{Pascal}(n,k) = \text{Pascal}(n-1,k-1) + \text{Pascal}(n-1,k)$

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"Pascal's Triangle"



Blaise Pascal 1654

Pascal's Triangle

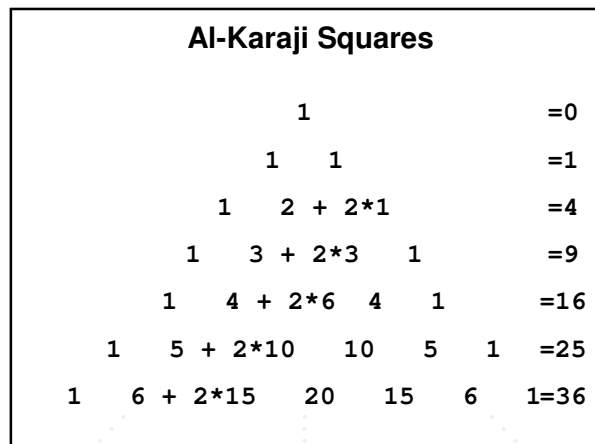
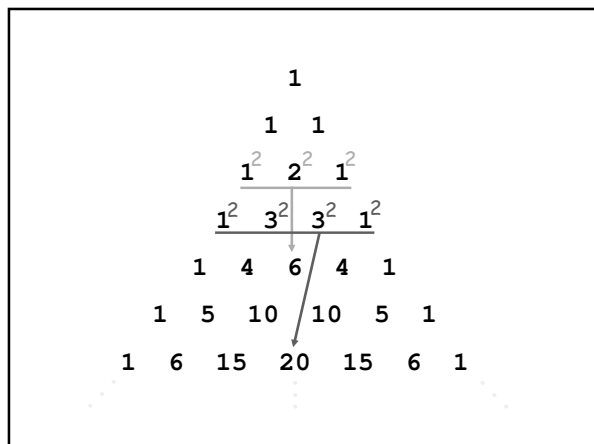
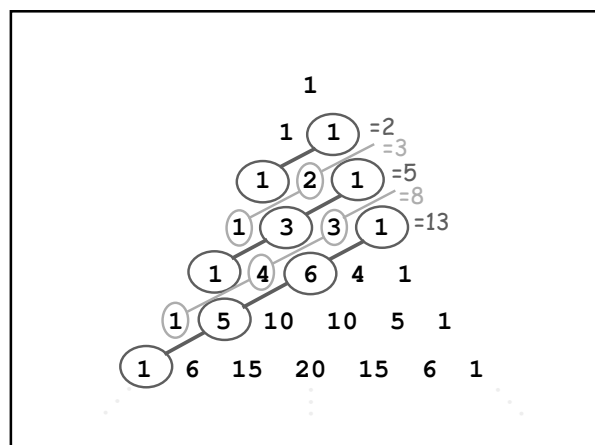
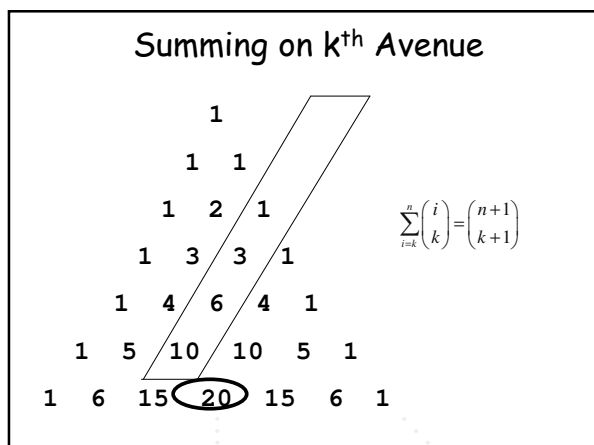
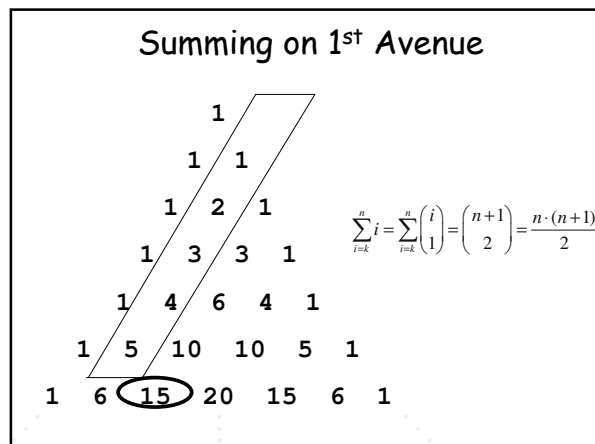
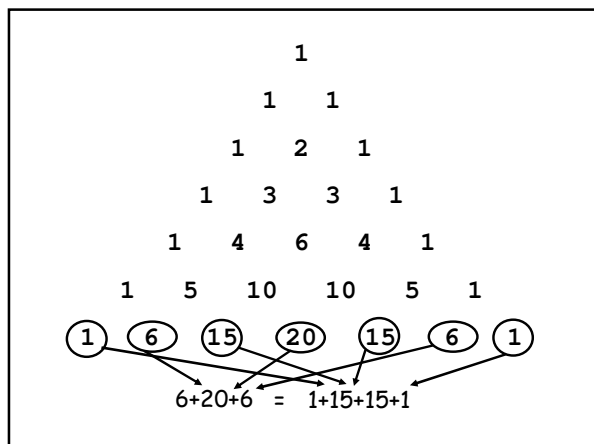


