

Combinatorix

→ Sum rule → $n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B)$ if A & B are mutually exclusive
if there are n ways to do task T_1 & m ways to do task T_2 independent of T_1 then, $T = T_1$ or T_2 has $m+n$ ways to do

→ product rule → if there are n ways to do task T_1 & m ways to do T_2 independent of T_1 , then T_1 and T_2 has $m \cdot n$ ways to do

→ Inclusion exclusion $\rightarrow n(A \cup B) = n(A) + n(B) - n(A \cap B)$

→ Case by case → Mutually exclusive & exhaustive

→ Complementary rule → Calculate what is not required & subtract from total

→ Splitting n distinct people into teams of different sizes $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_k$

- all team sizes distinct
- Unlabelled teams.

such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^k s_i = n$$

$$\Rightarrow \# \text{ Ways} = \frac{n!}{\prod_{i=1}^K s_i!}$$

$\rightarrow$ Identical team sizes —

a_1	size appears	m_1 times
a_2	" "	m_2 times
$\vdots$		
a_k	" "	m_k times

←

Arrange n people in a linear permutation
such that:
each team i has a_i members.
 $G = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k\}$ groupings possible.

Intuition: $\Rightarrow$ Arrange n people in a linear permutation.
 First s_1 people belong to Team 1.
 Next s_2 " " " " $\Rightarrow$ fit on.
 But within each team i $s_i!$ arrangements possible.
 if a size repeats n times any $n!$ arrangement of
 those teams are treated equal since unlabeled teams

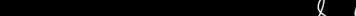
$$= \text{#ways} = \frac{n!}{\left(\prod_{i=1}^k s_i! \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^2 m_j! \right)}$$

→ #arrangements of n distinct items in a circle = $(n-1)!$
(clockwise & counterclockwise treated differently)

$\rightarrow n!$ linear permutation
 $\rightarrow$ overcounting by a factor of n
 so $\frac{n!}{n} = (n-1)!$

→ # of distinct non negative solutions to $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n = 8$

Condition: $X_i \geq 0$, order matters, repetition allowed (replacement)



 n boxes
 l dots

$$\} \# \text{ways} = \binom{n+8-1}{8} = \binom{n+8-1}{n-1}$$

→ # of distinct positive solutions to $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_8 = n$

Condition: $x_i \geq 1$, order matters, repetition allowed (replacement)

$$\boxed{} \quad \boxed{} \quad \dots \quad \boxed{}$$

$$+ \dots (x_g - 1) = n - g \quad \begin{array}{l} n \text{ boxes} \\ g - n \text{ dots} \end{array}$$

$$\} \# \text{ways} = \binom{n-1}{8-1} = \binom{n-1}{n-8}$$

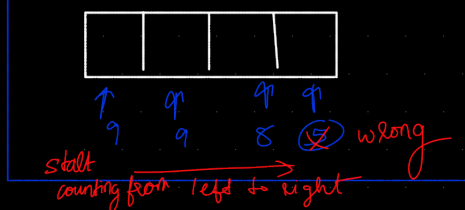
modify $(x_1 - 1) + (x_2 - 1) + \dots + (x_n - 1) = n - 8$

$$x_i \geq 0 \quad \binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$$

$$x_i \geq 1 \quad \binom{n-1}{k-1}$$

∅ No. of odd. 4 digit nos without repeating the digits. (First digit cannot be zero, last digit needs to be odd).

Solution



Case by case

1) No zeros in 4 digit numbers



$$6 \times 7 \times 8 \times 5 = 1680$$

2) Zero in 2nd digit position 3) Zero in 3rd digit



$$7 \times 8 \times 5 = 280$$



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Guideline 1: Start counting the most restricted task, especially when applying product rule.



$$8 \times 8 \times 7 \times 5 = 2240$$

most restricted
2nd most restricted

→ 8 different people are to be divided into 3 teams such that each team contains at least 2 persons. Find the total #ways to form such teams.

