

CS & IT ENGINEERING

DISCRETE MATHS
COMBINATORICS



Lecture No. 2



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TOPICS

01 combination with reptn

02 Examples

3 Problems

Combination: Selecting 2 elements is same as
Shifting 2 lines.

Places C line
 3C_2 .

$\{a, b, c\}$

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$\leftarrow \{a, b\} \rightarrow \{1, 1, -\}$

$\{b, c\} \rightarrow \{-, 1, 1\}$

$\{a, c\} \rightarrow \{1, -, 1\}$

$\begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \{1 & 1 & -\} \\ \{1 & - & 1\} \\ \{- & 1 & 1\} \end{matrix}$

{ a, b, c }

Select 1 element = shifting 7 line.

{ a } { ¹ ~~a~~, ² -, ³ - }
 { b } { -, ~~b~~, - }
 { c } { -, -, ~~c~~ }

Places = 3
line = 1.

Places $C_{line} = 3C_1$

A mall which contains 3 containers A, P, O
how many ways we can choose 4 fruits?

Ans: 15

4A

4O

4P

3A 1O

3A 1P

3O 1A

3O 1P

3P 1A

3P 1O

2A 2O

2A 2P

2P 2O

2A 1O 1P

2O 1A 1P

2P 1A 1O

$$3 + 6 + 3 + 3 = \underline{15}$$

15 { 3A 10
2A 20
30 1A.
20 1A 1P.
...

{ A O P
1 2 3 4 5 6
A A 0 0 1
A 0 0 0 1
A 0 0 1 P }

places
= 6.

