

**CS313H**  
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Are there any questions?

# Logistics

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- Have you figured out the poker hands?

# Some questions

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- Why does Pascal's triangle work?
- A few more facts

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- (HARD) In a month with 30 days, a baseball team will play 45 games. It must also play at least one game on each day. Show that there will be a period of *consecutive* days where exactly 14 games are played.

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# Recurrences

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- I can climb up stairs by taking either one stair or two stairs at a time. Let  $a_n$  be the number of ways I can climb  $n$  stairs. Find the recurrence relationship for  $a_n$ .
- Given recurrence relationship  $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 1$ ,  $n \geq 2$  and initial condition  $a_1 = 1$ . Prove that when  $n \geq 1$ ,  $a_n = 2^n - 1$ .