Method 1

Case I: ${}^8C_2 \times \frac{{}^6C_2}{2} = \frac{{}^8P_2}{2} \times \frac{{}^6P_2}{1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4} = 4 \times 1 \times 5 \times 2 = 280$

Case II: ${}^8C_4 \times \frac{{}^4C_2}{2} = \frac{{}^8P_4}{1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4} \times \frac{{}^4P_2}{1 \times 2 \times 1 \times 1} = 7 \times 2 \times 5 \times 3 = 210$

Method 2

Case I: $\{2, 2, 4\} =$

$$\frac{8!}{2! 2! 4! \cdot 2!} =$$

$$\frac{8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5}{2 \times 2 \times 2} = 210$$

Case II: $\{3, 3, 2\} =$

$$\frac{8!}{3! 3! 2! \cdot 2!} =$$

$$\frac{8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4}{6 \times 2 \times 2} = 280$$

Q) # Integers btw 1 & 10,00,000 such that the sum of digits = 15

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 = 15$$

a $x_i \geq 0$

b $x_i \leq 9$

w/o restriction (b) $\rightarrow \binom{15+b-1}{b-1} = 15504$

Counting Violations of (b)

let $x_k \geq 10$ — $6C_1 = 6$ possible choices

$$\sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq k}}^6 (x_i) + (x_k - 10) = 15 - 10 = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 15504 - 6 \cdot 252$$

$$= \boxed{13992}$$

$$= \binom{5+6-1}{6-1} = 252$$

Q) #Ways to Arrange the letters of the word TERRORISM in a circle

Solution

8! ways to arrange

$$\frac{8!}{3!} \text{ ways discounting RRR arrangements} = \underline{\underline{6720}}$$

Q) 4 boys & 4 girls Let m = #Ways They can be arranged such that Boys — odd position
Girls — Even position
 n = #Ways " " " " " " no two girls sit together

$$m = 4! \times 4!$$

$$n = 4! \times {}^5C_4 \times 4!$$

↓
arrange boys

choose 4 positions

arrange girls

$$m/n = \frac{1}{{}^5C_4} = \underline{\underline{0.2}}$$

Q) 4 letter words where repetition allowed but not consecutive

$$\boxed{26} \boxed{25} \boxed{25} \boxed{25} = 26 \times 25^3$$

Q) How Many strings of characters (lower case) that have letter "x" in them?

Sol

Inclusion - Exclusion

$$\underline{\underline{{}^4C_6 - {}^4C_5}}$$

Q) String of 5 ASCII characters with 1 '@' sign at least once (128 ASCII chara)

$$\#Total - \#No @ symbol = 128^5 - 127^5$$

Each user on a computer system has a password, which is six to eight characters long, where each character is an uppercase letter or a digit. Each password must contain at least one digit. How many possible passwords are there?

= 36

$$\begin{aligned} P_6 &\rightarrow 36^6 - 26^6 \\ P_7 &\rightarrow 36^7 - 26^7 \\ P_8 &\rightarrow 36^8 - 26^8 \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISES 2.3.4. How many passwords can be created with the following constraints:

- 1) The password is three characters long and contains two lowercase letters and one digit in some order.

$$\frac{26 \times 26 \times 10 \times 3!}{2}$$

Q) #Ways of picking 2 cards from a deck (order matters), such that atleast one are.

Solution 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \#Total &= 52 \times 51 \\ \#unfavorable &= 48 \times 47 \\ \#favorable &= 52 \times 51 - 48 \times 47 \\ &= \underline{\underline{396}} \end{aligned}$$

Solution 2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{First card Ace} &= 4 \times 48 \\ \text{Second " " " "} &= 4 \times 48 \\ \text{Both cards Ace} &= 4 \times 3 \\ &= \underline{\underline{396}} \end{aligned}$$

Q) How many permutations of the letters ABCDEFGH contains the string ABC

$$\underbrace{ABC}_{1 \text{ element}} \underbrace{DEFGH}_{5 \text{ elements}} \Rightarrow 6!$$

1. Three hardcover books and 5 paperbacks are placed on a shelf. How many ways can the books be arranged if all the hardcover books must be together and all the paperbacks must be together?

$$= 3! \times 5! \times 2$$

Q) How many ways to arrange 5 children such that two children (A, B) are never sitting together?