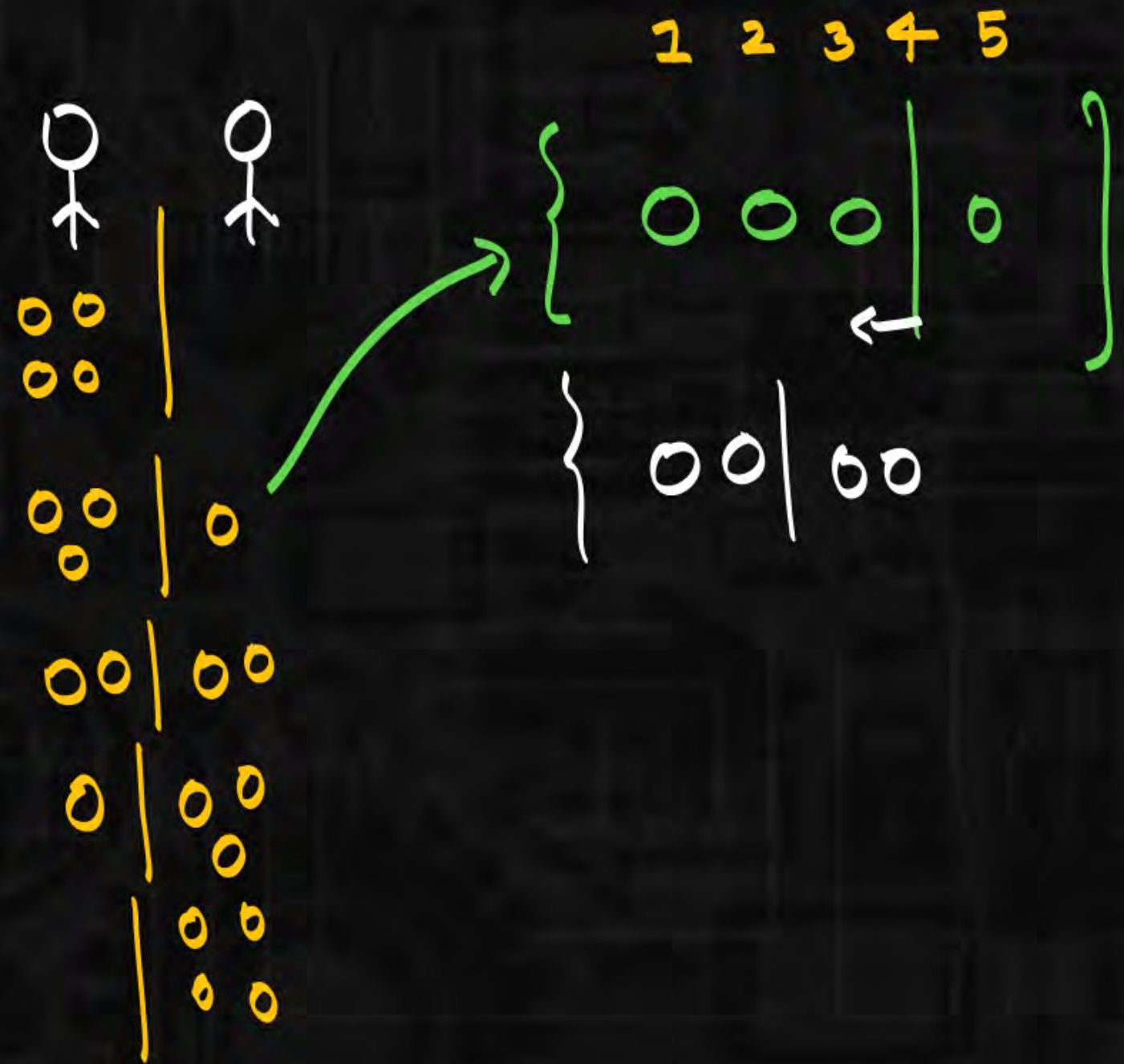
line = 2

places $C_{line} = 6C_2$

places C_{line} .

$$6C_2 = \frac{6 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot 1} = \underline{\underline{15}}$$

How many ways we can distribute 4 chocolates among 2 girls?



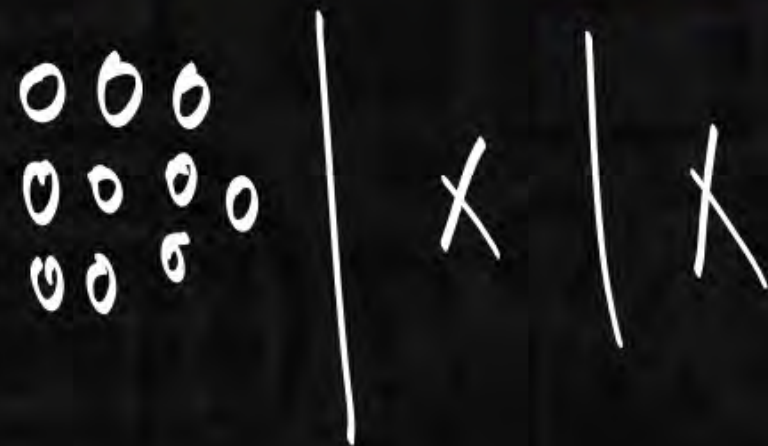
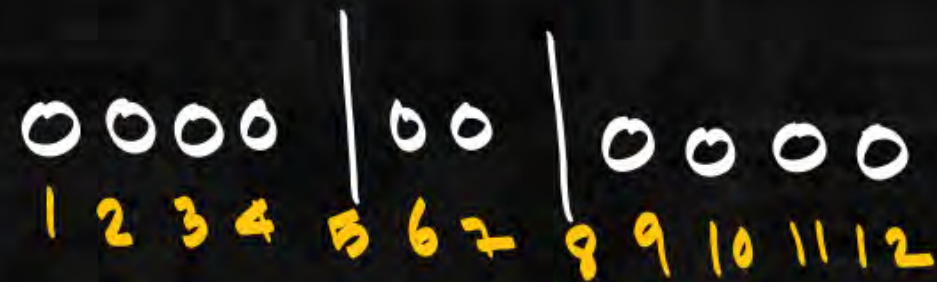
Places C line.

$${}^5C_1 = \underline{\underline{5}}$$

How many ways we can distribute 10 chocolates among 3 students?



$${}^{12}C_2 = 66$$



how many non negative soln are possible.

