# Chapter 9 Counting & Probability

# 9.1 Basics of Probability and Counting

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## In this Lecture

## We will learn:

Part 1: Probability and Sample Space

Part 2: Counting in Sub lists

# **Tossing Coins**

Tossing two coins and observing whether 0, 1, or 2 heads are obtained.

What are the chances of having 0,1,2 heads?



# **Tossing Coins**

- Tossing two coins 50times and observing whether 0, 1, or 2 heads are obtained.
- What are the chances of having 0,1,2 heads?

Event	Tally	Frequency (Number of times the event occurred)	<b>Relative Frequency</b> (Fraction of times the event occurred)
2 heads obtained		11	22%
1 head obtained		27	54%
0 heads obtained	HT HT II	12	24%

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Part 1

# Sample Space

#### Definition

A **sample space** is the set of all possible outcomes of a random process or experiment. An **event** is a subset of a sample space.



# **Sample Space**

In case an experiment has finitely many outcomes and all outcomes are **equally** likely to occur, the *probability* of an event (set of outcomes) is just the ratio of the number of outcomes in the event to the total number of outcomes

#### **Equally Likely Probability Formula**

If S is a finite sample space in which all outcomes are equally likely and E is an event in S, then the **probability of** E, denoted P(E), is

 $P(E) = \frac{\text{the number of outcomes in } E}{\text{the total number of outcomes in } S}.$ 

#### Notation

For any finite set A, N(A) denotes the number of elements in A.

$$P(E) = \frac{N(E)}{N(S)}.$$

## **Probabilities for a Deck of Cards**



Part 1

a. What is the sample space of outcomes?  $\rightarrow$  the 52 cards in the deck.

## b. What is the event that the chosen card is a black face card?

 $\Rightarrow E = \{J \clubsuit, Q \clubsuit, K \clubsuit, J \clubsuit, Q \clubsuit, K \clubsuit\}$ 

c. What is the probability that the chosen card is a black face card?  $P(E) = \frac{N(E)}{N(S)} = \frac{6}{52} \approx 11.5\%.$ 

## **Rolling a Pair of Dice**



- a. Write the sample space *S* of possible outcomes (using compact notion).
  - *S* = {1 1, 1 2, 1 3, 1 4, 1 5, 1 6, 2 1, 2 2, 2 3, 2 4, 2 5, 2 6, 3 1, 3 2, 3 3, 3 4, 3 5, 3 6, 4 1, 4 2, 4 3, 4 4, 4 5, 4 6, 5 1, 5 2, 5 3, 5 4, 5 5, 5 6, 6 1, 6 2, 6 3, 6 4, 6 5, 6 6}.
- b. write the event *E* that the numbers showing face up have a sum of 6 and find the probability of this event.

 $E = \{15, 24, 33, 42, 51\}.$   $P(E) = \frac{N(E)}{N(S)} = \frac{5}{36}.$ 

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Part 1

#### Part 2

## **Counting the Elements of a List**

Some counting problems are as simple as counting the elements of a list. E.g., how many integers are there from 5 through 12?

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**Theorem 9.1.1 The Number of Elements in a List** 

If *m* and *n* are integers and  $m \le n$ , then there are n - m + 1 integers from *m* to *n* inclusive.

## **Counting the Elements of a Sublist**

• How many three-digit integers (integers from 100 to 999 inclusive) are divisible by 5?

From the sketch it is clear that there are as many three-digit integers that are multiples of 5 as there are integers from 20 to 199 inclusive. By Theorem 9.1.1, there are 199 - 20 + 1, such integers.

Hence there are 180 three-digit integers that are divisible by 5.

Part 2

What is the probability that a randomly chosen three-digit integer is divisible by 5?
 Sample space: 999 – 100 + 1 = 900.

**P(E)=**180/900 = 1/5.

By Theorem 9.1.1 the total number of integers from 100 through 999 is 999 - 100 + 1 = 900. By part (a), 180 of these are divisible by 5. Hence the probability that a <sup>©</sup> Mustafa Jarrar, and Ahmad Abusnaina 2005-2017, All rights reserved to by 5 is 180/900 = 1/5.

