
ECS 20 — Lecture 18 — Fall 2013 — 26 Nov 2013
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Today:

- Let's count!

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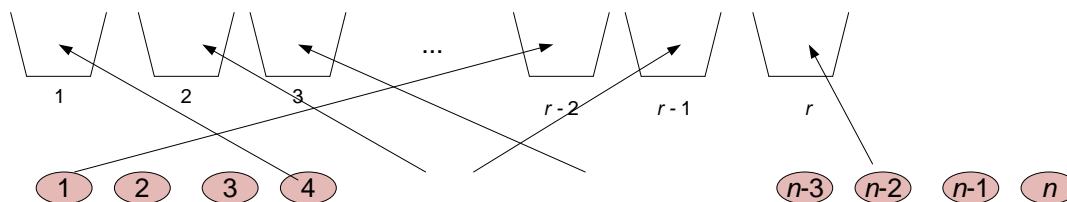
2^n = Number of subsets of n items = number of n -bit binary strings

$n!$ = Number of ways to order n different items

$$P(n, r) = n! / (n - r)! = n(n - 1) \dots (n - r + 1)$$

= The number of ways to fill r named bins, $1..r$, one item per bin, using items drawn from $1, \dots, n$.

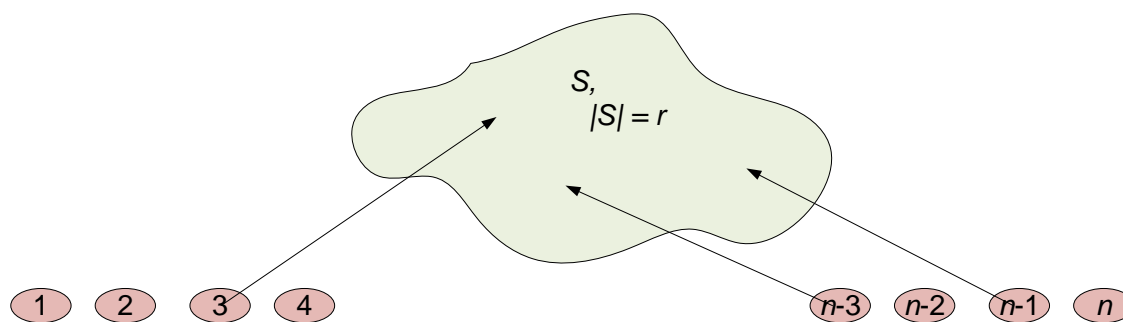
No replacement; an item, once used, is **gone**.



$$C(n, r) = n! / r!(n - r)! = P(n, r) / r!$$

= number of r -element **subsets** from a set of n different items.

No replacement; an item, once used, is gone.



In particular, $C(n, 2) = n(n - 1) / 2$

product rule = if event A can occur in a ways and, independent of this, event B can occur in b ways, then the number of **combinations** of ways for A and B to occur is ab .

- Really just a statement that $|A \times B| = |A| |B|$ for finite A, B .

sum rule = if event A can occur in a ways and event B can occur in b ways, but both events **cannot occur together**, then the number of ways for A or B to occur is $a+b$.
 ➤ Really just a statement that $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$ for disjoint A, B .

inclusion/exclusion counting:

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$$

And generalizations, like

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |B \cap C| - |A \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$

$\ln(n!) \approx n \ln n - n$ **Stirlings's formula**

Example counting exercises

Please calculate values explicitly to the point of getting out numbers – I like to see actual numbers.

1. License plates in Nebraska are 3 distinct letters (A-Z, but not O), followed by 3 distinct decimal digits. How many possible license plates are there?

$$\text{Answer: } 25 \cdot 24 \cdot 23 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 = P(25,3) P(10,3) = 9,936,000$$

2. How many ways can a blue, white, and red ball be put into 10 different bins? Assume no bin can contain two balls.

$$\text{Answer: } 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 = P(10,3) = 720$$

3. How many different ways a salesman travel among n cities, where he starts in city 1 and visits each other city once and only once before returning to city 1.

$$\text{Answer: } (n - 1)!$$

4. How many ways can you select a president, vice president, and treasurer in a club of 30 people?

$$\text{Answer: } P(30,3) = 24,360$$

5. How many way can you form Male-Female dance partners if there are 12 women and 8 men. Assume each man is partnered with some woman (4 women go un-partnered).

$$\text{Answer: } P(12,8) = 19,958,400$$

6. How many ways you position 7 people in a circle?

$$\text{Answer: } 6! = 720$$

7. A man, a woman, a boy, a girl, a dog, and a cat are walking single-file down the road.

a. How many ways can this happen?

Answer: $6! = 720$

b. How many ways if the dog comes first?

Answer: $5! = 120$

c. How many ways if the dog immediately follows the boy?

