

Discrete Mathematics

$S_2(n, j)$, $p_j(n)$, principle of inclusion–exclusion,
pigeonhole principle

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Summary of Lecture 12

r -Combination of Set $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$

- Without repetition: an r -subset of A ; $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$
- With repetition: an r -multiset of the form $\{x_1 \cdot a_1, \dots, x_n \cdot a_n\}$

r -Combination of Multiset $A = \{n_1 \cdot a_1, n_2 \cdot a_2, \dots, n_k \cdot a_k\}$

- an r -subset of A

Binomial Transform: $b_n = \sum_{k=s}^n \binom{n}{k} a_k$

Inverse Binomial Transform: $b_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} a_k$

- $a_n = \sum_{k=s}^n \binom{n}{k} b_k \Rightarrow b_n = \sum_{k=s}^n (-1)^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} a_k \quad (n \geq s)$

Distributing Objects into Boxes:

- Labeled/unlabeled objects + labeled/unlabeled box

① ✓ Labeled ^{多类集到标} Labeled ~~②~~ Labeled unlabeled
② ✓ unlabeled ^{可多类用标} Labeled ~~③~~ unlabeled unlabeled

用法:
记数问题中找规律

$\{a_n\}$, $\{b_n\}$.
 $B.T. (a_n)$
 $I.B.T. (a_n)$

Control subjects in unlabelled boxes

$$S_2(n, j)$$

no empty box

THEOREM: $S_2(n, j) = \frac{1}{j!} \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} (-1)^i \binom{j}{i} (j-i)^n$ when $n \geq j \geq 1$.

Simpler

case:

$T(n, j)$: the number of ways of distributing n labeled objects into j labeled boxes such that no box is empty

default $n < j$ $S_2(n, j) = 0$

$$T(n, j) = j! \cdot S_2(n, j)$$

box labelled

$T(n, j) = ?$ labelling boxes.

Simpler-er

X : the set of ways of distributing n labeled objects into j labeled boxes.

case: By the product rule, $|X| = j^n$ (不能有空)

$X_i \subseteq X$: the set of ways where exactly i boxes are used, $i = 1, 2, \dots, j$

将 X 划分为 j 类

$\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_j\}$ is a partition of X and $|X_i| = \binom{j}{i} T(n, i)$

(实际) 占空 占空

B.T.

choose i boxes

$$j^n = |X| = \sum_{i=1}^j |X_i| = \sum_{i=1}^j \binom{j}{i} T(n, i)$$

target: find $T(n, j) = \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{j-i} \binom{j}{i} i^n = \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} (-1)^{j-i} \binom{j}{i} (j-i)^n$ // inversion

$$S_2(n, j) = \frac{1}{j!} \cdot T(n, j) = \frac{1}{j!} \sum_{i=0}^{j-1} (-1)^i \binom{j}{i} (j-i)^n$$

替换: $j-i=t$
 $i \neq j$ ($i \leq j$)

$0 \leq j-i \leq j-1$
 $0 \leq t \leq j-1$

here: $a_j = j^n$ $a_j = B.T.(b_j)$

$b_i = T(n, i) \Rightarrow b_j = I.B.T.(a_j)$ 求逆变换!

替换: t

$$a_n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} b_k$$

$$b_n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^{n-k} \binom{n}{k} a_k$$

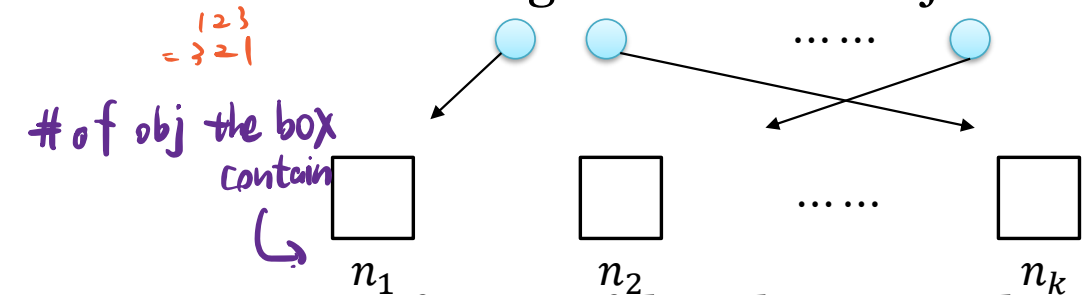
n unlabeled obj k unlabeled box.