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# Counting

## **9.2 Possibility Trees and the Multiplication Rule**

In this lecture:

Part 1: Possibility Trees

**D** Part 2: **Multiplication Rule** 

## Part 3: Permutations

Barcelona (A) and Real Madrid (B) are to play with each other repeatedly until one of them wins two games in a row or a total of three games

a- How many ways can the tournament be played? A-A, A-B-A-A, A-B-A-B-A, A-B-A-B-B, A-B-B, A-B-B, B-A-A-B-A, B-A-B-A-B, B-A-B-B, and B-B.

\* In five cases A wins, and in the other five B wins.







Barcelona (A) and Real Madrid (B) are to play with each other repeatedly until one of them wins two games in a row or a total of three games



b-Assuming that all the ways of playing the tournament are equally likely, what is the probability that five games are needed to determine the tournament winner?

Since all the possible ways of playing the tournament listed in part (a) are assumed to be equally likely, and the listing shows that five games are needed in four different cases (A–B–A–B–A, A–B–A–B–B, B–A–B–A–B, and B–A–B–A–A),

the probability that five games are needed is 4/10 = 2/5 = 40%.

We have 4 computers (A,B,C,D) and 3 printers (X,Y,Z). Each of these printers is connected with each of the computers. *Suppose you want to print something through one of the computers, How many possibilities for you have?* 



A person buying a personal computer system is offered a choice of three models of the basic unit, two models of keyboard, and two models of printer. *How many distinct systems can be purchased?* 

Notices that representing the possibilities in a tree structure is a useful tool for tracking all possibilities in situations in which events happen in order.

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# Counting

**9.2 Possibility Trees and the Multiplication Rule** 

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□ Part 1: Possibility Trees

Part 2: Multiplication Rule

Part 3: Permutations

## **The Multiplication Rule**

Theorem 9.2.1 The Multiplication RuleIf an operation consists of k steps andthe first step can be performed in  $n_1$  ways,<br/>the second step can be performed in  $n_2$  ways [regardless of how the first<br/>step was performed], $\vdots$ the kth step can be performed in  $n_k$  ways [regardless of how the preceding<br/>steps were performed],

then the entire operation can be performed in  $n_1n_2 \cdots n_k$  ways.

A typical PIN (personal identification number) is a sequence of any four symbols chosen from the 26 letters in the alphabet and the 10 digits, with repetition allowed.

How many different PINs are possible?

36 choices

Pool of available symbols: *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, *E*, *F*, *G*, *H*, *I*, *J*, *K*, *L*, *M*, *N*, *O*, *P*, *Q*, *R*, *S*, *T*, *U*, *V*, *W*, *X*, *Y*, *Z*, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9,

Step 1: Choose the first symbol.Step 2: Choose the second symbol.

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Step 3: Choose the third symbol.

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 $36 \cdot 36 \cdot 36 \cdot 36 = 36^4 = 1,679,616$  PINs in all.

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A typical PIN (personal identification number) is a sequence of any four symbols chosen from the 26 letters in the alphabet and the 10 digits, with repetition **not** allowed. *How many different PINs are possible?* 

 $36 \cdot 35 \cdot 34 \cdot 33 = 1,413,720$ 

what is the probability that a PIN chosen at random contains no repeated symbol?

 $\frac{1,413,720}{1,679,616} \cong .8417$ 

for i := 1 to 4
for j := 1 to 3
[Statements in body of inner loop.
None contain branching statements
that lead out of the inner loop.]
next j

next *i* 

How many times this statement will be executed?

Suppose  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$ , and  $A_4$  are sets with  $n_1$ ,  $n_2$ ,  $n_3$ , and  $n_4$  elements, respectively.

How many elements in  $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 \times A_4$ 

Solution: Each element in  $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 \times A_4$ is an ordered 4-tuple of the form  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4)$ 

By the multiplication rule, there are  $n_1 n_2 n_3 n_4$  ways to perform the entire operation. Therefore, there are  $n_1 n_2 n_3 n_4$  distinct 4-tuples in  $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 \times A_4$ 

Three officers—a president, a treasurer, and a secretary—are to be chosen from among four people: Ann, Bob, Cyd, and Dan. Suppose that, Ann cannot be president and either Cyd or Dan must be secretary. How many ways can the officers be chosen?



