

Combinatorics Fundamentals

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1 Introduction

$$C_n^k = \frac{n!}{(n-k)! * k!} \quad (1)$$

$$\overline{C}_n^k = C_{n-k+1}^k \quad (2)$$

$$A_n^k = \frac{n!}{(k)!} \quad (3)$$

$$\overline{A}_n^k = n^k \quad (4)$$

$$P(n_1, \dots, n_k) = \frac{n!}{n_1! \dots n_k!} \quad (5)$$

2 Pascal's rule

Pascal's triangle:

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1 1 (first line)
1 2 1
1 3 3 1
1 4 6 4 1

3 Dirichlet Principle

4 box, 5 rabbits

4 Binom Newton

$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n C_n^k * x^k * y^{n-k} \quad (6)$$

5 Properties

$$C_n^k = C_n^{n-k} \quad (7)$$

$$C_n^k = C_{n-1}^k + C_{n-1}^{k-1} \quad (8)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n C_n^k = 2^n \quad (9)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (C_n^k)^2 = C_{2n}^k \quad (10)$$

$$C_{n+m}^n = \sum_{k=0}^m C_{n+k-1}^{n-1} \quad (11)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^m m^2 = \frac{m(m+1)(2m+1)}{6} \quad (12)$$

$$C_n^0 - C_n^1 + C_n^2 - \dots + (-1)^n C_n^n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } n \geq 1. \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

6 Useful Tasks

Count of subsets from set (n items) if a power of each subset is odd (even): 2^{n-1}

7 Polynomial Coefficients