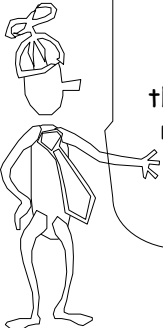
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"It is extraordinary
how fertile in
properties the
triangle is.
Everyone can
try his
hand."

Summing The Rows

$$\begin{aligned}2^n &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \\ 1 &= 1 \\ 1 + 1 &= 2 \\ 1 + 2 + 1 &= 4 \\ 1 + 3 + 3 + 1 &= 8 \\ 1 + 4 + 6 + 4 + 1 &= 16 \\ 1 + 5 + 10 + 10 + 5 + 1 &= 32 \\ 1 + 6 + 15 + 20 + 15 + 6 + 1 &= 64\end{aligned}$$



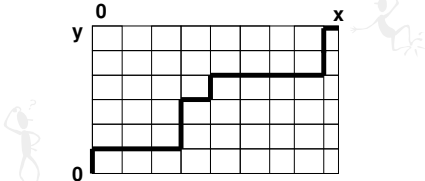


All these properties can be proved inductively and algebraically. We will give *combinatorial* proofs using the Manhattan block walking representation of binomial coefficients.

How to count pathways

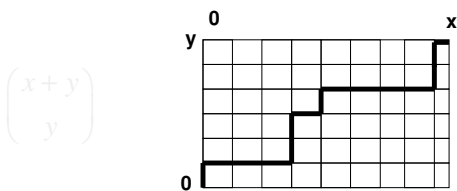
Meandering in a nameless modern metropolis

Scenario: You're in a city where all the streets, numbered 0 through x , run north-south, and all the avenues, numbered 0 through y , run east-west. How many [sensible] ways are there to walk from the corner of 0th St. and 0th avenue to the opposite corner of the city?



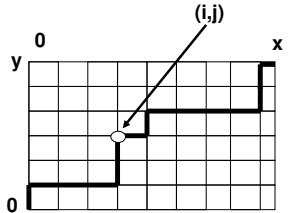
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- All paths require exactly $x+y$ steps:
- x steps east, y steps north
- Counting paths is the same as counting which of the $x+y$ steps are northward steps:



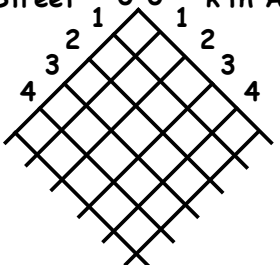
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Now, what if we add the constraint that the path must go through a certain intersection, call it (i,j) ?