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# Counting Example 4—reorder the steps to get the correct number of ways by the multiplication rule تم انتخاب أربعة طلاب لنادي الكلية: (Ann, Bob, Cyd, Dan). نريد اختيار رئيس، أمين صندوق، وسكرتير. لا يمكن ل Ann ان تكون رئيساً، والسكرتير اما ان يكون nan او Dan كم تشكيلة ممكنة؟



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**9.2 Possibility Trees and the Multiplication Rule** 

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# Permutations

التباديل : عدد التشكيلات الممكنة لمجموعة جزئية من العناصر منتقاة من مجموعة كلية من العناصر مع مراعاة لأهمية تسلسل العناصر في تشكيلات المجموعة الجزئية

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## Permutations

A **permutation** of a set of objects is an ordering of the objects in a row.

For example, the set of elements  $\{a, b, c\}$  has six permutations.

abc acb cba bac bca cab

Generally, given a set of *n* objects, how many permutations does the set have? Imagine forming a permutation as an *n*-step operation:
<u>Step 1:</u> Choose an element to write first.
<u>Step 2:</u> Choose an element to write second

**<u>Step</u>** *n*: Choose an element to write *n*th.

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## **Permutations**

## by the multiplication rule, there are $n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots 2 \cdot 1 = n!$ ways to perform the entire operation.

**Theorem 9.2.2** 

For any integer *n* with  $n \ge 1$ , the number of permutations of a set with *n* elements is *n*!.

## Example 1

How many ways can the letters in the word *COMPUTER* be arranged in a row?

### 8! = 40,320

How many ways can the letters in the word *COMPUTER* be arranged if the letters CO must remain next to each other (in order) as a unit?

## 7! = 5,040

If letters of the word *COMPUTER* are randomly arranged in a row, what is the probability that the letters *CO* remain next to each other (in order) as a unit?

When the letters are arranged randomly in a row, the total number of arrangements is 40,320 by part (a), and the number of arrangements with the letters CO next to each other (in order) as a unit is 5,040.  $\frac{5,040}{40,320} = \frac{1}{8} = 12.5\%.$ 

## Example 2

كيف يمكن توزيع ستة دبلوماسيين حول طاولة مستديرة



5! = 120 ways

لانها مستديرة، ثبت واحدة، ويبقى خمسة يمكن تبديلها

## **Permutations of Selected Elements**

Given the set  $\{a, b, c\}$ , there are six ways to select two letters from the set and write them in order.

*ab ac ba bc ca cb* Each such ordering of two elements of  $\{a, b, c\}$  is called a 2-*permutation* of  $\{a, b, c\}$ .

أي مجموع التبديلات التي يمكن أن ننتقي بها أفراد المجموعة مع مراعاة الترتيب

#### Definition

An *r*-permutation of a set of *n* elements is an ordered selection of *r* elements taken from the set of *n* elements. The number of *r*-permutations of a set of *n* elements is denoted P(n, r).

How many permutations in *P*(*n*, *r*) ?

## **Permutations of Selected Elements**

#### **Theorem 9.2.3**

If *n* and *r* are integers and  $1 \le r \le n$ , then the number of *r*-permutations of a set of *n* elements is given by the formula

$$P(n,r) = n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots(n-r+1)$$
 first version

or, equivalently,



## **Example 3**

a. Evaluate 
$$P(5, 2)$$
.  

$$P(5, 2) = \frac{5!}{(5-2)!} = \frac{5 \cdot 4 \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1}}{\cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1}} = 20$$

b. How many 4-permutations are there of a set of 7 objects?

$$P(7,4) = \frac{7!}{(7-4)!} = \frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1}}{\cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1}} = 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 = 840.$$

c. How many 5-permutations are there of a set of 5 objects?

