

3. (17 points) Write

$$\binom{100}{0} + \binom{101}{1} + \binom{102}{2} + \binom{103}{3} + \dots + \binom{997}{897} + \binom{998}{898} + \binom{999}{899} + \binom{1000}{900}$$

as one binomial coefficient. Explain your work.

$$\text{Ans} = \binom{1001}{900}$$

Recall the empty wrapper identity

$$\sum_{k=0}^p \binom{k+f-1}{k} = \binom{p+f}{p}$$

Take $p=1000$ and $f=101$.

4. (17 points) Write

$$\binom{500}{0} \binom{1000}{300} + \binom{500}{1} \binom{1000}{299} + \binom{500}{2} \binom{1000}{298} + \binom{500}{3} \binom{1000}{297} + \dots$$
$$\dots + \binom{500}{297} \binom{1000}{3} + \binom{500}{298} \binom{1000}{2} + \binom{500}{299} \binom{1000}{1} + \binom{500}{300} \binom{1000}{0}$$

as one binomial coefficient. Explain your work.

$$\text{Ans} = \binom{1500}{300}$$

Both numbers are the answer to the following problem:

A committee has 500 Men and 1000 Women. How many 300-member subcommittees can be formed?