

11. Prove

$$\binom{5}{0} + \binom{6}{1} + \binom{7}{2} + \cdots + \binom{5+n}{n} = \binom{6+n}{n}$$

for all integers  $n$  with  $0 \leq n$ .

Proof by induction.

When  $n=0$  the formula is  $\binom{5}{0} = \binom{6+0}{0}$  this is trueAssume  $\sum_{h=0}^n \binom{5+h}{h} = \binom{6+n}{n}$ . This is IH

$$\text{P.L. } \sum_{s=0}^{n+1} \binom{5+s}{s} = \binom{7+n}{n+1} *$$

$$\text{The LHS of } * = \sum_{s=0}^n \binom{5+s}{s} + \binom{5+n+1}{n+1} = \binom{6+n}{n} + \binom{6+n}{n+1} = \binom{7+n}{n+1}, \text{ which}$$

*use IH here*

is the right side of \*.

This is the  
identity from  
Pascal's triangle

12. What is the coefficient of  $x^4$  in  $(3x+2)^9$ ?The relevant term is  $\binom{9}{4}(3x)^4 2^5$ so the coefficient is  $\boxed{\binom{9}{4} 3^4 2^5}$