



Great Theoretical Ideas In Computer Science

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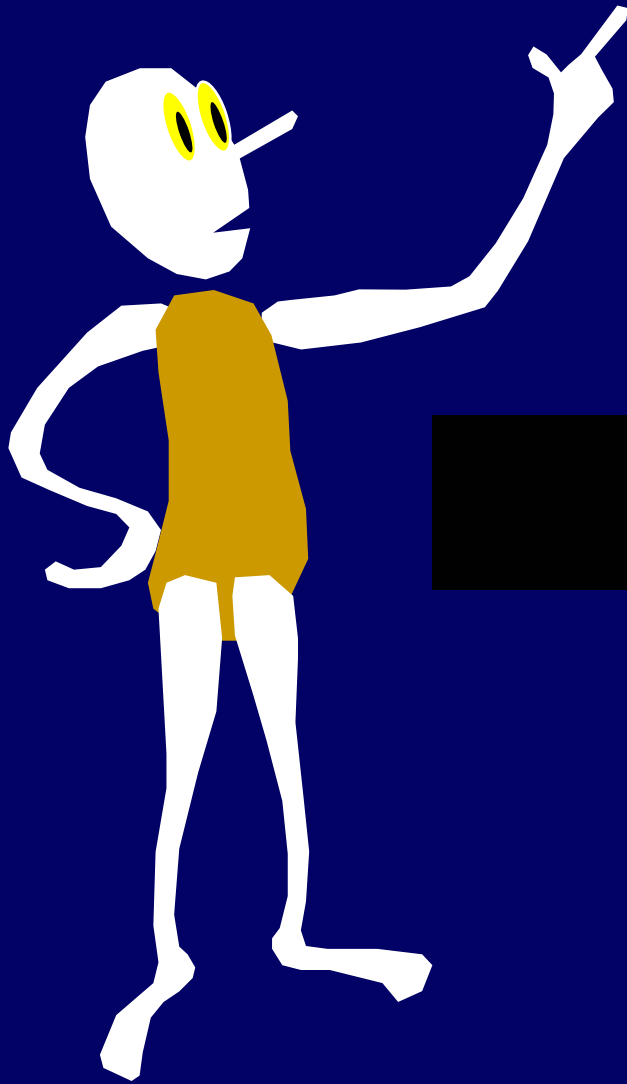
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Counting III: Pascal's Triangle, Polynomials, and Vector Programs



$$1 + X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \dots + X^{n-1} + X^n = \frac{X^{n+1} - 1}{X - 1}$$



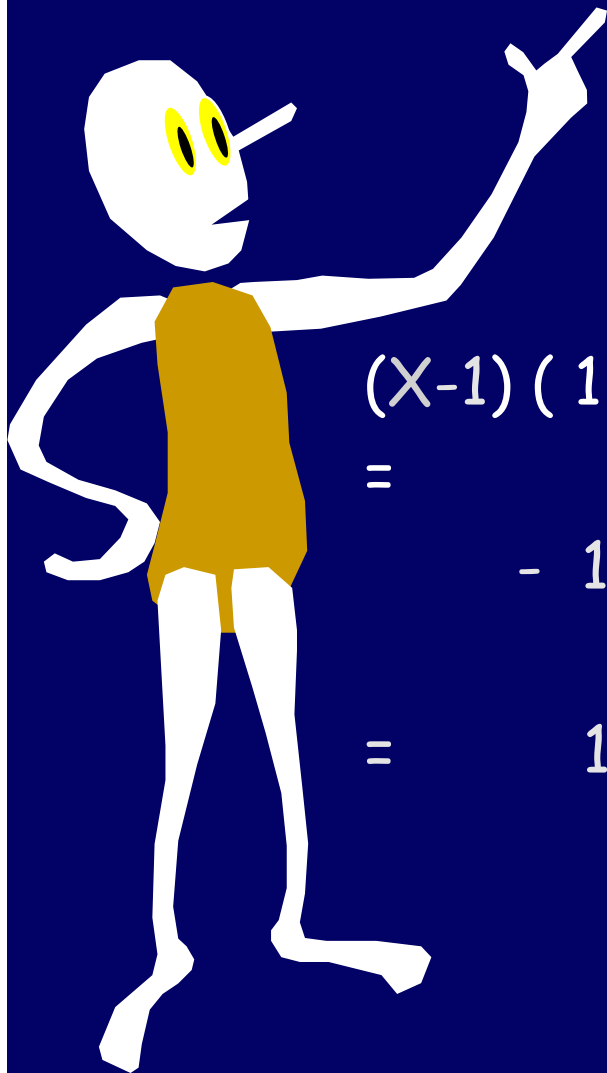
The Geometric Series

$$1 + X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \dots + X^n + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - X}$$



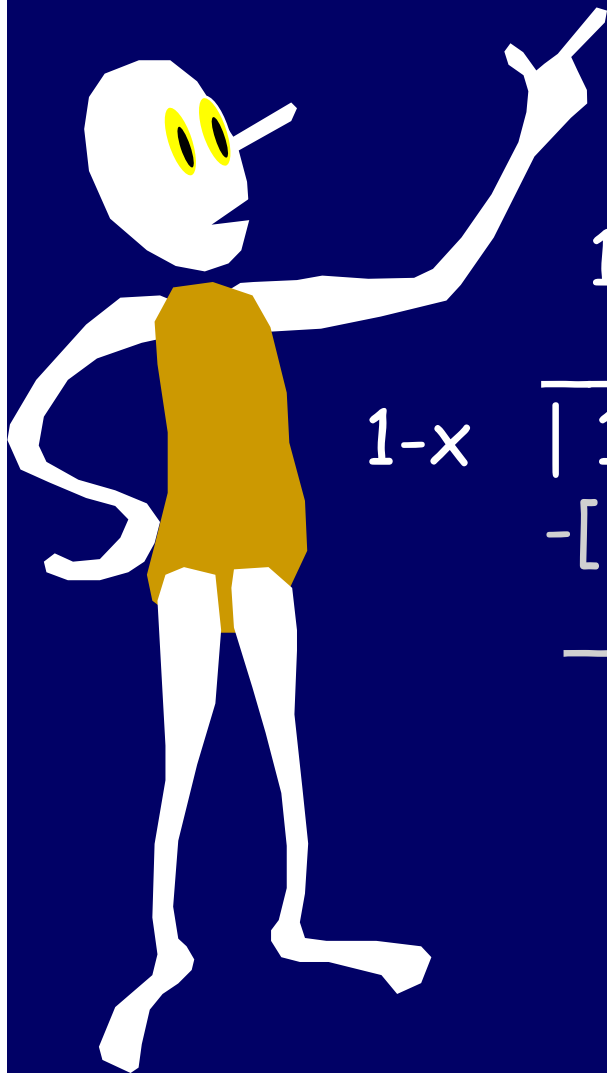
The Infinite Geometric Series

$$1 + X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \dots + X^n + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - X}$$



$$\begin{aligned} & (X-1) (1 + X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \dots + X^n + \dots) \\ &= \begin{array}{l} X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \dots + X^n + X^{n+1} + \dots \\ - 1 - X^1 - X^2 - X^3 - \dots - X^{n-1} - X^n - X^{n+1} - \dots \end{array} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$1 + X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \dots + X^n + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - X}$$



$$1 + x + \dots$$

$$1-x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1-x \mid 1 \\ -[1-x] \\ \hline x \\ -[x-x^2] \\ \hline x^2 \\ -\dots \end{array}$$

$$- [1 - x]$$

$$x$$

$$- [x - x^2]$$

$$x^2$$

$$-\dots$$

$$1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + a^3X^3 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots = \frac{1}{1 - aX}$$

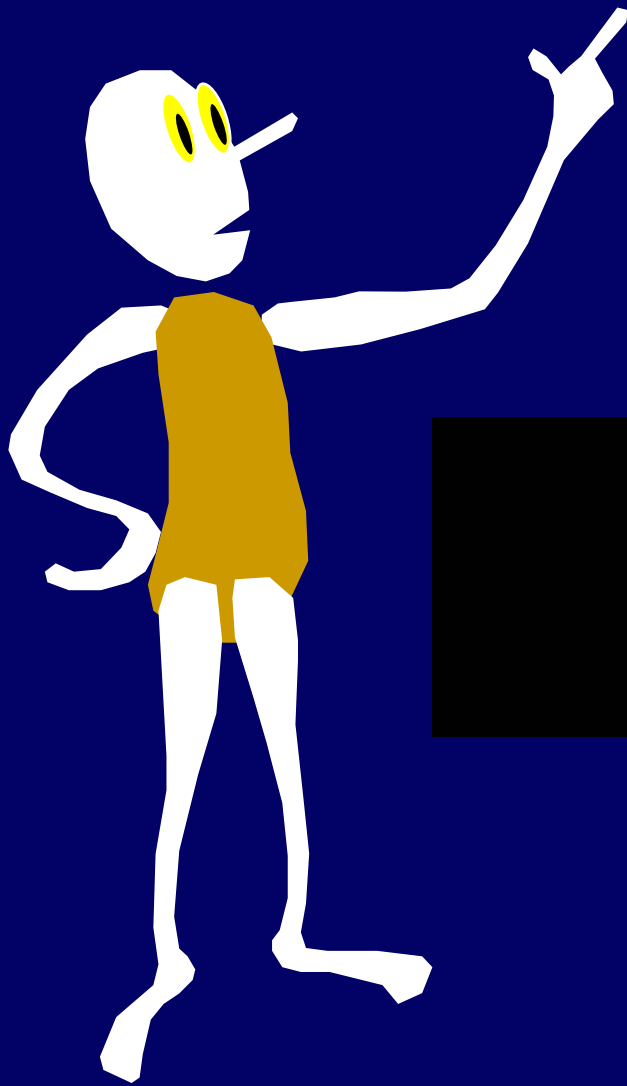


Geometric Series (Linear Form)

$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots) (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \dots + b^nX^n + \dots) =$$

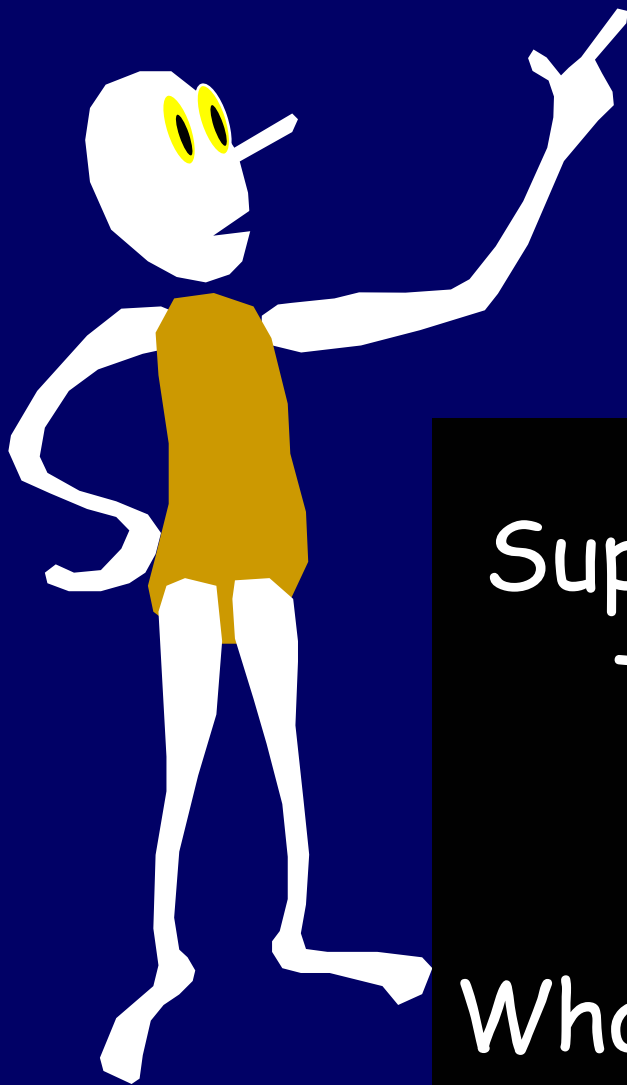
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$$(1 - aX)(1 - bX)$$



Geometric Series
(Quadratic Form)

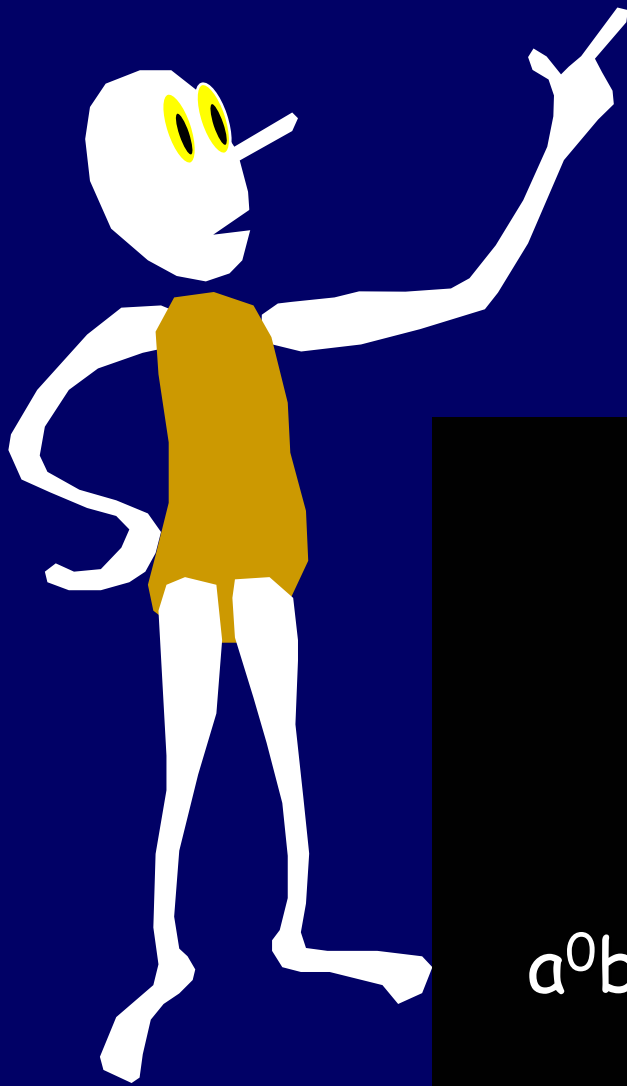
$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots) (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \dots + b^nX^n + \dots) = 1 + c_1X^1 + \dots + c_kX^k + \dots$$



Suppose we multiply this out to get a single, infinite polynomial.

What is an expression for c_n ?

