Great Theoretical Ideas In Computer Science

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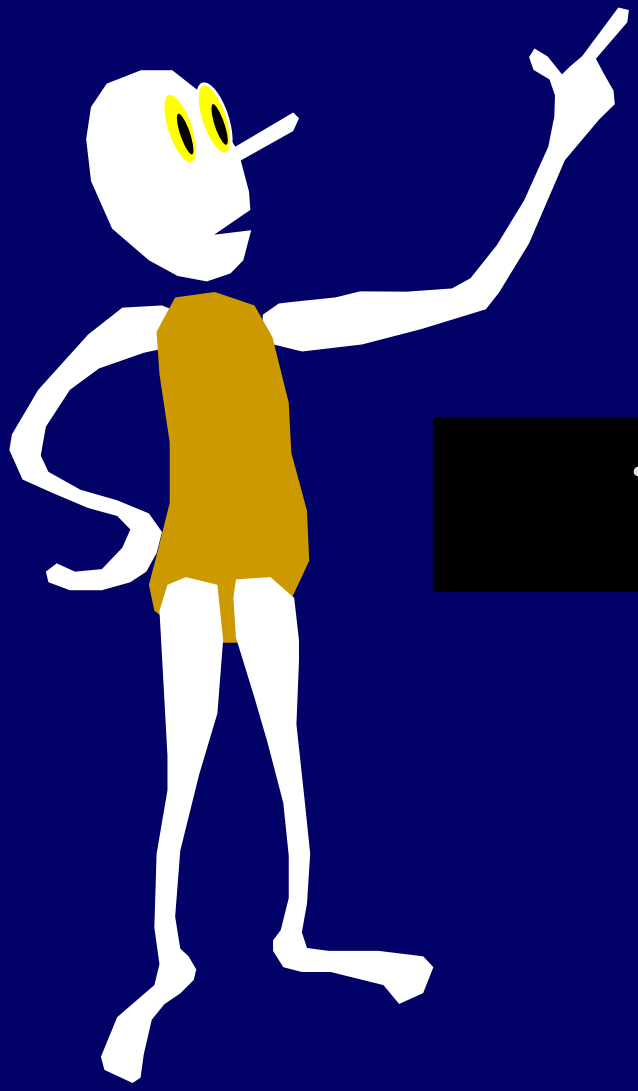
Counting III: Pascal's Triangle, Polynomials, and Vector Programs

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

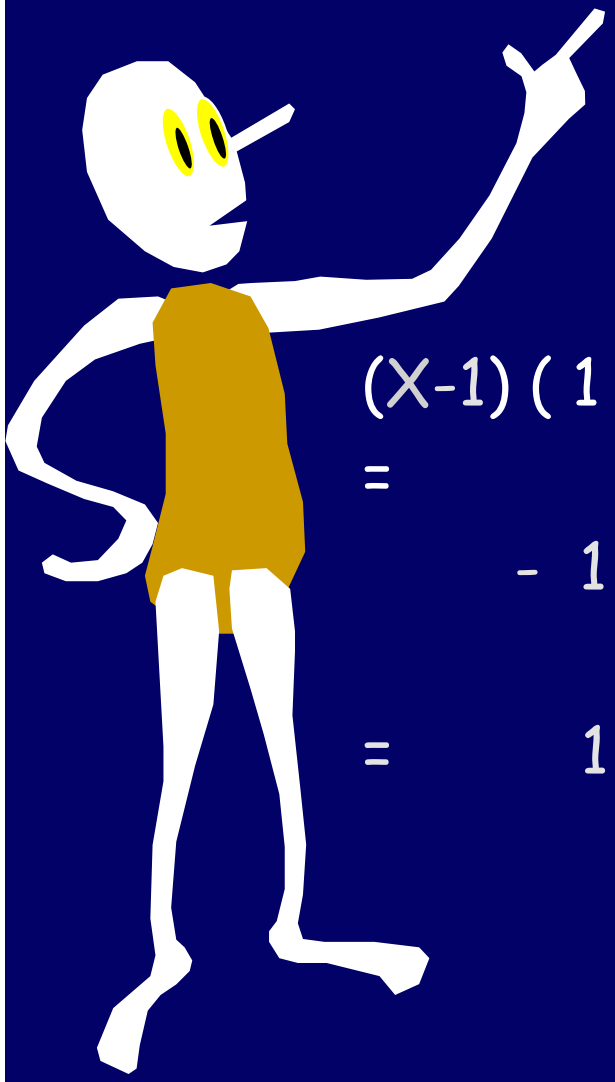


The Geometric Series

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

The Infinite Geometric Series

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



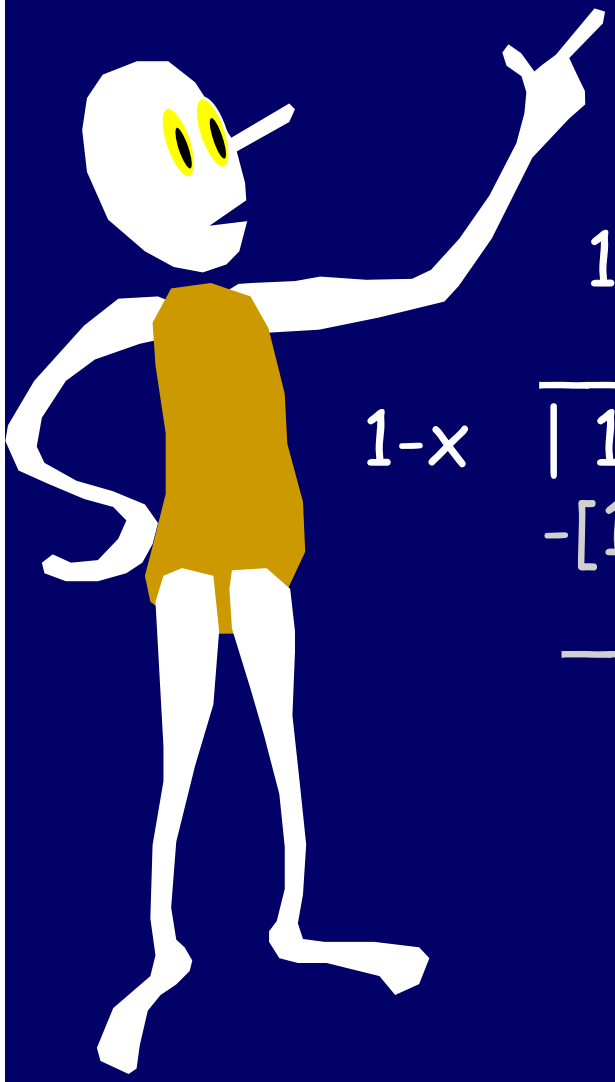
$$(X-1)\,(\,1 + X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \ldots + X^n + \ldots\,)$$

$$= \quad X^1 + X^2 + X^3 + \ldots \quad + X^n + X^{n+1} + \ldots.$$

$$\quad - 1 - X^1 - X^2 - X^3 - \ldots - X^{n-1} - X^n - X^{n+1} - \ldots$$

$$= \quad 1$$

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



$$1 + x + \ldots\ldots$$

$$1-x \;\big|\; 1$$

$$-[1 - x]$$

$$x$$

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

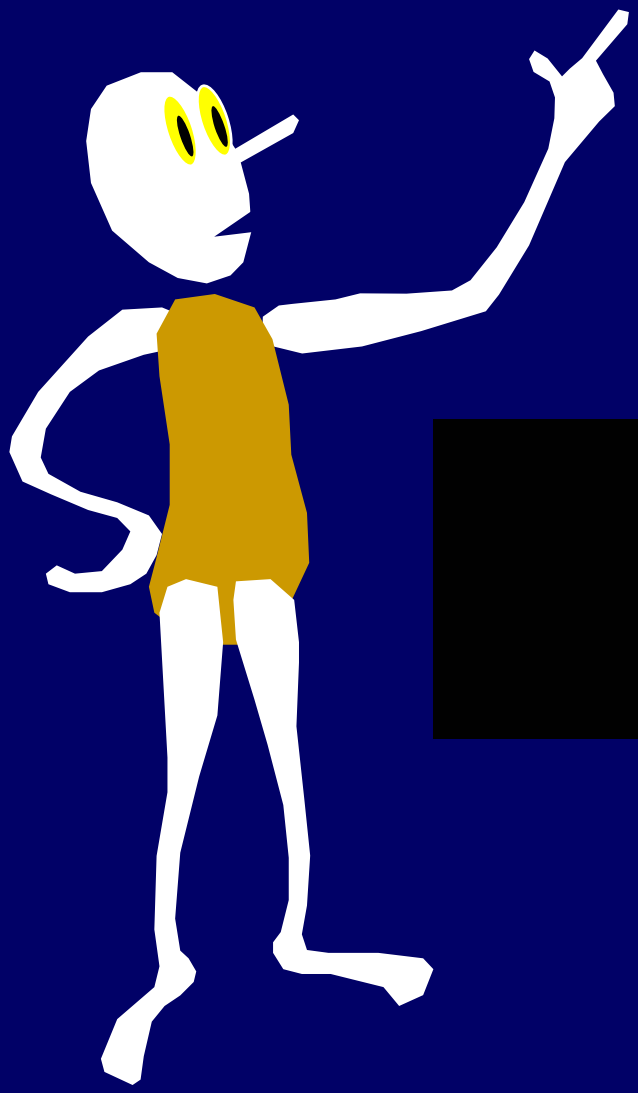
$$x^2$$

$$-\ldots$$

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

Geometric Series (Linear Form)

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



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

Geometric Series (Quadratic Form)

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

$$1 + c_1X^1 + .. + c_k\ X^k + \ldots$$

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

What is an expression for C_n?

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

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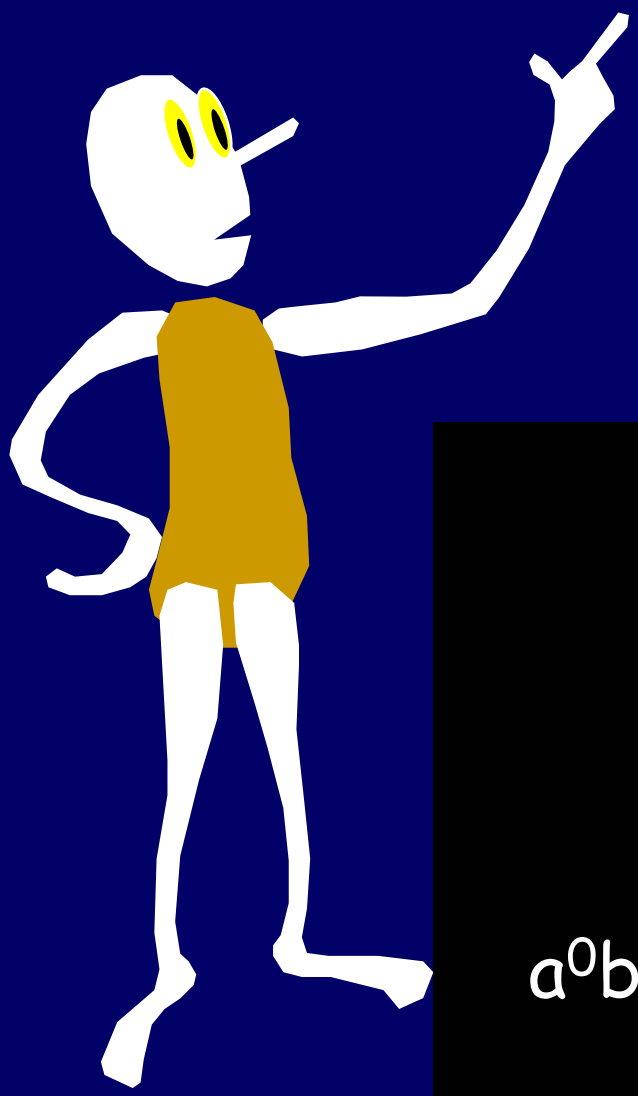

$$c_n =$$

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

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

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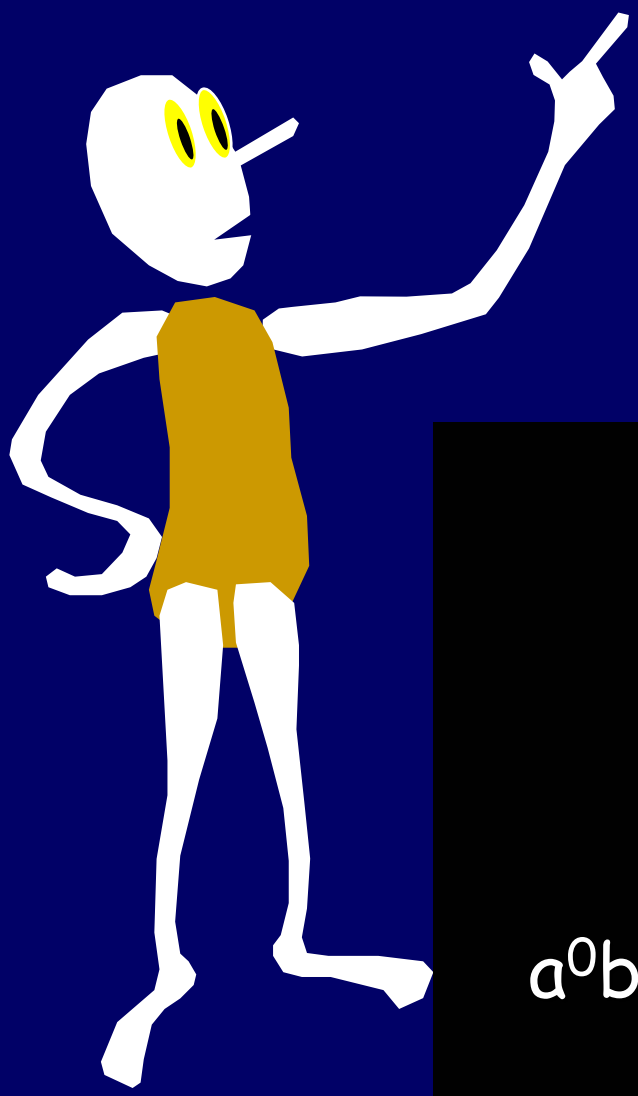
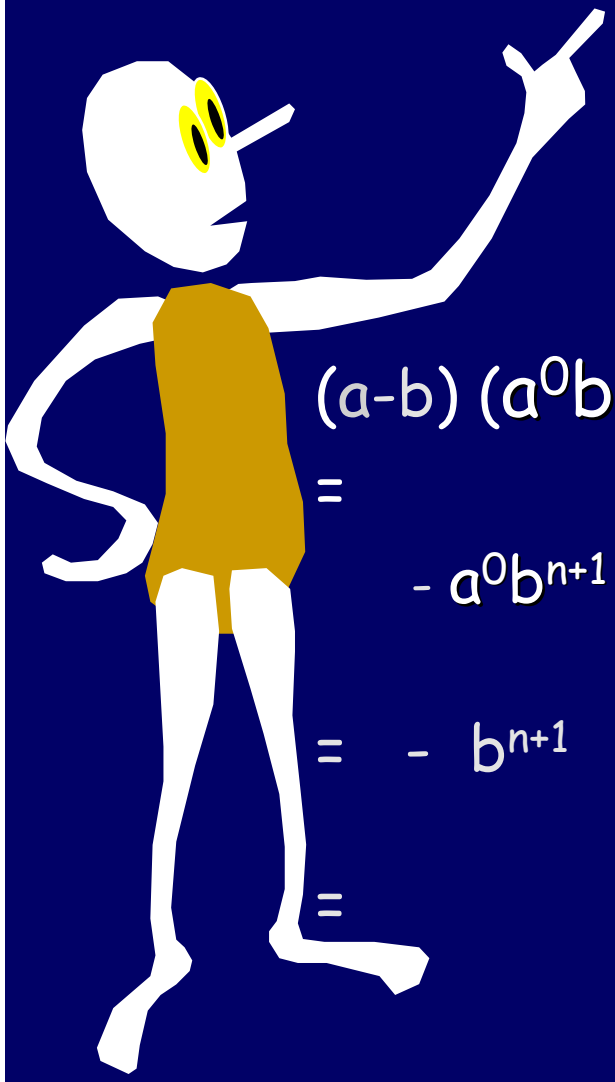