$$P(5,5) = \frac{5!}{(5-5)!} = \frac{5!}{0!} = \frac{5!}{1} = 5! = 120.$$

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## Example 4

How many different ways can 3 of the letters of the word *BYTES* be chosen and written in a row?

$$P(5,3) = \frac{5!}{(5-3)!} = \frac{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot \cancel{1}}{\cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{1}} = 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 = 60.$$

How many different ways can this be done if the first letter must be B?

$$P(4,2) = \frac{4!}{(4-2)!} = \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot \lambda}{2 \cdot \lambda} = 4 \cdot 3 = 12.$$
Pool of available  
letters: Y, T, E, S
  
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### Example 5

Prove that for all integers  $n \ge 2$ ,

 $P(n, 2) + P(n, 1) = n^2$ .

$$P(n,2) = \frac{n!}{(n-2)!} = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)!}{(n-2)!} = n(n-1)$$

and

$$P(n, 1) = \frac{n!}{(n-1)!} = \frac{n \cdot (n-1)!}{(n-1)!} = n.$$

#### Hence

$$P(n, 2) + P(n, 1) = n \cdot (n - 1) + n = n^2 - n + n = n^2,$$

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**9.3 Counting Elements of Disjoint Sets: Addition Rule** 

In this lecture:

□ Part 1: Addition Rule

Part 2: Difference Rule

Part 2: Inclusion Rule

Apply these rules to count elements of union and disjoint sets

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## **Additional Rule**

# *e.g., Number of students in this class = Number of Girls + Number of boys, in this class*

#### **Theorem 9.3.1 The Addition Rule**

Suppose a finite set A equals the union of k distinct mutually disjoint subsets  $A_1$ ,  $A_2, \ldots, A_k$ . Then  $N(A) = N(A_1) + N(A_2) + \cdots + N(A_k).$ 

The number of elements in a union of mutually disjoint finite sets equals the sum of the number of elements in each of the component sets.

A password consists of from 1, 2, or 3 letters chosen from {a..z} with repetitions allowed. How many different passwords are possible?



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Number of passwords of length 1 = 26 (because there are 26 letters in the alphabet)

Number of passwords of length  $2 = 26^2$  (two-step process in which there are 26 ways to perform each step) Number of passwords of length  $3 = 26^3$ 

Total =  $26 + 26^2 + 26^3 = 18,278$ . © Mustafa Jarrar, and Ahmad Abusnaina 2005-2018, All rights reserved

How many three-digit integers (i.e., integers from 100 to 999 inclusive) are divisible by 5? (using the addition rule)

Integers that are divisible by 5 end either in 5 or in 0. Thus the set of all three-digit integers that are divisible by 5 can be split into two mutually disjoint subsets  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ 



How many three-digit integers (i.e., integers from 100 to 999 inclusive) are divisible by 5? (using the Three-Digit Integers That Are Divisible by 5 addition rule)



the number of three-digit integers that are divisible by 5  $= N(A_1) + N(A_2) = 90 + 90 = 180.$ 

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## **The Difference Rule**

# Number of students without girls = number of all students – number of girls

**Theorem 9.3.2 The Difference Rule** 

If A is a finite set and B is a subset of A, then

$$N(A - B) = N(A) - N(B).$$



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The PIN codes are made from exactly four symbols chosen from the 26 letters and the 10 digits, with repetitions allowed. **a) How many PINs contain repeated symbols?** 

#### 1,679,616 - 1,413,720 = 265,896

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Formula for the Probability of the Complement of an Event

If *S* is a finite sample space and *A* is an event in *S*, then

$$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A).$$

 $= \frac{N(S) - N(A)}{N(S)}$  by the difference rule Another way  $= \frac{N(S)}{N(S)} - \frac{N(A)}{N(S)}$  by the laws of fractions = 1 - P(A) by definition of probability in the equally likely case  $\cong 1 - 0.842$  by Example 9.2.4 (C) Mustafa Jarrar, and Atmad Abusnaina 2005-2018, All rights [eserged] = 0.158 = 15.8%(12)

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## **The Inclusion/Exclusion Rule**

 $\succ$  Until now, we learned to count union of sets that they are disjoint.