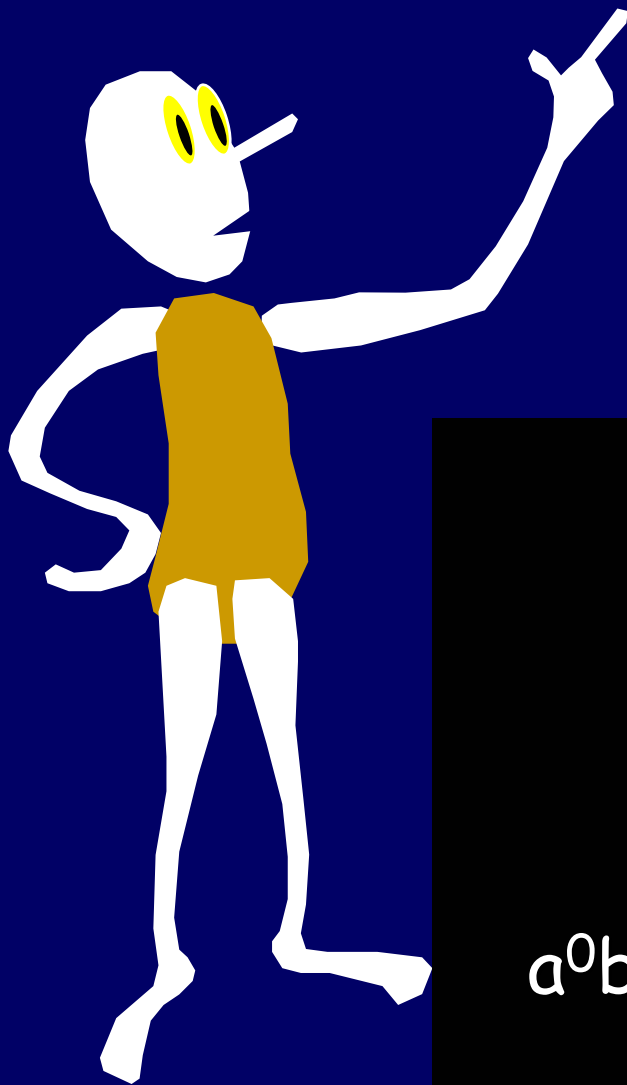
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$$c_n =$$

$$a^0b^n + a^1b^{n-1} + \dots + a^ib^{n-i} + \dots + a^{n-1}b^1 + a^nb^0$$

$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots) (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \dots + b^nX^n + \dots) = 1 + c_1X^1 + \dots + c_kX^k + \dots$$

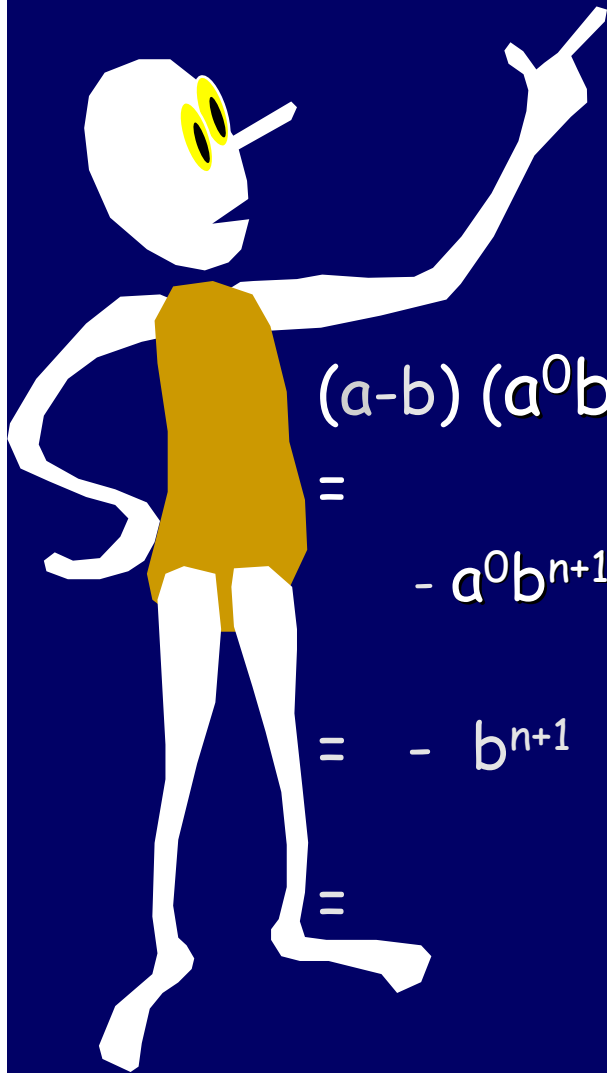


If $a = b$ then

$$c_n = (n+1)(a^n)$$

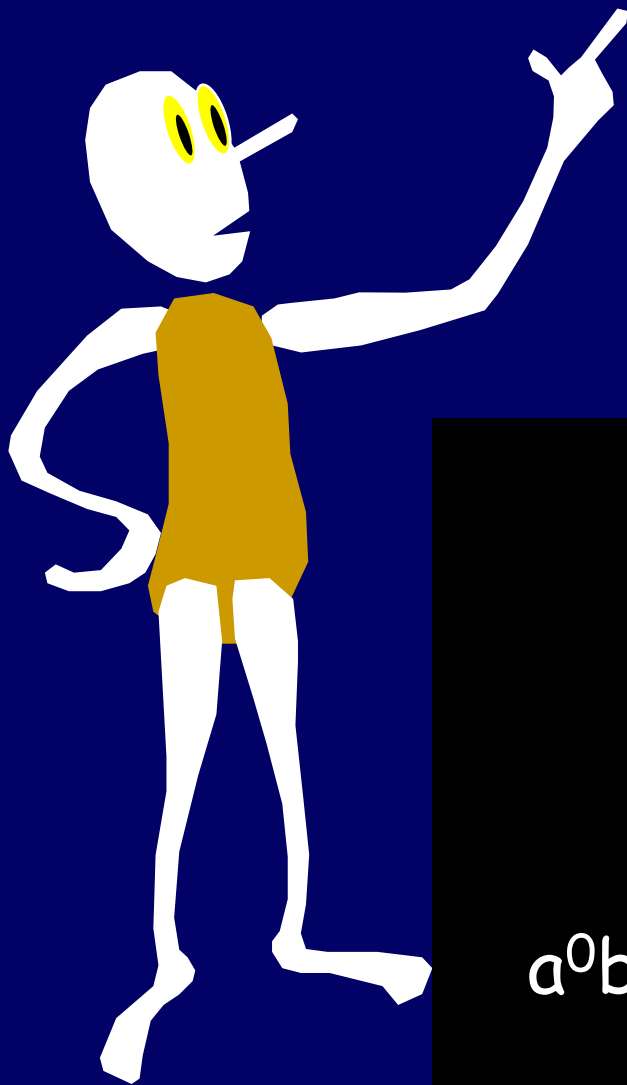
$$a^0b^n + a^1b^{n-1} + \dots + a^ib^{n-i} \dots + a^{n-1}b^1 + a^nb^0$$

$$a^0b^n + a^1b^{n-1} + \dots a^ib^{n-i} \dots + a^{n-1}b^1 + a^nb^0 = \frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a - b}$$



$$\begin{aligned} & (a-b)(a^0b^n + a^1b^{n-1} + \dots a^ib^{n-i} \dots + a^{n-1}b^1 + a^nb^0) \\ &= \begin{array}{ccc} a^1b^n + \dots a^{i+1}b^{n-i} \dots & & + a^nb^1 + a^{n+1}b^0 \\ - a^0b^{n+1} & - a^1b^n \dots & a^{i+1}b^{n-i} \dots & - a^{n-1}b^2 - a^nb^1 \end{array} \\ &= -b^{n+1} & & + a^{n+1} \\ &= a^{n+1} - b^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots) (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \dots + b^nX^n + \dots) = 1 + c_1X^1 + \dots + c_kX^k + \dots$$



if $a \neq b$ then

$$c_n = \frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a - b}$$

$$a^0b^n + a^1b^{n-1} + \dots + a^ib^{n-i} + \dots + a^{n-1}b^1 + a^nb^0$$

$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots) (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \dots + b^nX^n + \dots) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - aX)(1 - bX)}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0.. \infty}$$

$$\frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a - b} X^n$$

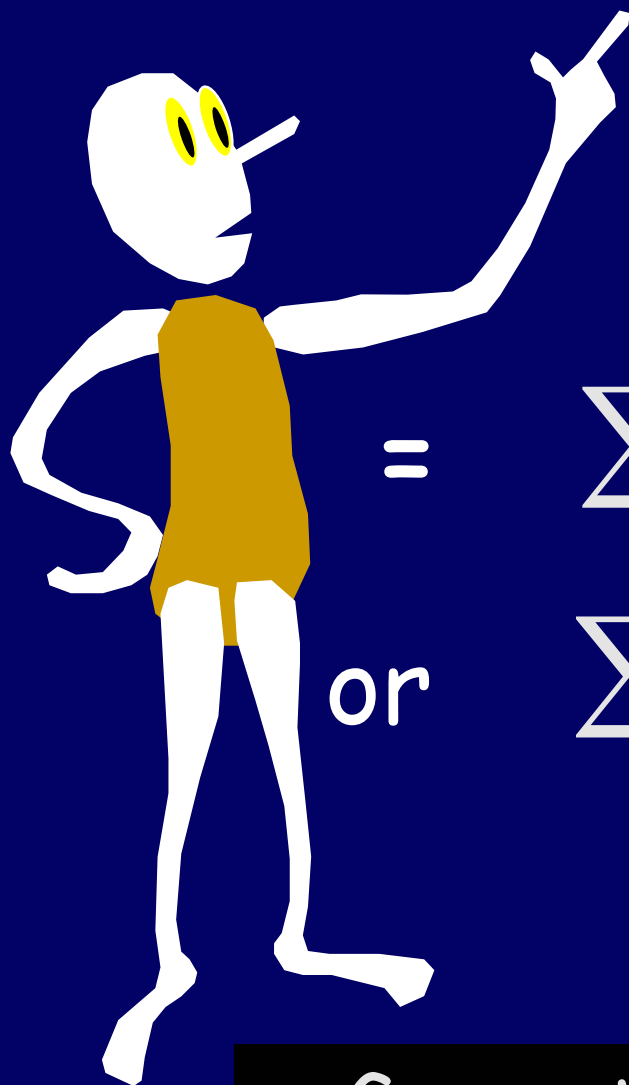
or

$$\sum_{n=0.. \infty}$$

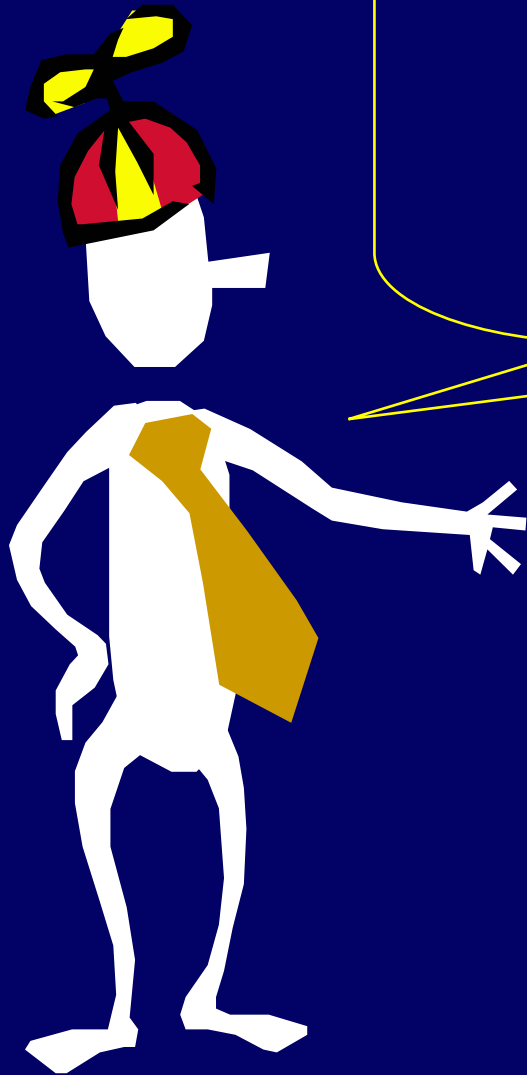
$$(n+1)a^n X^n$$

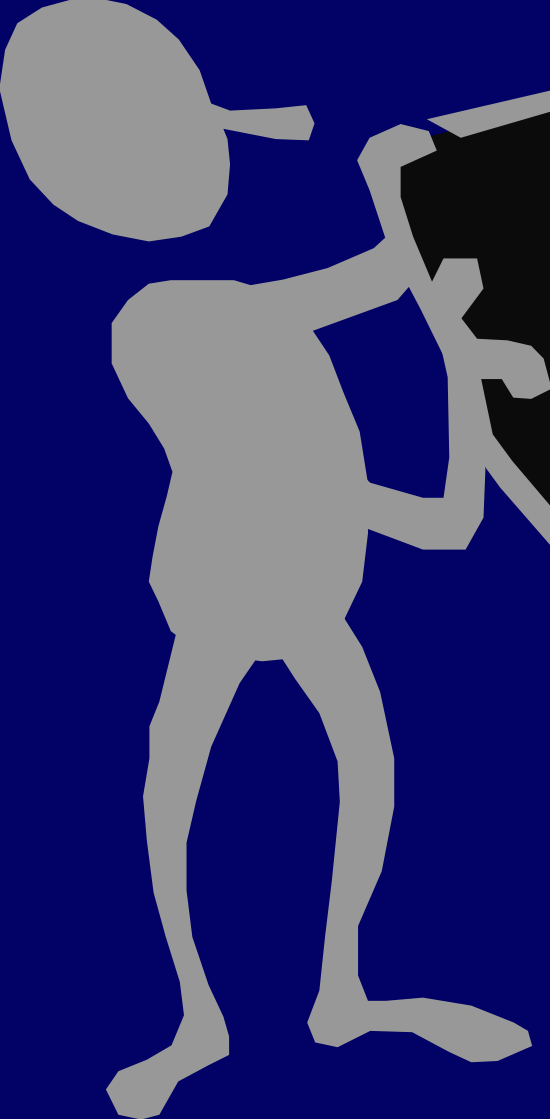
when $a=b$

Geometric Series (Quadratic Form)



Previously, we saw that
Polynomials Count!

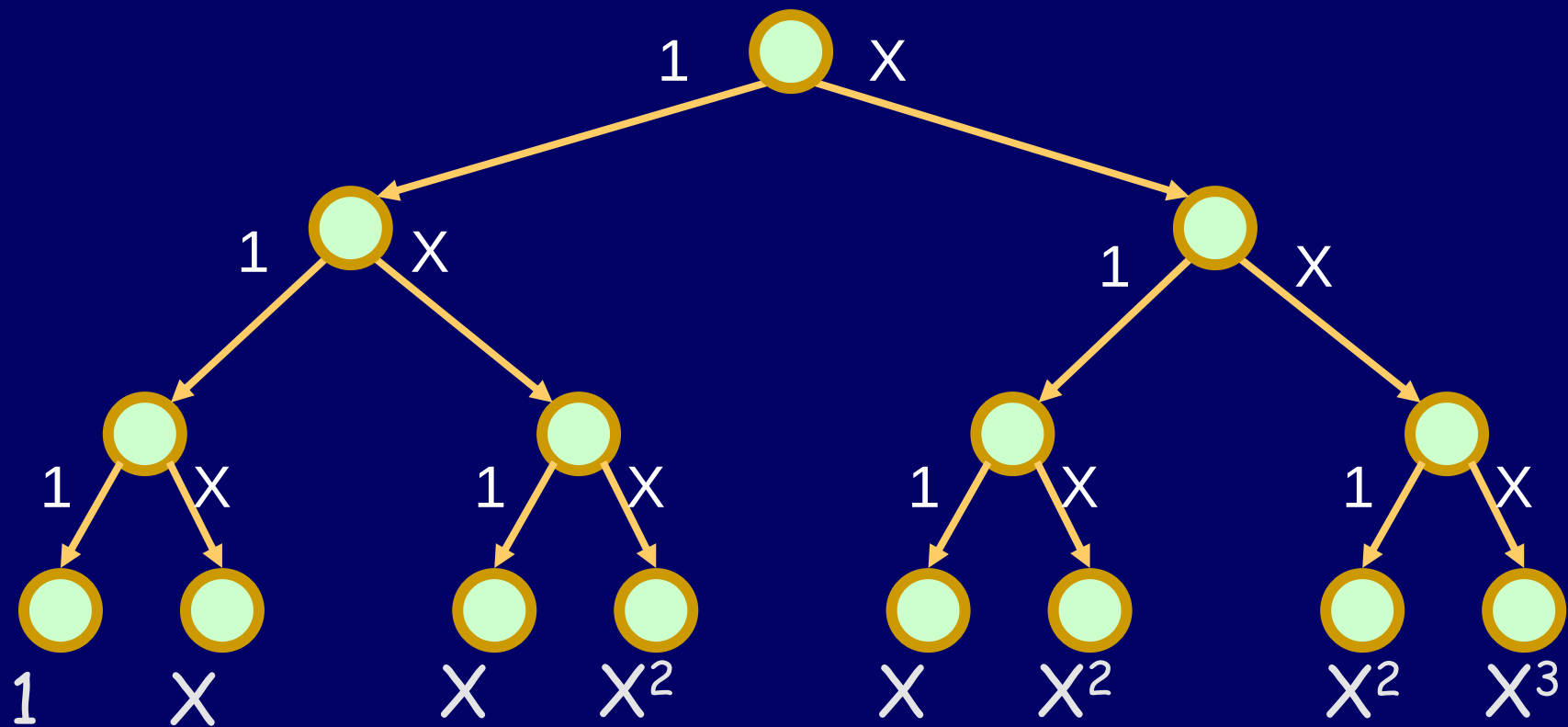




What is the
coefficient of
 BA^3N^2 in the
expansion of
 $(B + A + N)^6$?

