CS70: Counting

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Today:

- Balls and bins.
- Sum rule.
- Combinatorial proofs.
- Maybe start review?

What we've learned so far

Sample k items out of n.

| | With Replacement | Without Replacement |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Order matters | n ^k | $\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$ |
| Order doesn't matter | $\binom{n+k-1}{n-1}$ | $\binom{n}{k}$ |

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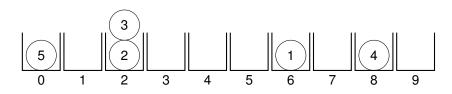


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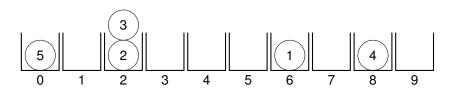
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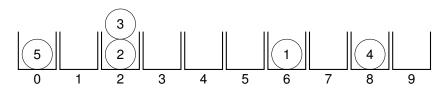


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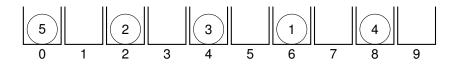
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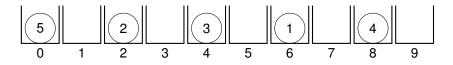
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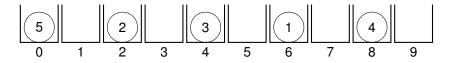


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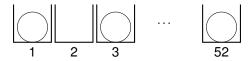
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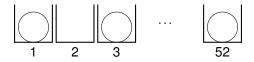
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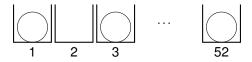
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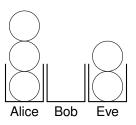
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3 samples from 52 possibilities without replacement (order doesn't matter): $\binom{52}{3}$

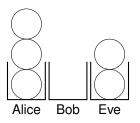
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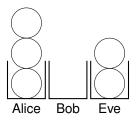


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49! and 5! cancel out. Cross multiply and get:

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Pascal's rule
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Combinatorial Proof.

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First rule of counting: $2 \times 2 \cdots \times 2 = 2^n$ subsets.

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