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Combinations

- n Choose k
- the number of subsets of len k formable. ★ FINAL

Binomial Theorem

$$-(x+y)^3 = (x+y)(x+y)(x+y)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \binom{3}{0}x^3 + \binom{3}{1}x^2y + \binom{3}{2}y^2x + \binom{3}{3}y^3$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^3 \binom{3}{k} y^k x^{3-k}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{generally: } (x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}$$

Identities

$$- \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n \rightsquigarrow |P(A)| = 2^{|A|}$$

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

$$\hookrightarrow 0^n = 0^n$$

$$= 1 + -1$$

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

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

corollary

$$\hookrightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \binom{n}{2k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor - 1} \binom{n}{2k+1}$$