The number of
ways to rearrange
the letters in the
word BANANA.

Choice tree for terms of $(1+X)^3$

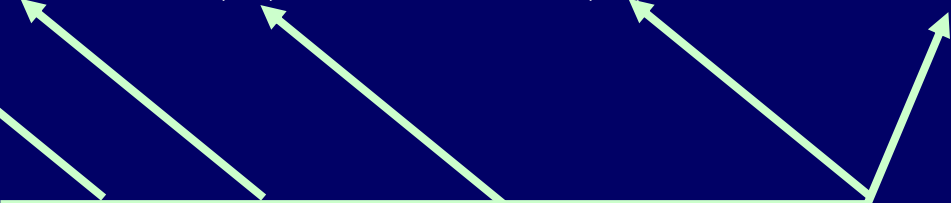


Combine like terms to get $1 + 3X + 3X^2 + X^3$

The Binomial Formula

$$(1 + x)^n = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1}x + \binom{n}{2}x^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{k}x^k + \dots + \binom{n}{n}x^n$$

Binomial Coefficients



binomial
expression

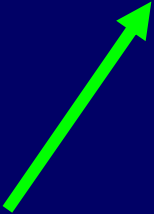


The Binomial Formula

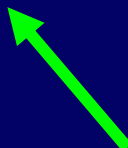
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One polynomial, two representations

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



“Product form” or
“Generating form”



“Additive form” or
“Expanded form”

Power Series Representation

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

“Closed form” or
“Generating form”

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n}{k} \cdot x^k$$

Since $\binom{n}{k} = 0$ if $k > n$

“Power series” (“Taylor series”) expansion

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 $x=1$.

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

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,

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

The number of even-sized subsets of an n element set is the same as the number of odd-sized subsets.

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

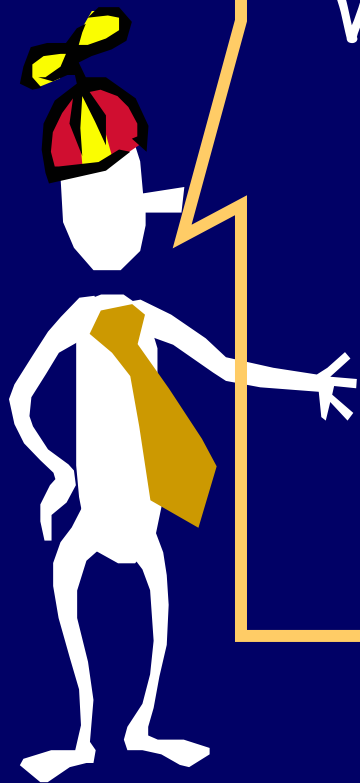
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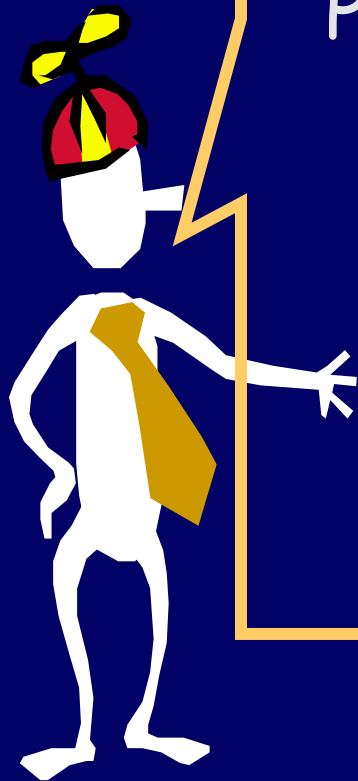
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$$(1+x)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \cdot x^k$$



We could discover new identities by substituting in different numbers for x . One cool idea is to try complex roots of unity, however, the lecture is going in another direction.

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



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

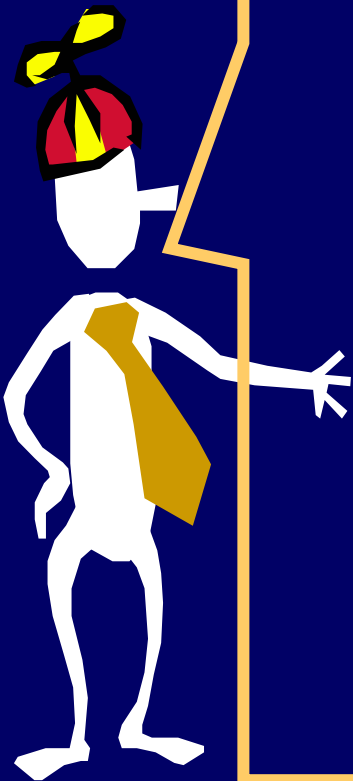
$$\sum_{k \text{ even}}^n \binom{n}{k} = \sum_{k \text{ odd}}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^{n-1}$$

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

for odd n . E.g. in f_7 we have

0010011 $\rightarrow$ 1101100

1001101 $\rightarrow$ 0110010

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

110011 $\rightarrow$ 001100

101010 $\rightarrow$ 010101

Uh oh. Complementing maps evens to evens!

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,

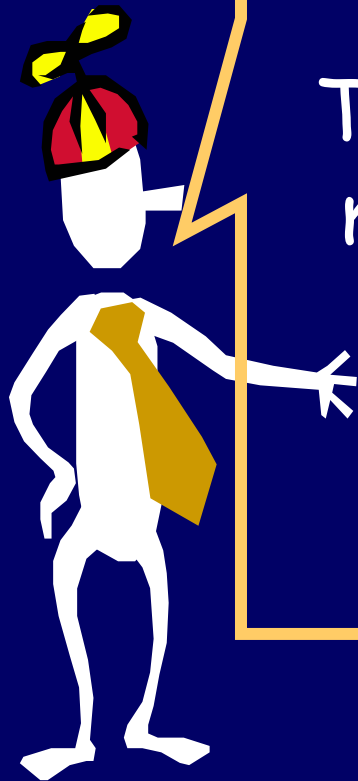
0010011 $\rightarrow$ 1010011

1001101 $\rightarrow$ 0001101

110011 $\rightarrow$ 010011

101010 $\rightarrow$ 001010

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



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

The Binomial Formula

$$(1+X)^0 = 1$$

$$(1+X)^1 = 1 + 1X$$

$$(1+X)^2 = 1 + 2X + 1X^2$$

$$(1+X)^3 = 1 + 3X + 3X^2 + 1X^3$$

$$(1+X)^4 = 1 + 4X + 6X^2 + 4X^3 + 1X^4$$

Pascal's Triangle:

k^{th} row are the coefficients of $(1+X)^k$

$$(1+X)^0 = 1$$

$$(1+X)^1 = 1 + 1X$$

$$(1+X)^2 = 1 + 2X + 1X^2$$

$$(1+X)^3 = 1 + 3X + 3X^2 + 1X^3$$

$$(1+X)^4 = 1 + 4X + 6X^2 + 4X^3 + 1X^4$$

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

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

$$(1+X)^0 = 1$$

$$(1+X)^1 = 1 + 1X$$

$$(1+X)^2 = 1 + 2X + 1X^2$$

$$(1+X)^3 = 1 + 3X + 3X^2 + 1X^3$$

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Inductive definition of kth entry of nth row:

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

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

$$(1+X)^0 = 1$$

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"Pascal's Triangle"

The diagram illustrates the construction of Pascal's Triangle using binomial coefficients. It shows four rows of coefficients:

- Row 0: $\binom{0}{0} = 1$
- Row 1: $\binom{1}{0} = 1$ and $\binom{1}{1} = 1$
- Row 2: $\binom{2}{0} = 1$, $\binom{2}{1} = 2$, and $\binom{2}{2} = 1$
- Row 3: $\binom{3}{0} = 1$, $\binom{3}{1} = 3$, $\binom{3}{2} = 3$, and $\binom{3}{3} = 1$

Green arrows indicate the addition of adjacent coefficients from the row above to form the middle coefficients of the current row. Specifically, $\binom{3}{1} = \binom{2}{0} + \binom{2}{1}$ and $\binom{3}{2} = \binom{2}{1} + \binom{2}{2}$.

Al-Karaji, Baghdad 953-1029

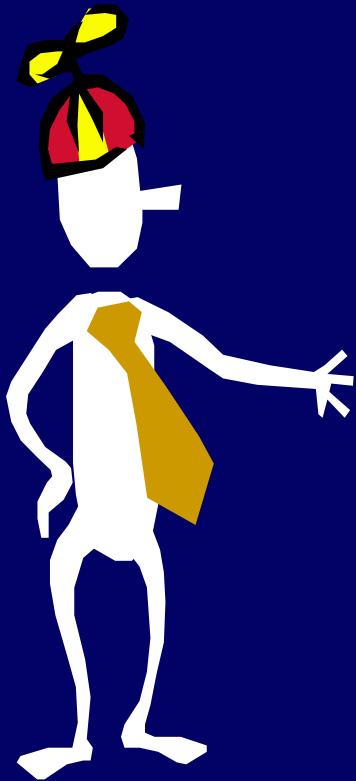
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The Precious Mirror of the Four Elements

... Known in Europe by 1529

Blaise Pascal 1654

Pascal's Triangle





"It is extraordinary
 how fertile
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			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
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"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 + 2 + 1

=4

1 + 3 + 3 + 1

=8

1 + 4 + 6 + 4 + 1

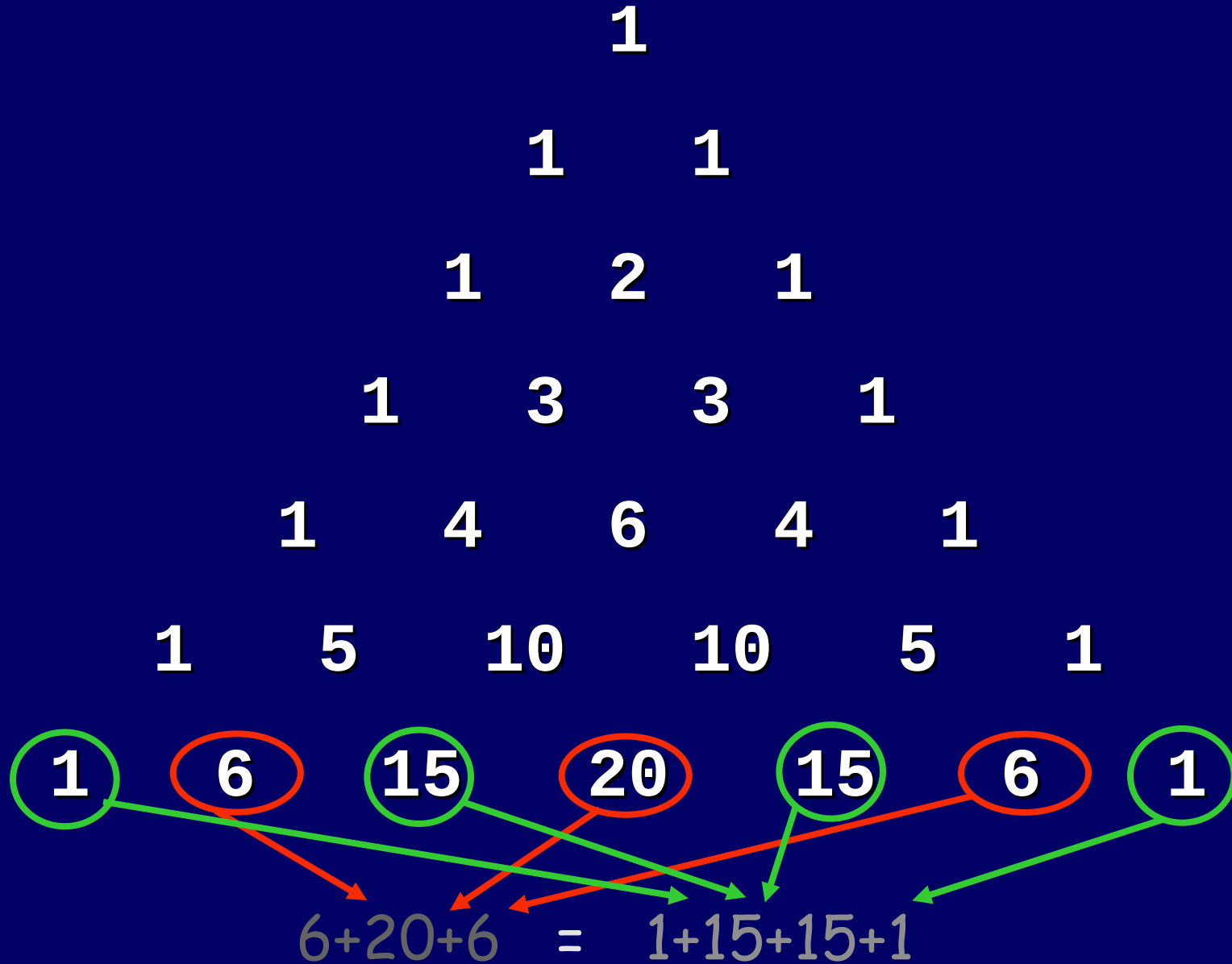
=16

1 + 5 + 10 + 10 + 5 + 1

=32

1 + 6 + 15 + 20 + 15 + 6 + 1 = 64

$\begin{matrix} & & \cdot & & & & & & \\ & \cdot & & & & & & & \\ \cdot & & & & \vdots & & & & \cdot \\ & & & & \vdots & & & & \cdot \\ & & & & \vdots & & & & \cdot \end{matrix}$



Summing on 1st Avenue

Diagram illustrating the summing process on 1st Avenue, showing a sequence of numbers arranged in a triangular pattern (Pascal's triangle) within a parallelogram. The numbers are:

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

The number 15 is circled in orange, indicating the result of the summing process.

$$\sum_{i=k}^n i = \sum_{i=k}^n \binom{i}{1} = \binom{n+1}{2} = \frac{n \cdot (n+1)}{2}$$