Now, we learn how to count elements in a union of sets when some of the sets overlap (i.e., they are not disjoint)



How many integers from 1 through 1,000 are multiples of 3 or multiples of 5?

How many integers from 1 through 1,000 are multiples of 3 or multiples of 5?



How many integers from 1 through 1,000 are neither multiples of 3 nor multiples of 5?

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1,000 - 467 = 533

## **The Inclusion/Exclusion Rule**

**Theorem 9.3.3 The Inclusion/Exclusion Rule for Two or Three Sets** 

If A, B, and C are any finite sets, then

$$N(A \cup B) = N(A) + N(B) - N(A \cap B)$$

and

$$\begin{split} N(A\cup B\cup C) &= N(A) + N(B) + N(C) - N(A\cap B) - N(A\cap C) \\ &- N(B\cap C) + N(A\cap B\cap C). \end{split}$$





#### Given 50 students:

30 took precalculus;
18 took calculus;
26 took Java;
9 took precalculus & calculus;

16 took precalculus & Java;8 took calculus & Java;47 took at least 1 of the 3 courses.

➢ How many students did not take any of the three courses?

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$$50-47=3.$$

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➤ How many students took all three courses?

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- C = the set of students who took calculus
- J = the set of students who took Java.

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 $N(P \cup C \cup J) =$ 

 $N(P) + N(C) + N(J) - N(P \cap C) - N(P \cap J) - N(C \cap J) + N(P \cap C \cap J)$ 

#### $47 = 30 + 26 + 18 - 9 - 16 -8 + N(P \cap C \cap J).$ $N(P \cap C \cap J) = 6.$

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$$= (N(P \cap C)) - (N(P \cap C \cap J)) = ?$$
  
9 - 6 = 3



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➢ How many students took precalculus but neither calculus nor Java?  $N(P) - (N(P \cap C)) - N(P \cap J)) + N(P \cap C \cap J) =?$  30 - 9 - 16 + 6 = 11





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## **9.5 Counting Subsets of a Set: Combinations**

In this lecture:

**Part 1: Permutation versus Combinations** 

Part 2: How to Calculate Combinations

**Part 3: Permutations of a Set with Repeated Elements** 

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### (التوافيق) Counting Subsets of a Set: Combinations

Suppose 5 members of a group of 12 are to be chosen to work as a team. *How many distinct five-person teams can be selected?* 

كم فريق من 5 اشخاص يمكننا ان نكون من بين 12 شخص؟

Ordering is not important, as the result is a <u>set</u>.

## (التوافيق) Vs. Combinations (التباديل)

An <u>ordered</u> selection of *r* elements from a set of *n* elements is an *r-permutation* P(n, r) of the set.

How many 2-permutations we can produce from {a,b,c,d}
 = P(4,2)

An <u>unordered</u> selection of r elements from a set of n elements is the same as a subset of size r or an *r*-combination of the set.

How many 2-combinations (subsets) we can produce from {a,b,c,d

=  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ 

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## (التوافيق) Counting Subsets of a Set: Combinations

#### Definition

Let *n* and *r* be nonnegative integers with  $r \le n$ . An *r*-combination of a set of *n* elements is a subset of *r* of the *n* elements. As indicated in Section 5.1, the symbol

which is read "*n* choose r," denotes the number of subsets of size r (*r*-combinations) that can be chosen from a set of n elements.

 $\binom{n}{r}$ ,

### **Example 1**

Let  $S = \{Ann, Bob, Cyd, Dan\}$ . Each committee consisting of three of the four people in *S* is a 3-combination of *S*.

List all such 3-combinations of S.

{Bob, Cyd, Dan} leave out Ann
{Ann, Cyd, Dan} leave out Bob
{Ann, Bob, Dan} leave out Cyd
{Ann, Bob, Cyd} leave out Dan.

What is  $\binom{4}{3}$ ?

= 4

### Example 2

How many unordered selections of 2 elements can be made from the set  $\{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ ?

{0, 1}, {0, 2}, {0, 3} subsets containing 0
{1, 2}, {1, 3} subsets containing 1 but not already listed
{2, 3} subsets containing 2 but not already listed.

