

1. We had used the assignment $c[m] = c[m-1] * (n-m+1) / m$ in the code for computing all $c[m] = C(n, m)$ for a fixed n and $2 \leq m \leq n$ (after initializing $c[0] = 1$ and $c[1] = n$).
 - (i) Will the modified assignment $c[m] = (n-m+1) * c[m-1] / m$ work?
Is there any change in efficiency?
 - (ii) Explain why $c[m] = (n-m+1) / m * c[m-1]$ does not work. (Hint: try $m = 2$ for $n = 5$ and 6 .)
 - (iii) Explain why $c[m] = c[m-1] / m * (n-m+1)$ does not work.
2. Consider the numbers $C(n, m)$ in row n of PASCAL's triangle. Make a table with rows for $n = 3, 4, 5, 6$ and columns for $SEven(n)$ and $SOdd(n)$ which are defined by
 - (i) $SEven(n) = C(n, 0) + C(n, 2) + C(n, 4) + \dots$ = sum of all $C(n, m)$ for m even, i.e., $m = 0, 2, 4, \dots$
 - (ii) $SOdd(n) = C(n, 1) + C(n, 3) + C(n, 5) + \dots$ = sum of all $C(n, m)$ for m odd, i.e., $m = 1, 3, 5, \dots$

Express each sum $SEven(n)$ and $SOdd(n)$ in the table as a power of 2. Based on this table, come up with two equations that you think will be true for all n .

More questions may follow.

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