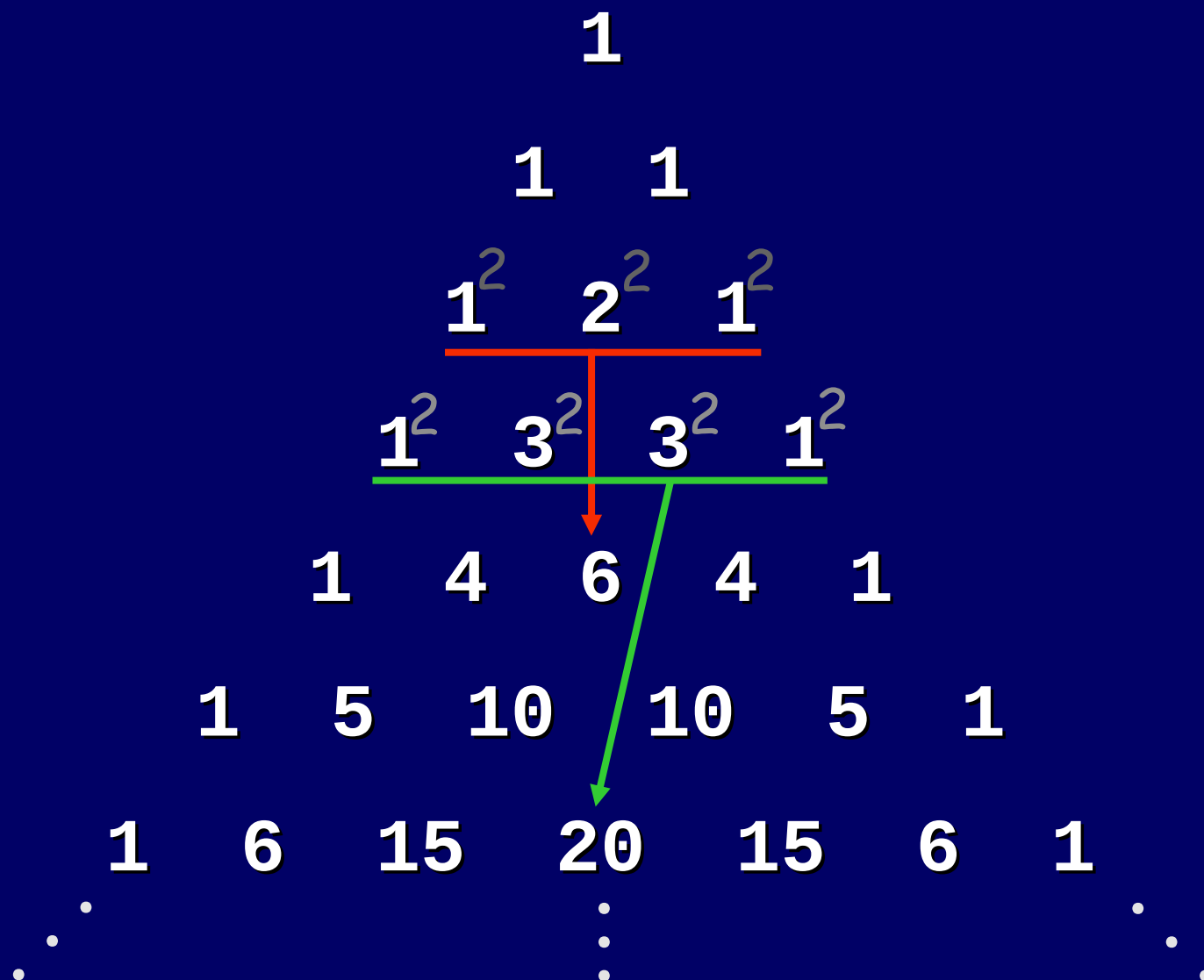
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Summing on k^{th} Avenue



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





Al-Karaji Squares

$$1 = 0$$

$$1 \quad 1 = 1$$

$$1 \quad 2 + 2^*1 = 4$$

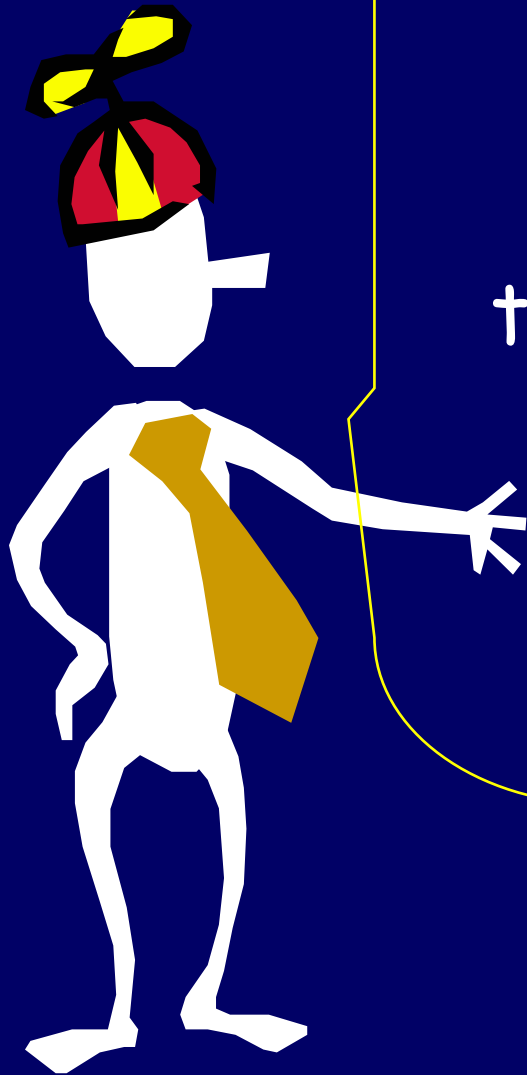
$$1 \quad 3 + 2^*3 \quad 1 = 9$$

$$1 \quad 4 + 2^*6 \quad 4 \quad 1 = 16$$

$$1 \quad 5 + 2^*10 \quad 10 \quad 5 \quad 1 = 25$$

$$1 \quad 6 + 2^*15 \quad 20 \quad 15 \quad 6 \quad 1 = 36$$

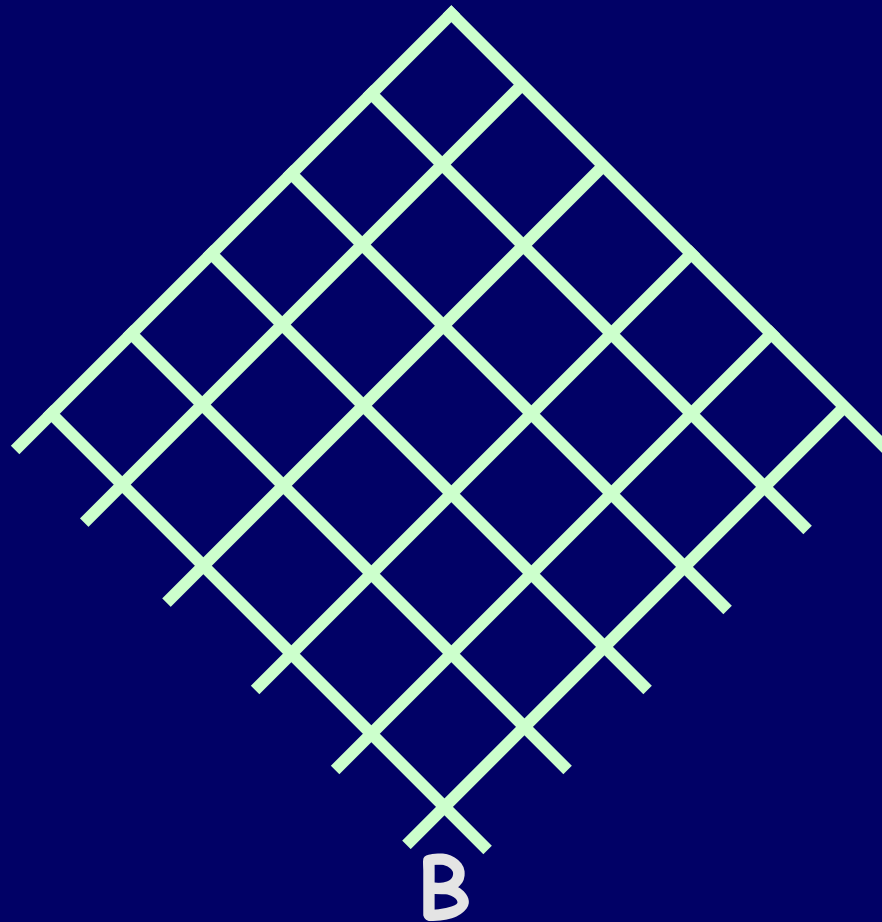
$\begin{array}{c} \cdot \\ \cdot \\ \cdot \end{array}$
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All these properties can be proved inductively and algebraically. We will give combinatorial proofs using the Manhattan block walking representation of binomial coefficients.

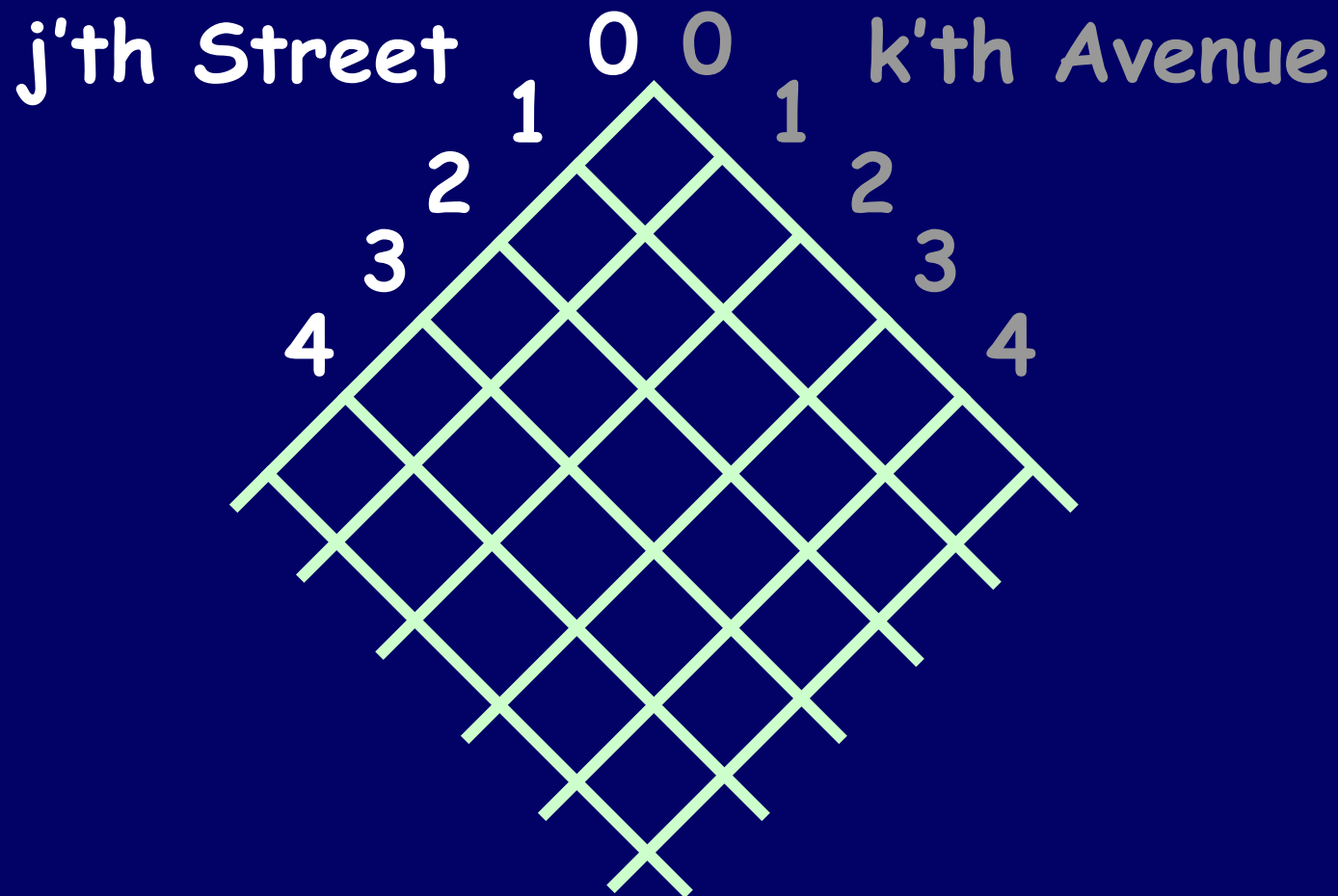
How many shortest routes from A to

B?



