## ESc101N: Fundamentals of computing(Lab Session 5)

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## Instructions

- 1. Please read the question carefully and write the program accordingly
- 2. Make sure that the TA has graded you program
- 3. The marks are distributed as follows. You get 60% of the marks if the basic algorithm is current, 20% if you manage to compile and execute and 20% for writing the code cleanly, i.e. using proper variable names, intending and making the code more readable.
- **Question 1.** (10 marks) Use an array to speed up printing the Pascals triangle mod 2. Recall that the Pascals triangle (mod 2) of height n consists of n + 1 lines of integers 0 and 1 where for  $1 \le r \le \ell \le n$ , the r + 1st integer in the  $\ell + 1$ st line is the value of  $\binom{\ell}{r} \mod 2$ .

To calculate  $\binom{n}{r} \mod 2$  make use of the formula

$$\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n-1}{r-1} + \binom{n-1}{r}.$$

Hint: Note that to compute the binomial coefficients  $\binom{m}{r}$  one needs only  $\binom{m-1}{r}$ s. Keep one array for  $\binom{m-1}{r}$  for different *r*'s and one for  $\binom{m}{r}$ 's for as *m* varies from 0 to *n*. Sample output.

```
$ ./pascal
enter the height of the pascals triangle: 25
1
11
101
1111
10001
110011
1010101
11111111
10000001
110000011
1010000101
111100001111
1000100010001
11001100110011
101010101010101
111111111111111111
1000000000000001
1100000000000011
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**Question 2.** (0 marks) (Not to be graded). Print the pascals traingle for large n on your xterm. Make the font of your terminal really small and make it full screen.