If a = b then

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

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

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



$$(a-b)\,(a^0b^n + a^1b^{n-1} + \ldots a^ib^{n-i} \ldots + a^{n-1}b^1 + a^nb^0)$$

$$= \quad a^1b^n + \ldots a^{i+1}b^{n-i} \ldots \quad + a^nb^1 + a^{n+1}b^0$$

$$- a^0b^{n+1} \quad - a^1b^n \ldots \quad a^{i+1}b^{n-i} \ldots \quad - a^{n-1}b^2 - a^nb^1$$

$$= \; - \; b^{n+1} \qquad + \qquad a^{n+1}$$

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

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

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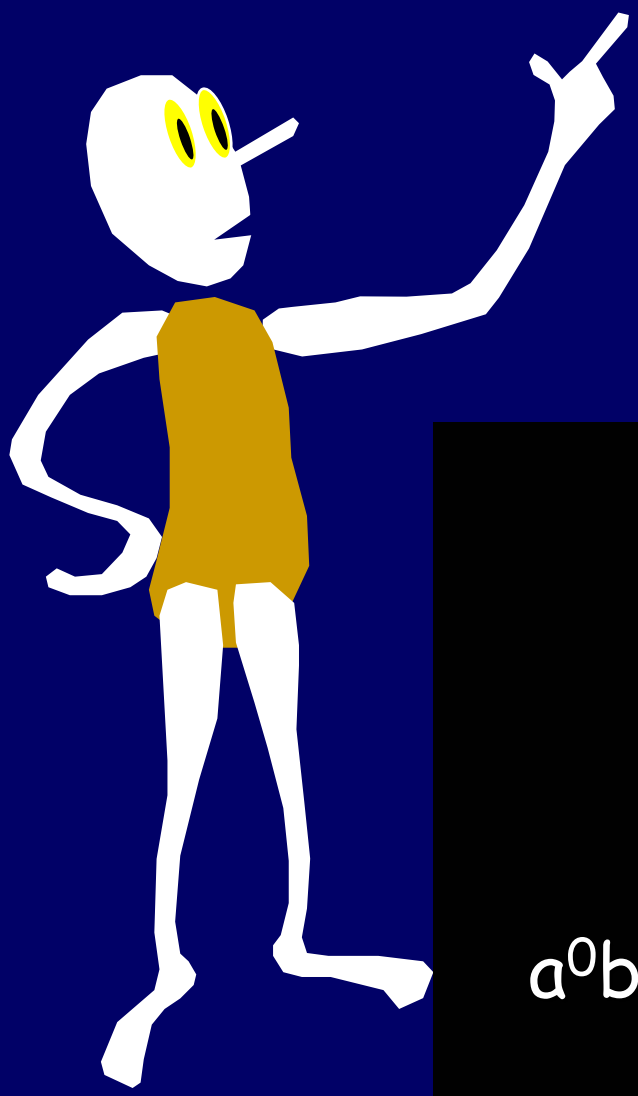
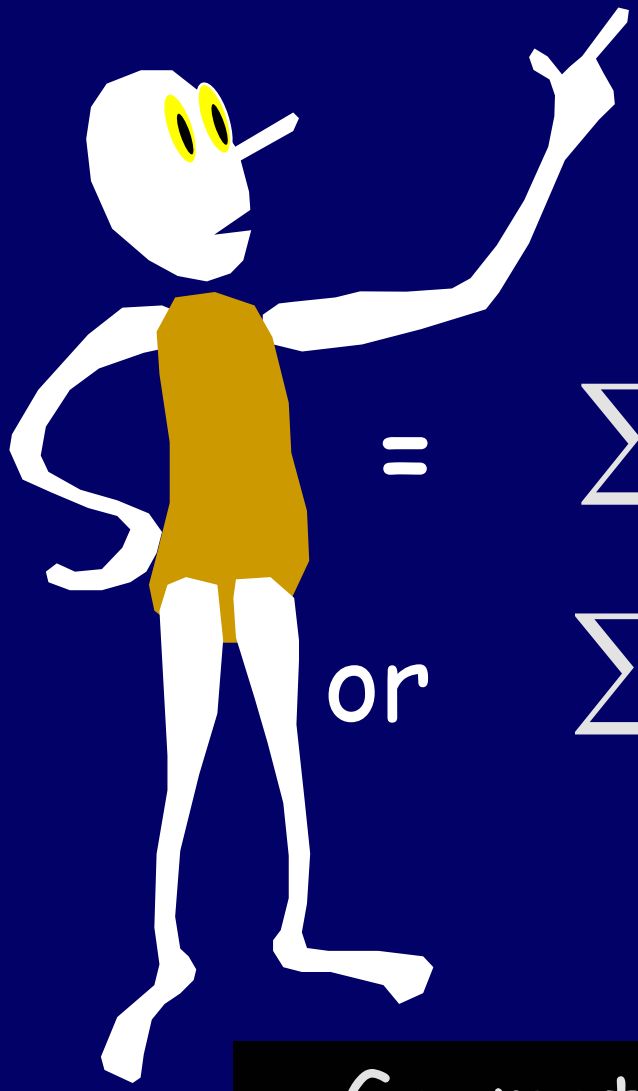


if $a \neq b$ then

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

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

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



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

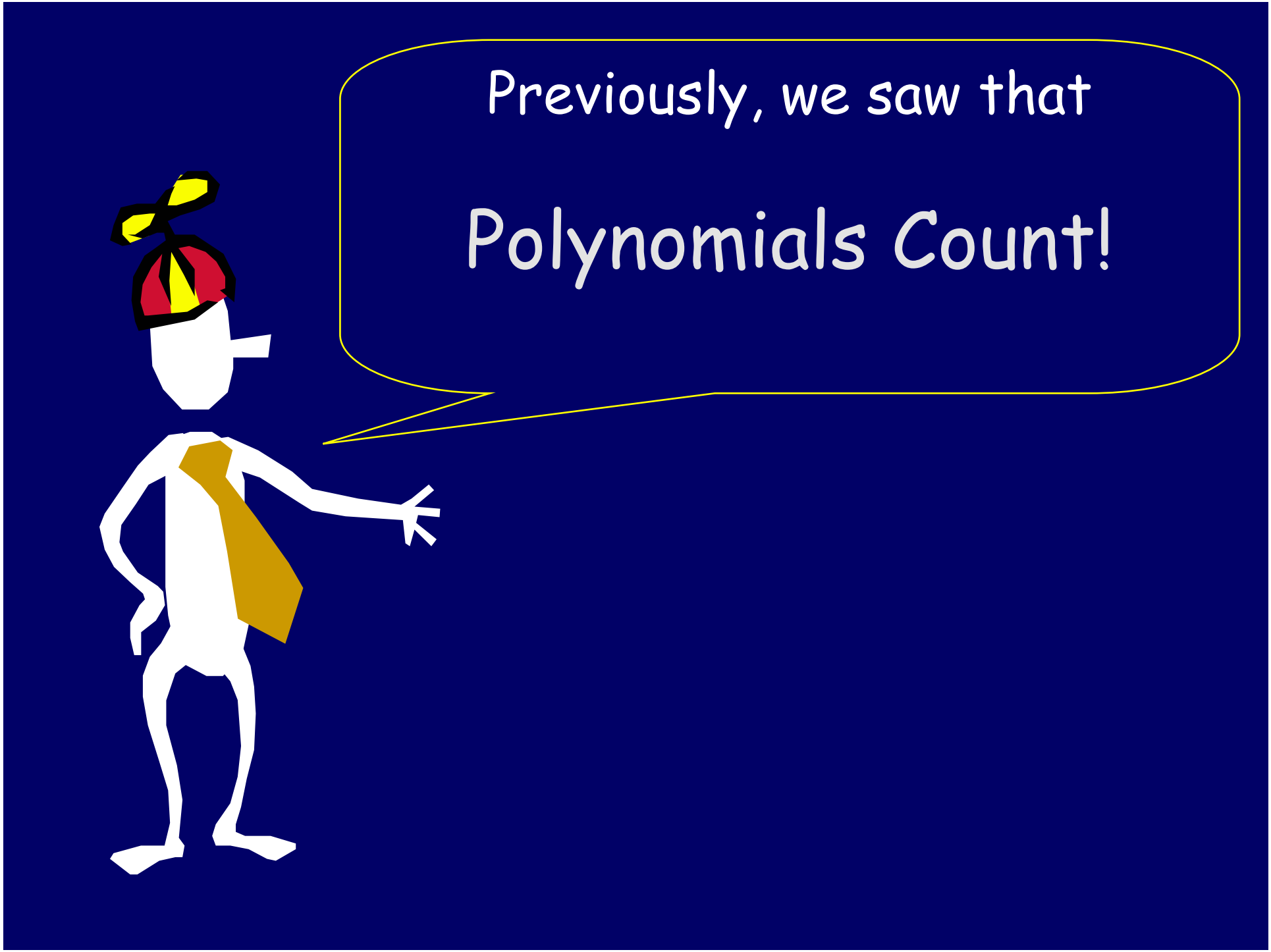
$$= \sum_{n=0..\infty} \frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a - b} X^n$$

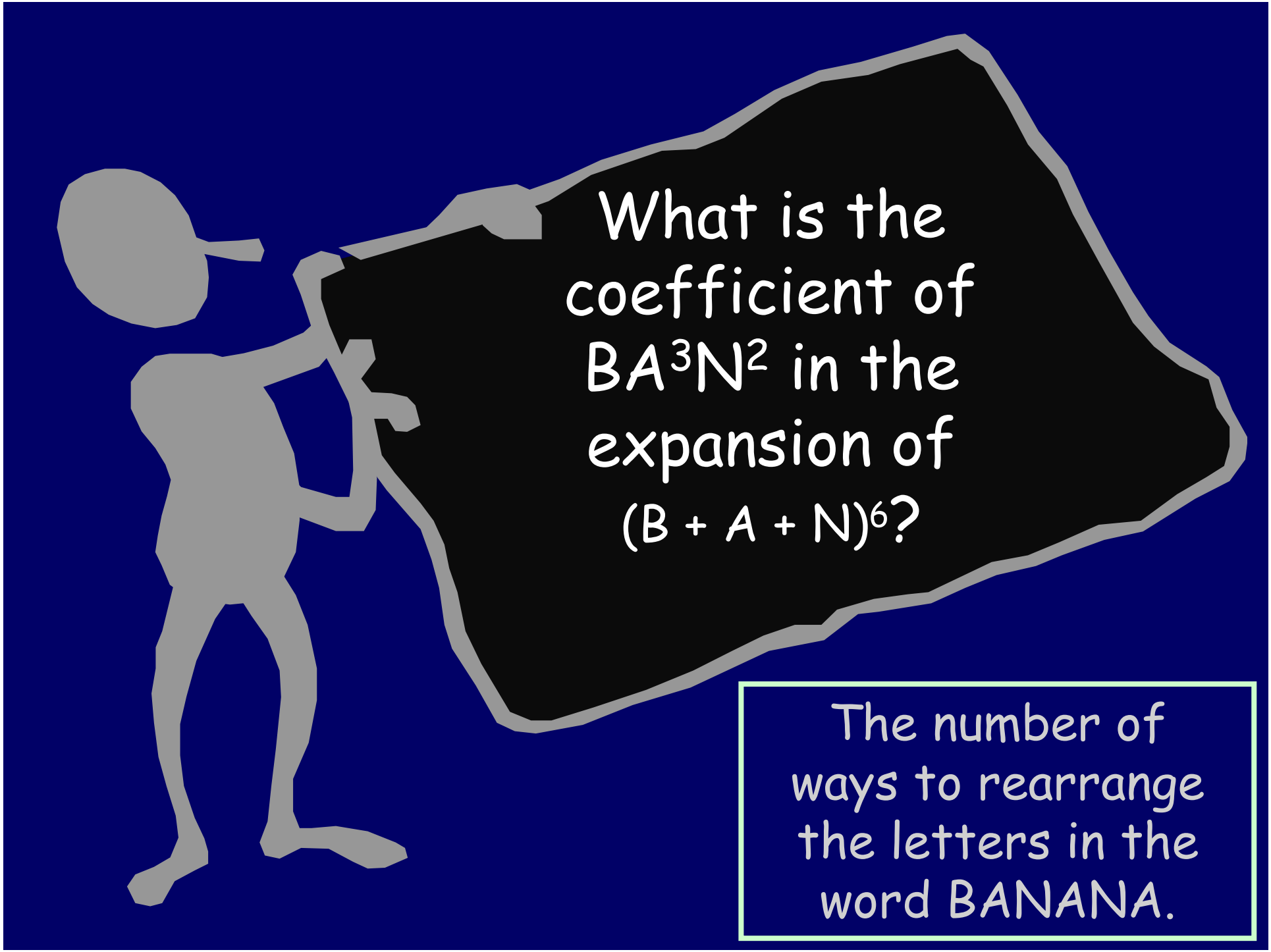
or

$$\sum_{n=0..\infty} (n+1)a^n X^n$$

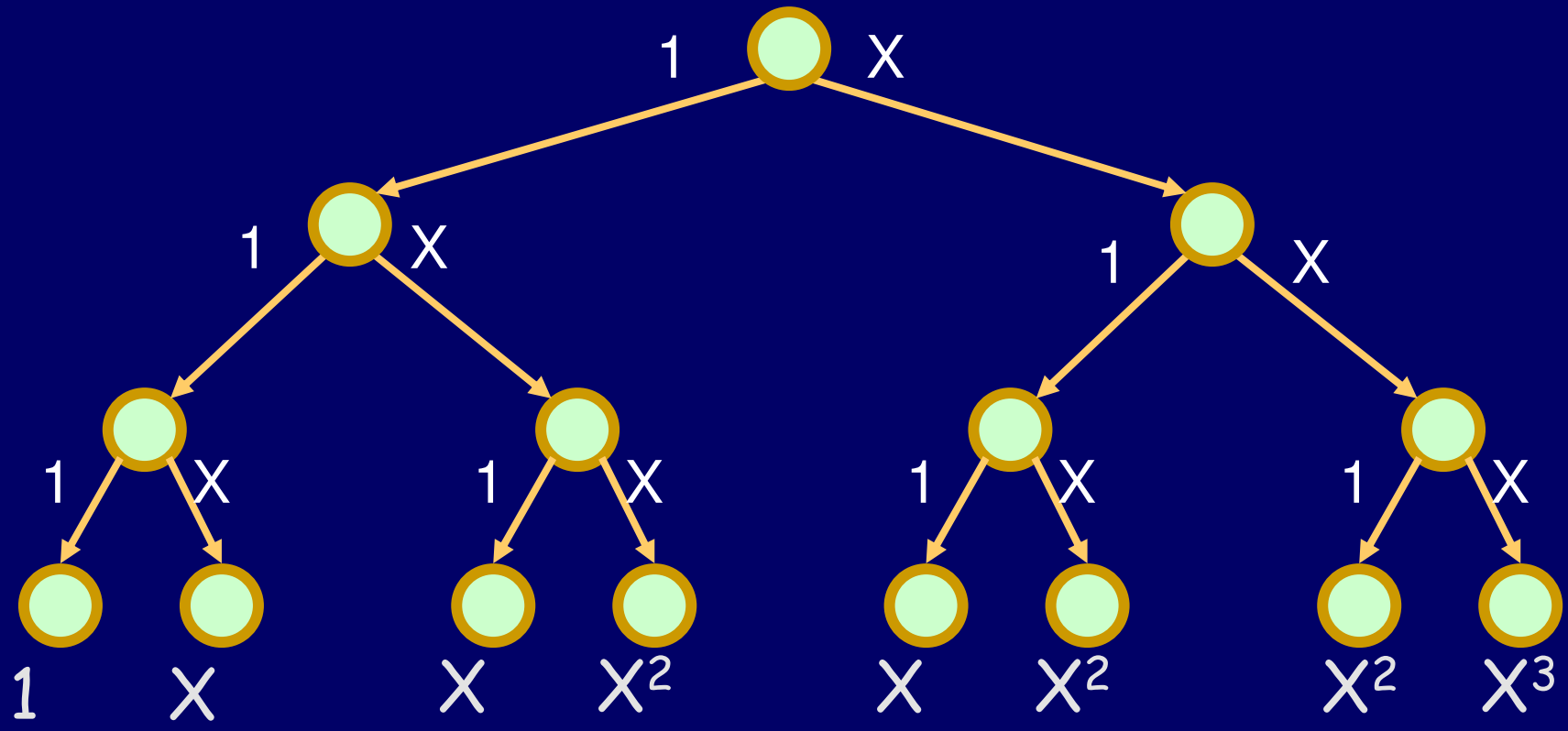
when a=b

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.