Type 4

$$+ \frac{1}{k!} n, k, S$$

$$a_k b_k$$

Problem: distributing n unlabeled objects into k unlabeled boxes



Classifications

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = n$$

$$n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\underline{n_1 \geq n_2 \geq \dots \geq n_k}$$

unlabeled (order not matter)

EXAMPLE: # of ways of distributing 4 identical books into 3 identical boxes.

$$\begin{cases} n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = 4 \\ n_1 \geq n_2 \geq n_3 \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- 4 0 0
 - 3 1 0
 - 2 2 0
 - 2 1 1
- } partition method classifier

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REMARK: The schemes are determined by $\{n_1, \dots, n_k\}$

Partitions of Integers

DEFINITION: $n = a_1 + a_2 + \cdots + a_j$ is called an **n -partition** with exactly j parts if $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \cdots \geq a_j$ are all positive integers.

- $p_j(n) = \# \{ (a_1, \dots, a_j) : a_1 + \cdots + a_j = n, a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \cdots \geq a_j \geq 1 \text{ are integers} \}$
- $p_j(n)$: # of ways of writing n as the sum of j positive integers.

EXAMPLE: The integer 4 has four different partitions:

- $4 = 4$
- $4 = 3 + 1$
- $4 = 2 + 2$
- $4 = 2 + 1 + 1$

REMARK: solution to the type 4 problem = $\sum_{j=1}^k p_j(n)$

partition into #

$$p_k(n) = p_k(n-k) + p_{k-1}(n-1)$$

Partitions of Integers

Combinatorial proof example

THEOREM: For $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, j \in [n]$, $p_j(n+j) = \sum_{k=1}^j p_k(n)$

