

1.6 Counting Techniques

Multiplication Rule

If one operation can be performed n_1 ways and a second " " " " n_2 ", then there are $n_1 n_2$ ways in which both can be performed together.

Ex: How many diff't lunches could a person pick from Bob's Burger joint?

Bob serves 10 diff't burgers
3 sizes of fries
7 flavors of soda

$$10 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 = \underline{\underline{210}}$$

Thm 1.6.1 If there are N possible outcomes of each of r trials of an experiment, then there are N^r possible outcomes in the sample space.

Proof: (Mult. rule)

$$\underbrace{\underline{N} \underline{N} \underline{N} \underline{N} \dots \underline{N} \underline{N} \underline{N} \underline{N}}_{r \text{ different}} = N^r$$

Ex: How many different ways could a multiple choice test be answered where there is 20 questions & 4 different parts to each question?

$$\underbrace{4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4}_{20 \text{ times}} = 4^{20} \\ = 1,099,511,627,776$$

In counting problems, the order of the selection of objects may or may not be important.

In addition, sometimes sampling is without replacement, or with replacement

Without replacement means an object can be selected at most once. Typically, we are referring to distinct objects (that can be handled).

DEF. An ordered arrangement of n distinguishable objects is known as a permutation

Thm 1.6.2 The number of permutations of n distinguishable objects is $n!$

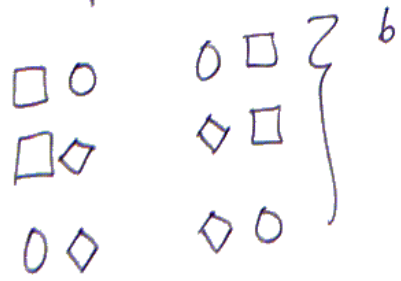
Note: The term indistinguishable means that we cannot tell or we don't care about the difference between some objects. Distinguishable means they are all different.

Thm 1.6.3 The number of permutations of n objects taken r at a time is

$${}_n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

Example: $\square \circ \diamond$

Pick 2 objects at a time



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Ex: $\square \circ \diamond$



3 combinations

$${}^3C_2 = \frac{3!}{1!2!} = \frac{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 1} = 3$$

Thm 1.6.4 The number of combinations
of n distinct objects chosen r at a
time is without replacement

$${}^nC_r = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Indistinguishable objects

For example, suppose we want to see how many re-arrangements are possible of the word FOUR. There are 4 different letters, so there is $4! = 24$ different re-arrangements.

What about the word SEEN?

It is useful to label the first E as E_1 & second as E_2 .

Write out all the possible arrangements using E_1 & E_2 as distinct objects.

SE_1E_2N

SE_1NE_2

$SN E_1E_2$

E_1SE_2N

E_1SNE_2

E_1NSE_2

NSE_1E_2

NE_1E_2S

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Now, drop the E_1 & E_2 to just E.

There are 12 distinct permutations.

Thm 1.6.5 The number of distinguishable permutations of n objects of which r are of one kind and $n-r$ are of the other kind is

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$$\frac{n!}{r_1! r_2! \cdots r_k!}$$

Note: $r_1 + r_2 + \cdots + r_k = n$

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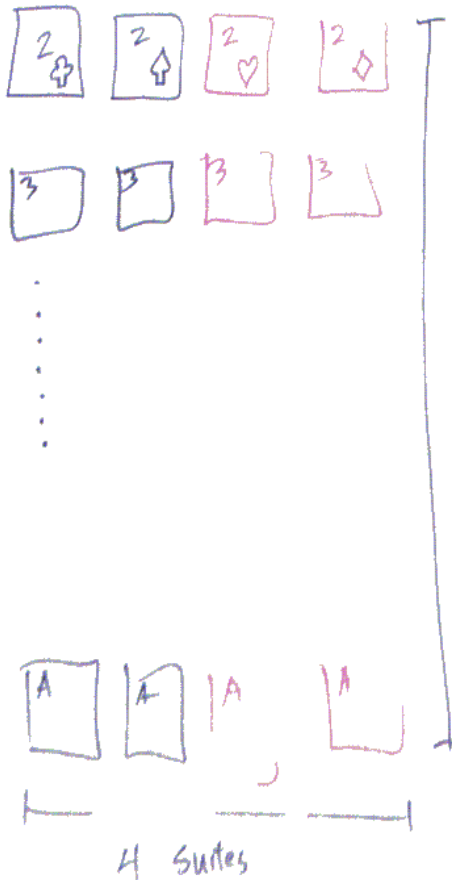
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Count the number of Royal Flush } Same suite.
 ↳ royalty

A, K, Q, J, 10 $\begin{matrix} \swarrow H \\ \swarrow D \\ \swarrow S \\ \swarrow C \end{matrix} \Rightarrow 4 \text{ royal flushes.}$

Straight

2, 3, 4, 5, 6

3, 4, 5, 6, 7

⋮

9, 10, J, Q, K

10, J, Q, K, A

9 · 4S

↳ this includes straight flushes.

Full-House

3 Kind w/ 2 Kind.

A A A

K K

13

↑

choose rank

4C3

· 12 · 4C2

= 3,744

P(full house)
3744

= $\frac{3744}{2598960}$

In total, you can pick 52 card 5 at a time:

$$52C5 = \frac{52!}{5!47!}$$

= 2,598,960