S1)

$$\begin{aligned} \#Total &= 5! \\ \#unfavorable &= 4! \times 2 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{Total favorable} = 5! - 4! \times 2 = 4! \times (5-2) = 4! \times 3 = \underline{\underline{72}}$$

S2)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Arrange remaining} &= 3! \\ \text{choose 2 pos from 4 gaps} &= {}^4C_2 \\ \text{permute 2 pos} &= 2! \end{aligned} \Rightarrow 3! \times 2! \times {}^4C_2 = 6 \times 2 \times 6 = \underline{\underline{72}}$$

How many ways are there for eight men and five women to stand in a line so that no two women stand next to each other? [Hint: First position the men and then consider possible positions for the women.]

51) # Arrange 8 men $\rightarrow 8!$
 # permute 5 gaps from 9 = $9P_5$
 $= \underline{\underline{8! \times 9P_5}}$

Seven women and nine men are on the faculty in the mathematics department at a school.

- a) How many ways are there to select a committee of five members of the department if at least one woman must be on the committee?
- b) How many ways are there to select a committee of five members of the department if at least one woman and at least one man must be on the committee?

Subtraction

a) # Total = $16C_5$
 # Unfavourable = $9C_5$
 # Favourable = $\underline{\underline{16C_5 - 9C_5}}$

Side note

$7C_1 \times 15C_4$
 Wrong due to overcounting

b) # Total = $16C_5$
 # Unfavourable = $9C_5 + 7C_5$
 # Favourable = $\underline{\underline{16C_5 - 9C_5 - 7C_5}}$

There are 6 jobs with distinct difficulty levels, and 3 computers with distinct processing speeds. Each job is assigned to a computer such that:

- The fastest computer gets the toughest job and the slowest computer gets the easiest job.
- Every computer gets at least one job.

The number of ways in which this can be done is _____.

C1 J1
 C2
 C3 J6

Remaining 4 jobs distributed # Total = 3^4
 # Unfavourable = 2^4
 # Favourable = $\underline{\underline{3^4 - 2^4}}$

• $nCr = nC_{n-r}$
 • $(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}$

• $n \cdot n-1C_{k-1} = k \cdot nC_k$ — Choose the president story prob

• $\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = (1+1)^n = 2^n$ — from binomial theorem
 — story # n bit binary numbers
 $= \left(\sum_k \# \text{n bit with } k \text{ '1's} \right)$

• $\sum_{k=0}^n 2^k \cdot \binom{n}{k} = (1+2)^n = 3^n$ — from binomial theorem
 — story — from n people # ways to form 2 teams of any strength
 $\equiv \sum_k \left(\text{choose } k \text{ people from } n \text{ give everyone} \right)$
 choice of team

$$(1+x)^n = nC_0 x^0 + nC_1 x^1 + nC_2 x^2 + \dots + nC_n x^n$$

$$\text{put } x=1 \rightarrow 2^n = \sum_k^n nC_k$$

$$\text{put } x=-1 \rightarrow 0 = nC_0 - nC_1 + nC_2 - nC_3 + \dots - nC_n$$

$$\Rightarrow nC_0 + nC_2 + nC_4 + \dots = nC_1 + nC_3 + nC_5 + \dots$$

Story #Teams of size odd numbers = #Teams of size even numbers

Distributing Objects into Boxes

1) Distinguishable Objects (DOOB)
Distinguishable Boxes

$$\frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! n_3! \dots n_k!}$$

→ or product rule with combination
 $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = n$

multinomial notation

$$\binom{n!}{n_1, n_2, n_3, \dots, n_k}$$

1b) #Ways to distribute n distinct objects into k distinct boxes, w/o any restriction on # objects/box = k^n

2) Identical Objects (IOOB) $\binom{n+k-1}{k}$
Distinguishable Boxes
Star Bar problems
Objects (Box-1) n
 k

2b) Each Box has at least one object

$$\binom{k-1}{n-1} = \binom{k-1}{k-n}$$

IOOB Template applies on 5 Different Types of Problems.

1. Combination with Repetition

Select k items from n items

items can repeat, order does not matter

2. Integer Solutions of an Equation

3. Multiset Problem

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = k \mid x_i \geq 0 \Rightarrow \# \text{ways} = \binom{n+k-1}{k}$$

4. Non-decreasing Integer Sequence Problem

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = n+k \mid x_i \geq 1 \Rightarrow \# \text{ways} = \binom{n-1}{m-n}$$

$m = n+k$

5. Integer Composition Problem

Using n elements, how many multiset

of size k can be created $\Rightarrow \# \text{ways} = \binom{n+k-1}{k}$

3) Identical Objects (IOIB)
Identical Boxes

$$\binom{n+k-1}{k} / n!$$

4) Distinguishable Objects (DOIB)
Identical Boxes

$$(n+k-1)P_k / n!$$

Q) What is the coefficient of $x^{12}y^{13}$ in the expansion of $(2x-3y)^{25}$?