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 10 \quad x_i \geq 0$$

$$x_1 = 4 \quad x_2 = 2 \quad x_3 = 4$$

$$x_1 = 3 \quad x_2 = 3 \quad x_3 = 4$$

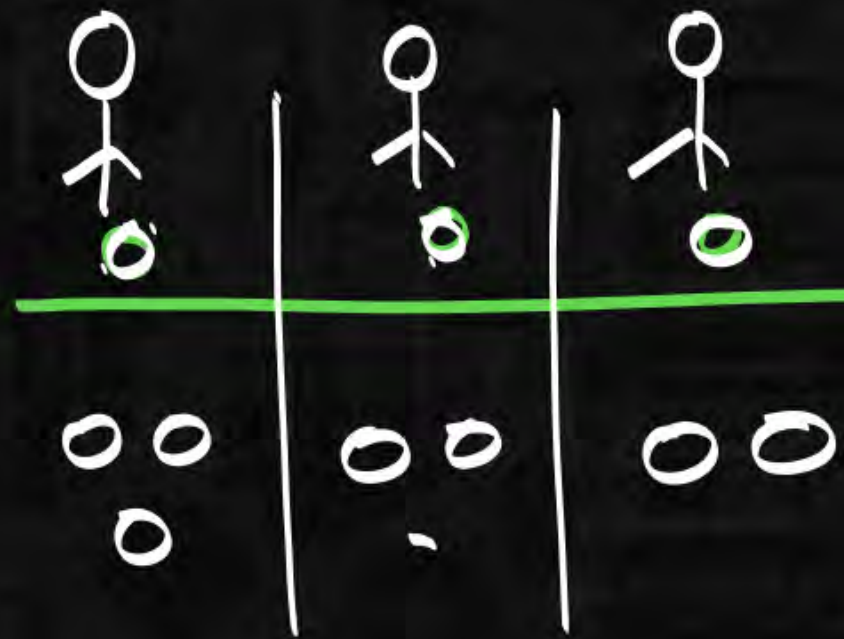
$$x_1 = 10 \quad x_2 = 0 \quad x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 0 \quad x_2 = 10 \quad x_3 = 0$$

Ans: ${}^{12}C_2$

How many ways we can distribute 10 chocolates among 3 students, each child gets at least 1 chocolate?

$$\frac{10-3}{1} = 7$$



$$7 + 2C_2$$

how many non negative soln are?

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 10 \quad x_i \geq 1$$

$$y_i = x_i - 1$$

$$y_i + 1 = x_i$$

$$\frac{x_i - 1 \geq 0}{y_i}$$

$$y_1 + 1 + y_2 + 1 + y_3 + 1 = 10 \quad y_i \geq 0$$

$$y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 10 - 3 = 7 \quad y_i \geq 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 20$$

$$x_1 \geq 2 \quad x_2 \geq 3 \quad x_3 \geq 4$$

$$\frac{x_1 - 2 \geq 0}{y_1} \quad \frac{x_2 - 3 \geq 0}{y_2} \quad \frac{x_3 - 4 \geq 0}{y_3}$$

$$y_1 = x_1 - 2$$

$$y_1 + 2 = x_1$$

$$y_2 + 3 = x_2$$

$$y_3 + 4 = x_3$$

$$y_1 + \textcircled{2} + y_2 + \textcircled{3} + y_3 + \textcircled{4} = 20 \quad y_i \geq 0$$

$$y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 20 - 9 = 11 \quad \textcircled{13C_2}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 20 \quad x_i^0 > 1.$$



$$x_i^0 \geq 2$$

$$x_i - 2 \geq 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 10$$

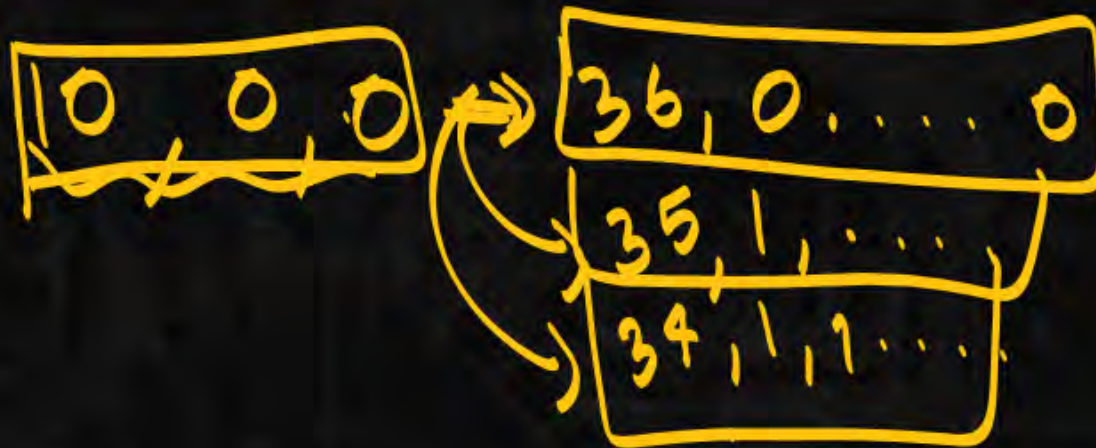
Ans: $12C_2 \times 36C_6$.