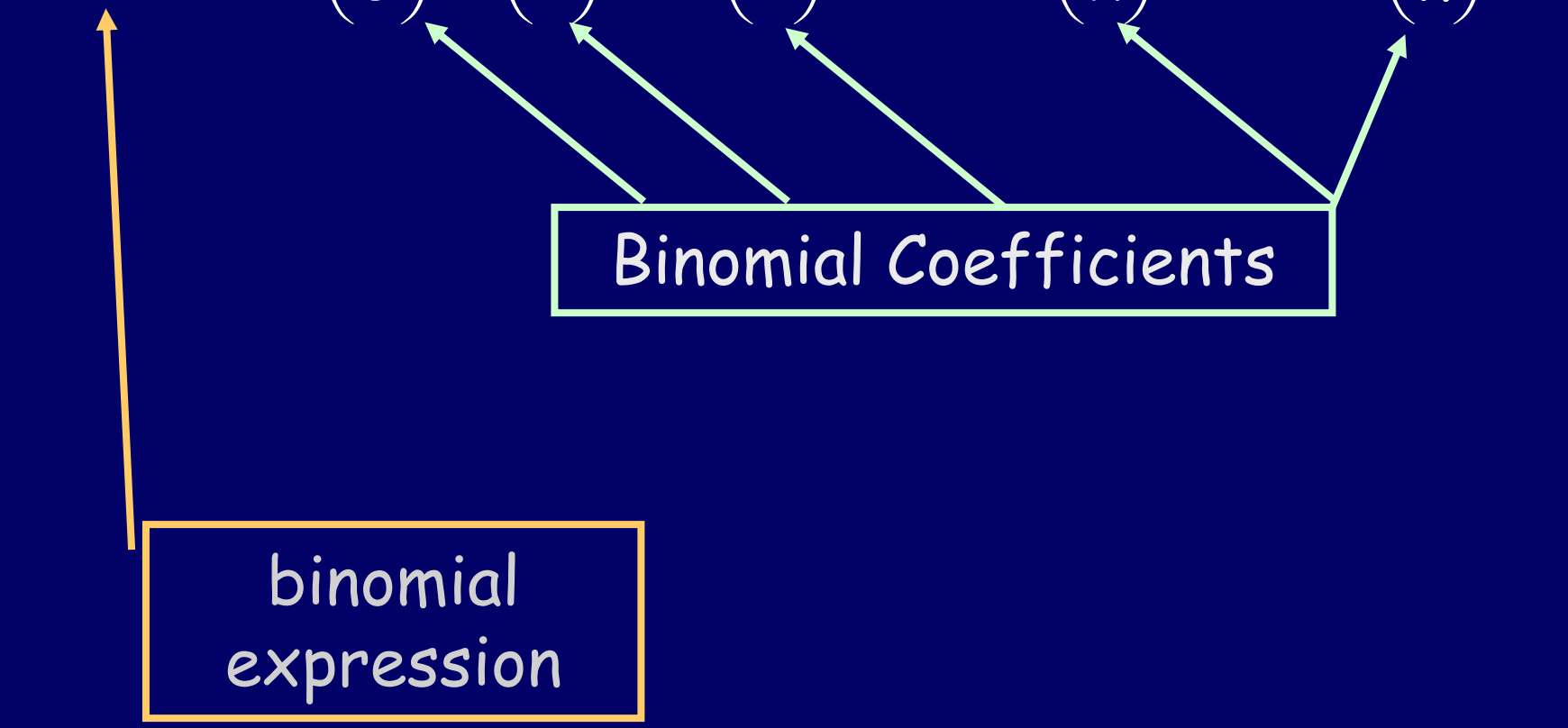
Choice tree for terms of $(1+X)^3$



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

The Binomial Formula

$$(1+X)^n = \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1}X + \binom{n}{2}X^2 + \ldots + \binom{n}{k}X^k + \ldots + \binom{n}{n}X^n$$

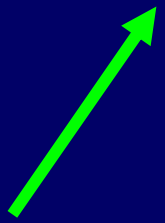


The Binomial Formula

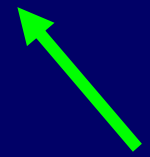
$$(1+x)^n = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} \cdot x^k$$

One polynomial, two representations

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



"Product form" or
"Generating form"



"Additive form" or
"Expanded form"

Power Series Representation

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

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

"Closed form" or
"Generating form"

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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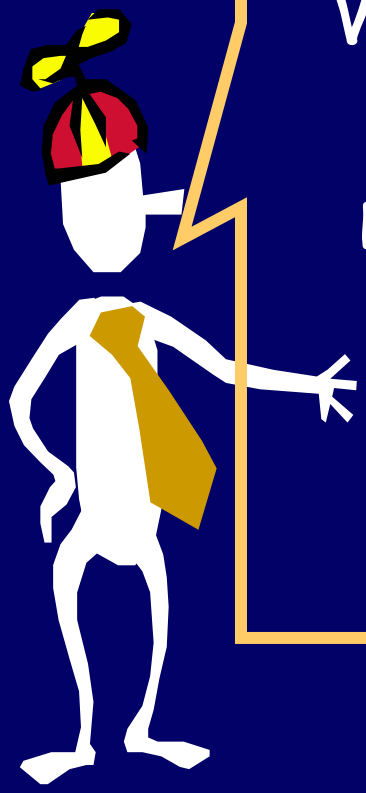
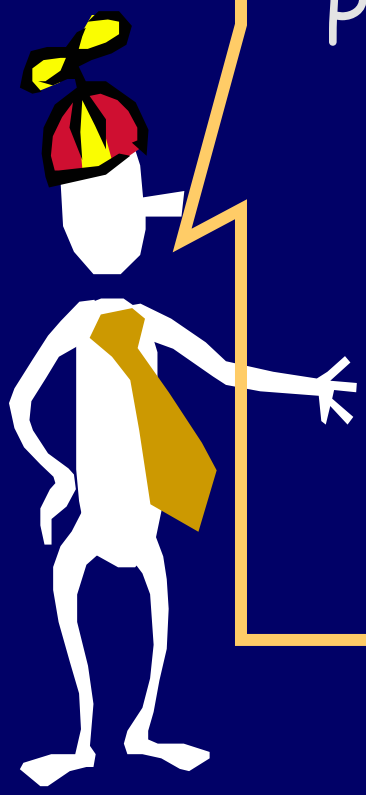


We could discover new identities by substituting in different numbers for X. One cool idea is to try complex roots of unity, however, the lecture is going in another direction.

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



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

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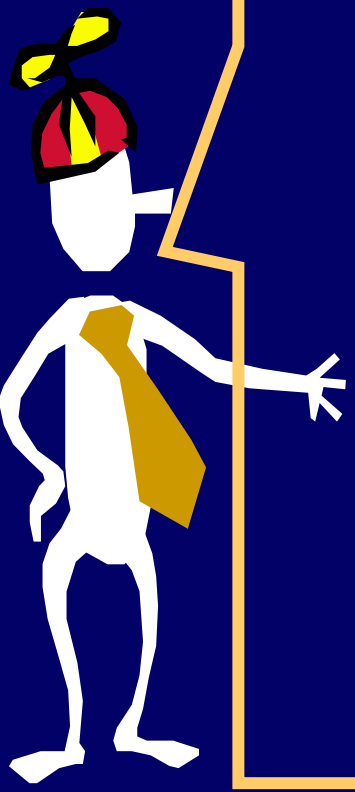


Let O_n be the set of binary strings of length n with an odd number of ones.

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

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

0010011 → 1101100

1001101 → 0110010

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

110011 → 001100

101010 → 010101

Uh oh. Complementing maps evens to evens!

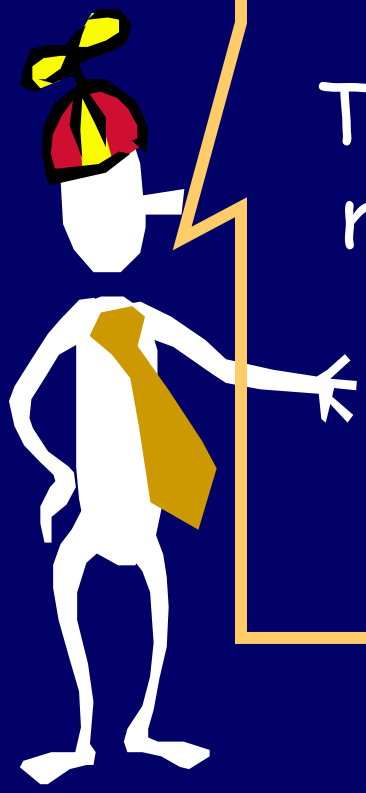
A correspondence that works for all *n*

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

0010011 → 1010011
1001101 → 0001101

110011 → 010011
101010 → 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 $(1+X)^k$

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

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

$(1+X)^0 = 1$

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Inductive definition of kth entry of nth row:

Pascal(n,0) = Pacal (n,n) = 1;

Pascal(n,k) = Pascal(n-1,k-1) + Pascal(n,k)

$(1+X)^0 = 1$

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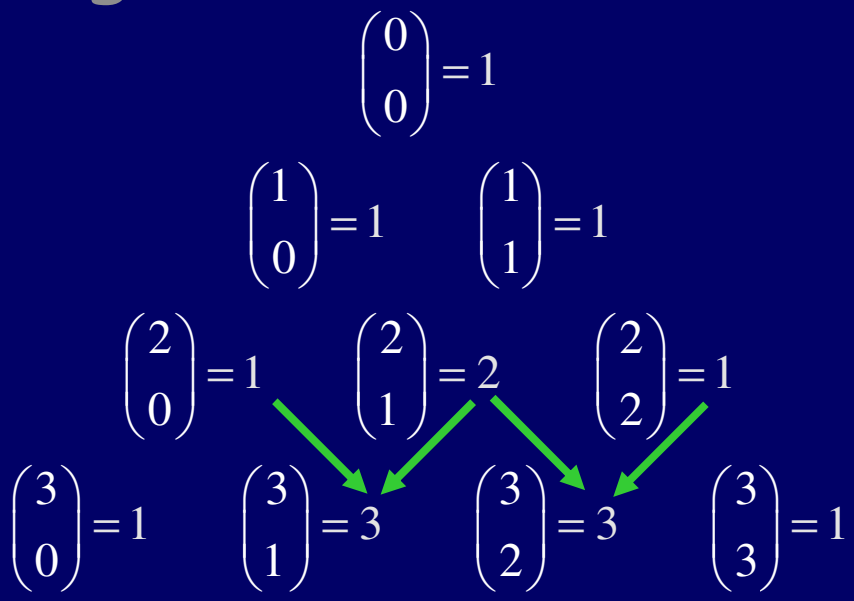
"Pascal's Triangle"

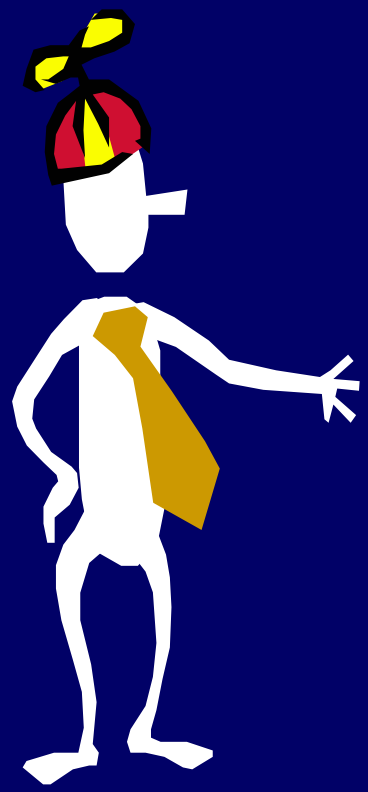


Al-Karaji, Baghdad 953-1029

Chu Shin-Chieh 1303
The Precious Mirror of the Four Elements
. . . Known in Europe by 1529

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

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

$1 = 1$

$1 + 1 = 2$

$1 + 2 + 1 = 4$

$1 + 3 + 3 + 1 = 8$

$1 + 4 + 6 + 4 + 1 = 16$

$1 + 5 + 10 + 10 + 5 + 1 = 32$

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

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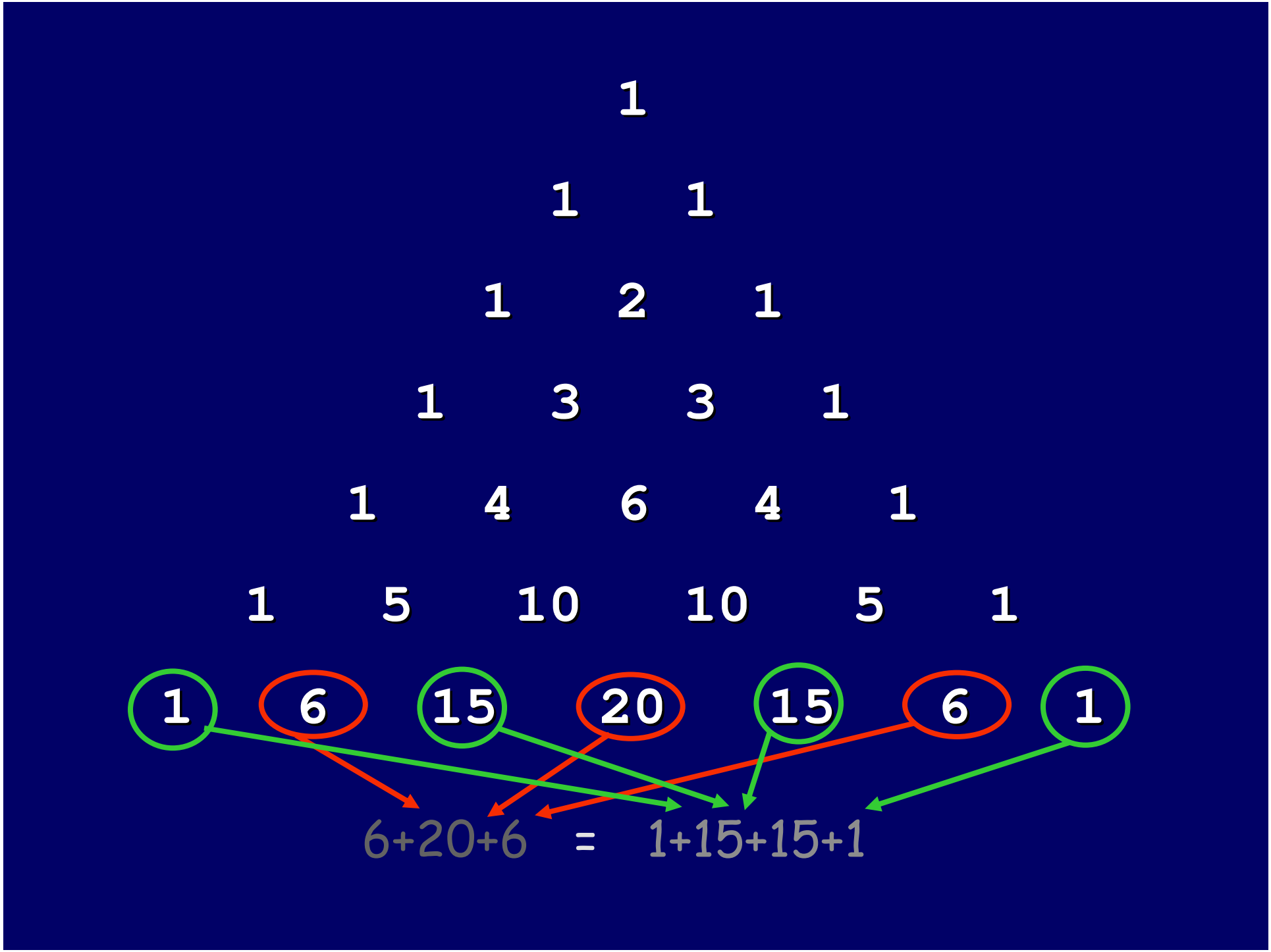
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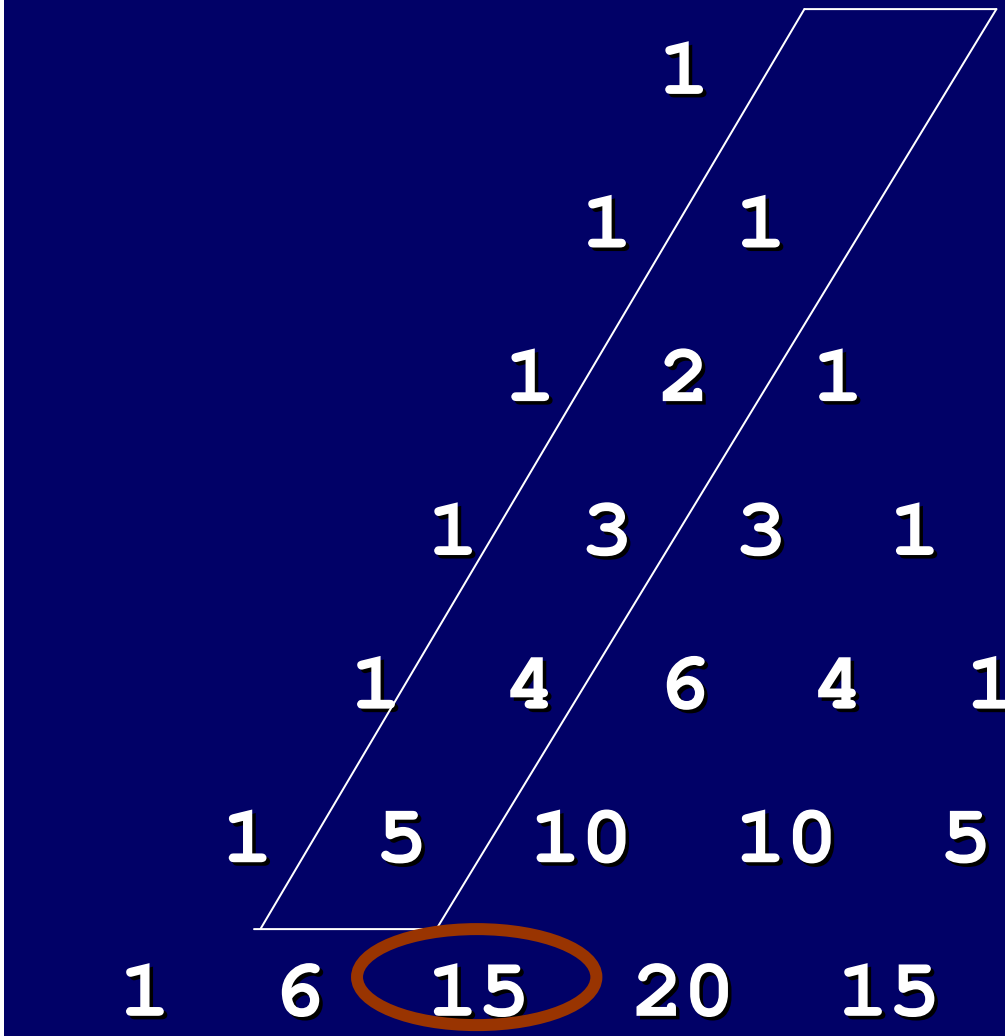
1 4 6 4 1
1 5 10 10 5 1
1 6 15 20 15 6 1
6+20+6 = 1+15+15+1