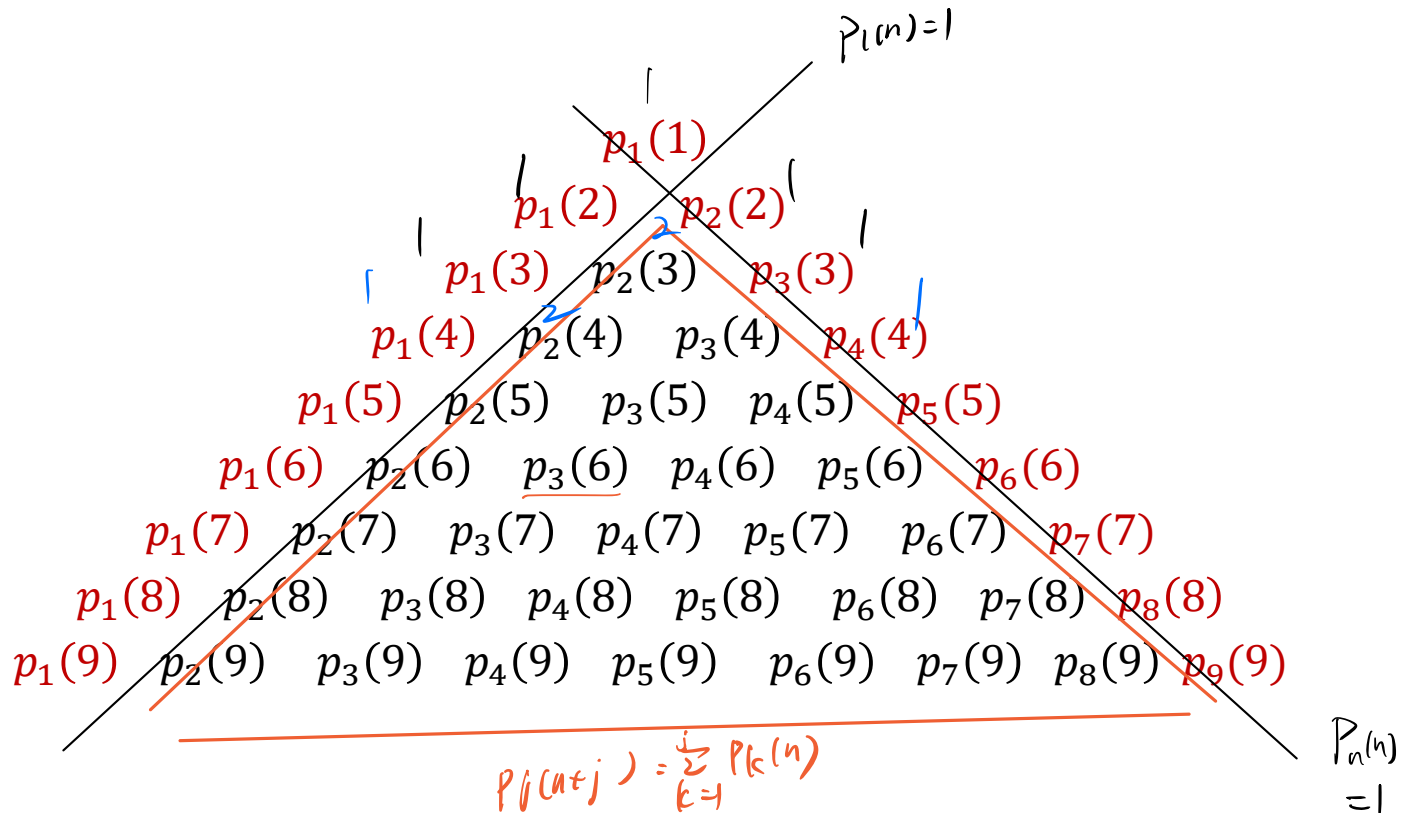
- $p_1(n) = 1, p_n(n) = 1$
- Let $S_k = \{\text{partitions of } n \text{ into } k \text{ positive integers}\}, k \in [j]$
- Let $S = \bigcup_{k=1}^j S_k$. Σ p(k, n)
 - $|S| = |S_1| + \dots + |S_j| = p_1(n) + \dots + p_j(n)$
- Let $T = \{\text{partitions of } n+j \text{ into } j \text{ positive integers}\}$

- proof*
bij $f: S \rightarrow T$
- $|T| = p_j(n+j)$ $n_1 \geq n_2 \geq \dots \geq n_k \geq 1$
 $n_1 + \dots + n_k = n$
 - $f: S \rightarrow T \quad (n_1, \dots, n_k) \mapsto (n_1 + 1, \dots, n_k + 1, \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{j-k})$
 - $n_1 + \dots + n_k = \text{sum} = n$
 - \downarrow
 - $\text{sum} + k$
 - $\text{sum} = n + k + j - k = n + j$
 - f is bijective
 - $|T| = |S|$

EXAMPLE: determine $p_3(6)$ and $p_4(6)$ with the above theorem

- $p_3(6) = p_3(3+3) = p_1(3) + p_2(3) + p_3(3) = 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$
- $p_4(6) = p_4(2+4) = p_1(2) + p_2(2) + p_3(2) + p_4(2) = 1 + 1 + 0 + 0 = 2$

Computing $p_j(n)$ Recursively



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Principle of Inclusion–Exclusion

subset

Problem: S is a finite set and $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \subseteq S$.