$$\begin{pmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

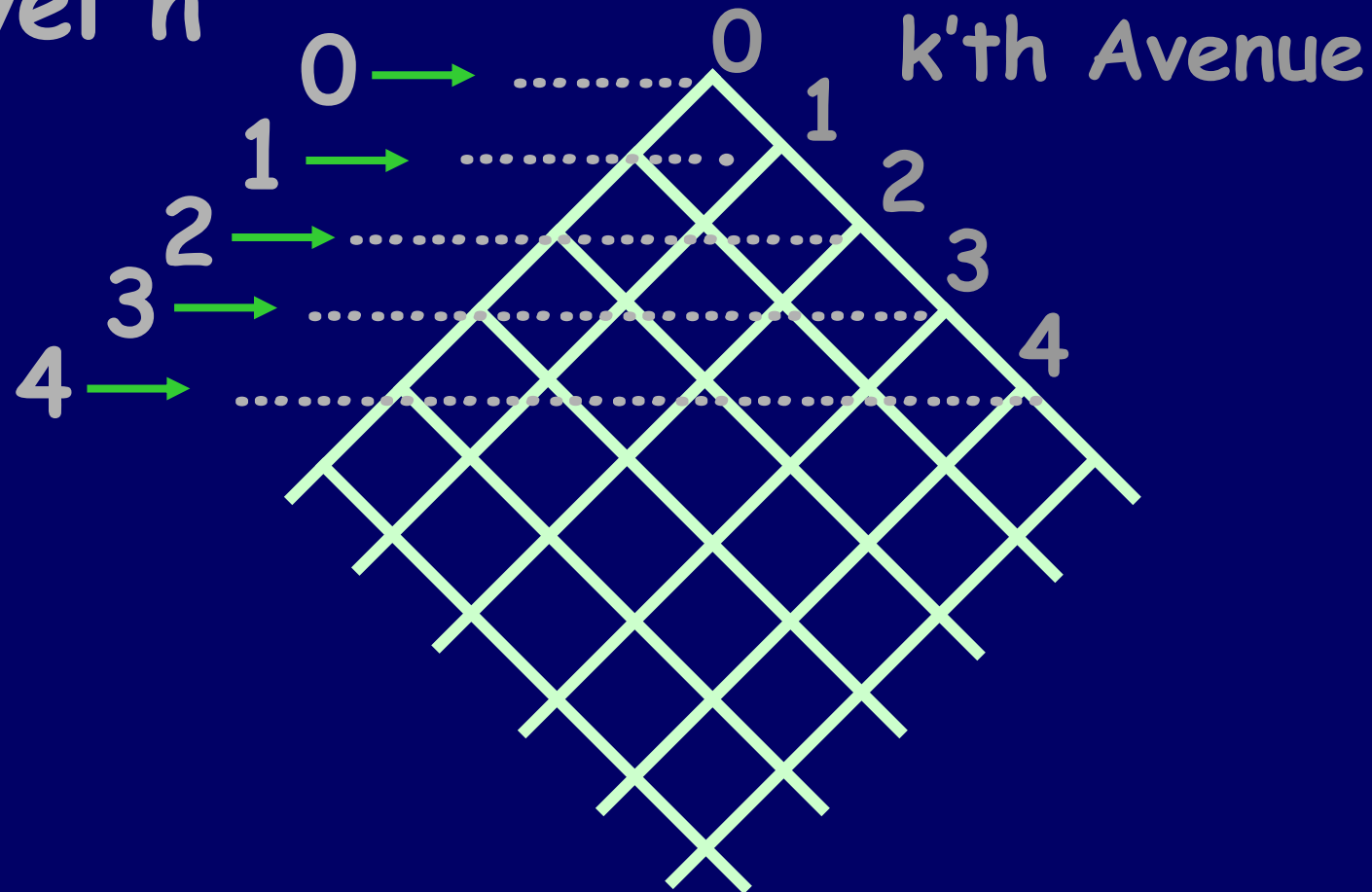
Manhattan



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

Manhattan

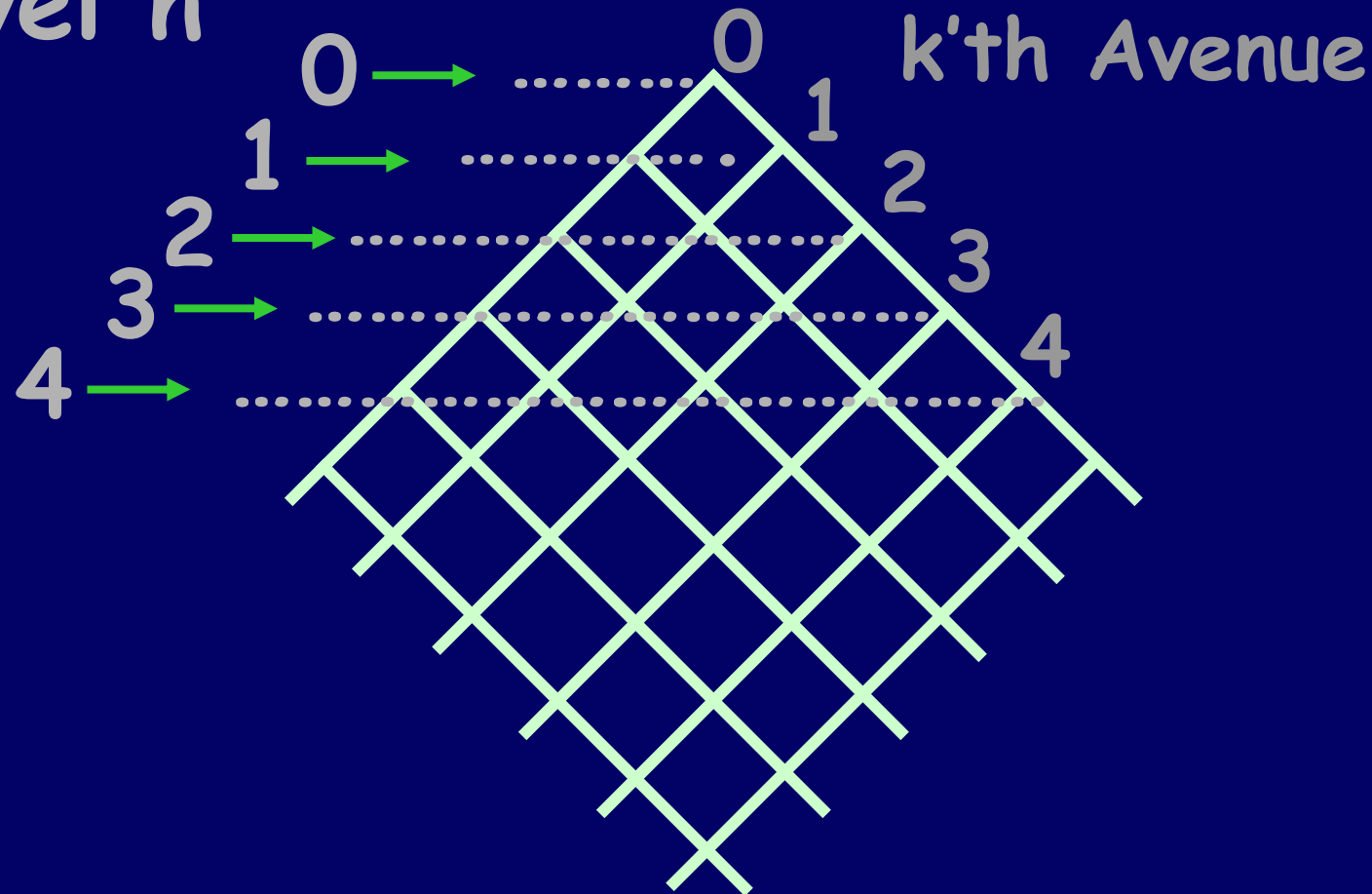
Level n



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

Manhattan

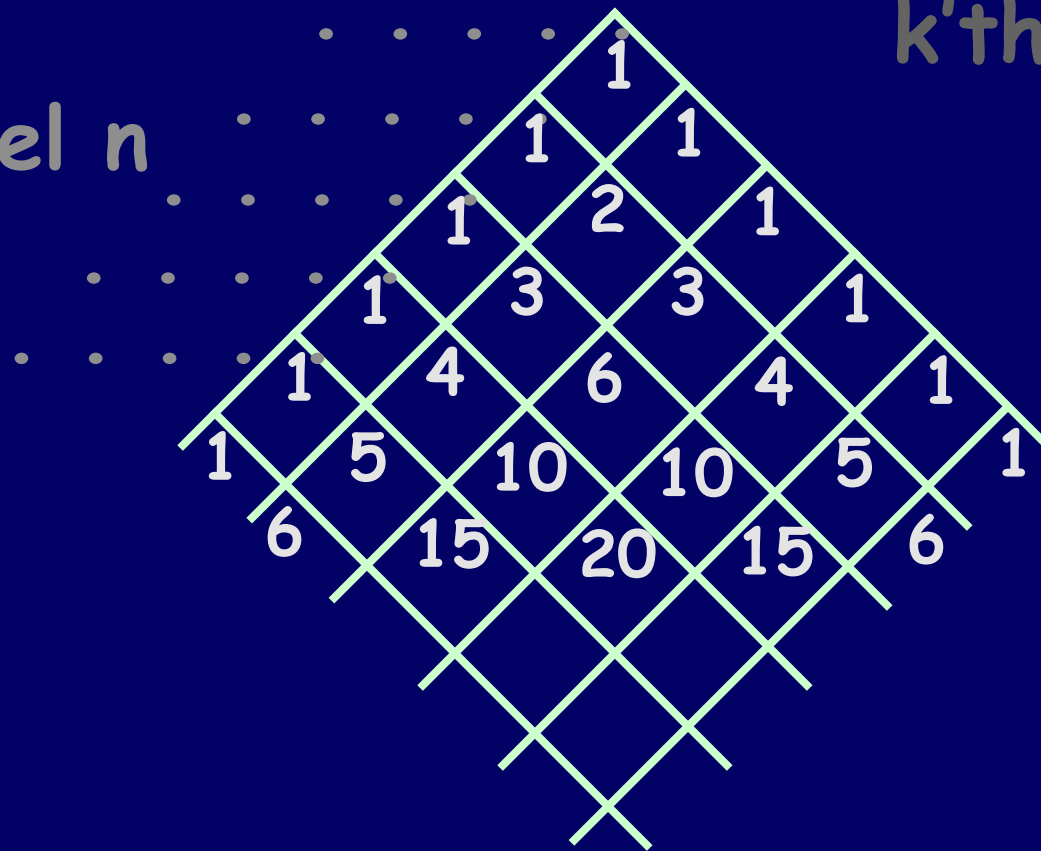
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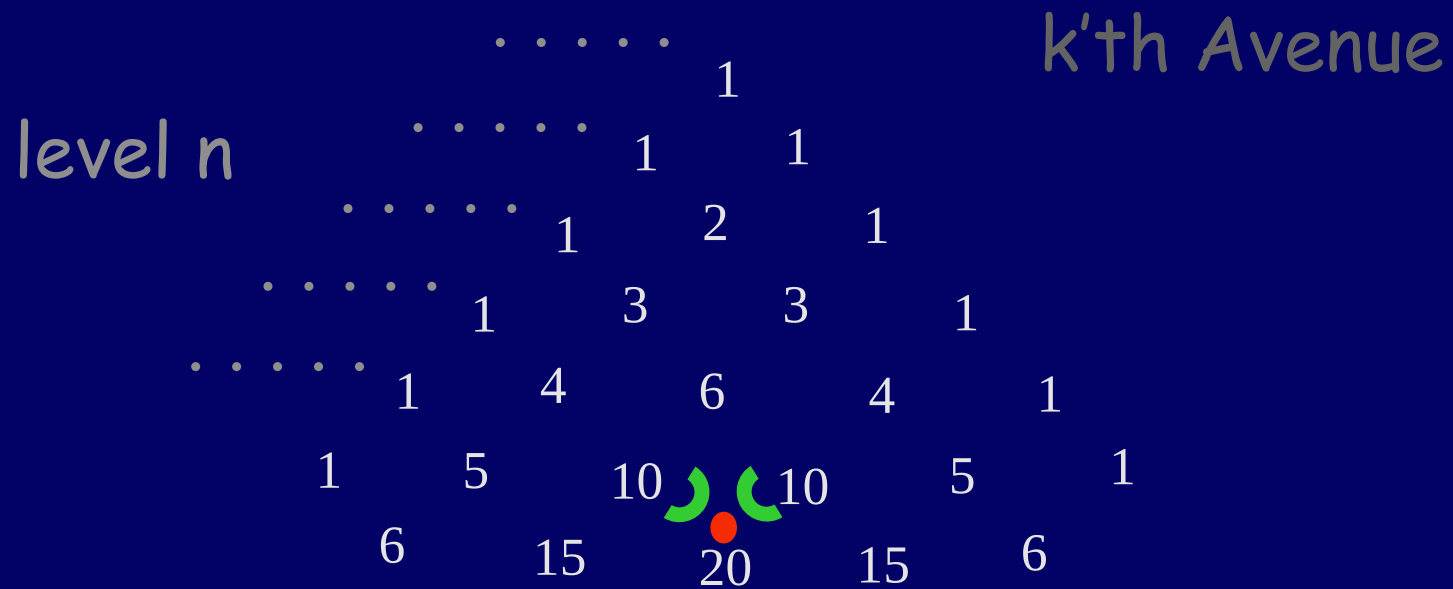


There are $\binom{n}{k}$ shortest routes from $(0,0)$ to Level n and k^{th} Avenue.

level n

k'th Avenue





$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$



k'th Avenue

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



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

By convention:

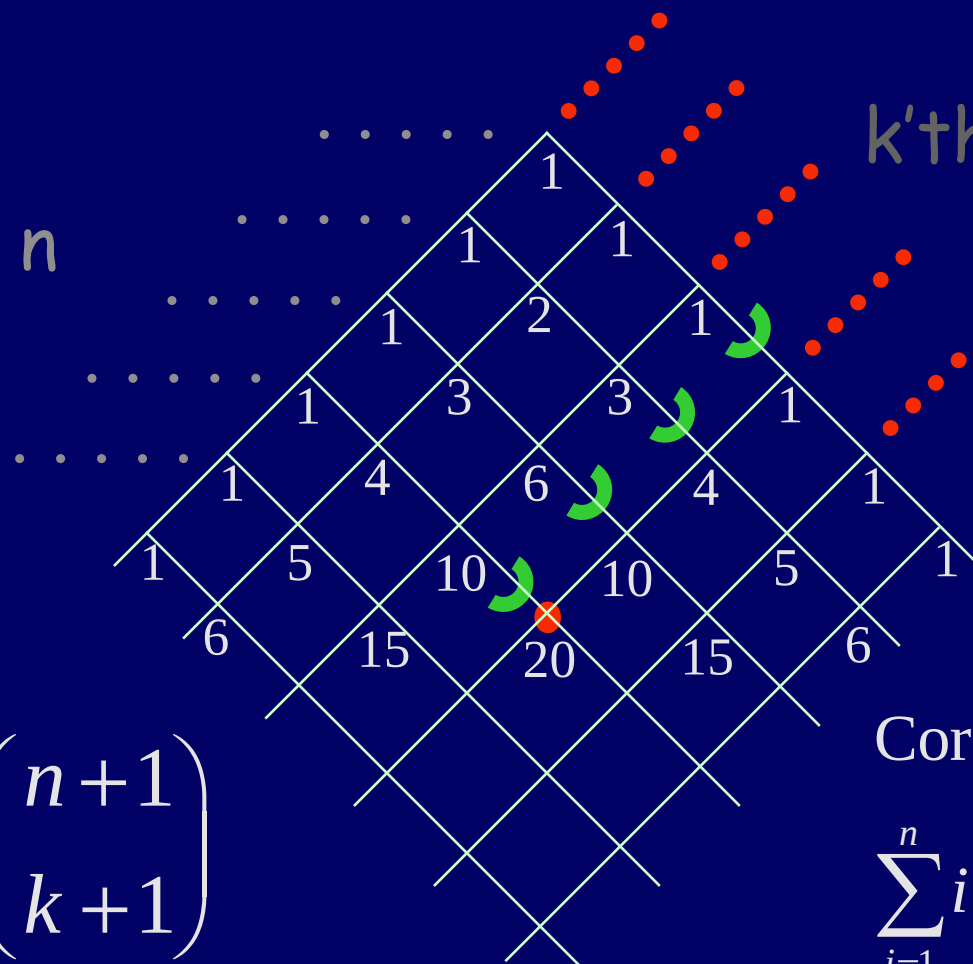
$$0! = 1 \quad (\text{empty product} = 1)$$

$$\binom{n}{k} = 1 \quad \text{if } k = 0$$

$$\binom{n}{k} = 0 \quad \text{if } k < 0 \text{ or } k > n$$

level n

k'th Avenue



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

Corollary ($k = 1$)

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

Application (Al-Karaji):

$$\sum_{i=0}^n i^2 = 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \cdots + n^2$$

$$= (1 \cdot 0 + 1) + (2 \cdot 1 + 2) + (3 \cdot 2 + 3) + \cdots + (n(n-1) + n)$$

$$= 1 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 2 + \cdots + n(n-1) + \sum_{i=1}^n i$$

$$= 2 \left[\binom{2}{2} + \binom{3}{2} + \binom{4}{2} + \binom{5}{2} + \cdots + \binom{n}{2} \right] + \binom{n+1}{2}$$

$$= 2 \binom{n+1}{3} + \binom{n+1}{2} = \frac{(2n+1)(n+1)n}{6}$$

Vector Programs

Let's define a (parallel) programming language called VECTOR that operates on possibly infinite vectors of numbers. Each variable $V^{\rightarrow}$ can be thought of as:

< * , * , * , * , * , * , >

0 1 2 3 4 5

Vector Programs

Let k stand for a scalar constant

$\langle k \rangle$ will stand for the vector $\langle k, 0, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$

$$\langle 0 \rangle = \langle 0, 0, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$$

$$\langle 1 \rangle = \langle 1, 0, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$$

$V \rightarrow + T \rightarrow$ means to add the vectors position-wise.

$$\langle 4, 2, 3, \dots \rangle + \langle 5, 1, 1, \dots \rangle = \langle 9, 3, 4, \dots \rangle$$

Vector Programs

$\text{RIGHT}(V \rightarrow)$ means to shift every number in $V \rightarrow$ one position to the right and to place a 0 in position 0.

$$\text{RIGHT}(\langle 1, 2, 3, \dots \rangle) = \langle 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \rangle$$

Vector Programs

Example:

Stare

$V^{\rightarrow} := \langle 6 \rangle;$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 6, 0, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$

$V^{\rightarrow} := \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow}) + \langle 42 \rangle;$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 42, 6, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$

$V^{\rightarrow} := \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow}) + \langle 2 \rangle;$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 2, 42, 6, 0, \dots \rangle$

$V^{\rightarrow} := \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow}) + \langle 13 \rangle;$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 13, 2, 42, 6, \dots \rangle$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 13, 2, 42, 6, 0, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$

