

Binomial Theorem

1	Pascal Triangle	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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Observe Expansion

Power	Expand	Number of terms
$(a + b)^0$	1	1
$(a + b)^1$	$a + b$	2
$(a + b)^2$	$a^2 + 2ab + b^2$	3
$(a + b)^3$	$a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$	4
$(a + b)^4$	$a^4 + 4a^3b + 6a^2b^2 + 4ab^3 + b^4$	5
$(a + b)^5$	$a^5 + 5a^4b + 10a^3b^2 + 10a^2b^3 + 5ab^4 + b^5$	6

Binomial Theorem General Formula

$$(a + b)^n =$$

$$nC_0 a^n + nC_1 a^{n-1}b^1 + nC_2 a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + nC_r a^{n-r}b^r + \dots + nC_n b^n$$

$nC_0 = nC_n = 1$, it will always be 1 as seen from pascal triangle

$$\therefore a^n + nC_1 a^{n-1}b^1 + nC_2 a^{n-2}b^2 + \dots + nC_r a^{n-r}b^r + \dots + b^n$$

What is nC_r ?

n = the power of expansion

r = which term of the pascal triangle of the power n

Example: $5C_0 = 1$, $5C_1 = 5$, $5C_2 = 10$, $5C_3 = 10$, $5C_4 = 5$, $5C_5 = 1$

How to calculate nC_r ?

Factorial Intro

$$1! = 1$$

$$2! = 2 * 1 = 2$$

$$3! = 3 * 2 * 1 = 6$$

$$4! = 4 * 3 * 2 * 1 = 24$$

Factorial General Formula

$$n! = n(n - 1)(n - 2) \dots (1)$$

nC_r General Fomula

$$nC_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n - r)!}$$