- $|\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i| = ?$ # ∪ 中解 → ∩ 中解
- $|\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i| = ?$

n! 个全排列

EXAMPLE: Let S be the set of permutations of $[n]$. Find $|A|$ for

$$A = \{x_1 x_2 \dots x_n : x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \in S; x_i \neq i \text{ for all } i \in [n]\}.$$

- $A_i = \{x_1 x_2 \dots x_n : x_1 x_2 \dots x_n \in S, x_i = i\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
 - $A = S - \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$
 - $|S| = n!$
 - $|\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i| = ?$

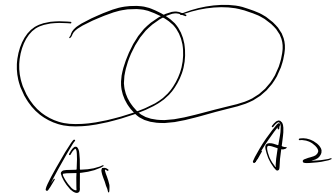
reverse: $x_i = i$
method.

Principle of IE (Two Sets)

THEOREM: Let S be a finite set. Let A_1, A_2 be subsets of S . Then

- $|S - A_1| = |S| - |A_1|$; $|A_1 - A_2| = |A_1| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$
- $S = A_1 \cup (S - A_1)$, $A_1 \cap (S - A_1) = \emptyset$;
 - $\{A_1, S - A_1\}$ is a partition of S
 - $|S| = |A_1| + |S - A_1|$
 - $|S - A_1| = |S| - |A_1|$
 - $A_1 - A_2 = A_1 - A_1 \cap A_2$
 - $|A_1 - A_2| = |A_1| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$
- $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$
- $A_1 \cup A_2 = (A_1 - A_2) \cup A_2$, $(A_1 - A_2) \cap A_2 = \emptyset$;
 - $\{A_1 - A_2, A_2\}$ is a partition of $A_1 \cup A_2$
 - $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1 - A_2| + |A_2| = |A_1| - |A_1 \cap A_2| + |A_2|$
- $|A_1 \cap A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cup A_2|$

加法原理:
 $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2|$



partition !

Principle of IE (Three Sets)

THEOREM: Let S be a finite set. Let A_1, A_2, A_3 be subsets of S .

Then $|\bigcup_{i=1}^3 A_i| = \sum_{t=1}^3 (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq 3} |A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_t}|$

- $|\bigcup_{i=1}^3 A_i| = |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3| = |A_1 \cup A_2| + |A_3| - |(A_1 \cup A_2) \cap A_3|$

- $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$

- $|(A_1 \cup A_2) \cap A_3| = |(A_1 \cap A_3) \cup (A_2 \cap A_3)|$

$$= |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3| = |A_1 \cup A_2| + |A_3| - |(A_1 \cup A_2) \cap A_3|$$

$$= |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2| + |A_3| - (|A_1 \cap A_3| + |A_2 \cap A_3| - |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3|)$$

- $|\bigcup_{i=1}^3 A_i| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2| + |A_3| - (|A_1 \cap A_3| + |A_2 \cap A_3| - |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3|)$

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Principle of IE (n Sets)

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- $n = 1: |A_1| = |A_1|$
- $n = 2: |A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$
- $n = 3: |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3| = |A_1| + |A_2| + |A_3| - |A_1 \cap A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_3| - |A_2 \cap A_3| + |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3|$
- **Induction hypothesis:** the identity holds for $n \leq k$ ($k \geq 3$)
- Need to show the identity for $n = k + 1$
- $\underbrace{|A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k|}_1 + \underbrace{|A_{k+1}|}_2 - |(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_k) \cap A_{k+1}|$
 $= |\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i| + |A_{k+1}| - |\bigcup_{i=1}^k (A_i \cap A_{k+1})|$

Principle of IE (n Sets)

- $|\cup_{i=1}^k A_i| = \sum_{t=1}^k (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq k} |A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_t}|$
- $|\cup_{i=1}^k (A_i \cap A_{k+1})| = \sum_{t=1}^k (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq k} |(A_{i_1} \cap A_{k+1}) \cap \dots \cap (A_{i_t} \cap A_{k+1})|$
- $|\cup_{i=1}^{k+1} A_i| = \sum_{t=1}^k (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq k} |A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_t}| + |A_{k+1}| -$

3rd IE:
 $t=1, t=2, \dots$
 $t_k = k$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{t=1}^k (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq k} |(A_{i_1} \cap A_{k+1}) \cap \dots \cap (A_{i_t} \cap A_{k+1})| \\
 &= \sum_{t=1}^{k+1} (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq k+1} |A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_t}|
 \end{aligned}$$