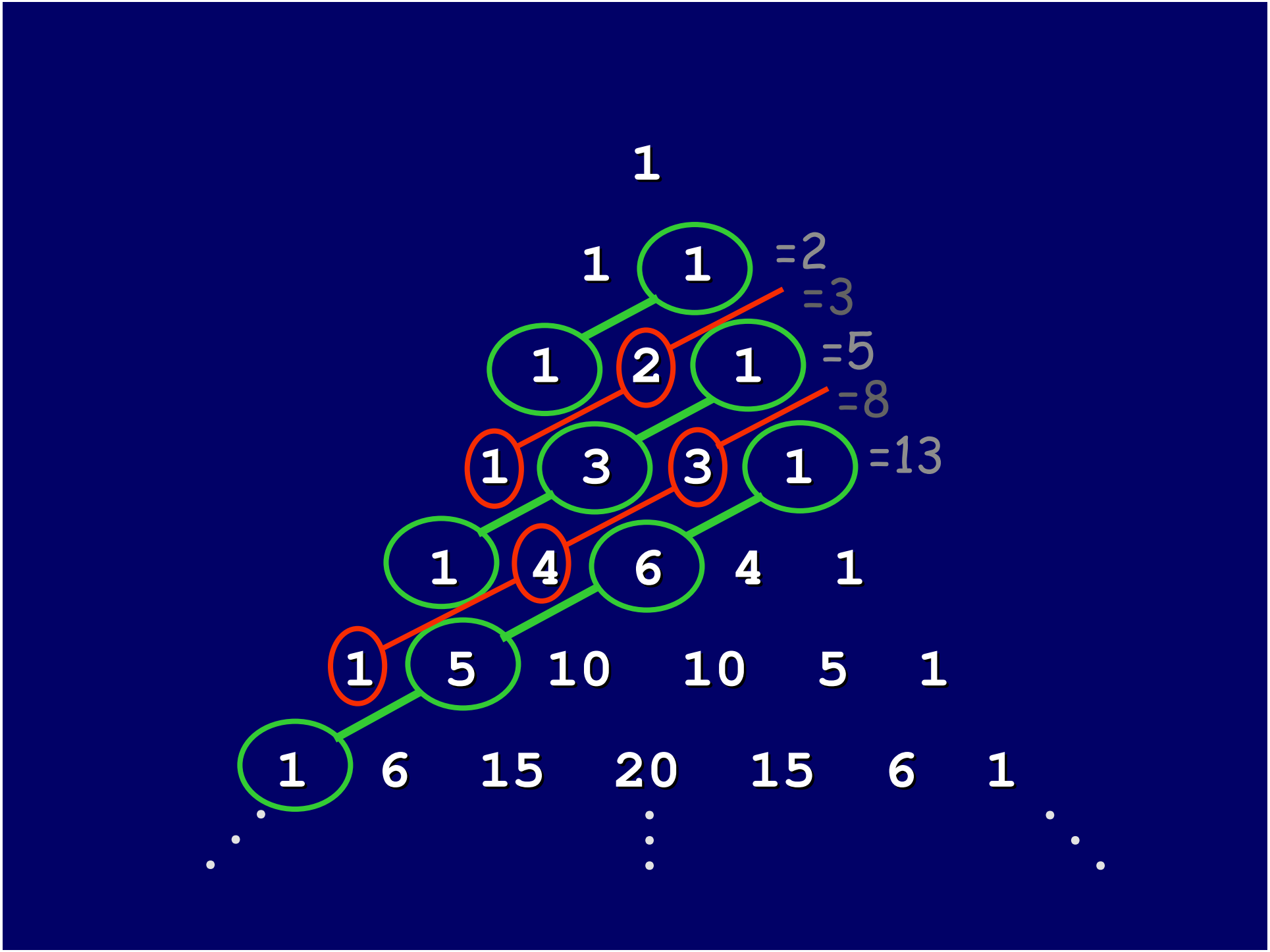
Summing on 1st Avenue



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

Summing on k^{th} Avenue

$$\sum_{i=k}^{n}\binom{i}{k}=\binom{n+1}{k+1}$$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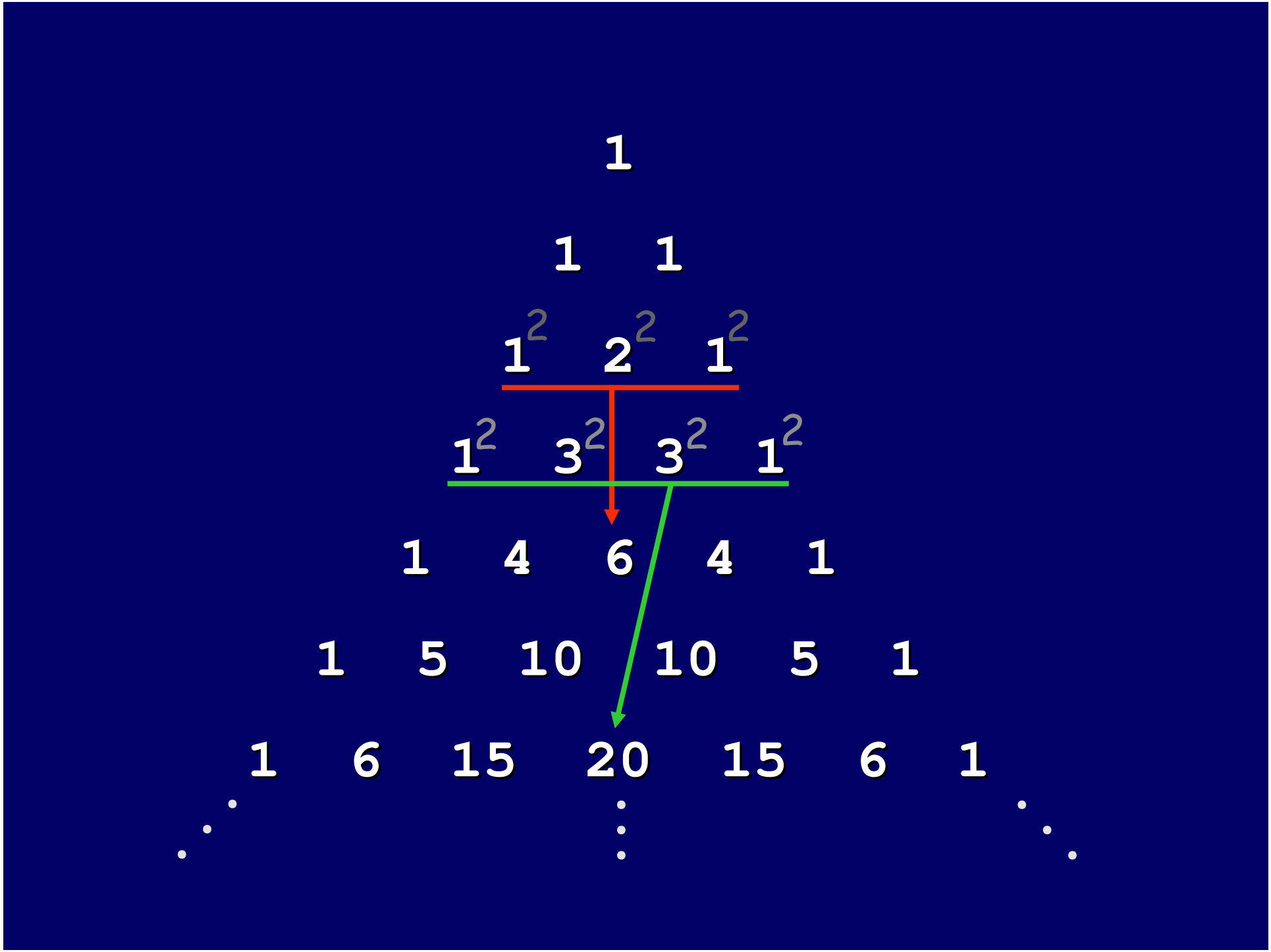
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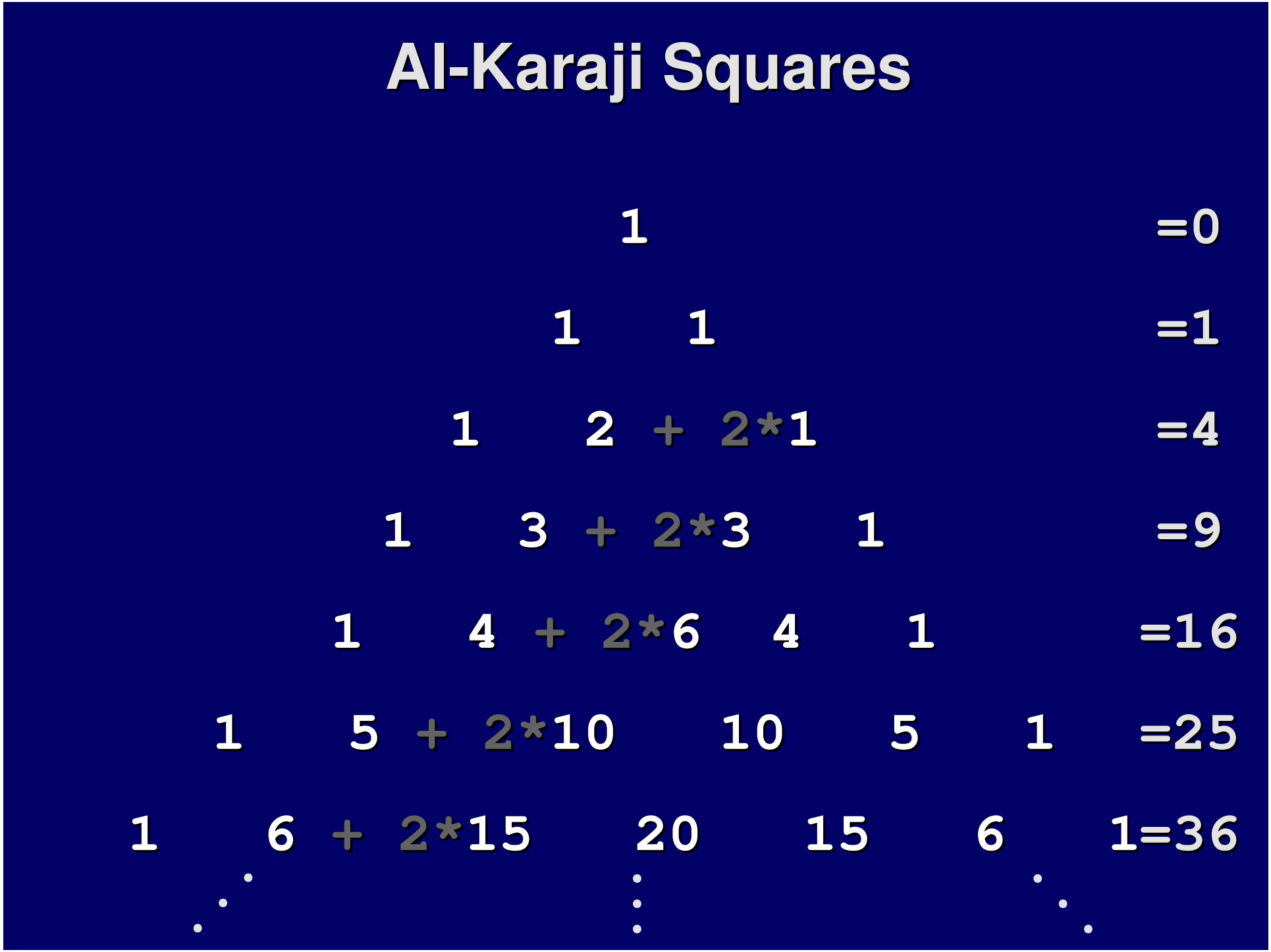
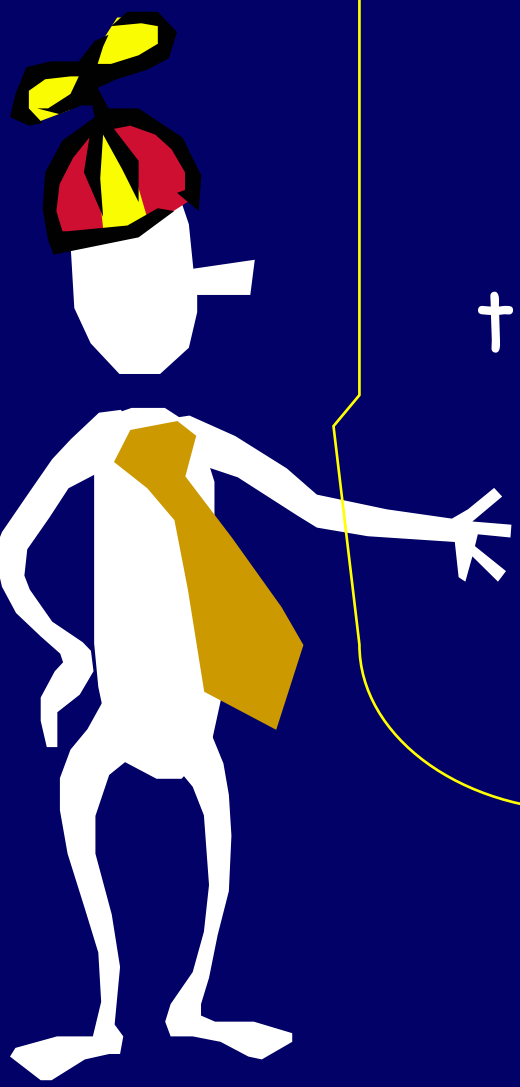
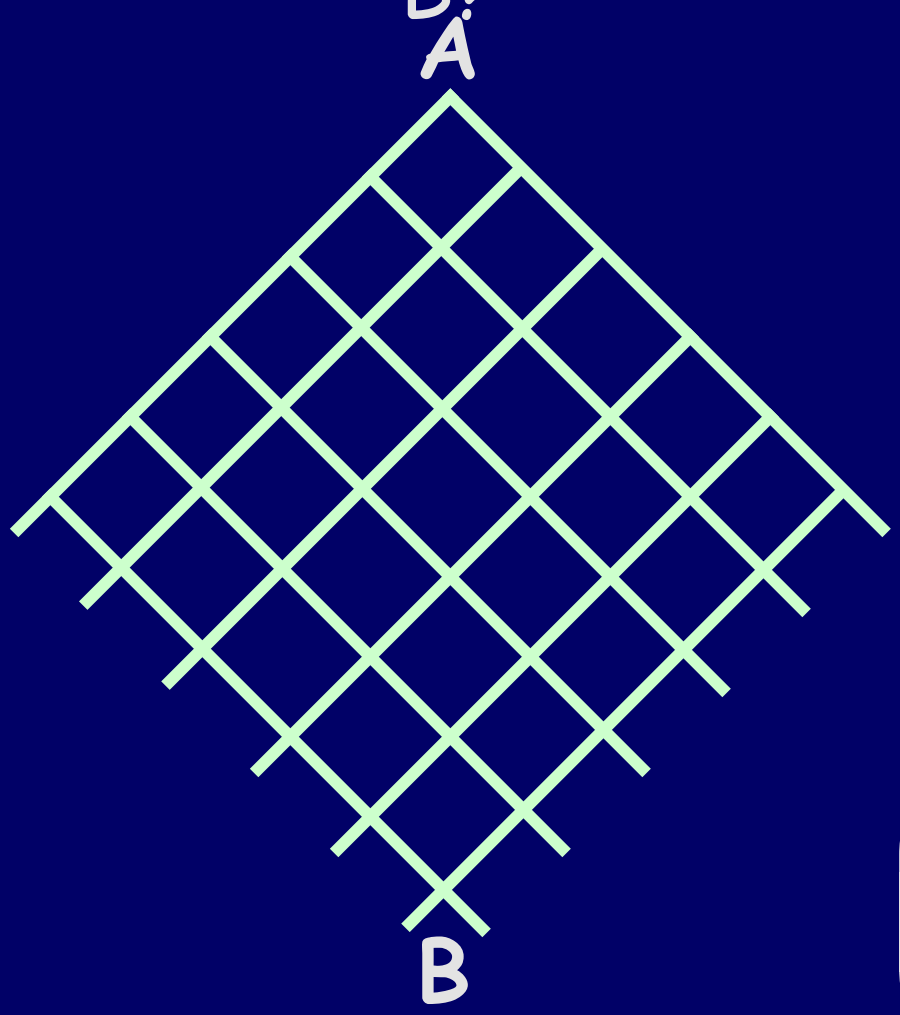
Al-Karaji Squares





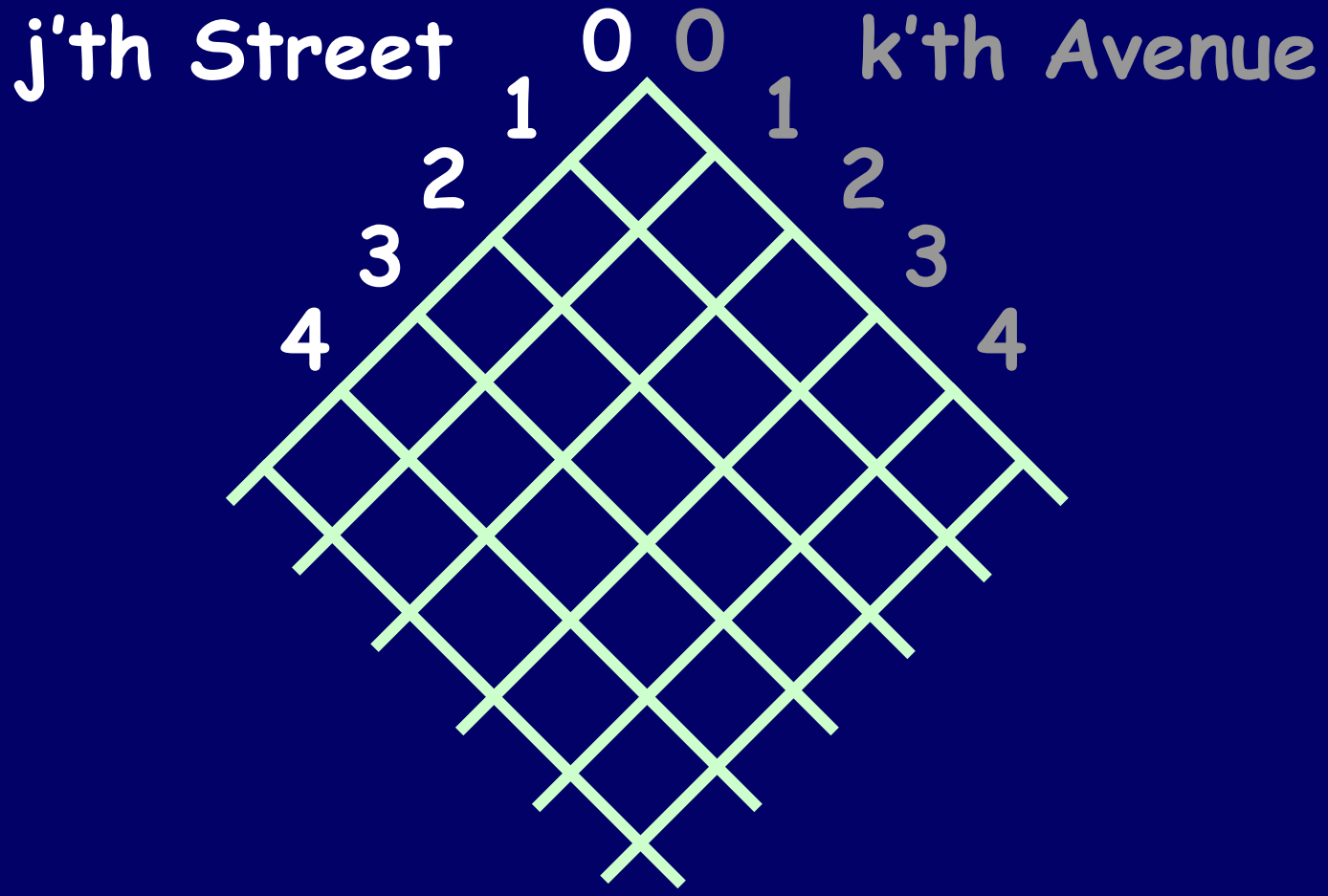
All these properties can be proved inductively and algebraically. We will give combinatorial proofs using the Manhattan block walking representation of binomial coefficients.

