

9.2 The Binomial Thm.

- Obj: 1. Expand a ^{2 terms} binomial using Pascal's triangle
2. Find a coefficient of a given term using the Binomial Thm.

Expand

$$(a+b)^0$$

$$(a+b)^1$$

$$(a+b)^2$$

$$(a+b)^3$$

$$(a+b)^n$$

1

$$1a^1b^0 + 1b^1a^0$$

$$1a^2b^0 + 2a^1b^1 + 1b^2a^0$$

$$1a^3b^0 + 3a^2b^1 + 3a^1b^2 + 1b^3a^0$$

- patterns:
1. each term has exponents that add up to n .
 2. powers of a start at n and decrease by 1 until $\text{exp} = 0$
 3. powers of b start at 0 & increase by 1 until $\text{exp} = n$

Coefficients

row 0 $(a+b)^0$ 1

row 1 1 1

row 2 1 2 1

 1 3 3 1

 1 4 6 4 1

 1 5 10 10 5 1

patterns: 1. 1st & last coeffs. are 1

 2. Each new row is the sum of the coeff. above.

expand $(a+b)^6$ using Pascal's Δ .

row 6: 1 6 15 20 15 6 1
(coefficients)

$$1a^6 + 6a^5b + 15a^4b^2 + 20a^3b^3 + 15a^2b^4 + 6ab^5 + b^6$$

Expand $(p+q)^8$ using Pascal's Δ .

row 8: 1 8 28 56 70 56 28 8 1

$$p^8 + 8p^7q + 28p^6q^2 + 56p^5q^3 + 70p^4q^4 + \\ 56p^3q^5 + 28p^2q^6 + 8pq^7 + q^8$$

The coefficients in the expansion $(a+b)^n$ are the values of ${}_n C_r$ for $r=0,1,2,3,\dots,n$

Expand $(a+b)^5$ using combinations.

$${}_5 C_0 = 1$$

$${}_5 C_3 = 10$$

$${}_5 C_1 = 5$$

$${}_5 C_4 = 5$$

$${}_5 C_2 = 10$$

$${}_5 C_5 = 1$$

$$a^5 + 5a^4b + 10a^3b^2 + 10a^2b^3 + 5ab^4 + b^5$$

Expand $(x+y)^7$ using combinations.

$${}^7C_0 = 1$$

$${}^7C_1 = 7$$

$${}^7C_2 = 21$$

$${}^7C_3 = 35$$

$${}^7C_4 = 35$$

$${}^7C_5 = 21$$

$${}^7C_6 = 7$$

$${}^7C_7 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} &x^7 + 7x^6y + 21x^5y^2 + \\ &\quad 35x^4y^3 + 35x^3y^4 \\ &\quad + 21x^2y^5 + 7xy^6 + y^7 \end{aligned}$$

Expand $(\underset{a}{x} + \underset{b}{2})^8$.

row 8: 1 8 28 56 70 56 28 8 1

$$1x^8 + 8x^7(2) + 28x^6(2^2) + 56x^5(2^3) + \dots$$

$$x^8 + 16x^7 + 112x^6 + 448x^5 + \dots$$

Find the coefficient of the x^{10} term in the expansion of $(x+2)^{15}$

$$\underline{15}C_{10} x^{10} \cdot \underline{2^5}$$

$$\binom{15}{10} x^{10} \cdot 2^5$$

$$\underline{3003} x^{10} \cdot \underline{2^5}$$

$$= \underline{96096} x^{10}$$

Find the coef. of x^7 in the expansion
of $(x-3)^{11}$

$$\binom{11}{7} x^7 (-3)^4$$

$$330x^7(81) = \underline{\underline{-26730x^7}}$$

The Binomial Thm

For any positive integer n :

$$(a+b)^n = \binom{n}{0}a^n + \binom{n}{1}a^{n-1}b + \binom{n}{2}a^{n-2}b^2 \\ + \binom{n}{3}a^{n-3}b^3 + \dots + \binom{n}{n}b^n$$

Use the Binomial Thm to expand $(2x - y^2)^4$

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