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 + x_7 + x_8 + x_9 + x_{10} = 40$$

$$\rightarrow 10 + 2C_2$$

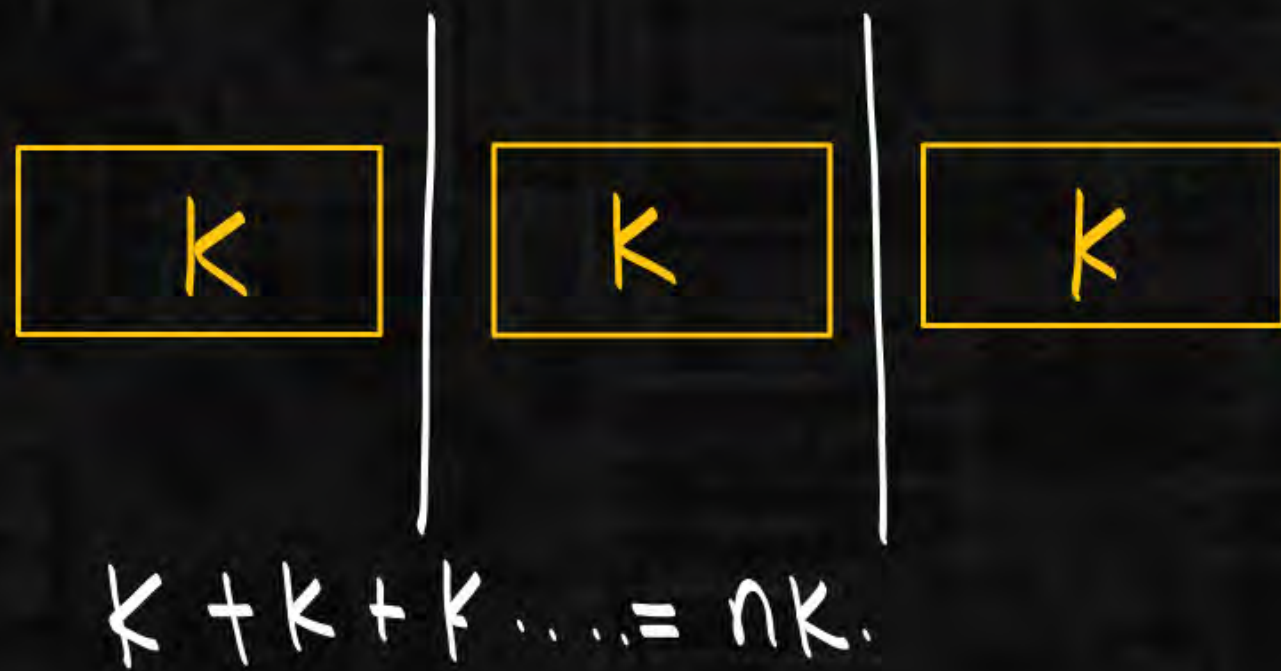
$$\rightarrow 30 + 6C_6$$

$36C_6$



GATE:

How many ways we can distribute m identical balls among n boxes, such that each box contains at least k balls ($m \geq kn$)?



Lines = $n-1$.

after distribⁿ Remaining balls = $m - nk$.

$m - nk + n - 1 \text{ } ^{n-1}C_{n-1}$

How many ways we can distribute 10 Roses, 15 daffodils among 2 girls? (GATE)

mistake..

$$\underline{10} + \underline{15} = \underline{25}$$

♀ | ♀

$$26C_1 = 26$$

wrong

10 Roses

♀ | ♀

$$11C_1$$

5R 5R

10R 0R

15 D.

♀ | ♀

$$16C_1$$

7D | 8D

8D | 7D

$$\text{Ans: } 11C_1 \times 16C_1$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 10$$

$$x_i \geq 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1$$

$$= 2$$

$$= 3$$

$$= 10 \quad (a=0)$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + a = 10$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 10$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 9$$

$$a=1$$

$$a=2$$

$$a=3$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a=10$$

$$10 + 3c_3 = 13c_3$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 5$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0$$

$$= 1$$

$$= 2$$

$$= 3$$

$$= 4$$

$$= 5$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + a = 5$$

$$a = 0$$

$$a = 1$$

$$a = 2$$

x_1	x_2	x_3	a
			0
			1
			2
			3
			4
			5



1. In how many ways can 10 (identical) dimes be distributed among five children if (a) there are no restrictions? (b) each child gets at least one dime? (c) the oldest child gets at least two dimes?