Thus 
$$\binom{4}{2} = 6$$
,

How to calculate 
$$\binom{n}{r}$$
  
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How to calculate 
$$\binom{n}{r}$$
  
 $P(n,r) = \binom{n}{r} \cdot r!.$ 
 $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{P(n,r)}{r!}.$ 
 $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}}{r!} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}.$ 

#### **Theorem 9.5.1**

The number of subsets of size r (or r-combinations) that can be chosen from a set of n elements,  $\binom{n}{r}$ , is given by the formula

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{P(n,r)}{r!} \qquad \text{first version}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \quad \text{second version}$$

where *n* and *r* are nonnegative integers with  $r \leq n$ .

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$$\binom{n}{0} = \frac{n!}{0!(n-0)!} = \frac{n!}{1 \cdot n!} = 1$$

Suppose 5 members of a group of 12 are to be chosen to work as a team. *How many distinct five-person teams can be selected?* 

$$\binom{12}{5} = \frac{12!}{5!(12-5)!} = \frac{12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7!}{(5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1) \cdot 7!} = 11 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 = 792.$$

# Suppose 5 members of a group of 12 are to be chosen to work as a team.

Suppose two members of the group of 12 insist on working as a pair - any team must contain either both or neither. How many five-person teams can be formed?



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# Suppose 5 members of a group of 12 are to be chosen to work as a team.

Suppose 2 members of the group don't get along and refuse to work together on a team. How many five-person teams can be formed?

All Possible Five-Person Teams That Do Not Contain Both *C* and *D* 



So the total number of teams that do not contain both C and D is 210 + 210+ 252 = 672.

**Suppose the group of 12 consists of 5 men and 7 women.** How many 5-person teams can be chosen that consist of 3 men and 2 women?

{A, B, C, D, E, m, n, o, p, q, s, t, r}  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, y_1, y_2\}$ 

 $\begin{bmatrix} \text{number of teams of five that} \\ \text{contain three men and two women} \end{bmatrix} = \binom{5}{3} \binom{7}{2} = \frac{5!}{3!2!} \cdot \frac{7!}{2!5!} \\ = \frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot \cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1}{\cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1} \\ = 210.$ 

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**Suppose the group of 12 consists of 5 men and 7 women.** How many 5-person teams contain at **least** one man?

 $\begin{bmatrix} number of teams \\ with at least \\ one man \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} total number \\ of teams \\ of five \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} number of teams \\ of five that do not \\ contain any men \end{bmatrix}$ 

$$= \binom{12}{5} - \binom{7}{5} = 792 - \frac{7!}{5! \cdot 2!}$$

$$= 792 - \frac{7 \cdot \cancel{6} \cdot \cancel{5!}}{\cancel{5!} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1} = 792 - 21 = 771.$$

#### **Suppose the group of 12 consists of 5 men and 7 women.** How many 5-person teams contain at **most** one man?



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# Counting

## 9.4 Counting Subsets of a Set: Combinations

In this lecture:

Part 1: Permutation versus Combinations

Part 2: How to Calculate Combinations

Part 3: Permutations of a Set with Repeated Elements

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# Permutations of a Set with Repeated Elements

Consider various ways of ordering the letters in the word *MISSISSIPPI*: *IIMSSPISSIP, ISSSPMIIPIS,* and so on. *How many distinguishable orderings are there?* 

> Letters of *MISSISSIPPI* to be placed into the positions

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Step 1: Choose a subset of four positions for the *S*'s.

Step 2: Choose a subset of four positions for the *I*'s.

Step 3: Choose a subset of two positions for the *P*'s.