Vector Programs

Example:

Stare

$V^{\rightarrow} := \langle 1 \rangle;$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 1, 0, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$

Loop n times:

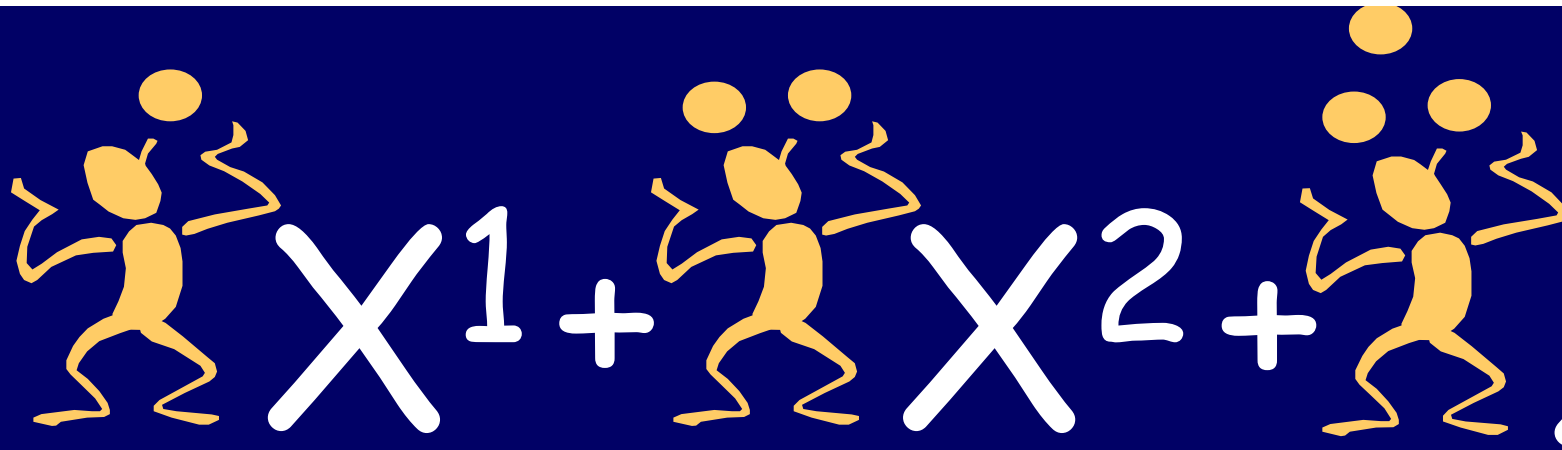
$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 1, 1, 0, 0, \dots \rangle$

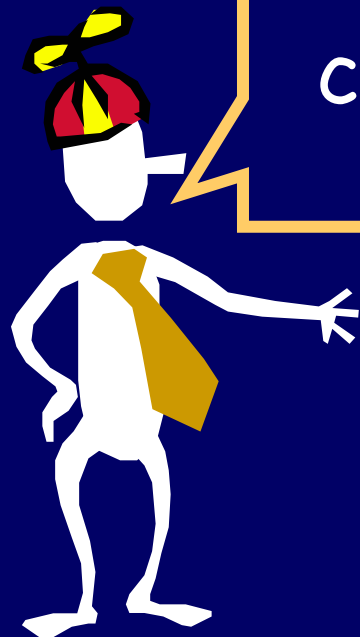
$V^{\rightarrow} := V^{\rightarrow} + \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow});$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 1, 2, 1, 0, \dots \rangle$

$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle 1, 3, 3, 1, \dots \rangle$

$V^{\rightarrow} = n^{\text{th}}$ row of Pascal's triangle.


$$x^1 + x^2 + x^3$$



Vector programs
can be implemented
by polynomials!

Programs -----> Polynomials

The vector $V^{\rightarrow} = \langle a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots \rangle$ will be represented by the polynomial:

$$P_V = \sum_{i=0}^{i=\infty} a_i X^i$$

Formal Power Series

The vector $V^{\rightarrow} = \langle a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots \rangle$ will be represented by the formal power series:

$$P_V = \sum_{i=0}^{i=\infty} a_i X^i$$

$$V^{\rightarrow} = \langle a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots \rangle$$

$$P_V = \sum_{i=0}^{i=\infty} a_i X^i$$

$\langle 0 \rangle$ is represented by	0
$\langle k \rangle$ is represented by	k

$V^{\rightarrow} + T^{\rightarrow}$ is represented by	$(P_V + P_T)$
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$\text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow})$ is represented by	$(P_V X)$
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Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow} := \langle 1 \rangle;$

$P_V := 1;$

Loop n times:

$V^{\rightarrow} := V^{\rightarrow} + \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow});$

$P_V := P_V + P_V X;$

$V^{\rightarrow} = n^{\text{th}}$ row of Pascal's triangle.

Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow} := \langle 1 \rangle;$

$P_V := 1;$

Loop n times:

$V^{\rightarrow} := V^{\rightarrow} + \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow});$

$P_V := P_V (1 + X);$

$V^{\rightarrow} = n^{\text{th}}$ row of Pascal's triangle.

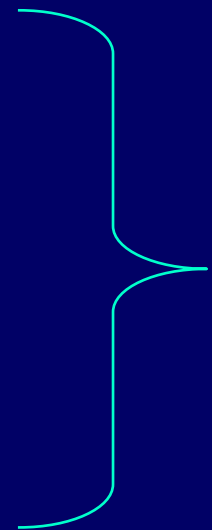
Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow} := \langle 1 \rangle;$

Loop n times:

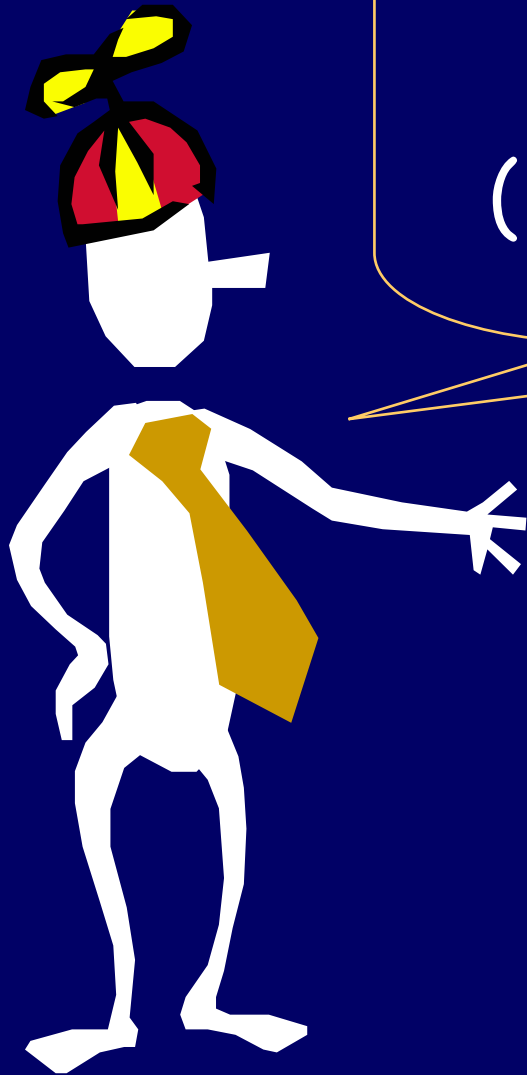
$V^{\rightarrow} := V^{\rightarrow} + \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow});$


$$P_V = (1 + X)^n$$

$V^{\rightarrow} = n^{\text{th}}$ row of Pascal's triangle.

What is the coefficient of X^k in the expansion of:

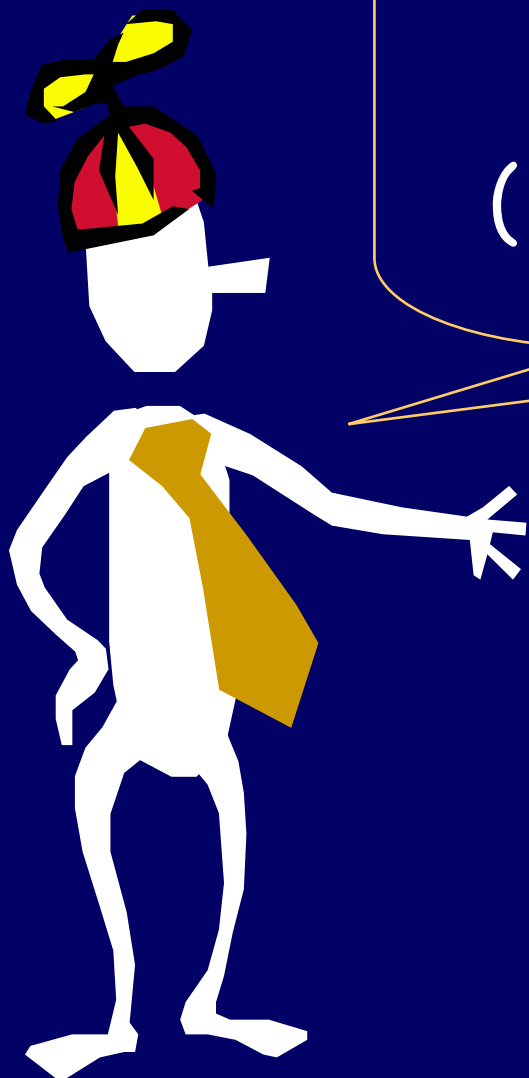
$$(1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + X^4 + \dots)^n ?$$



Each path in the choice tree for the cross terms has n choices of exponent $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \geq 0$. Each exponent can be any natural number.

Coefficient of X^k is the number of non-negative solutions to:

$$e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_n = k$$



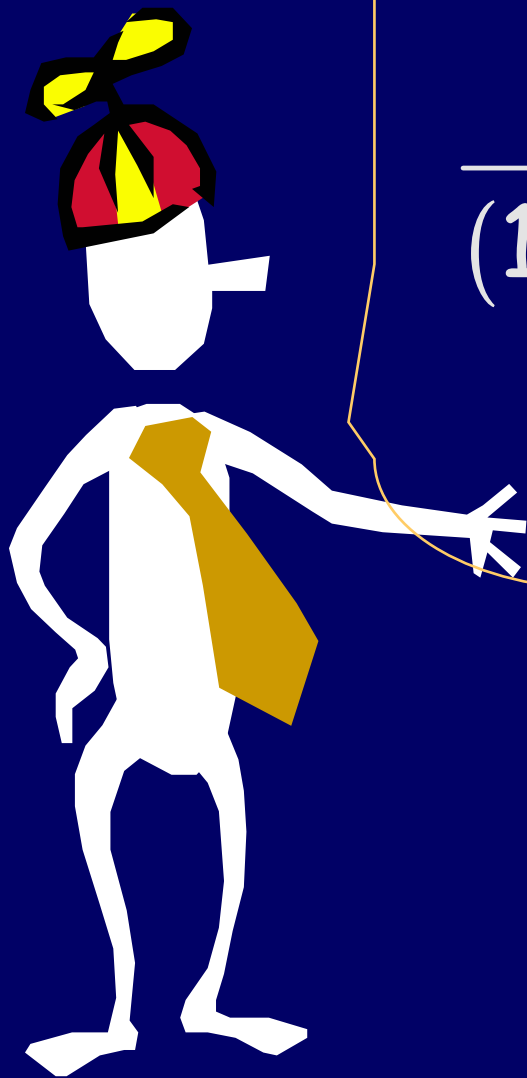
What is the coefficient of X^k in the expansion of:

$$(1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + X^4 + \dots)^n ?$$

$$\binom{n + k - 1}{n - 1}$$

$$(1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + X^4 + \dots)^n =$$

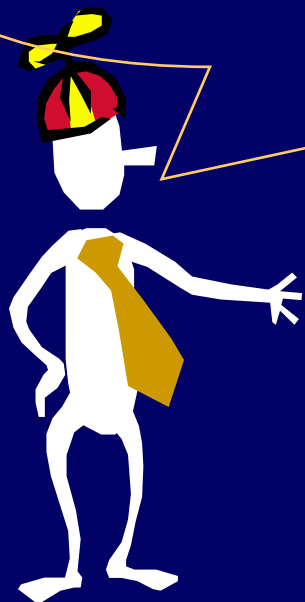
$$\frac{1}{(1 - X)^n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n + k - 1}{n - 1} X^k$$



What is the coefficient of X^k in the expansion of:

$$(a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + \dots)(1 + X + X^2 + X^3 + \dots)$$

$$= (a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + \dots) / (1 - X) \quad ?$$



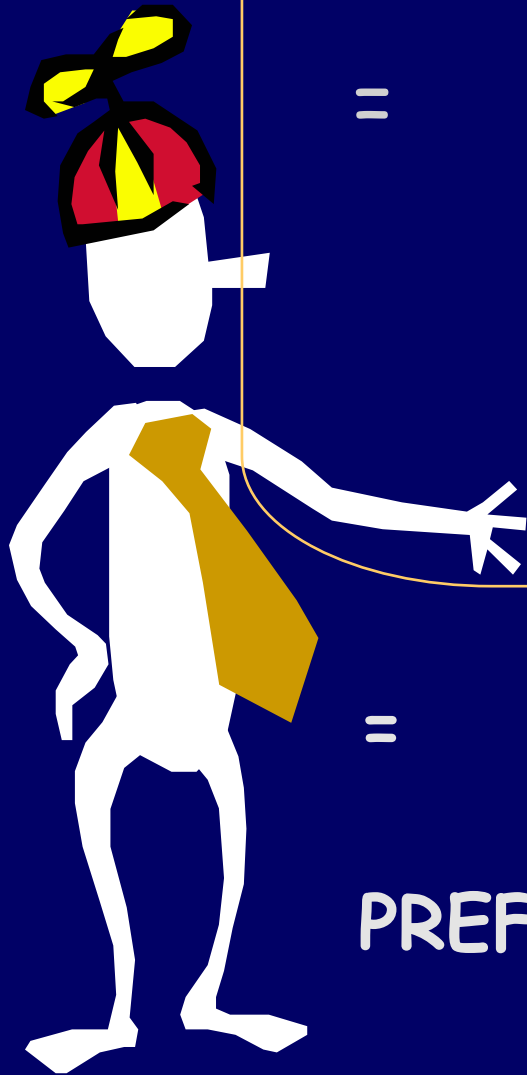
$$a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$$

$$(a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + \dots) / (1 - X)$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{i=k} a_i \right) X^k$$

=

PREFIXSUM($a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + \dots$)



Let's add an instruction
called `PREFIXSUM` to our
`VECTOR` language.

$$W \rightarrow := \text{PREFIXSUM}(V \rightarrow)$$

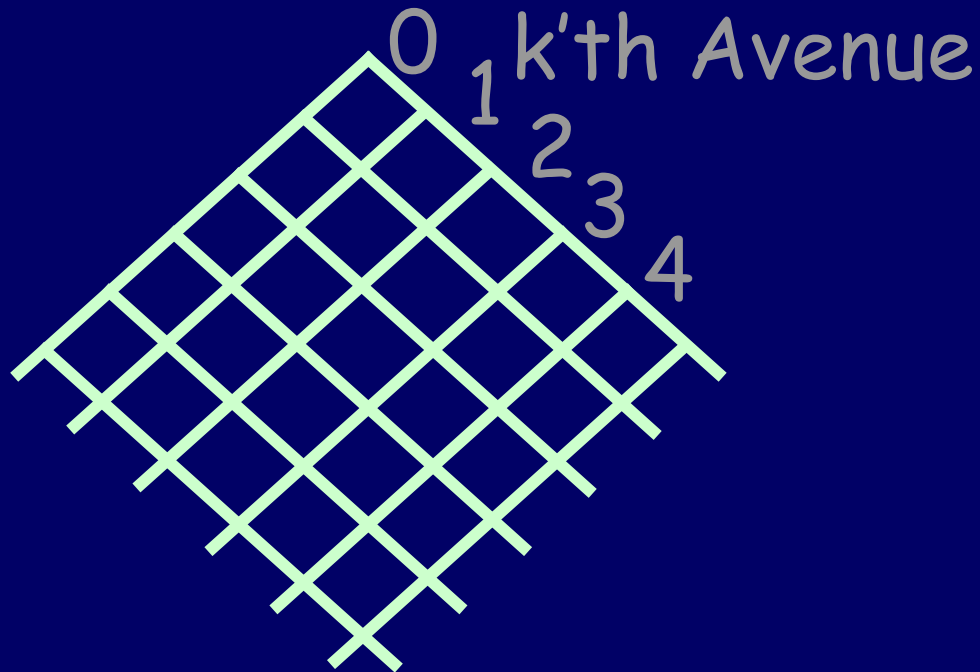
means that the i^{th} position
of W contains the sum of all
the numbers in V from
positions 0 to i .



