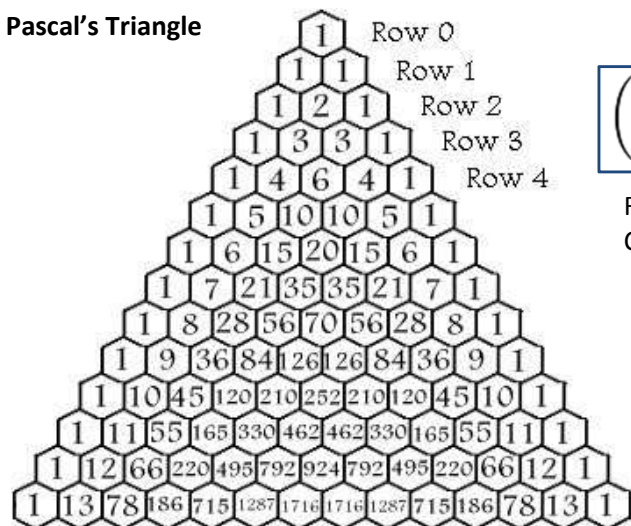


Pascal's Triangle



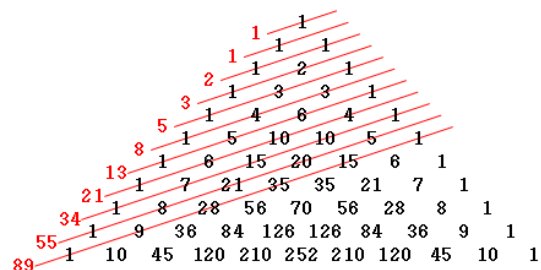
$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

Row n
Column k

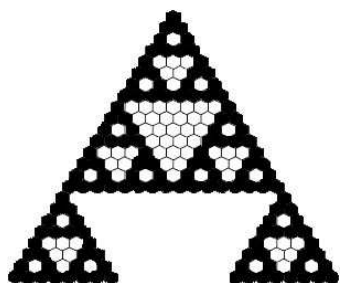


Blaise Pascal 1623-1662

- Concatenate row digits. Answer is 11^n . e.g. $1331 = 11^3$ $14641 = 11^4$
- If first (not 1) number in row n is prime, all other numbers are divisible by it
- Sum of numbers in rows = 2^n
- Generate the square numbers: $1+3 = 2^2$, $3+6 = 3^2$, $6+10 = 4^2$...
- Sum of 'shallow diagonals' gives the Fibonacci numbers $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$



- Odd numbers for the Sierpinski Gasket



Binomial expansion

$$(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a+b)^3 = 1a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + 1b^3$$

$$(a+b)^4 = 1a^4 + 4a^3b + 6a^2b^2 + 4ab^3 + 1b^4$$

$$(a+b)^5 = 1a^5 + 5a^4b + 10a^3b^2 + 10a^2b^3 + 5ab^4 + 1b^5$$

Pascal's Triangle yields **Binomial Coefficients**

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

$$(3x-4)^3 = (3x)^3 + 3(3x)^2(-4) + 3(3x)(-4)^2 + (-4)^3$$

$$= 27x^3 - 12(9)x^2 + 9(16)x - 64$$

$$= 27x^3 - 108x^2 + 144x - 64$$

$$(2x+1)^4 = (2x)^4 + 4(2x)^3 + 6(2x)^2 + 4(2x) + 1$$

$$= 16x^4 + 32x^3 + 24x^2 + 8x + 1$$

$$\left(2x - \frac{3}{x}\right)^6 \text{ has constant term}$$

$$= 20(2x)^3 \left(-\frac{3}{x}\right)^3$$

$$= -8x^3 (27)(20) \frac{1}{x^3} = -4320$$

$$(1+x)^{20} = \binom{20}{0} (1)^{20} x^0 + \binom{20}{1} (1)^{19} x + \binom{20}{2} (1)^{18} x^2 + \binom{20}{3} (1)^{17} x^3 + \dots$$

$$\binom{20}{0} = 1$$

$$\binom{20}{1} = \frac{20!}{1!19!} = 20$$

$$\binom{20}{2} = \frac{20!}{2!18!} = \frac{20 \times 19}{2} = 190$$

$$\binom{20}{3} = \frac{20!}{3!17!} = \frac{20 \times 19 \times 18}{3 \times 2} = 10 \times 19 \times 6 = 60 \times 19 = 1140$$

$$\therefore (1+x)^{20} = 1 + 20x + 190x^2 + 1140x^3 + \dots$$

$$\left(x^2 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^4 = \binom{4}{0} (x^2)^4 (-2x^{-\frac{1}{2}})^0 + \binom{4}{1} (x^2)^3 (-2x^{-\frac{1}{2}})^1 + \dots$$

$$+ \dots \binom{4}{2} (x^2)^2 (-2x^{-\frac{1}{2}})^2 + \binom{4}{3} (x^2)^1 (-2x^{-\frac{1}{2}})^3 + \binom{4}{4} (x^2)^0 (-2x^{-\frac{1}{2}})^4$$

$$= x^8 + 4x^6 (-2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}) + 6x^4 (4x^{-1}) + 4x^2 (-8x^{-\frac{3}{2}}) + 16x^{-2}$$

$$= x^8 - 8x^{\frac{11}{2}} + 24x^3 - 32x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 16x^{-2}$$

Three Sierpinski triangles are displayed, each in a different color: green, red, and blue. They are arranged in a larger triangular pattern, with the green one at the top and the red and blue ones at the bottom. Each triangle is composed of many smaller triangles, with the central ones being white, creating a fractal pattern.

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{3}} = 1 + \frac{1}{3}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{2}{9}x^{-1} + \frac{14}{81}x^{-\frac{3}{2}} + \dots$$

where $\left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow x > 1$

$$(1+x)^n = \binom{n}{0}(1)^n x^0 + \binom{n}{1}(1)^{n-1} x^1 + \binom{n}{2}(1)^{n-2} x^2 + \dots$$

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n!}{(n-2)!2!}x^2 + \frac{n!}{(n-3)!3!}x^3 + \dots$$

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)!}{(n-2)!2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)!}{(n-3)!3!}x^3 + \dots$$

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

This is *convergent* if the higher terms diminish in size i.e. $|x| < 1$

This *Generalized Binomial Theorem* can be extended to values of n other than positive integers. It is therefore a very useful tool in *approximating* complex expressions.

$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$
$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

$$\sqrt{1+x} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\frac{1}{2!}x^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right)\frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

$$\sqrt{1+x} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 + \frac{1}{16}x^3 + \dots$$

$$\sqrt{1.1} \approx 1 + 0.05 - \frac{0.01}{8} + \frac{0.001}{16} = 1.0488125$$

$$\sqrt{1.1} = 1.04880884817$$

