

Comp Sci 212

1. Binomial Theorem
2. Pigeonhole Principle
3. Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion

Announcements

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Thm. $\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k+1} = \binom{n+1}{k+1}$

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

Binomial Theorem

Thm. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $(1+x)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i$

Proof. Use Induction

Base case $n=0$ $1 = \binom{0}{0} x^0$

Inductive step - Assume $(1+x)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i$

Then $(1+x)^{n+1} = (1+x)(1+x)^n$

$= (1+x) \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i$ (By inductive hypothesis)
 $= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^{i+1}$
 $= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \binom{n}{i-1} x^i$

$\binom{n}{k} = 0$ if $k < 0$, or $k > n$ $\binom{n}{n+1} x^{n+1} + \binom{n}{n} x^n$

$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i+1} x^{i+1}$
 $= \sum_{i=0}^n x^i \left(\binom{n}{i} + \binom{n}{i+1} \right)$
 $= \sum_{i=0}^n x^i \binom{n+1}{i+1}$

Corollary. If $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $(a+b)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^i b^{n-i}$

Proof. $(1+\frac{a}{b})^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \frac{a^i}{b^i}$ (by binomial theorem)

$(a+b)^n = b^n (1+\frac{a}{b})^n$
 $= b^n \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \frac{a^i}{b^i}$
 $= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^i b^{n-i}$

Multinomial Theorem

Theorem $(z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_m)^n = \sum_{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_m \in \mathbb{N}, k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_m = n} \frac{n!}{k_1! k_2! \dots k_m!} z_1^{k_1} z_2^{k_2} \dots z_m^{k_m}$

If $m=2$, $k_2 = n - k_1$, get $\sum_{k_1 \in \mathbb{N}, k_1 + (n-k_1) = n} \frac{n!}{k_1! (n-k_1)!} z_1^{k_1} z_2^{n-k_1}$

Theorem. $\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} + \dots + \binom{n}{n} = 2^n$
 Proof. $2^n = (1+1)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 1^i 1^{n-i} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i}$ (by binomial theorem)

Theorem $\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{4} + \dots = \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{5} + \dots$

Proof. $\binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} - \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{4} - \binom{n}{5} + \dots = 0$

Need to prove $\uparrow$

$0 = (1-1)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^i = \binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} - \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{4} - \binom{n}{5} + \dots$
 (by binomial theorem)
 1 if i is even
 -1 if i is odd

Pigeonhole Principle

If number of pigeons in holes is greater than the number of holes, there must be at least 1 hole w/ more than one pigeon.

If $f: A \rightarrow B$, total function, $k(|B|) < |A|$, then exist $b \in B$ s.t. $|f^{-1}(b)| \geq k+1$

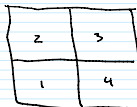
Theorem. In a sock drawer w/ blue + black socks, picking out three socks gets you a pair w/ the same color.

Proof. $S = \{s_1, s_2, s_3\}$ be the socks
 $C = \{\text{blue, black}\}$ be the possible colors.
 $f: S \rightarrow C$, $f(s_i) = \text{color of sock } s_i$
 $|C| < |S|$, by the pigeonhole principle, there exists $c \in C$ such that $|f^{-1}(c)| \geq 2$
 i.e., there are two socks w/ same color. $\square$

Theorem. 5 points in a 1×1 square that exist at least 2 that are a distance of at most $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ from each other.



Proof



Holes - $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
 Points $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5\}$

$f: \text{Points} \rightarrow \text{Holes}$ by the pigeonhole principle
 at least 2 points in 1 hole $\rightarrow$ two points
 a distance of $\leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$