How many shortest routes from A to B?



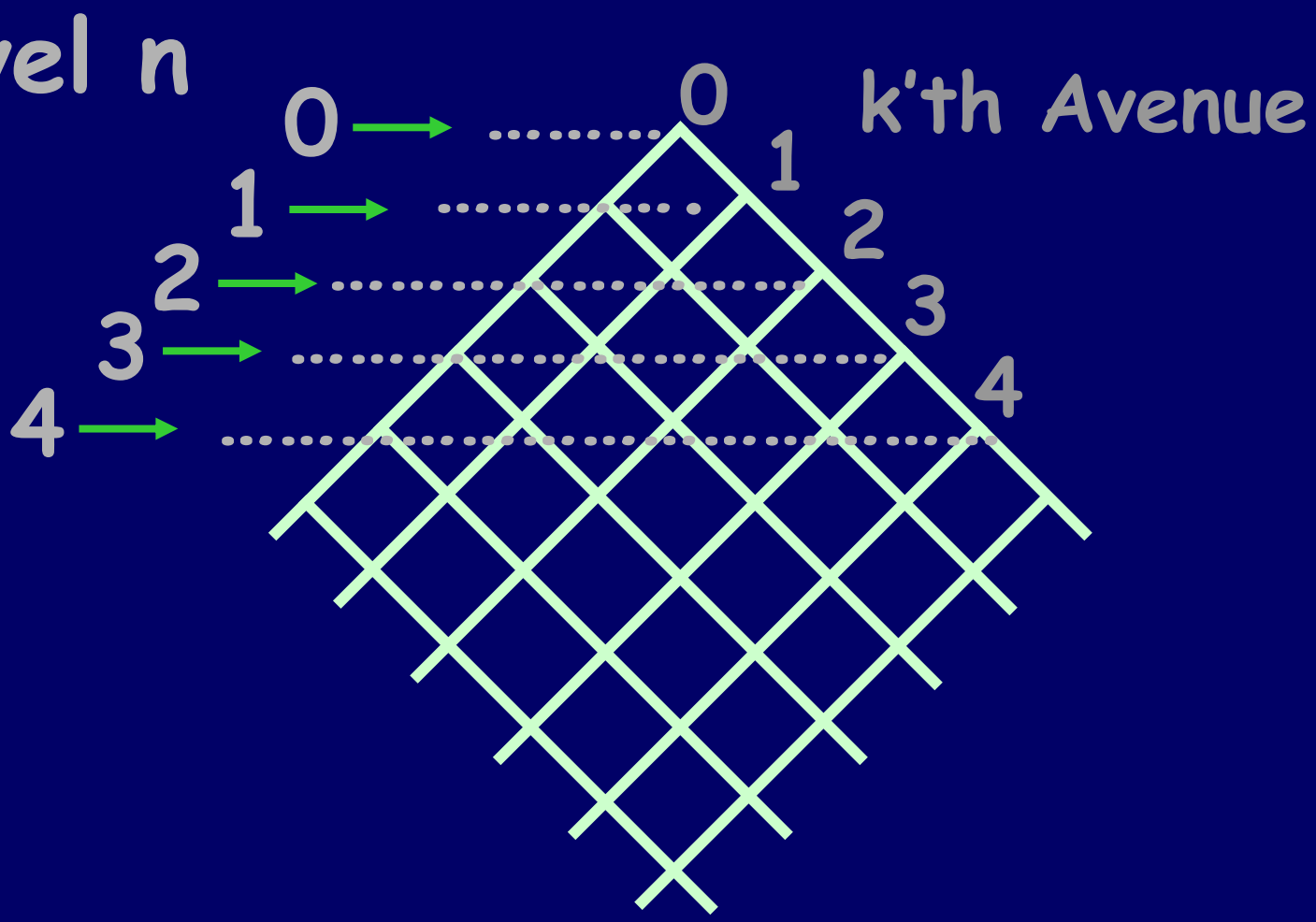
$$\binom{10}{5}$$

Manhattan



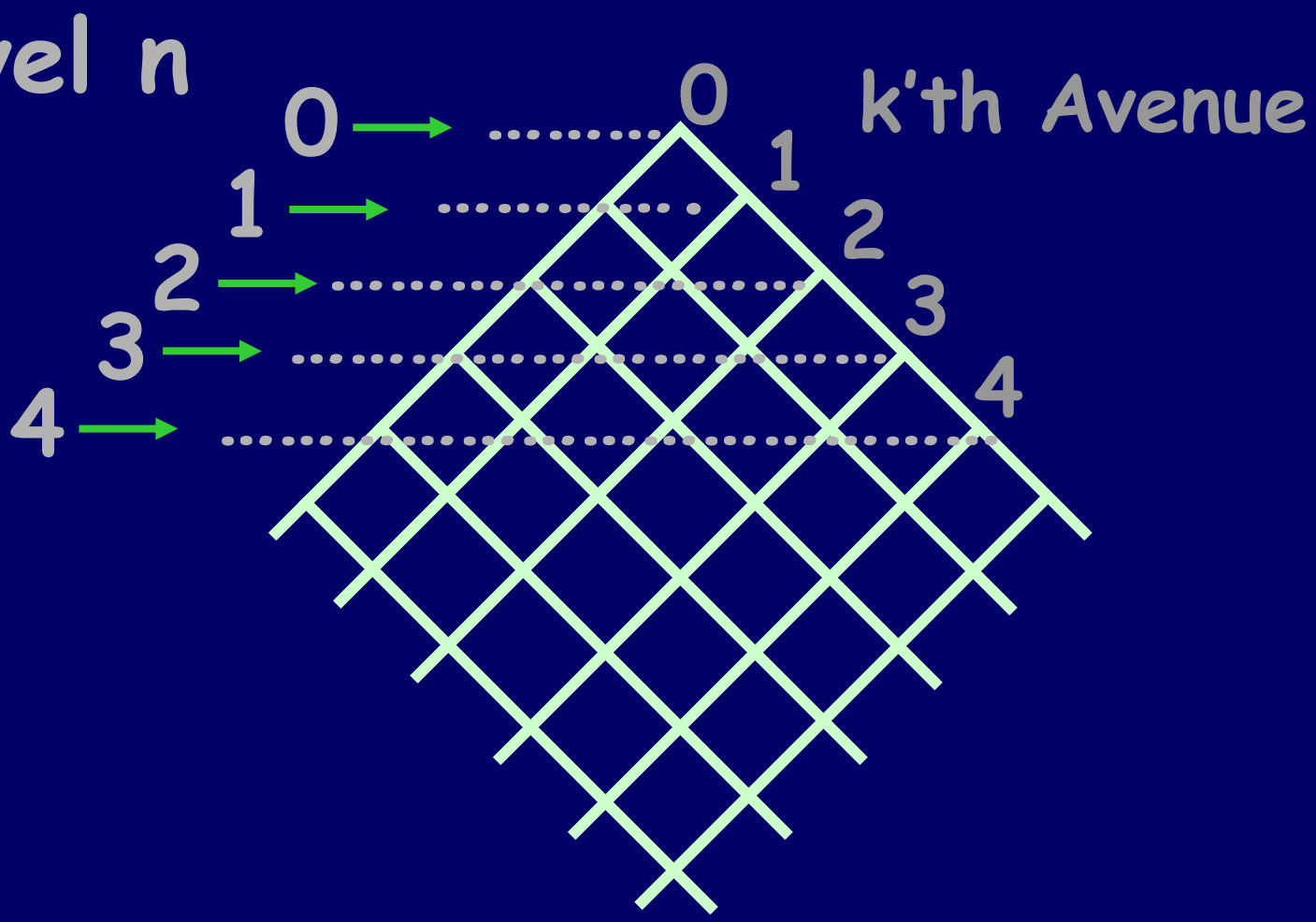
There are $\binom{j+k}{k}$ shortest routes from (0,0) to (j,k).

Manhattan

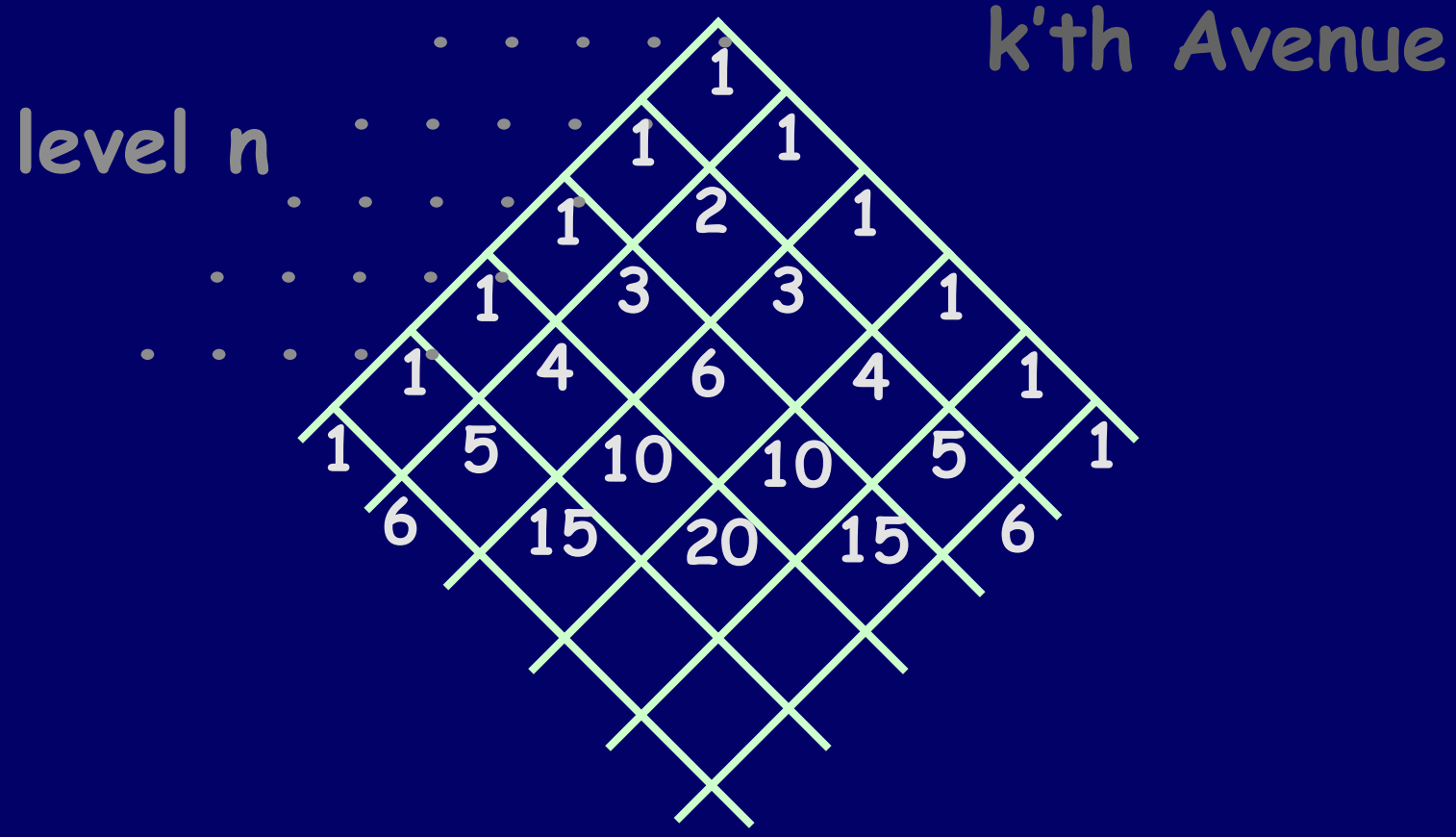


There are $\binom{n}{k}$ shortest routes from (0,0) to (n-k,k).

