

Week 2 Writing Problem

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The Art of Problem Solving,
Intermediate Counting and Probability

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Problem Statment

A standard 8×8 chessboard has 64 unit squares.

Eight rooks are randomly placed on different squares of a chessboard. A rook is said to attack all of the squares in its row and its column.

Compute the probability that every square is occupied or attacked by at least 1 rook. You may express your answer in terms of binomial coefficients.