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# Permutations of a Set with Repeated Elements

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{number of ways to} \\ \text{position all the letters} \end{bmatrix} = \binom{11}{4} \binom{7}{4} \binom{3}{2} \binom{1}{1} \\ = \frac{11!}{4!7!} \cdot \frac{7!}{4!3!} \cdot \frac{3!}{2!1!} \cdot \frac{1!}{1!0!} \\ = \frac{11!}{4! \cdot 4! \cdot 2! \cdot 1!} = 34,650.$$

# Permutations of a Set with Repeated Elements

**Theorem 9.5.2 Permutations with sets of Indistinguishable Objects** 

Suppose a collection consists of n objects of which

 $n_1$  are of type 1 and are indistinguishable from each other  $n_2$  are of type 2 and are indistinguishable from each other

 $n_k$  are of type k and are indistinguishable from each other,

and suppose that  $n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_k = n$ . Then the number of distinguishable permutations of the *n* objects is

$$\binom{n}{n_1}\binom{n-n_1}{n_2}\binom{n-n_1-n_2}{n_3}\cdots\binom{n-n_1-n_2-\cdots-n_{k-1}}{n_k}$$
$$=\frac{n!}{n_1!n_2!n_3!\cdots n_k!}.$$

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# **Double Counting and common mistakes**

#### Read Some tips about counting from the book

# Counting

- 9.1 Basics of Probability and Counting
- 9.2 Possibility Trees and the Multiplication Rule
- 9.3 Counting Elements of Disjoint Sets: Addition Rule
- 9.5 Counting Subsets of a Set: Combinations

9.6 r-Combinations with Repetition Allowed

# What is this section about?

In this chapter we discussed how to count the numbers of **ways of choosing** *k* **elements from** *n* 



# r-Combinations with Repetition Allowed

#### Examples:

- buy 20 drinks of Cola, 7up, or Fanta. How many ways?
- select a committee of 3 people, from 10 persons, but one person may play one or more roles.

Given a set on n elements  $\{X_1, X_2, ..., X_n\}$ Choose *r* element  $[X_{i1}, X_{i2}, ..., X_{ik}]$ With **repetition** allowed, and **unordered**.

#### Definition

An *r*-combination with repetition allowed, or multiset of size *r*, chosen from a set *X* of *n* elements is an unordered selection of elements taken from *X* with repetition allowed. If  $X = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\}$ , we write an *r*-combination with repetition allowed, or multiset of size *r*, as  $[x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, ..., x_{i_r}]$  where each  $x_{i_j}$  is in *X* and some of the  $x_{i_j}$  may equal each other.

# Example

Find the number of 3-combinations with repetition allowed, or multi sets of size 3, that can be selected from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ 

[1, 1, 1]; [1, 1, 2]; [1, 1, 3]; [1, 1, 4][1, 2, 2]; [1, 2, 3]; [1, 2, 4];[1, 3, 3]; [1, 3, 4]; [1, 4, 4];[2, 2, 2]; [2, 2, 3]; [2, 2, 4];[2, 3, 3]; [2, 3, 4]; [2, 4, 4];[3, 3, 3]; [3, 3, 4]; [3, 4, 4];[4, 4, 4]



→ How to calculate this automatically?→ Can we "see" this multiset problem as a string problem?

# **Calculating r-Combinations with Repetition Allowed**

Consider the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4 as categories and imagine choosing a total of three numbers from the categories with multiple selections from any category allowed.

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Category 1		Category 2		Category 3		Category 4	<b>Result of the Selection</b>
		×			I	××	1 from category 2 2 from category 4
×				×		×	1 each from categories 1, 3, and 4
× × ×							3 from category 1

 $\times \times | | \times |$  means [1,1,3]

The problem now became like selecting 3 positions out of 6, because once 3 positions have been chosen for the ×'s, the |'s are placed in the remaining 3 positions, which is  $\binom{6}{3} = \frac{6!}{3!(6-3)!} = \frac{\cancel{6} \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot \cancel{3}!}{\cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1 \cdot \cancel{3}!} = 20$ © Mustafa Jarrar, and Ahmad Abusnaina 2005-2018, All rights reserved

# **Calculating r-Combinations with Repetition Allowed**



#### **Theorem 9.6.1**

The number of r-combinations with repetition allowed (multisets of size r) that can be selected from a set of n elements is

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

This equals the number of ways r objects can be selected from n categories of objects with repetition allowed.