Manhattan

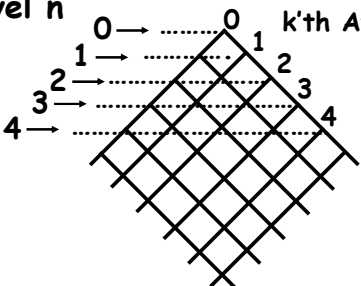
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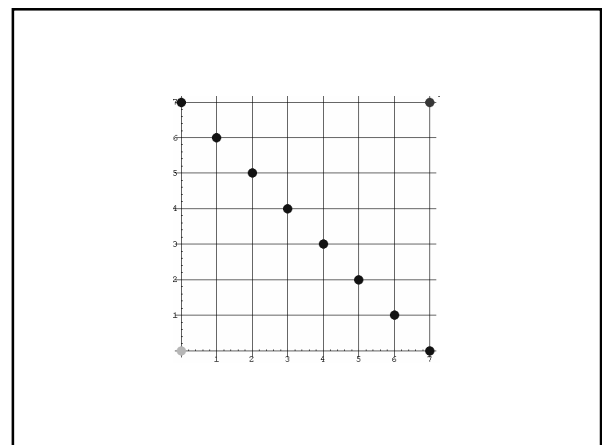
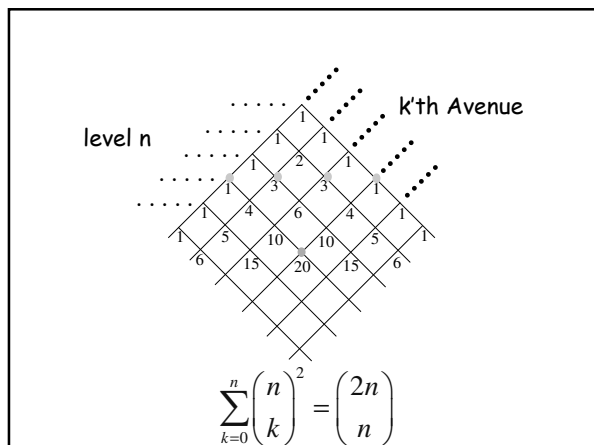
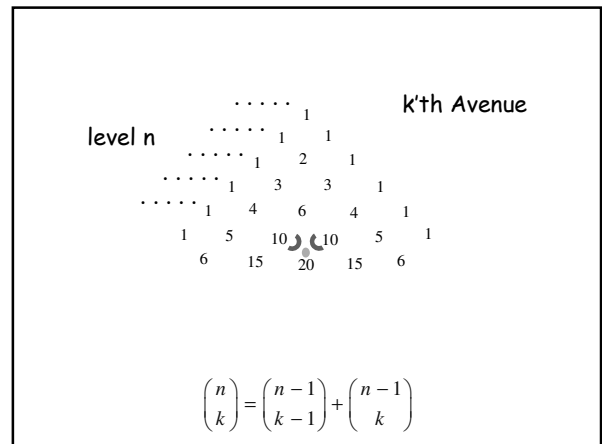
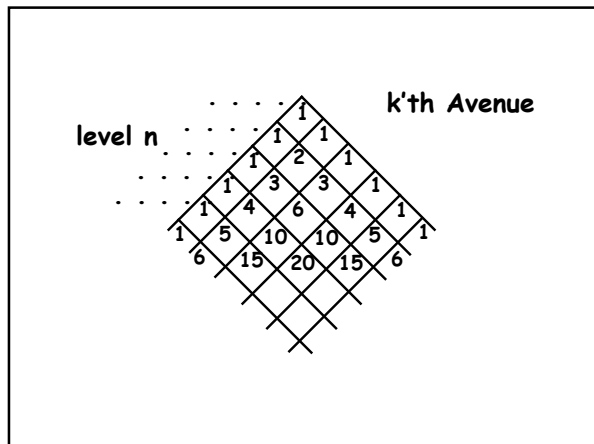
There are $\binom{j+k}{k}$ shortest routes from $(0,0)$ to (j,k) .

Manhattan

Level n 0 → 0 k 'th Avenue



There are $\binom{n}{k}$ shortest routes from $(0,0)$ to $(n-k,k)$.



Any path from the green point to the red point must go through one of the blue points.

Let a blue point has coordinates $(i, n-i)$

There are $C(n-i+i, i)$ paths from $(0,0)$ to this blue point

On the other hand, there are $C(n,i)$ paths from $(i,n-i)$ to the red point.

- Pigeonhole principal
- In- Exclusion principal
- Combinatorial proofs of binomial identities

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