Manhattan



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


level n
k'th Avenue
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1 3 3 1
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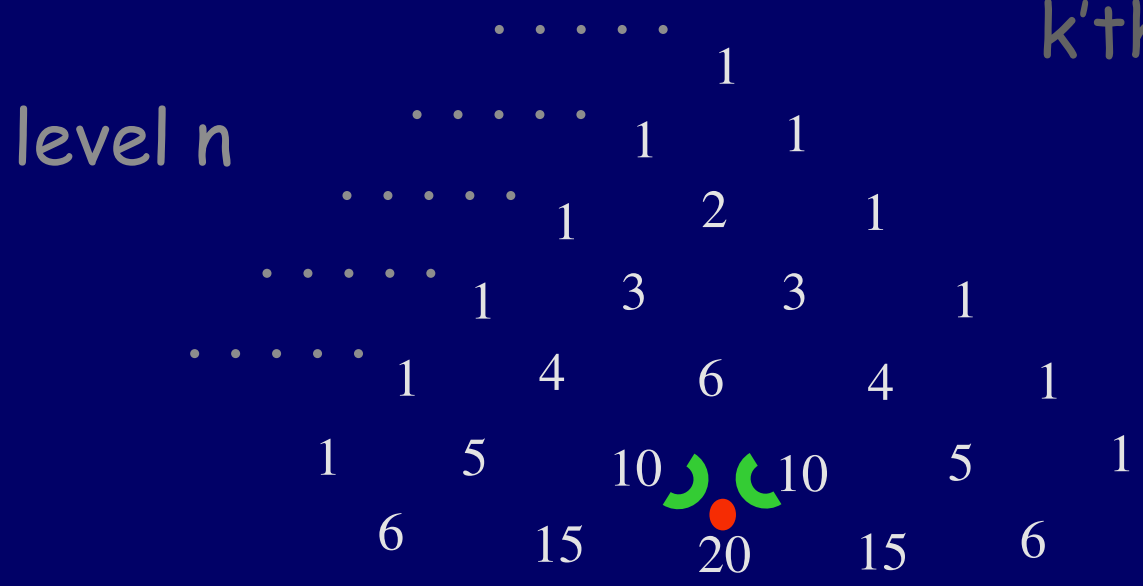
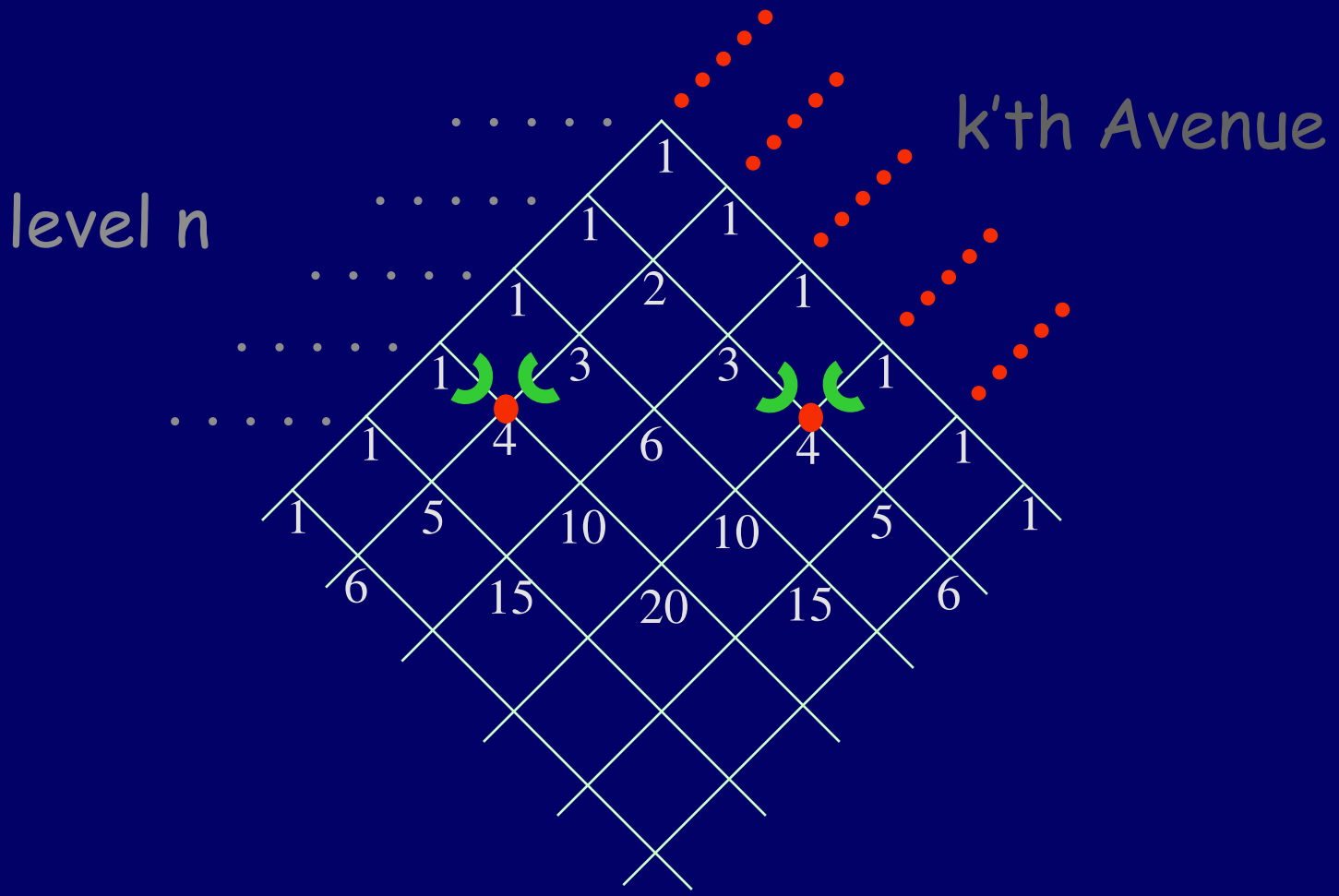
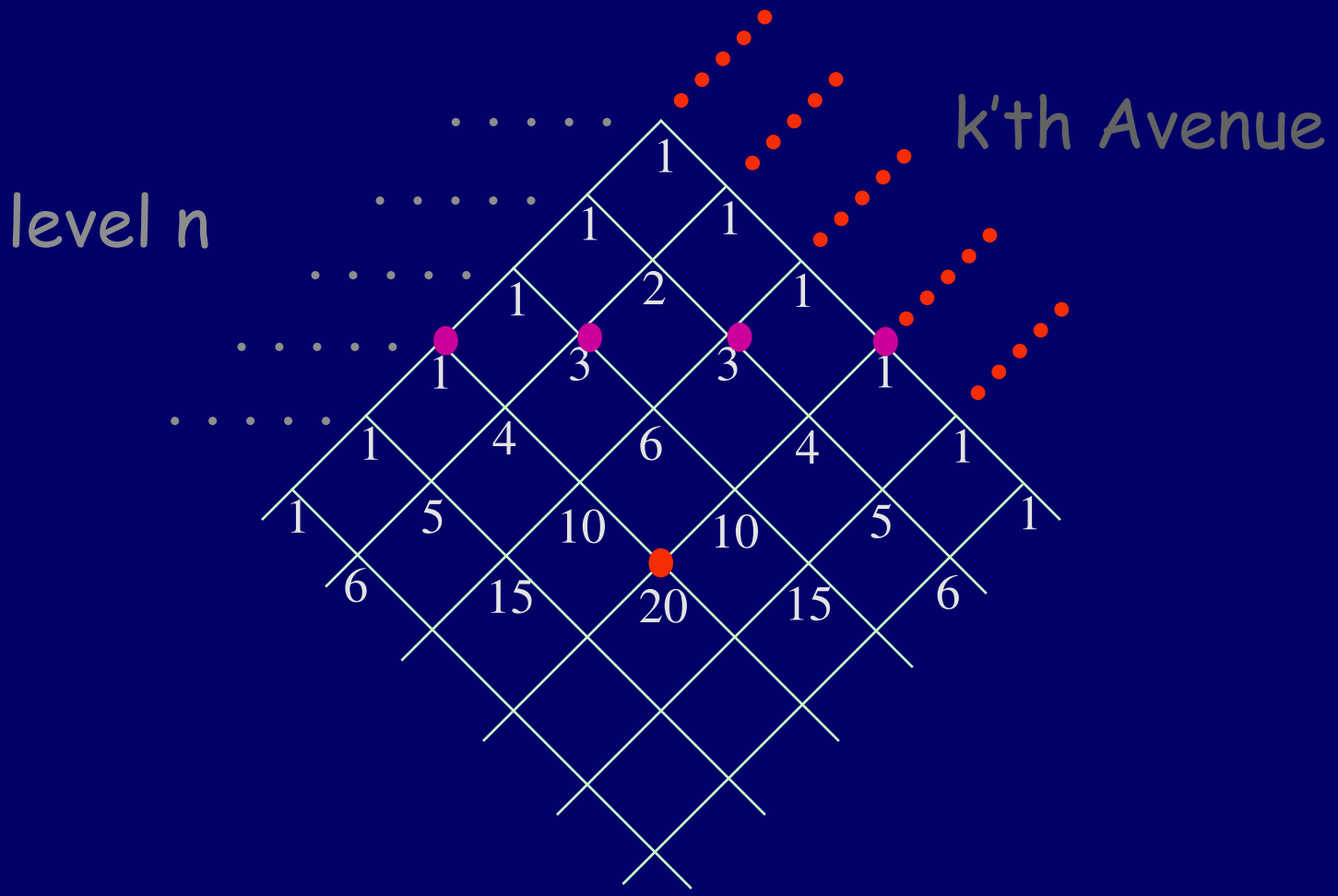
1 5 10 10 5 1
6 15 20 15 6



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



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



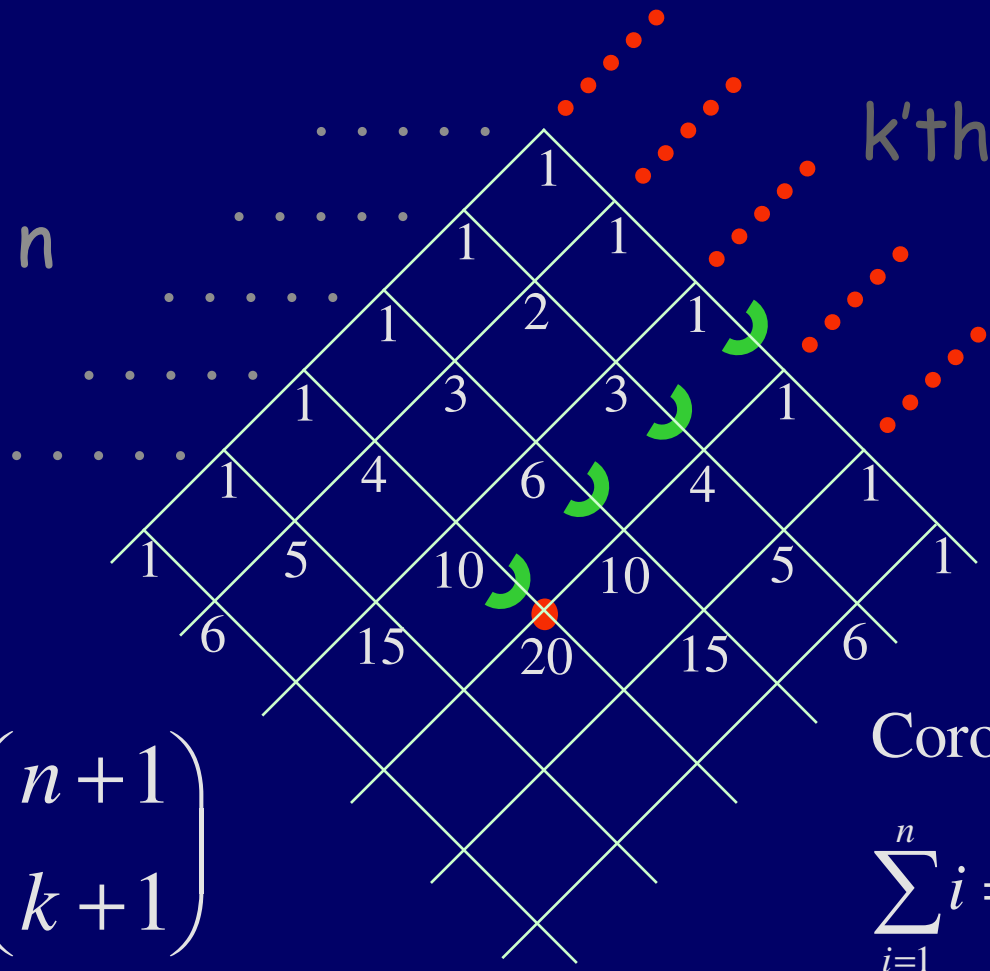
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k}^2 = \binom{2n}{n}$$

By convention:

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

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

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



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

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:

$$\langle *, *, *, *, *, *, \ldots\ldots\ldots \rangle$$

0 1 2 3 4 5 . . . . . .

Vector Programs

Let k stand for a scalar constant

<k> will stand for the vector <k,0,0,0,…>

<0> = <0,0,0,0,….>

<1> = <1,0,0,0,…>

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

<4,2,3,…> + <5,1,1,….> = <9,3,4,…>

Vector Programs

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

RIGHT(<1,2,3, ...>) = <0,1,2,3,. ...>

Vector Programs

Example:	Stare
$V^{\rightarrow}$:= <6>;	$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <6,0,0,0,...>
$V^{\rightarrow}$:= RIGHT($V^{\rightarrow}$) + <42>;	$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <42,6,0,0,...>
$V^{\rightarrow}$:= RIGHT($V^{\rightarrow}$) + <2>;	$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <2,42,6,0,...>
$V^{\rightarrow}$:= RIGHT($V^{\rightarrow}$) + <13>;	$V^{\rightarrow}$= <13,2,42,6,..>

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

Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow}$:= <1>;

Loop n times:

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

Stare

$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <1,0,0,0,...>

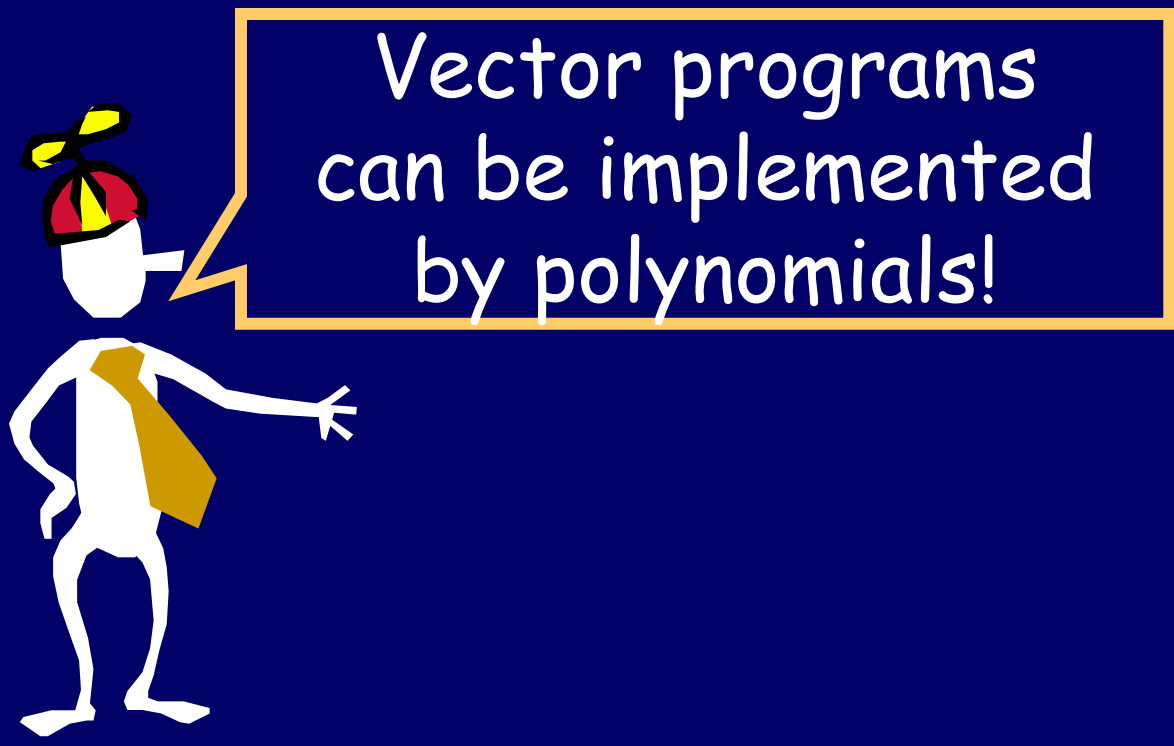
$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <1,1,0,0,...>

$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <1,2,1,0,...>

$V^{\rightarrow}$ = <1,3,3,1,.>

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

X1 + X2 + X3


Vector programs
can be implemented
by polynomials!

Programs -----> Polynomials

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

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

Formal Power Series

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

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

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

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

<0> is represented by 0

<k> is represented by k

$V^{\rightarrow} + T^{\rightarrow}$ is represented by $(P_V + P_T)$

RIGHT($V^{\rightarrow}$) is represented by $(P_V\ X)$

Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow}$:= <1>;

$P_V := 1;$

Loop n times:

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

$P_V := P_V + P_V X;$

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

Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow}$:= <1>; $P_V := 1;$

Loop n times:

$V^{\rightarrow} := V^{\rightarrow} + \text{RIGHT}(V^{\rightarrow});$ $P_V := P_V (1+ X);$

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

Vector Programs

Example:

$V^{\rightarrow}$:= <1>;

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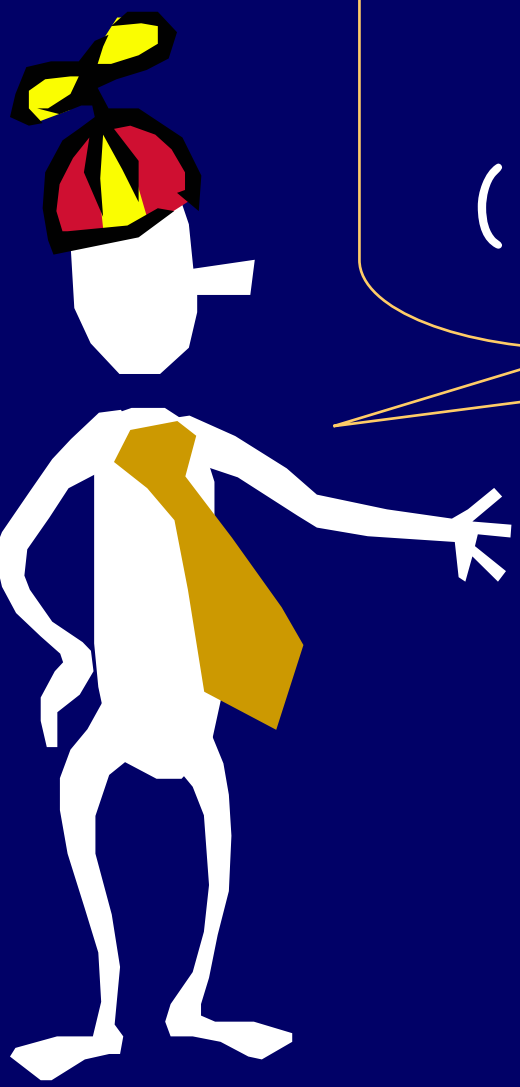
 $V^{\rightarrow}$:= $V^{\rightarrow}$ + RIGHT($V^{\rightarrow}$);