- (a) The number of integer solutions of $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 10$, $0 \leq x_i$, $1 \leq i \leq 5$, is $\binom{5+10-1}{10} = \binom{14}{10}$. Here $n = 5$, $r = 10$.
 (b) Giving each child one dime results in the equation $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 5$, $0 \leq x_i$, $1 \leq i \leq 5$. There are $\binom{5+5-1}{5} = \binom{9}{5}$ ways to distribute the remaining five dimes.
 (c) Let x_5 denote the amount for the oldest child. The number of solutions to $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 10$, $0 \leq x_i$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$, $2 \leq x_5$ is the number of solutions to $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5 = 8$, $0 \leq y_i$, $1 \leq i \leq 5$, which is $\binom{5+8-1}{8} = \binom{12}{8}$.

2. In how many ways can 15 (identical) candy bars be distributed among five children so that the youngest gets only one or two of them?

3. Determine how many ways 20 coins can be selected from four large containers filled with pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters. (Each container is filled with only one type of coin.)

2. Let x_i , $1 \leq i \leq 5$, denote the number of candy bars for the five children with x_1 the number for the youngest. ($x_1 = 1$): $x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 14$. Here there are $\binom{4+14-1}{14} = \binom{17}{14}$ distributions. ($x_1 = 2$): $x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 13$. Here the number of distributions is $\binom{4+13-1}{13} = \binom{16}{13}$. The answer is $\binom{17}{14} + \binom{16}{13}$ by the rule of sum.

3. $\binom{4+20-1}{20} = \binom{23}{20}$

7. Determine the number of integer solutions of

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 32,$$

where

- a) $x_i \geq 0$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$ b) $x_i > 0$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$
 c) $x_1, x_2 \geq 5$, $x_3, x_4 \geq 7$
 d) $x_i \geq 8$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$ e) $x_i \geq -2$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$
 f) $x_1, x_2, x_3 > 0$, $0 < x_4 \leq 25$

7. (a) $\binom{4+32-1}{32} = \binom{35}{32}$ (b) $\binom{4+26-1}{26} = \binom{31}{26}$
 (c) $\binom{4+8-1}{8} = \binom{11}{8}$ (d) 1
 (e) $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 32$, $x_i \geq -2$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$. Let $y_i = x_i + 2$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$. The number of solutions to the given problem is then the same as the number of solutions to $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 = 40$, $y_i \geq 0$, $1 \leq i \leq 4$. This is $\binom{4+40-1}{40} = \binom{43}{40}$.
 (f) $\binom{4+26-1}{26} - \binom{4+3-1}{3} = \binom{31}{26} - \binom{6}{3}$, where the term $\binom{6}{3}$ accounts for the solutions where $x_4 \geq 26$.



8. In how many ways can a teacher distribute eight chocolate donuts and seven jelly donuts among three student helpers if each helper wants at least one donut of each kind?

9. Columba has two dozen each of n different colored beads. If she can select 20 beads (with repetitions of colors allowed) in 230,230 ways, what is the value of n ?

8. For the chocolate donuts there are $\binom{3+4-1}{3} = \binom{7}{3}$ distributions. There are $\binom{3+4-1}{4} = \binom{6}{4}$ ways to distribute the jelly donuts. By the rule of product there are $\binom{7}{3}\binom{6}{4}$ ways to distribute the donuts as specified.

$$9. \quad 230,230 = \binom{n+20-1}{20} = \binom{n+19}{20} \implies n = 7$$

12. Determine the number of integer solutions for

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 < 40,$$

where

$$\text{a) } x_i \geq 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 5$$

$$\text{b) } x_i \geq -3, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 5$$

(a) The number of solutions for $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_5 < 40, x_i \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq 5$, is the same as the number for $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_5 \leq 39, x_i \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq 5$, and this equals the number of solutions for $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_5 + x_6 = 39, x_i \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq 6$. There are $\binom{6+39-1}{39} = \binom{44}{39}$ such solutions.

(b) Let $y_i = x_i + 3, 1 \leq i \leq 5$, and consider the inequality $y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_5 \leq 54, y_i \geq 0$. There are [as in part (a)] $\binom{6+54-1}{54} = \binom{59}{54}$ solutions.

18. a) How many nonnegative integer solutions are there to the pair of equations $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_7 = 37$, $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6$?

b) How many solutions in part (a) have $x_1, x_2, x_3 > 0$?

18. (a) There are $\binom{3+6-1}{6} = \binom{8}{6}$ solutions for $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6$ and $\binom{4+31-1}{31} = \binom{34}{31}$ solutions for $x_4 + x_5 + x_6 + x_7 = 31$, where $x_i \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq 7$. By the rule of product the pair of equations has $\binom{8}{6}\binom{34}{31}$ solutions.

$$(b) \quad \binom{5}{3}\binom{34}{31}$$