What does this program output?

$V \rightarrow := 1 \rightarrow ;$

Loop k times: $V \rightarrow := \text{PREFIXSUM}(V \rightarrow) ;$



Can you see how
PREFIXSUM can be
represented by a familiar
polynomial expression?



$$W^{\rightarrow} := \text{PREFIXSUM}(V^{\rightarrow})$$

is represented by

$$\begin{aligned} P_W &= P_V / (1-X) \\ &= P_V (1+X+X^2+X^3+ \dots) \end{aligned}$$



Al-Karaji Program

Zero_Ave := PREFIXSUM(<1>);

First_Ave := PREFIXSUM(Zero_Ave);

Second_Ave := PREFIXSUM(First_Ave);

Output:=

First_Ave + 2*RIGHT(Second_Ave)

OUTPUT $\rightarrow$ = <1, 4, 9, 25, 36, 49, >

Al-Karaji Program

$$\text{Zero_Ave} = 1/(1-X);$$

$$\text{First_Ave} = 1/(1-X)^2;$$

$$\text{Second_Ave} = 1/(1-X)^3;$$

Output =

$$1/(1-X)^2 + 2X/(1-X)^3$$

$$(1-X)/(1-X)^3 + 2X/(1-X)^3$$

$$= (1+X)/(1-X)^3$$

$$(1+X)/(1-X)^3$$

Zero_Ave := PREFIXSUM(<1>);

First_Ave := PREFIXSUM(Zero_Ave);

Second_Ave := PREFIXSUM(First_Ave);

Output:=

RIGHT(Second_Ave) + Second_Ave

Second_Ave = <1, 3, 6, 10, 15, ..

RIGHT(Second_Ave) = <0, 1, 3, 6, 10, ..

Output = <1, 4, 9, 16, 25

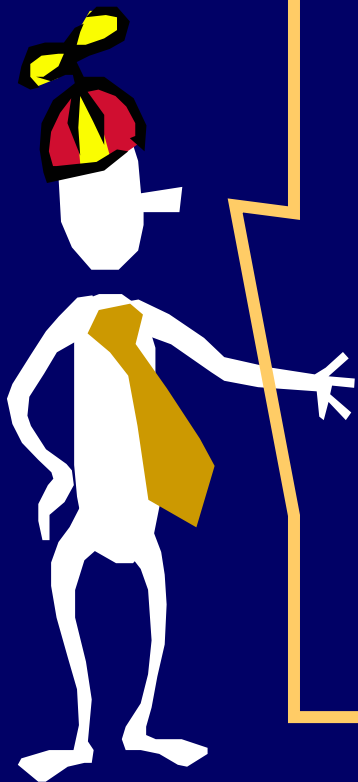
$$(1+X)/(1-X)^3$$

outputs $\langle 1, 4, 9, \dots \rangle$

$$X(1+X)/(1-X)^3$$

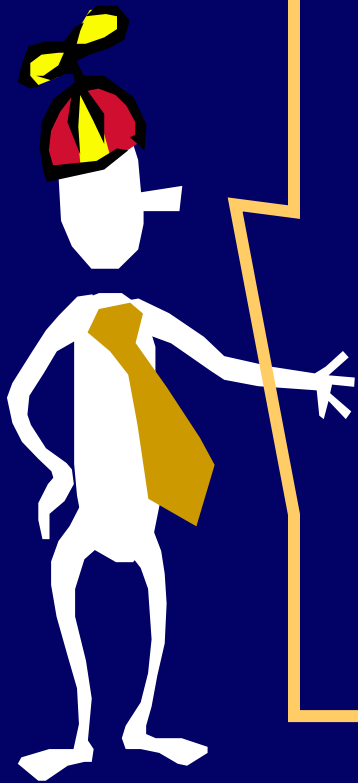
outputs $\langle 0, 1, 4, 9, \dots \rangle$

The k^{th} entry is k^2



$$X(1+X)/(1-X)^3 = \sum k^2 X^k$$

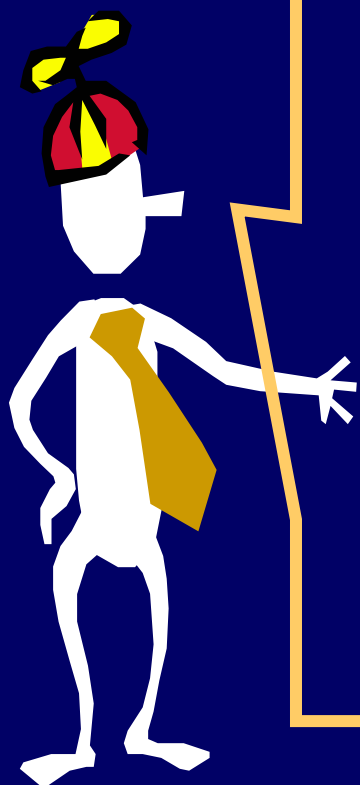
What does $X(1+X)/(1-X)^4$ do?



$X(1+X)/(1-X)^4$ expands to :

$$\sum S_k X^k$$

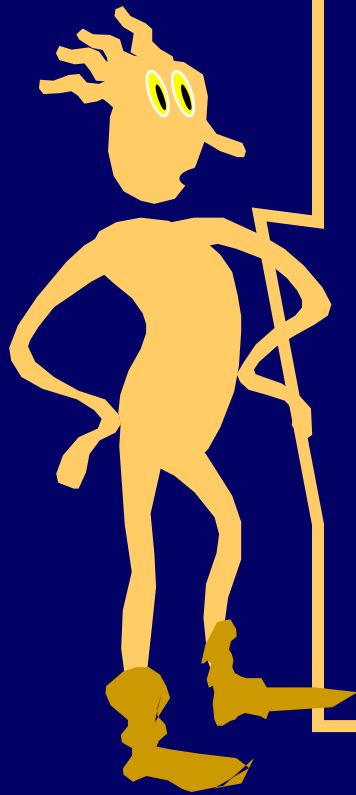
where S_k is the sum of the
first k squares



Aha! Thus, if there is an
alternative interpretation of
the k^{th} coefficient of

$$X(1+X)/(1-X)^4$$

we would have a new way to
get a formula for the sum of
the first k squares.

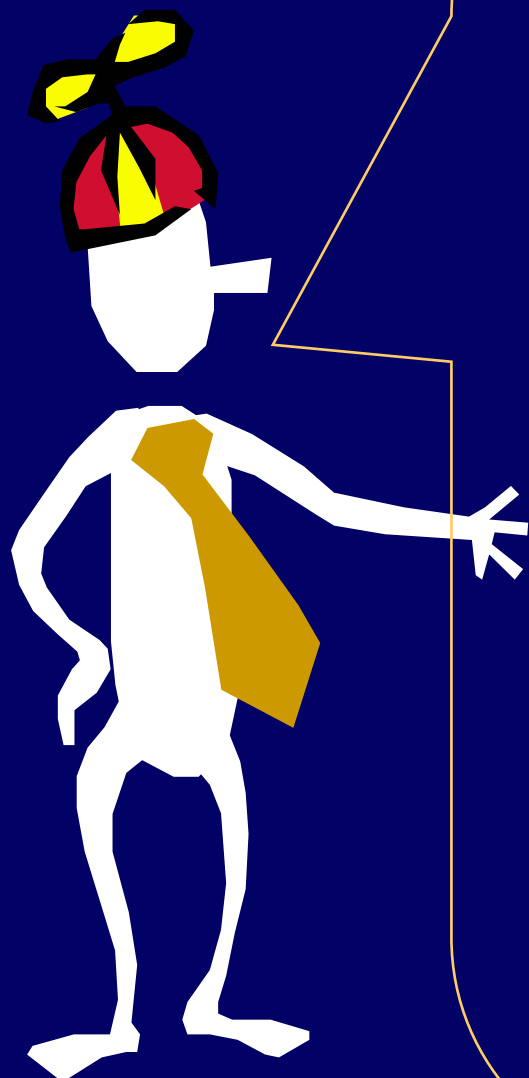


Using pirates and gold we found that:

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

THUS:

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^4} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+3}{3} x^k$$



Coefficient of X^k in $P_V = (X^2+X)(1-X)^{-4}$ is the sum of the first k squares:

$$\frac{X^2 + X}{(1 - X)^4} = (X^2 + X) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+3}{3} X^k$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\binom{k+2}{3} + \binom{k+1}{3} \right) X^k$$



$$\frac{1}{(1 - X)^4} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{k+3}{3} X^k$$

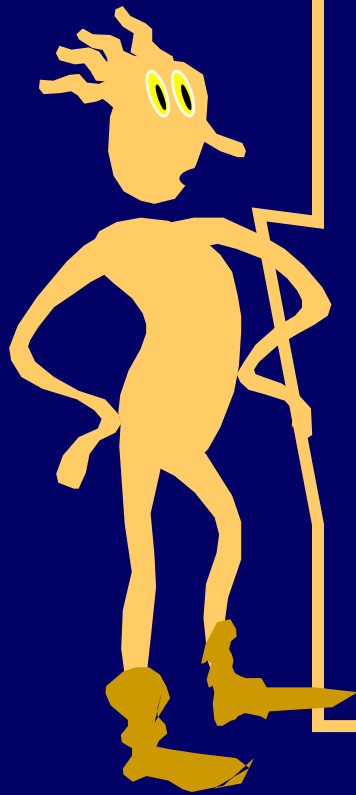
Vector programs $\rightarrow$ Polynomials
 $\rightarrow$ Closed form expression

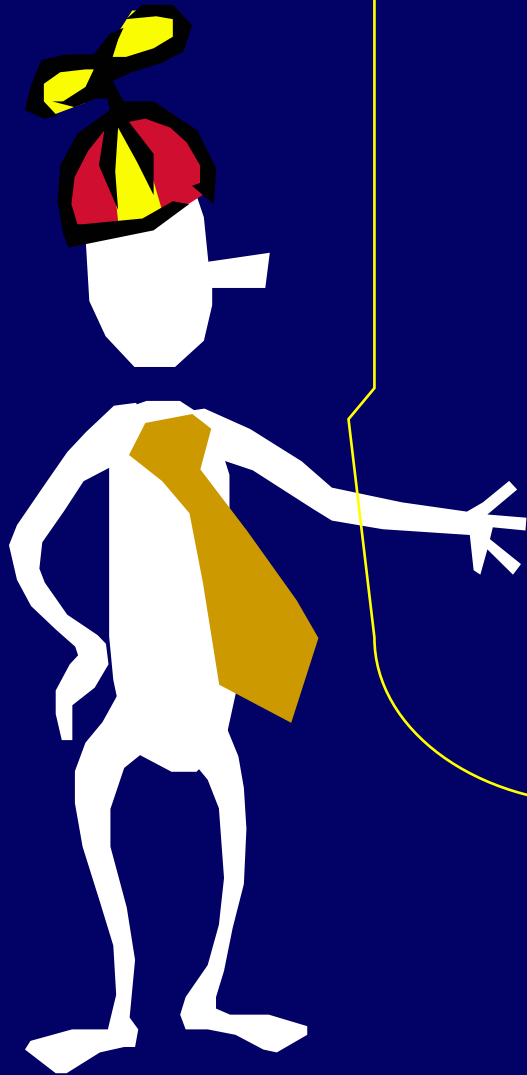
$$\frac{X^2 + X}{(1 - X)^4} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\binom{k+2}{3} + \binom{k+1}{3} \right) X^k$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{i=n} i^2 = \binom{n+2}{3} + \binom{n+1}{3}$$

Expressions of the form
Finite Polynomial / Finite Polynomial
are called Rational Polynomial
Expressions.

Clearly, these expressions have some
deeper interpretation as a
programming language.

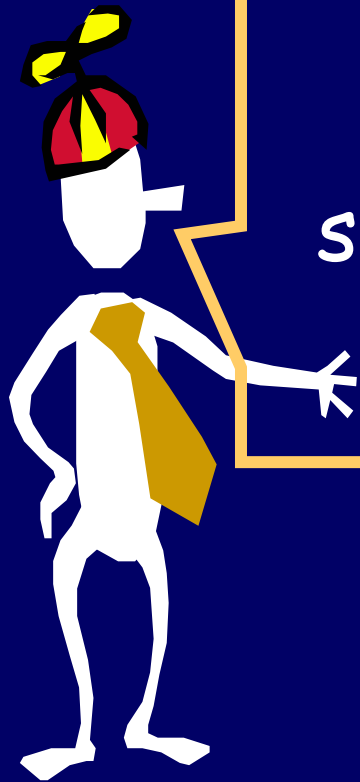




What about this one?

$$X/(1-X-X^2)$$

$$\frac{x}{1-x-x^2} = F_0x^0 + F_1x^1 + F_2x^2 + F_3x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F_i x^i$$



The action of dividing one polynomial by another can simulate a program to recursively compute Fibonacci numbers.

Vector Program I/O

Example:

INPUT $I \rightarrow$; /* not allowed to alter $I \rightarrow$ */

$V \rightarrow := I \rightarrow + 1$;

Loop n times:

$V \rightarrow := V \rightarrow + \text{RIGHT}(V \rightarrow) + I \rightarrow$;

OUTPUT $V \rightarrow$

Vector Recurrence Relations

Let P be a vector program that takes input.

A vector relation is any statement of the form:

$$V^{\rightarrow} = P(V^{\rightarrow})$$

If there is a unique $V^{\rightarrow}$ satisfying the relation, then $V^{\rightarrow}$ is said to be defined by the relation $V^{\rightarrow} = P(V^{\rightarrow})$.