$P_V = (1+X)^n$

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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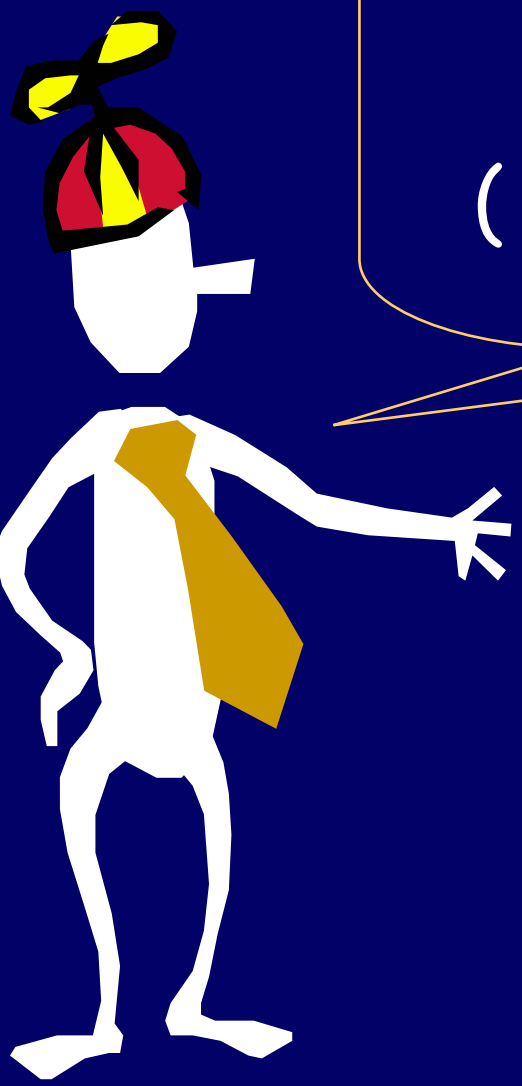
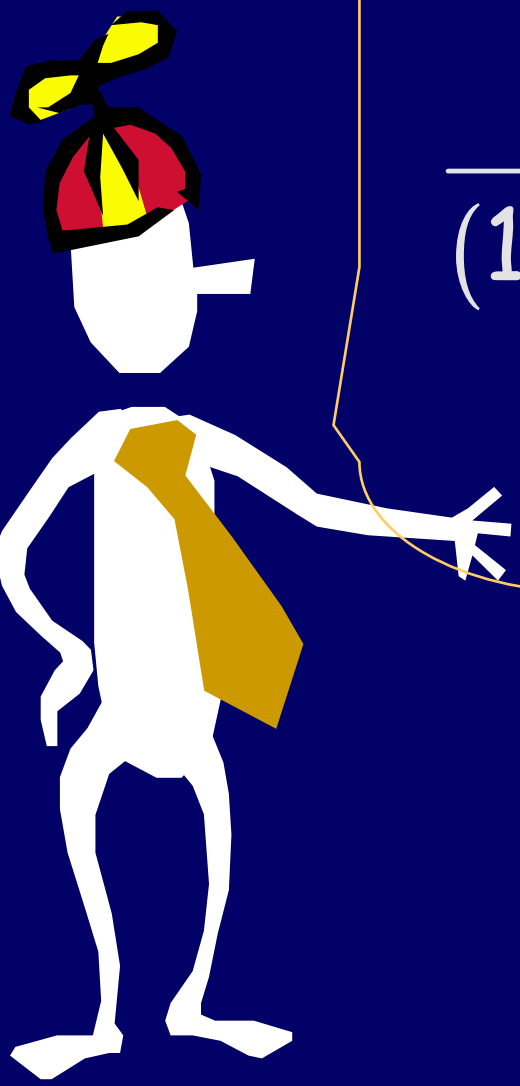


$$\binom{n+k-1}{n-1}$$

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

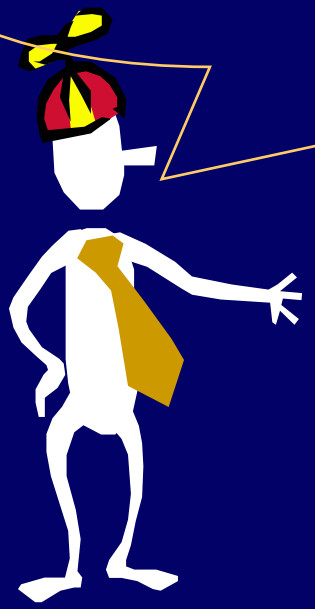
$$\frac{1}{(1-X)^n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k-1}{n-1} X^k$$



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

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

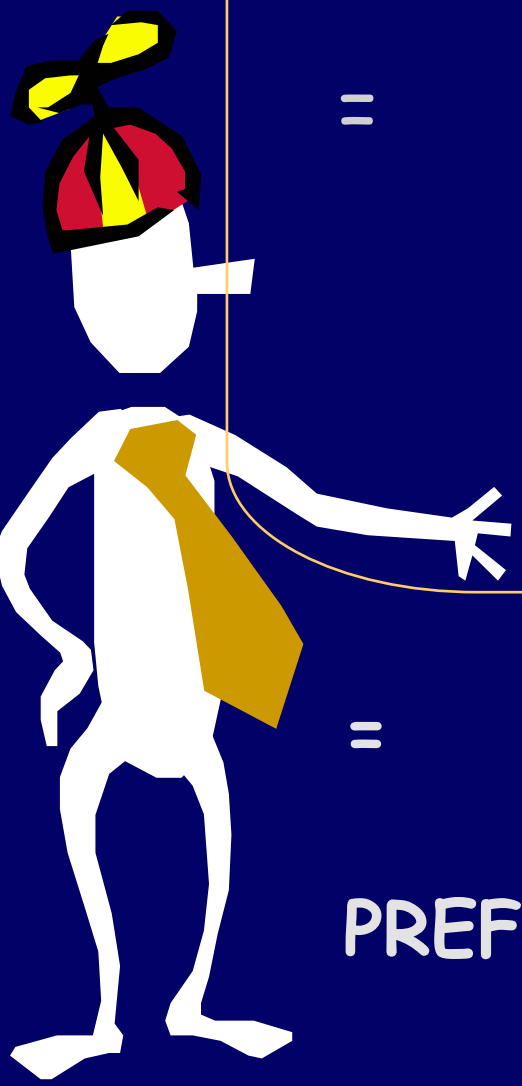
$$= (a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + \ldots) / (1 - X) \quad ?$$



$$a_0 + a_1 + a_2 + \ldots + a_k$$

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

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



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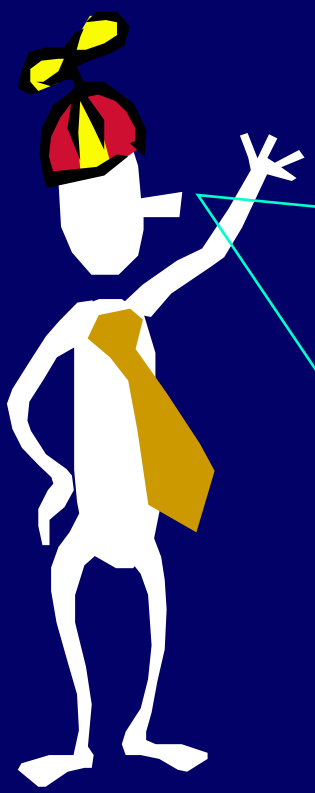
PREFIXSUM$(a_0 + a_1X + a_2X^2 + a_3X^3 + \ldots)$



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

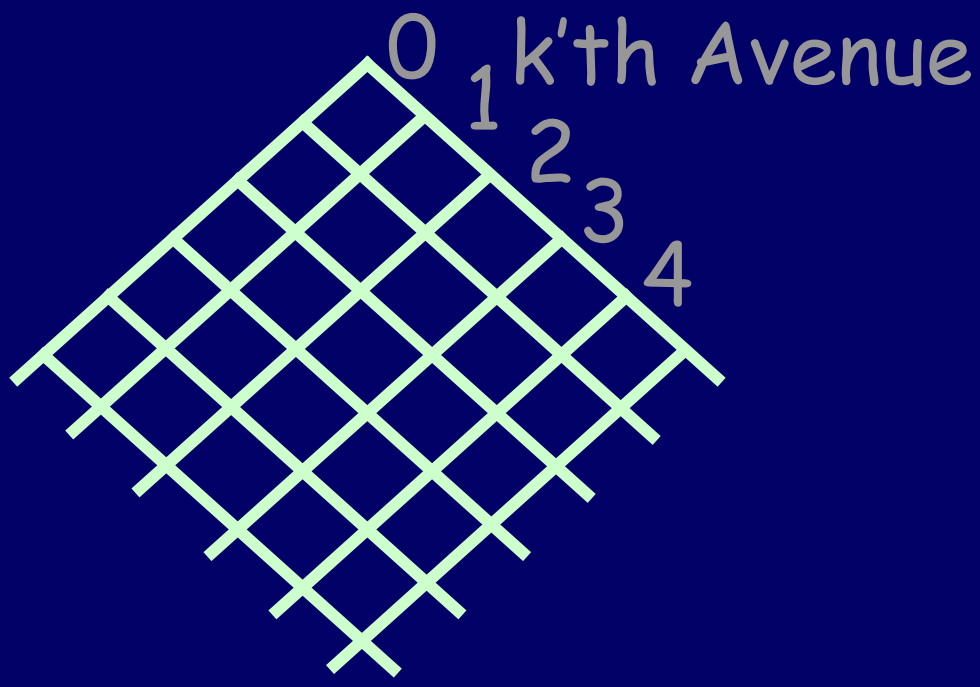
$W^{\rightarrow} := \text{PREFIXSUM}(V^{\rightarrow})$

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: $V^{\rightarrow}$:= 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

$$P_W = P_V / (1-X)$$
$$= P_V (1+X+X^2+X^3+ \ldots\ldots)$$

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

Zero_Ave = $1/(1-X)$;

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

Second_Ave = $1/(1-X)^3$;

Output =

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

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

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

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

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Zero_Ave    := PREFIXSUM(<1>);
First_Ave   := PREFIXSUM(Zero_Ave);
Second_Ave :=PREFIXSUM(First_Ave);

Output:=
     RIGHT(Second_Ave) + Second_Ave
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Second_Ave = <1, 3, 6, 10, 15,.

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

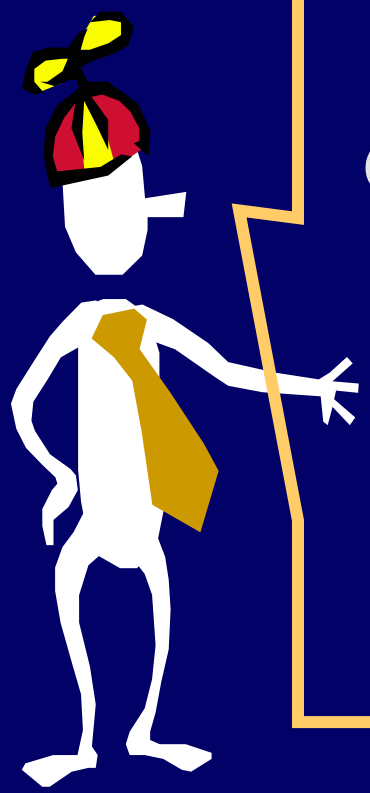
Output = <1, 4, 9, 16, 25

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

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

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

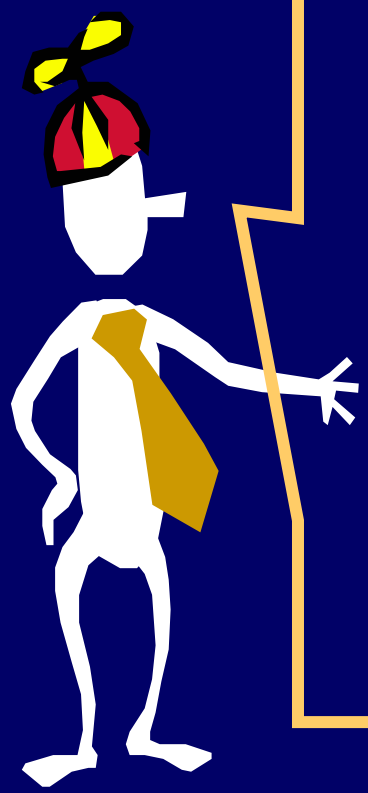
outputs $\langle 0, 1, 4, 9, .. \rangle$



The k^{th} entry is k^2

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

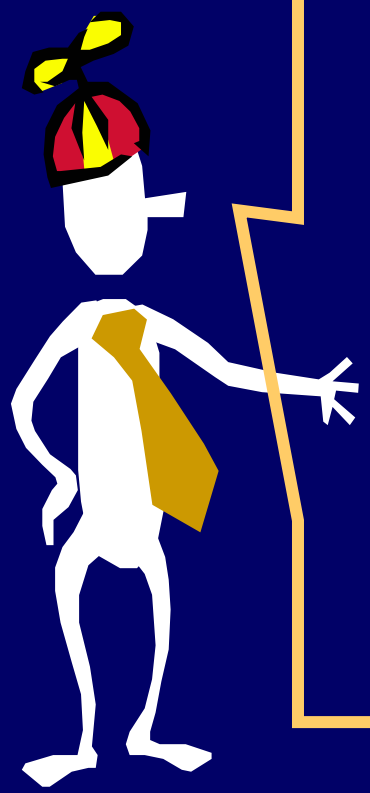
What does $X(1+X)/(1-X)^4$ do?

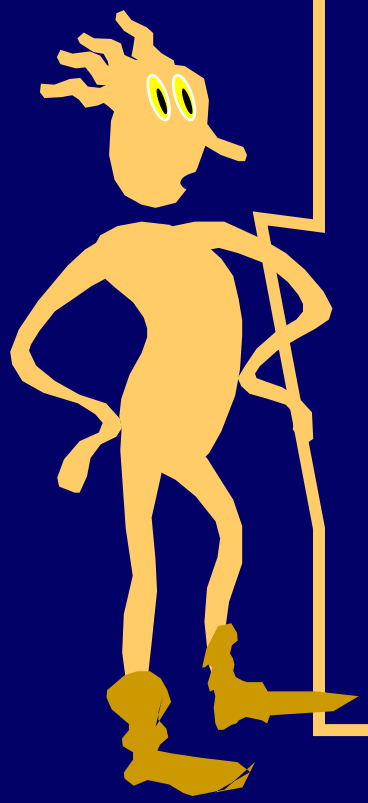


$X(1+X)/(1-X)^4$ expands to :

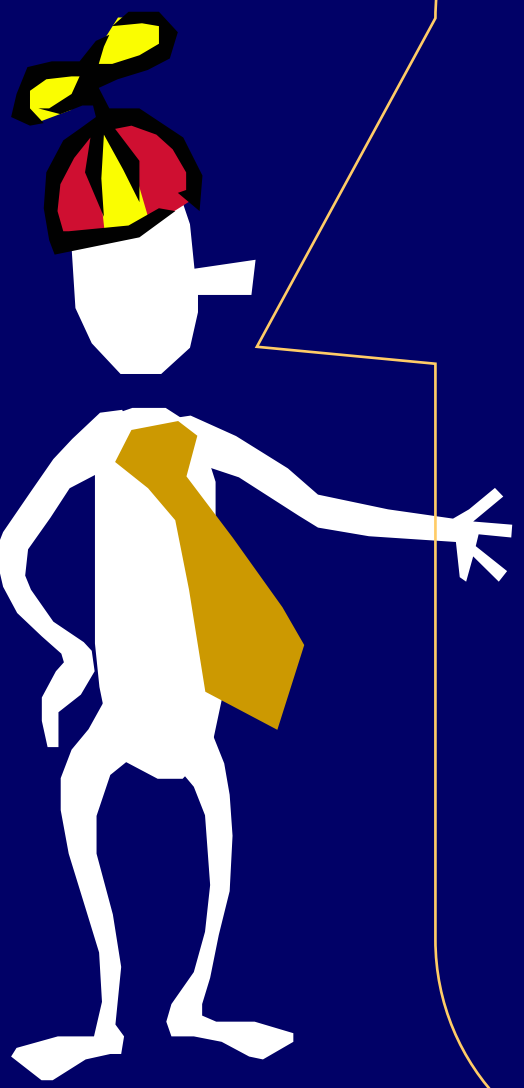
$$\sum S_k X^k$$

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 -> Polynomials -> Closed form expression

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

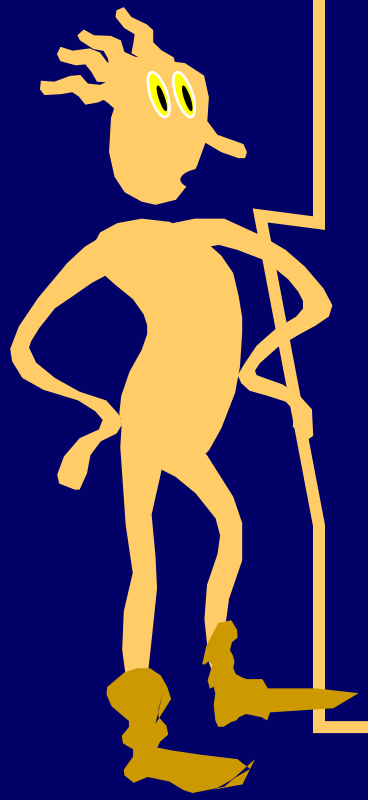
$$\sum_{i=0}^{i=n} i^2 = \binom{n+2}{3} + \binom{n+1}{3}$$

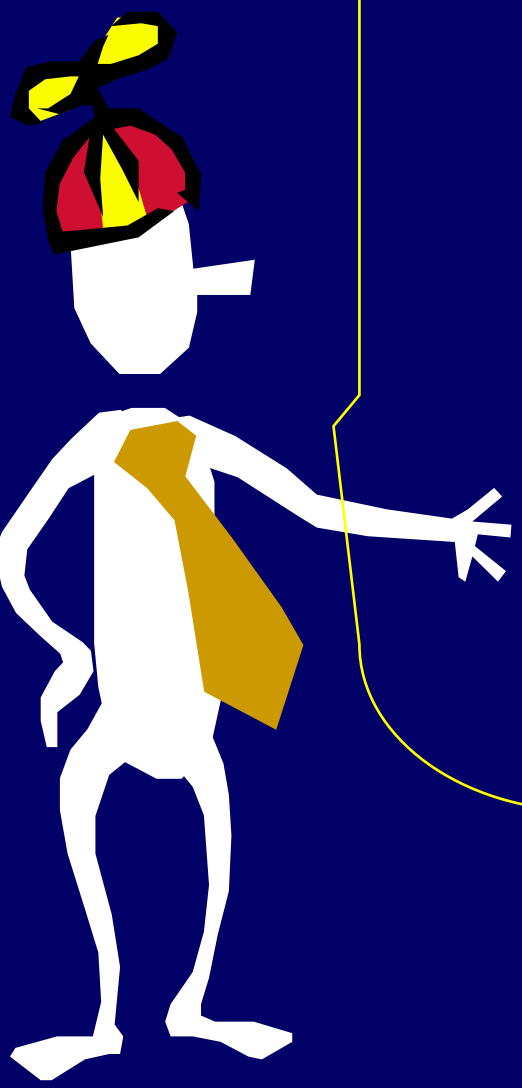
Expressions of the form

Finite Polynomial / Finite Polynomial

are called Rational Polynomial Expressions.

