

Algorithms Design and Analysis [ETCS-301]

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Binomial Coefficient

- ▶ $(x + a)^n$ can be expended as
$${}^nC_0 x^n a^0 + {}^nC_1 x^{n-1} a^1 + \dots + {}^nC_k x^{n-k} a^k + \dots + {}^nC_n x^0 a^n$$
- ▶ Coefficient of the term $x^{n-k} a^k$ is know as Binomial Coefficient $C(n, k) = {}^nC_k$
- ▶ $C(n, k) = \frac{n!}{n-k!k!}$
- ▶ $C(n, k) = C(n-1, k-1) + C(n-1, k)$ if $n > k > 0$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \frac{n-1!}{n-k!k-1!} + \frac{n-1!}{n-k-1!k!}$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \frac{n-1!}{n-k!k-1!} \frac{k}{k} + \frac{n-1!}{n-k-1!k!} \frac{n-k}{n-k}$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)!k}{n-k!k!} + \frac{(n-1)!(n-k)}{n-k!k!}$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)!(k+n-k)}{n-k!k!}$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{n-k!k!}$
- ▶ $\Rightarrow C(n, k)$
- ▶ $C(n, 0) = C(n, n) = 1$



Computing a Binomial Coefficient I

Bottom-up Approach:

No optimal solution only fixed value

$BC(c,n,k)$

1. Let $c[0 \dots n, 0 \dots k]$
2. for $i = 0$ to n
3. for $j = 0$ to i
4. if $i = j$ or $j = 0$
5. $c[i, j] = 1$
6. else
7. $c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j - 1] + c[i - 1, j]$
8. return c



Computing a Binomial Coefficient II

Top-down Approach:

Memoized-BC(c, n, k)

1. Let $c[0 \dots n, 0 \dots k]$
2. for $i = 0$ to n
3. for $j = 0$ to i
4. $c[i, j] = 0$
5. return $BC(c, n, k)$

$BC(c, i, j)$

1. if $c[i, j] > 0$
2. return $c[i, j]$
3. if $i = j$ or $j = 0$
4. return 1
5. return $c[i, j] = BC(c, i - 1, j - 1) + BC(c, i - 1, j)$

Complexity of the Knapsack is $O(nk)$



Thank you

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