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$a(n,k)$ tabf head (staircase) for A305309, for $n = 1..10$.

The elementwise product of the composition numbers A048996(n, k) and A118851(n, k), the parts of the k -th partitions of n in Abramowitz-Stegun (A-St) order (pp. 831-2 of their handbook).

The row number is n , and $m = m(n,k) = A036043(n, k)$ is the number of parts of the k -th partition of n .

The length of row n is $p(n) = A000041(n)$, the number of partitions of n .

$n \backslash k$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42													
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The sequence of row lengths is A000041: [1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 15, 22, 30, 42,...] (partition numbers).

The row sums give A001906(n) = Fibonacci($2*n$) = [1, 3, 8, 21, 55, 144, 377, 987, 2584, 6765, ...].

The triangle obtained by summing the entries with like part numbers m becomes A078812(n, m) = binomial($n+m-1, 2*m-1$) (with offsets $n \geq 1, m = 1..n$).

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E.g. $a(5, 4)$ refers to the fourth partition of $n = 5$ in this ordering, namely $(1^2, 3^1) = [1, 1, 3]$, hence $a(5, 4) = 3*3 = 9$ because $A048996(5, 4) = 3!/(2!*1!) = 3$ and $A118851(5, 4) = 3$.

$a(6, 5) = 3*4 = 12$ for the partition $(1^2, 4^1) = [1, 1, 4]$ of $n = 6$.

$a(7, 10) = (4!/(2!*1!*1!)) * (1*1*2*3) = 12*6 = 72$ from the 10th partition of $n = 7$ which is $(1^2, 2^1, 3^1) = [1, 1, 2, 3]$ with $m = 4$.

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Example for the set partition of $[n] := \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ into $m = m(n, k)$ blocks of consecutive numbers corresponding to a composition obtained from the k -th partition of n with m parts, and the counting of the product of the block lengths: $n=5, k=4$, with the partition $(1^2, 3^1)$, where $m = 2 + 1 = 3$, and one of the $A04896(5, 4) = 3$ compositions is, e.g., $1 + 3 + 1$. This is mapped (bijectively) to the set partition of $[5]$ with blocks of consecutive numbers $\{1\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{5\}$. Each of the other 2 set partitions has the same block length pattern, and therefore the three set partitions have the same product of their block lengths, namely $1 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 = 3$ (from the signature of the underlying partition). Therefore the entry $a(5, 4) = 3 \cdot 3 = 9$ counts the sum of product of the block lengths (or the product of the parts of the partition) for all 3-block partitions of $[5]$ with consecutive numbers, belonging to the $k=4$ partition of $n = 5$, via the corresponding three part compositions of 5.

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