Solution

$${}^{25}C_{12} \cdot 2^{12} \cdot (-3)^{13}$$

$$(x-1)(x-1)(x-1)(x-2)(x-2)(x-2)$$

6 terms choose 4

${}^6C_4 \times x^4 \times \text{not feasible}$

The coefficient of x^4 in the polynomial $(x-1)^3(x-2)^3$ is equal to _____.

A. 33 ✓

B. -3

C. 30

D. 21

$$(x-1)^3 = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x - 1$$

$$(x-2)^3 = x^3 - 6x^2 + 12x - 8$$

$$x^4 / (3 + 18 + 12) = 33x^4$$

Q) Determine the coefficient of xyz^2 in $(x+y+z)^4$

Solution 1)

$${}^4C_2 \cdot {}^2C_1 = 6 \times 2 = 12$$

Solution 2) $(x+b)^4$

$$x^3 \text{ coefficient} = {}^4C_1$$

$${}^4C_1 \times {}^3C_1 = 12$$

$$b = y+z$$

$$b^3 yz^2 \rightarrow \text{coefficient} = {}^3C_1$$

Q. Counting Full Houses in Poker Game

Hand in Poker = A poker hand consists of a 5 randomly chosen cards out of a deck of 52 cards.

A hand is called "Full House" if it consists three cards of the same value and two cards of another value (e.g. 3 kings and 2 eights). How many different Full Houses are possible?

$$13 \times {}^4C_3 \times 12 \times {}^4C_2$$

7. A committee of 12 is to be selected from 10 men and 10 women. In how many ways can the selection be carried out if (a) there are no restrictions? (b) there must be six men and six women? (c) there must be an even number of women? (d) there must be more women than men? (e) there must be at least eight men?

a) ${}^{20}C_{12}$

b) ${}^{10}C_6 \cdot {}^{10}C_6$

c) ${}^{10}C_2 \cdot {}^{10}C_{10} + {}^{10}C_4 \cdot {}^{10}C_8 + {}^{10}C_6 \cdot {}^{10}C_6 + {}^{10}C_8 \cdot {}^{10}C_4 + {}^{10}C_{10} \cdot {}^{10}C_2$

d) ${}^{10}C_1 \cdot {}^{10}C_5 + {}^{10}C_3 \cdot {}^{10}C_4 + {}^{10}C_5 \cdot {}^{10}C_3 + {}^{10}C_7 \cdot {}^{10}C_2$

e) ${}^{10}C_8 \cdot {}^{10}C_4 + {}^{10}C_9 \cdot {}^{10}C_3 + {}^{10}C_{10} \cdot {}^{10}C_2$

Q) How many ways to distribute 5 cards to each of 4 players from a standard deck

s1) $\frac{{}^{52}P_{20}}{(5!)^4}$

→ orders within each 5 set doesn't matter

s2) ${}^{52}C_5 \cdot {}^{47}C_5 \cdot {}^{42}C_5 \cdot {}^{37}C_5$

$$= \left(\frac{{}^{52}C_5 \times {}^{47}C_5 \times {}^{42}C_5 \times {}^{37}C_5}{5!} \right) = \frac{52!}{32! \cdot (5!)^4}$$

4. How many ways are there to distribute 15 distinguishable objects into five distinguishable boxes so that the boxes have one, two, three, four, and five objects in them, respectively.

$${}^{15}C_1 \times {}^{14}C_2 \times {}^{12}C_3 \times {}^9C_4 = \frac{15 \times 14 \times 13 \times 12 \times 11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6}{1! \cdot 2! \cdot 3! \cdot 4! \cdot 5!}$$

$$= \frac{15!}{2! \cdot 3! \cdot 4! \cdot 5!}$$

arrange / permute all people
discount by group size

Q) #Ways to distribute 52 cards into 4 players (each getting 13 cards) such that the oldest player gets Queen of spades.