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

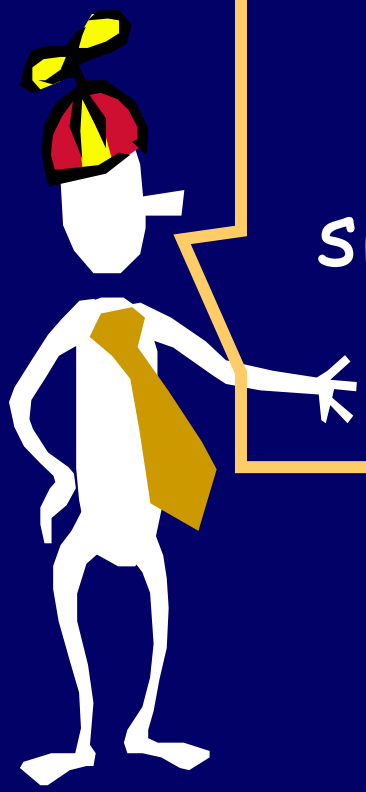




What about this one?

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

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



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:
 $V^{\rightarrow}$:= $V^{\rightarrow}$ + 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:

$F^{\rightarrow}$ = RIGHT($F^{\rightarrow}$ + <1>) + RIGHT(RIGHT($F^{\rightarrow}$))

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

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

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

$$\mathrm{RIGHT}(\mathrm{RIGHT}(F^{\rightarrow})) = 0, 0, a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, .$$

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

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

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

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

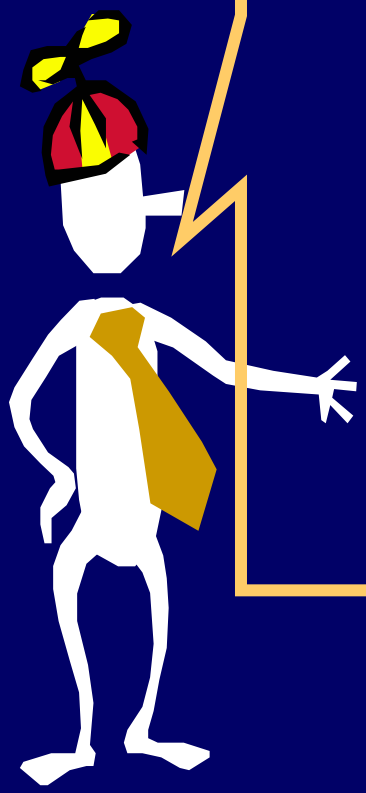
$$F = (F + 1)\,X + F\,X^2$$

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

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

$$\mathrm{RIGHT}(\,\mathrm{RIGHT}(\,F\,)\,) = F\,X^2$$

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



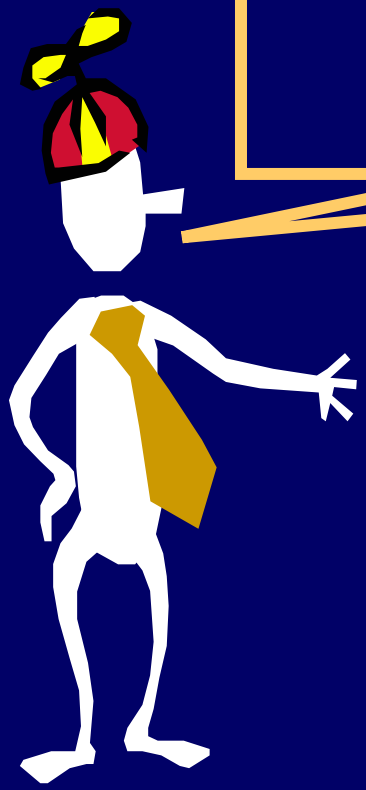
Solve for F.

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

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

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

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



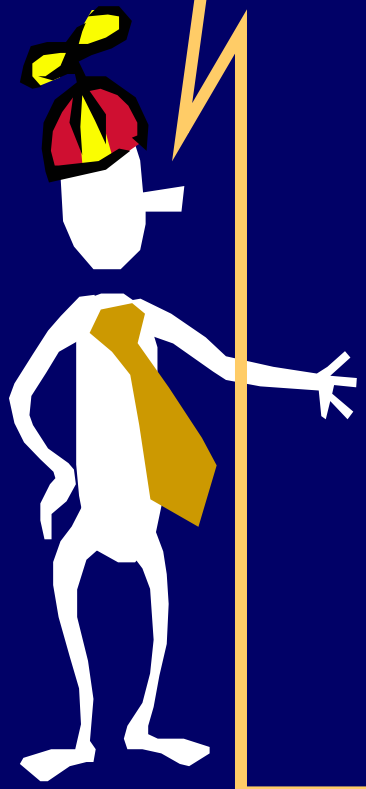
Since the bottom is quadratic we can factor it.

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

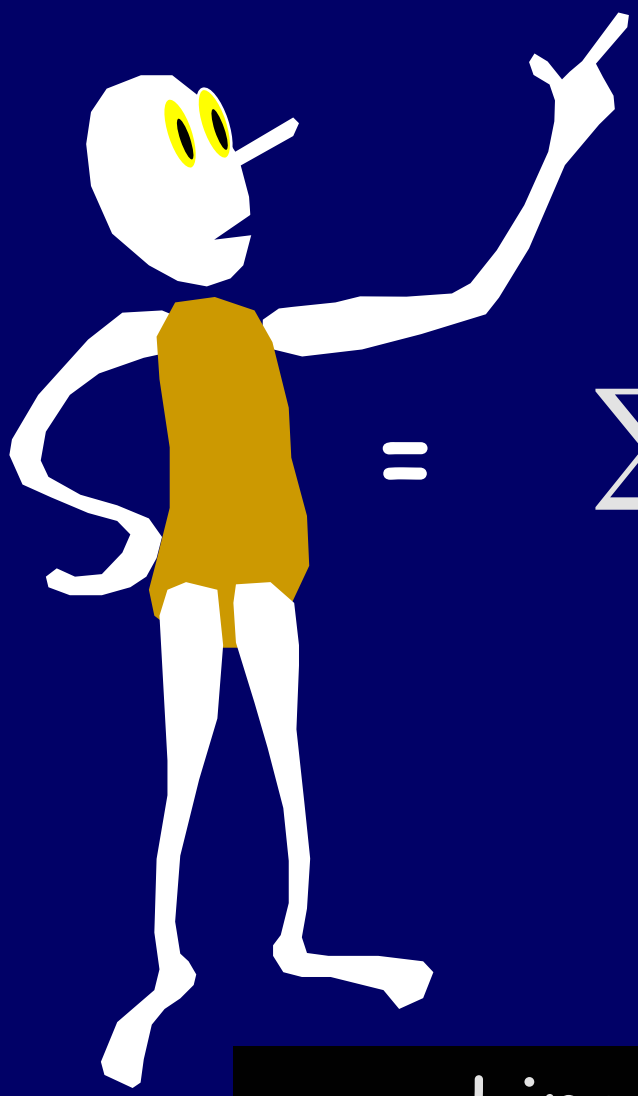
$$X/(1- \phi X)(1 - (-\phi)^{-1}X)$$

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

"The Golden Ratio"



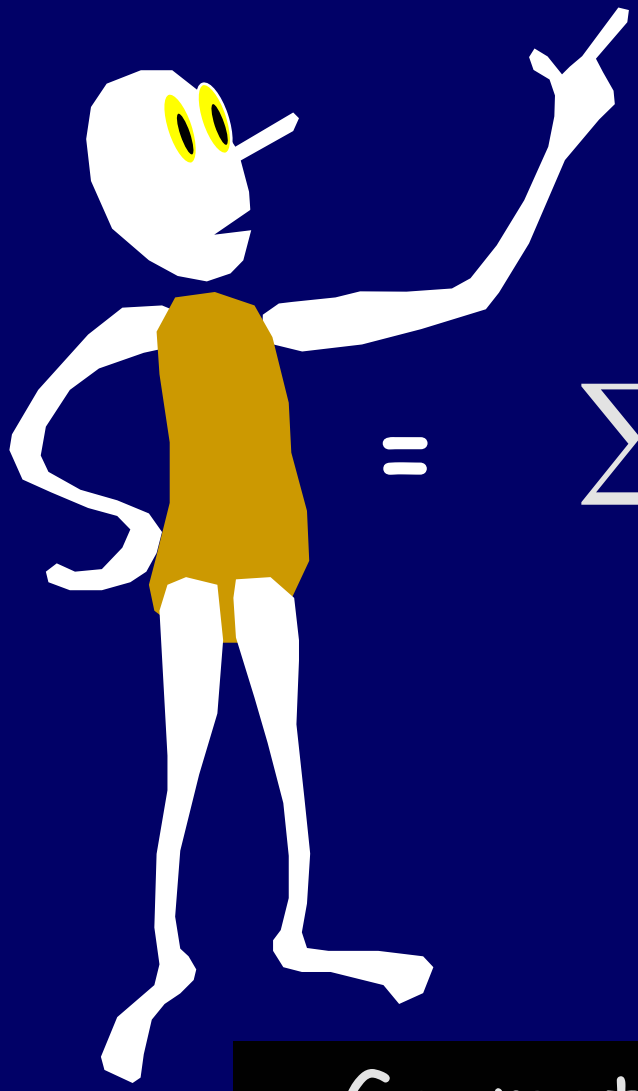
$$\frac{X}{(1 - \phi X)(1 - (-\phi^{-1} X)}$$



$$= \sum_{n=0..\infty} \; ? \; X^n$$

Linear factors on the bottom

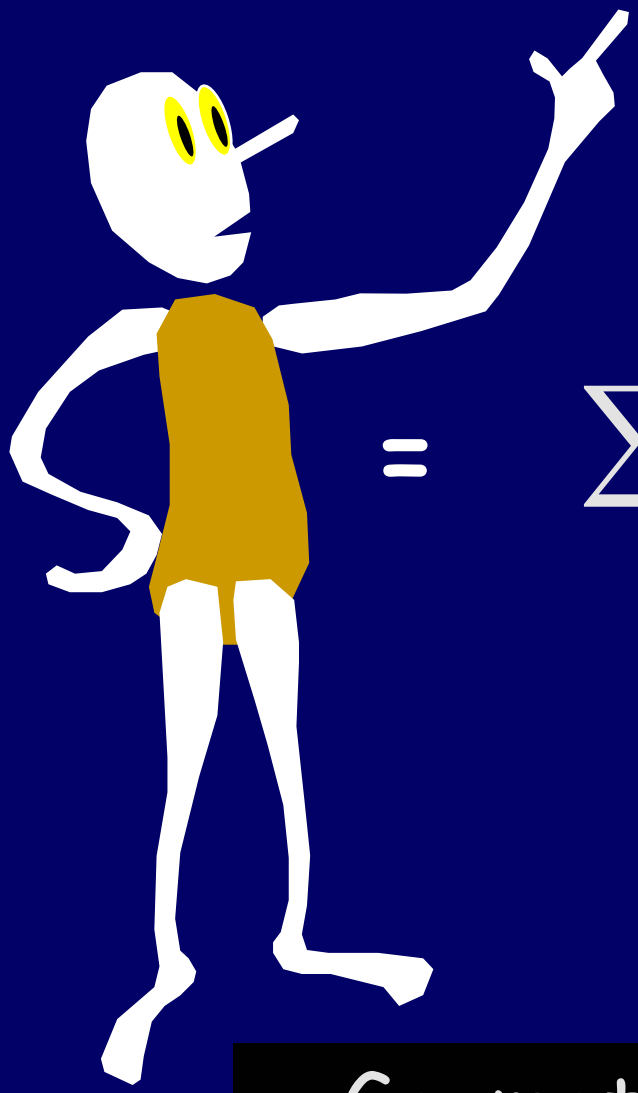
$$(1 + aX^1 + a^2X^2 + \ldots + a^nX^n + \ldots..)\ (1 + bX^1 + b^2X^2 + \ldots + b^nX^n + \ldots..) =$$



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

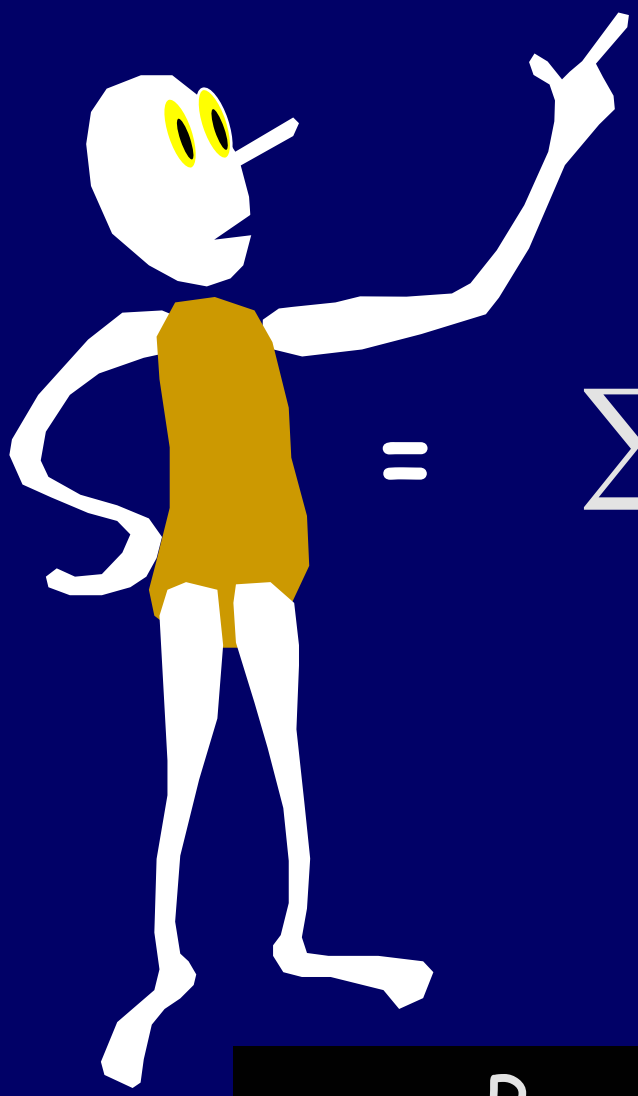
$$= \sum_{n=0..\infty} \frac{a^{n+1} - b^{n+1}}{a - b} X^n$$

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)



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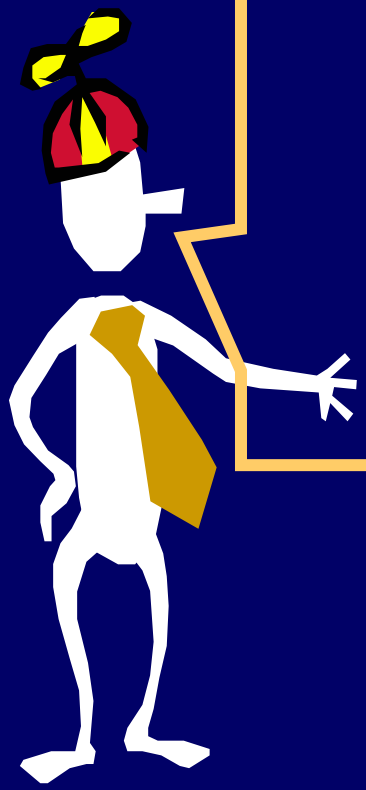
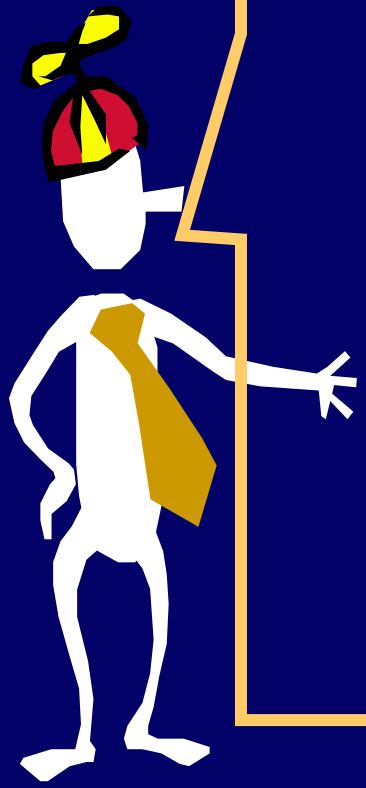
Power Series Expansion of F

$$\frac{x}{1-x-x^2} = F_0 x^0 + F_1 x^1 + F_2 x^2 + F_3 x^3 + \cdots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} F_i x^i$$



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

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



The i^{th} Fibonacci number is:

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

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