Fibonacci Numbers

Recurrence Relation Definition:

$$F_0 = 0, \quad F_1 = 1,$$

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}, n > 1$$

Vector Recurrence Relation
Definition:

$$\vec{F} = \text{RIGHT}(\vec{F} + \langle 1 \rangle) + \text{RIGHT}(\text{RIGHT}(\vec{F}))$$

$$F^{\rightarrow} = \text{RIGHT}(F^{\rightarrow} + \langle 1 \rangle) + \text{RIGHT}(\text{RIGHT}(F^{\rightarrow}))$$

$$F^{\rightarrow} = a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, \dots$$

$$\text{RIGHT}(F^{\rightarrow} + \langle 1 \rangle) = 0, a_0 + 1, a_1, a_2, a_3,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RIGHT}(\text{RIGHT}(F^{\rightarrow})) \\ = 0, 0, a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$F \rightarrow = \text{RIGHT}(F \rightarrow + 1) + \text{RIGHT}(\text{RIGHT}(F \rightarrow))$$

$$F = a_0 + a_1 X + a_2 X^2 + a_3 X^3 +$$

$$\text{RIGHT}(F + 1) = (F + 1) X$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RIGHT}(\text{RIGHT}(F)) \\ = F X^2 \end{aligned}$$

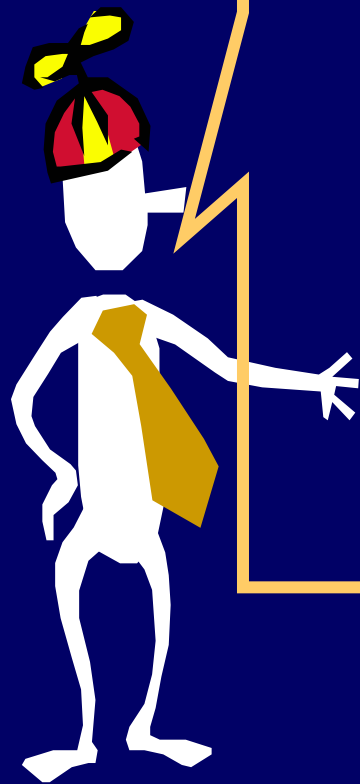
$$F = (F + 1) X + F X^2$$

$$F = a_0 + a_1 X + a_2 X^2 + a_3 X^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{RIGHT}(F + 1) = (F+1) X$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RIGHT}(\text{RIGHT}(F)) \\ = F X^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$F = FX + X + FX^2$$



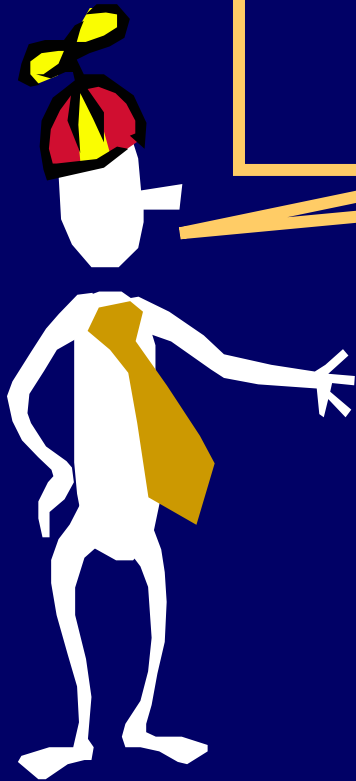
Solve for F.

$$F - FX - FX^2 = X$$

$$F(1 - X - X^2) = X$$

$$F = X / (1 - X - X^2)$$

What is the Power Series
Expansion of $x / (1-x-x^2)$?



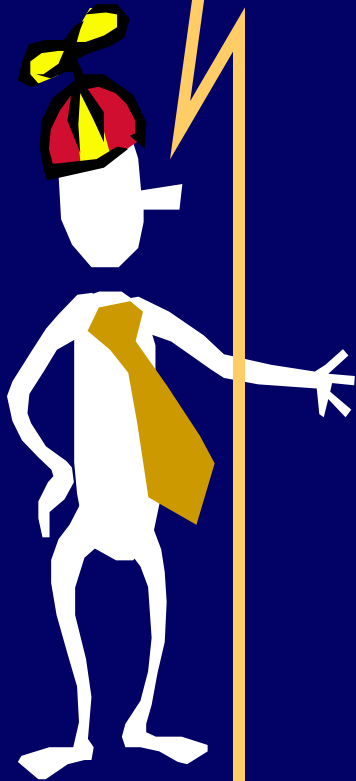
Since the bottom is quadratic we can factor it.

$$X / (1 - X - X^2) =$$

$$X / (1 - \phi X)(1 - (-\phi)^{-1}X)$$

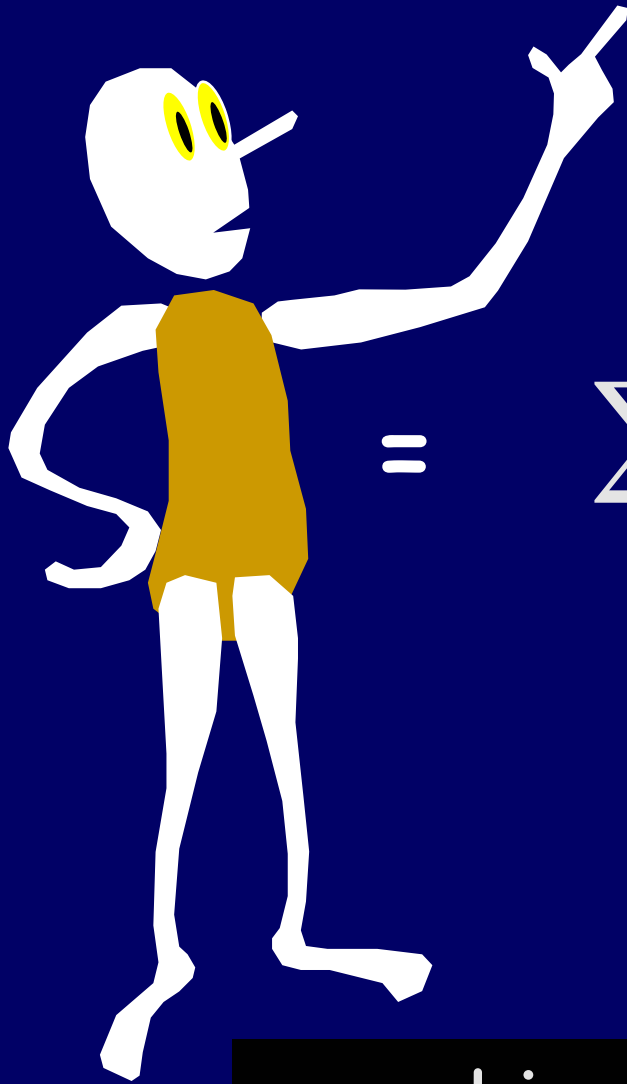
$$\text{where } \phi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

"The Golden Ratio"



x

$$(1 - \phi X)(1 - (-\phi^{-1}X))$$



$=$

$$\sum_{n=0.. \infty}$$

?

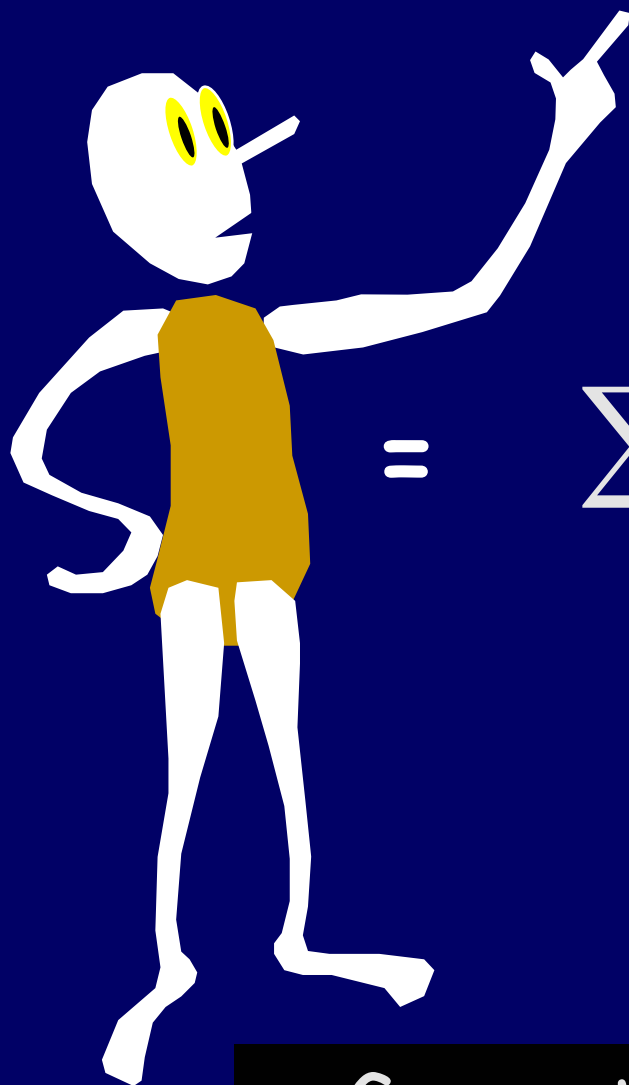
x^n

Linear factors on the bottom

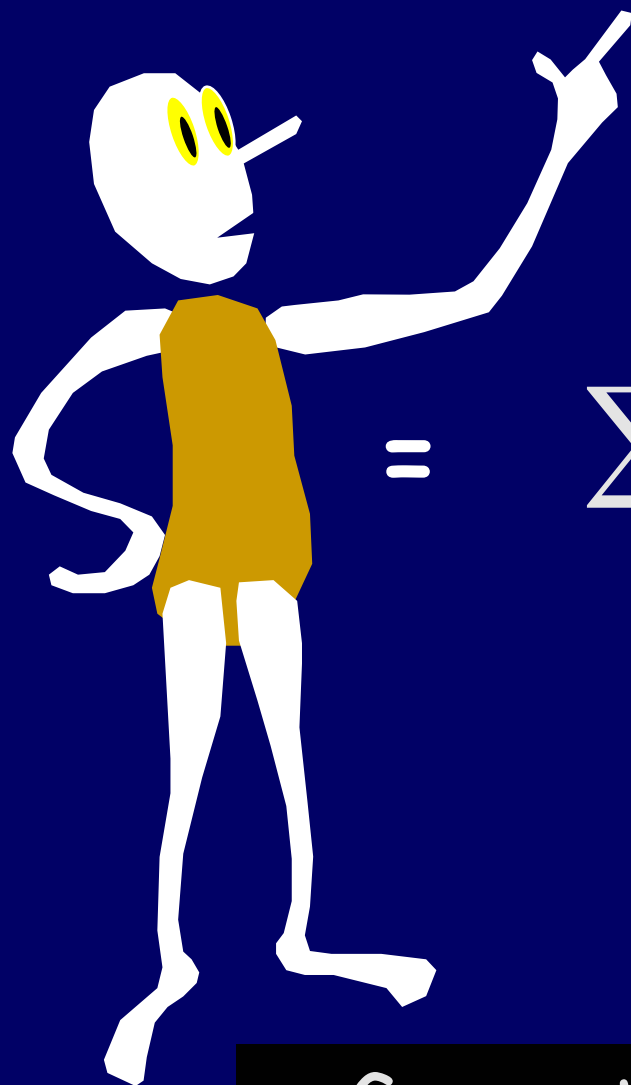
$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \dots + a^nX^n + \dots) (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \dots + b^nX^n + \dots) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - aX)(1 - bX)}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0.. \infty} \frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a - b} X^n$$



Geometric Series (Quadratic Form)



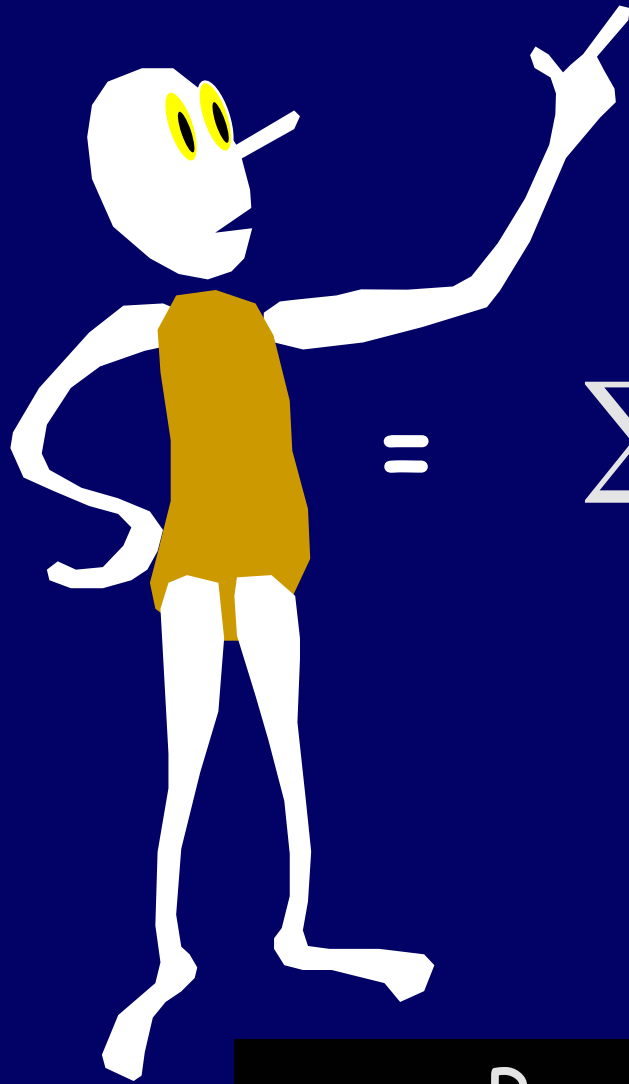
$$\frac{1}{(1 - \phi X)(1 - (-\phi^{-1}X))}$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\phi^{n+1} - (-\phi^{-1})^{n+1}}{\sqrt{5}} X^n$$

Geometric Series (Quadratic Form)

X

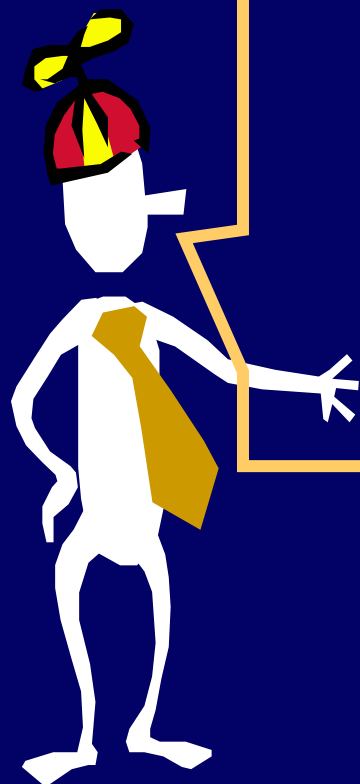
$$(1 - \phi X)(1 - (-\phi^{-1}X))$$



$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\phi^{n+1} - (-\phi^{-1})^{n+1}}{\sqrt{5}} X^{n+1}$$

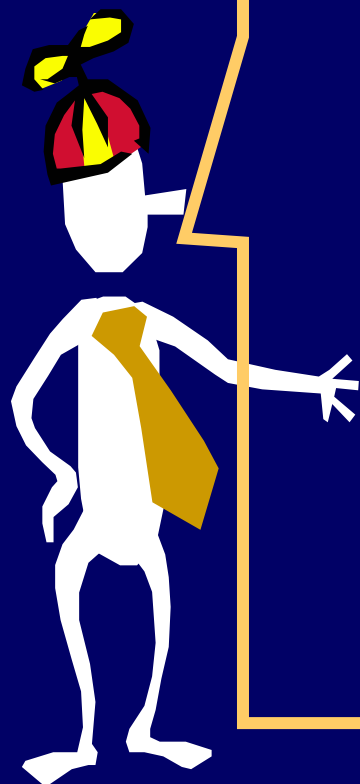
Power Series Expansion of F

$$\frac{x}{1-x-x^2} = F_0x^0 + F_1x^1 + F_2x^2 + F_3x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F_i x^i$$



$$\frac{x}{1-x-x^2} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\phi^i - \left(-\frac{1}{\phi} \right)^i \right) x^i$$

$$\frac{x}{1-x-x^2} = F_0x^0 + F_1x^1 + F_2x^2 + F_3x^3 + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F_i x^i$$



The i^{th} Fibonacci number is:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left(\phi^i - \left(-\frac{1}{\phi} \right)^i \right)$$

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