S1)
$$\frac{51!}{(13!)^3 \cdot 12!}$$

Q) . How many ways are there to distribute five balls into three boxes if each box must have at least one ball in it if
a) both the balls and boxes are labeled?

without restriction 3^5
Violations = ${}^3C_1 \cdot [{}^5-2] + {}^3C_1$
only 2 Box filled only 1 Box filled
favourable = $3^5 - (90 + 3) = 243 - 93 = 150$

S2)

B1	B2	B3
1	1	3
1	3	1
3	1	1
2	2	1
2	1	2
1	2	2

$\frac{5!}{3!}$
 $\frac{5!}{2! \cdot 2!}$

ways = $3 \times \frac{5!}{3!} + 3 \times \frac{5!}{2! \cdot 2!}$
 $= 3 \times 4 \times 5 + 30 \times 3$
 $= 60 + 90 = 150$

Q) 5 players into 3 teams = 3^5
No restriction on #players

Q) 30 Identical objects into 3 distinct boxes such that each box has at least 5 objects.

S1) $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 30$
 $x_1 \geq 5, x_2 \geq 5, x_3 \geq 5$
 $u = x_1 - 5, v = x_2 - 5, w = x_3 - 5$
 $u \geq 0, v \geq 0, w \geq 0$
 $\Rightarrow \# \text{Ways} = \binom{17}{2}$

Q: How many ways are there to distribute 20 identical chocolate bars and 15 identical sticks of gum to 5 children?

$$\binom{24}{4} \cdot \binom{19}{4}$$

3. A bakery sells exactly 5 kinds of cookies including chocolate-chip cookies and shortbread cookies. Assuming that the bakery has at least 10 cookies of each kind, how many different options are there for a box of 10 cookies if we require that the box contains at least 1 chocolate-chip cookie and at least 2 shortbread cookies?

$$\binom{11}{7} = \binom{11}{4}$$

Q : Equation: $x + y + z = 10$

How many **Integer solutions** are there for the above equation

if $x \geq 1, y \geq -2, z \geq 0$?

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} x' = x - 1 & y' = y + 2 & \\ \hline x' \geq 0 & y' \geq -2 & \\ x' \geq 0 & y' \geq 0 & \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \# \text{Ways} \\ = \binom{13}{11} = \binom{13}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

$$x' + y' + z = 11$$

How many solutions are there to the inequality

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 11,$$

where x_1, x_2 , and x_3 are nonnegative integers? [Hint: Introduce an auxiliary variable x_4 such that $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 11$.]

$$\# \text{Ways} = \binom{14}{11} = \binom{14}{3}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 20 \quad | \quad x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \text{ all +ve integers} \geq 0$$

$$1 \leq x_3 \leq 3$$

★ S1) Case by Case

$$x_3 = 1 \rightarrow \binom{18}{3}$$

$$x_3 = 2 \rightarrow \binom{17}{3}$$

$$x_3 = 3 \rightarrow \binom{16}{3}$$

$$\frac{18 \times 17 \times 16}{6} + \frac{17 \times 16 \times 15}{6} + \frac{16 \times 15 \times 14}{6}$$

$$= \frac{16 \times 3}{6} [6 \times 17 + 17 \times 5 + 5 \times 14]$$

$$= 8 [17 \times 11 + 70]$$

$$= 8 \times 257 = 2056$$

S2) without $x_3 \leq 3$ restriction

$$\# \text{Total} = \binom{19}{4}$$

Unfavourable $x_3 \geq 3$

$$\text{let } x_3' = x_3 - 3$$

$$x_3' \geq 0$$

$$\# \text{Unfavourable} = \binom{16}{4}$$

$$\# \text{favourable} = \binom{19}{4} - \binom{16}{4}$$

$$\frac{19 \times 18 \times 17 \times 16}{24} - \frac{16 \times 15 \times 14 \times 13}{24}$$

$$\frac{16 \times 6}{24} [19 \times 3 \times 17 - 5 \times 7 \times 13]$$

$$4 [969 - 455] = \underline{\underline{2056}}$$

Q) Using elements a, b, c . How many multisets of size 5 can be created?

$$\binom{7}{5}$$