Answer: $5! = 120$

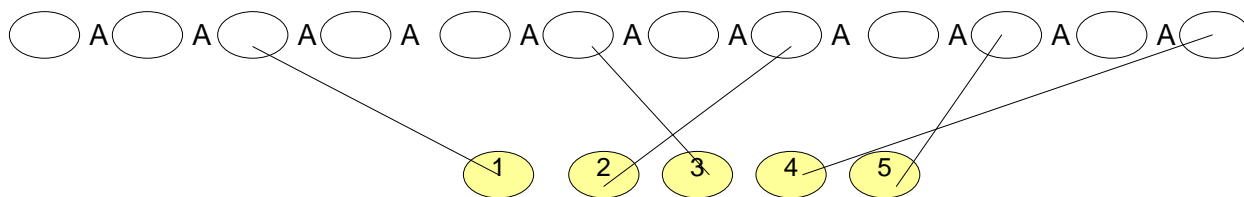
d. How many ways if the dog (and only the dog) is immediately between the man and the boy.

Answer: $2 \cdot 4! = 48$ (form a man-dog-boy or a boy-dog-man combo)

(so walking down the street is a woman, a girl, a cat, and a man-dog-boy (4!)
or, walking down the street is a woman, a girl, a cat, and a boy-dog-man (4!))

8. In how many ways can 10 adults and 5 children be positioned in a line so that no two children are next to each other? (they fight)

Answer: $10! \cdot P(11,5) = 10! \cdot 11! / 6! = 201,180,672,000 \approx 10^{11.3}$



9. How many arrangements are there of the letters a..z such that there are exactly 10 letters between the "A" and the "Z"?

Answer: $15! \cdot P(24,10) \cdot 2 = 24! \cdot 30 \approx 1.86 \cdot 10^{25}$

(reasoning: after selecting the AxxxxxxxxxZ block, treat it as atomic and rearrange it with the 14 remaining letters in any of $15!$ ways. Double to account for both the AxxxxxxxxxZ and ZxxxxxxxxxA possibilities.)

10. You take a group of four people to a Chinese restaurant that has 100 different dishes. All food will be shared among the four of you. How many ways can you order 4 different dishes?

Answer: $C(100,4) = 100 \cdot 99 \cdot 98 \cdot 97 / (4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1) = 3,921,225$

11. You toss a coin 8 times. How many ways can it land with 5 heads total?

Answer: $C(8,5) = 56$

(Note this is $C(8,3)$. In general, $C(n,r) = C(n,n-r)$.)

12. How many 6-element subsets are there of the 26 letters, A ... Z ?

Answer $C(26,6) = 230,230$

How many 2-element subsets are there of the 26 letters, A ... Z ?

$C(26,2) = 26 \cdot 25 / 2 = 338$.

In general, $C(n,2) = n(n-1)/2$

13. An urn contains 15 red, distinctly numbered, balls, and
10 white, distinctly numbered balls.
5 balls are removed.

(A) How many different samples are possible?

Answer: $C(25,5) = 53,130$

(B) How many samples contain only red balls?

Answer: $C(15,5) = 3003$.

(B') So what is the **probability** that a random sample will contain only red balls?

Answer: $3003 / 53,130 \approx 0.05652$ (05.652 %) (a little more than about 1 in 18)

(C) How many samples contains 3 red balls and 2 white balls?

Answer: $C(15,3) * C(10,2) = 20,475$

(C') So what's the chance that a random sample will contain 3 red balls
and one white ball

Answer: $20,475 / 53,130 \approx 0.3854$ (38.54%)

14. How many numbers are there between 1 and 1000 have are not divisible by 3, 5, or 7

Let A_3 = numbers between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 3. $|A_3|=333$

Let A_5 = numbers between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 5. $|A_5|=200$

Let A_7 = numbers between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 7. $|A_7|=\lfloor 1000/7 \rfloor=142$

Let $A_{3,5}$ = numbers between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 3 & 5. $|A_{3,5}| = \lfloor 1000/15 \rfloor = 66$

Let $A_{5,7}$ = numbers between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 5 & 7. $|A_{5,7}| = \lfloor 1000/35 \rfloor = 28$

Let $A_{3,7}$ = numbers between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 3 & 7. $|A_{3,7}| = \lfloor 1000/21 \rfloor = 47$

Let $A_{3,5,7}$ = nums between 1 and 1000 that are divisible by 3 & 5 & 7. $|A_{3,5,7}| = \lfloor 1000/3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \rfloor = 9$

So answer = $1000 - 333 - 200 - 142 + 66 + 28 + 47 - 9 = 457$

15. How many numbers divide pq where p and q are distinct, large primes?

$\phi(n) = |\{i \in [1..n]: i \perp n\}|$. $\phi(pq) = n - q - p + 1 = (p-1)(q-1)$