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#### Exercise 1.a

# A person giving a party wants to buy 15 cans of drinks. He shops at a store that sells 5 different types of soft drinks.

How many different selections of cans of 15 soft drinks can he make?

Can be represented by a string of 5 - 1 = 4 vertical bars (to separate the categories of soft drinks) and 15 crosses (to represent the cans selected). For instance,

$$\times \times \times | \times \times \times \times \times \times \times | | \times \times \times | \times \times |$$

$$\binom{15+5-1}{15} = \binom{19}{15} = \frac{19 \cdot 18 \cdot 17 \cdot 16 \cdot 15!}{15! \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 3,876.$$

### Exercise 1.b

A person giving a party wants to buy 15 cans of drinks. He shops at a store that sells 5 different types of soft drinks.

If sprite is one of the types of soft drink, how many different selections include at least 6 cans of **sprite** ?

Thus we need to select 9 cans from the 5 types. The nine additional cans can be represented as  $9 \times 3$  and  $4 \parallel 3$ .

$$\binom{9+4}{9} = \binom{13}{9} = \frac{13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9!}{9! \cdot \cancel{4} \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot \cancel{2} \cdot 1} = 715.$$

#### Counting Triples (*i*, *j*, *k*) with $1 \le i \le j \le k \le n$

If *n* is a positive integer, how many triples of integers from 1 through *n* can be formed in which the elements of the triple are written in increasing order but are not necessarily distinct? In other words, how many triples of integers (i, j, k) are there with  $1 \le i \le j \le k \le n$ ?

\* Any triple of integers (i, j, k) with  $1 \le i \le j \le k \le n$  can be represented as a string of n-1 vertical bars and three crosses, with the positions of the crosses indicating which three integers from 1 to *n* are included in the triple. The table below illustrates this for n = 5.

	1		2	(	Categor 3	y	4		5	<b>Result of the Selection</b>
		Ι			××				×	(3, 3, 5)
	×		×				Х			(1, 2, 4)
$\binom{3+(n-1)}{3} = \binom{n+2}{3} = \frac{(n+2)!}{3!(n+2-3)!}$ © Mustafa Jarrar, and Ahmad Abusnaina 2005-2018, All rights reserved $\frac{(n+2)(n+1)n(n-1)!}{3!(n-1)!} = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{6}.$ 58										

#### **Counting Iterations of a Loop**

How many times will the innermost loop be iterated when the algorithm segment below is implemented and run?

```
for k := 1 to n
   for j := 1 to k
       for i := 1 to j
           [Statements in the body of the inner loop,
           none containing branching statements that lead
           outside the loop]
       next i
   next j
next k
```

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 + (n-1) \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{6}$$

#### The Number of Integral Solutions of an Equation

How many solutions are there to the equation  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 10$ if  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ , and  $x_4$  are nonnegative integers?

	Categories		Solution to the equation $r_1 \perp r_2 \perp r_3 \perp r_4 = 10$				
$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3 x_4$	Solution to the equation $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 10$				
×х	× × × × ×	× × ×	$x_1 = 2$ , $x_2 = 5$ , $x_3 = 0$ , and $x_4 = 3$				
$\times \times \times \times$	$  \times \times \times \times \times \times \times$		$x_1 = 4$ , $x_2 = 6$ , $x_3 = 0$ , and $x_4 = 0$				

$$\binom{10+3}{10} = \binom{13}{10} = \frac{13!}{10!(13-10)!} = \frac{13\cdot12\cdot11\cdot10!}{10!\cdot3\cdot2\cdot1} = 286.$$

#### **Additional Constraints on the Number of Solutions**

How many integer solutions are there to the equation  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 10$  if each  $x_i \ge 1$ ?

$$\binom{6+3}{6} = \binom{9}{6} = \frac{9!}{6!(9-6)!} = \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6!}{6! \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 84.$$

Start by putting one cross in each of the four categories, then distribute the remaining six crosses among the categories © Mustafa Jarrar, and **Ahmad Abusnaina** 2005-2018, All rights reserved

# Summary

In this chapter we discussed how to count the numbers of ways of choosing *k* elements from *n* 

