

Test 3 TF, 7 MC questions.

2 possible
answers

4 possible
answers.

(a) $2^3 \cdot 4^7$ ways to fill out test.

(b) 8 correct, 2 wrong.

• 2 TF wrong

• 2 MC wrong

• 1 TF, 1 MC wrong

$$\binom{3}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1$$

$$\binom{7}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 3$$

— to choose questions

9 correct, 1 wrong

• 1 TF wrong

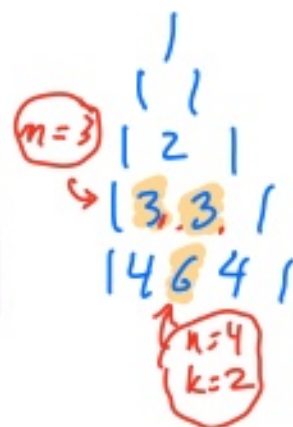
• 1 MC wrong

all correct — 1 way

Last
Time

Pascal Identity.
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$$\binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1}$$



Can we prove it?

Proof: Method 1

$$\text{LHS} = \binom{n+1}{k} = \frac{(n+1)!}{k! \cdot \underbrace{(n+1-k)!}_{\text{cancel}}} = \frac{(n+1)(n)(n-1) \dots (n-k+2)}{k(k-1)(k-2) \dots 1}$$

$$\text{RHS} = \frac{n!}{k! \cdot (n-k)!} + \frac{n!}{(k-1)! \cdot (n-k+1)!}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-k+1)}{k(k-1)(k-2) \dots 1} + \frac{k \cdot n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-k+2)}{k(k-1)(k-2) \dots 1}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \dots \overset{(n-k+2)}{n(n-k+1)}}{k!} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-k+2) \cdot k}{k!}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-k+2)(n-k+1) + n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-k+2)k}{k!}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-k+2) \overset{n+1}{[(n-k+1) + k]}}{k!}$$

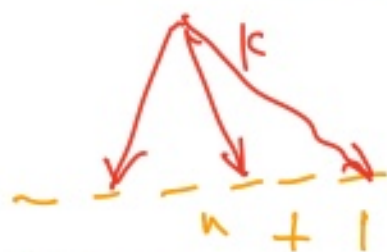
$$= \frac{(n+1)n(n-1) \dots (n-k+2)}{k!}$$

$$= \binom{n+1}{k} \Leftarrow \text{LHS. } \square$$

Algebraic
proof

To prove: $\binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1}$

Method 2



Combinatorial
proof

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{n+1}{k} &= \# \text{ of ways to choose } k \text{ objects} \\ &\text{from a set of } (n+1) \text{ objects} \\ &= \left(\# \text{ of ways to choose } k \text{ objects from} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{the first } n \text{ in my set} \right) \\ &\quad + \left(\# \text{ of ways to choose } (k-1) \text{ from} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{the first } n + \text{the extra } 1 \right) \\ &= \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Van der Monde Identity $\binom{m+n}{r} = \sum_{k=0}^r \binom{m}{k} \binom{n}{r-k}$

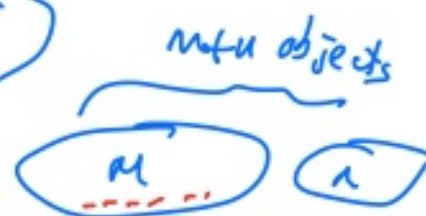
where $0 \leq r \leq m+n$, m, n are positive integers.

Combinatorial Proof:

$$\binom{m+n}{r} = \left(\# \text{ of ways to choose } r \text{ objects from a} \right. \\ \left. \text{set of } m+n \text{ objects} \right)$$

$$= \left(\# \text{ of ways to choose } r \text{ from } 1^{\text{st}} m \right. \\ \left. + 0 \text{ from last } n \right) + \left(\# \text{ of ways to} \right. \\ \left. \text{choose } (r-1) \text{ from } 1^{\text{st}} m \right. \\ \left. + 1 \text{ from last } n \right) +$$

$$\dots + \left(\# \text{ of ways to} \right. \\ \left. \text{choose } 0 \text{ from } 1^{\text{st}} m \right. \\ \left. + r \text{ from last } n \right)$$



$$= \binom{m}{r} \binom{n}{0} + \binom{m}{r-1} \binom{n}{1} + \binom{m}{r-2} \binom{n}{2} + \dots$$

$$\dots + \binom{m}{0} \binom{n}{r}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^r \binom{m}{k} \binom{n}{r-k}$$

eg $\binom{5}{2} = \binom{2}{2} \binom{3}{0} + \binom{2}{1} \binom{3}{1} + \binom{2}{0} \binom{3}{2}$

$$5 = 2 + 3$$

$$\text{LHS} = \binom{5}{2} = \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 1} = 10$$

$$\text{RHS} = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 3 = 1 + 6 + 3 = 10$$

Generalization-

$$\binom{n_1 + \dots + n_r}{m} = \sum_{k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_r = m} \binom{n_1}{k_1} \binom{n_2}{k_2} \dots \binom{n_r}{k_r}$$

Examples of identities from
Binomial Theorem $(A+B)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} A^k B^{n-k}$



Pick different #'s for A & B to get
different identities

eg $A=2, B=1$

$$(2+1)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 2^k 1^{n-k}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^n = \sum_{k=0}^n 2^k \binom{n}{k}$$

eg $3^3 = \sum_{k=0}^3 2^k \binom{3}{k} = 1 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 3$
 $+ 4 \cdot 3 + 8 \cdot 1$

$$= 1 + 6 + 12 + 8 = 27. \checkmark$$