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- $A = S - \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$

- $|S| = n!$

- $|\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i| = ?$

- $|\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i| = \sum_{t=1}^n (-1)^{t-1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_t \leq n} |A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_t}|$

- $|A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_t}| = (n-t)! \text{ for } t = 1, 2, \dots, n$

- $|A| = |S| - |\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i|$ (剩下 (n-t) 个数无限制, 全排列)

$$= n! - \left(\binom{n}{1} * (n-1)! - \binom{n}{2} * (n-2)! + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} * \binom{n}{n} * 1 \right)$$

$$= n! \left(1 - \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} - \dots + (-1)^t \frac{1}{t!} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n!} \right)$$

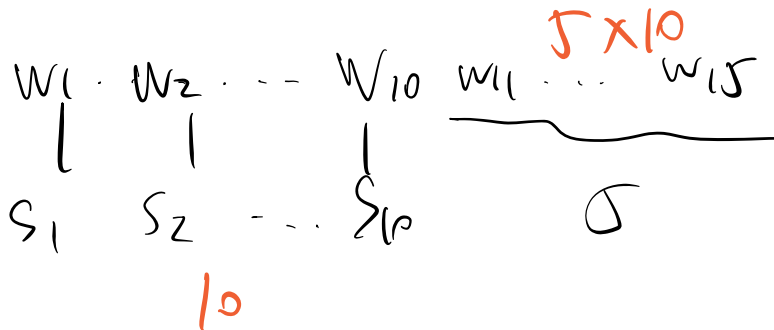
Pigeonhole Principle

less cable

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EXAMPLE: Connect 15 workstations W_1, \dots, W_{15} to 10 servers S_1, \dots, S_{10} such that any ≥ 10 workstations have access to all servers. How many cables are needed?

- **Solution 1:** Connecting every workstation directly to every server. 150
- **Solution 2:** S_i is connected to W_i for every $i \in [10]$; and each of $W_{11}, W_{12}, W_{13}, W_{14}, W_{15}$ is connected to all servers.
 - This solution requires 60 lines.
 - Is this solution optimal?



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Cover

if any $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$
 \Rightarrow partition

DEFINITION: A **cover** of a finite set A is a family $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ of subsets of A such that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = A$.

LEMMA: Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ be a cover of a finite set A .

cover
(P)

Then $|A| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|$. #

- $n = 1: |A| = |A_1|$
- $n = 2: |A| = |A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2| \leq |A_1| + |A_2|$
- Suppose true when $n \leq k$ ($k \geq 2$).
- When $n = k + 1$,
 $|A| = |\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i \cup A_{k+1}|$
 $\leq |\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i| + |A_{k+1}|$
 $\leq \sum_{i=1}^k |A_i| + |A_{k+1}|$
 $= \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} |A_i|$

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Pigeonhole Principle

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元素个数 ≥ 1

THEOREM: (simple form) Let A be a set with $\geq n + 1$ elements.

Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ be a cover of A . Then $\exists k \in [n], |A_k| \geq 2$.

- Suppose that $|A_i| \leq 1$ for every $i \in [n]$. Then $n + 1 \leq |A| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i| \leq n$.
 • If $\geq n + 1$ objects are distributed into n boxes, then there is at least one box containing ≥ 2 objects.

THEOREM: (general form) Let A be a set with $\geq N$ elements.

Let $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ be a cover of A . Then $\exists k \in [n], |A_k| \geq \lceil N/n \rceil$.

- If $|A_i| < \lceil N/n \rceil$ for all $i \in [n]$, then $N \leq |A| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i| < n \cdot \lceil N/n \rceil = N$.
 • If we distribute $\geq N$ objects into n boxes, then there is at least one box that contains $\geq \lceil N/n \rceil$ objects.

$$\leq n \lceil \frac{N}{n} \rceil$$

$$< n \cdot \frac{N}{n}$$

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