# Chapter 6 Counting Methods and Pigeonhole Principle 计数方法与鸽巢原理

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# **Counting in Games**



How many different configurations for a Rubik's cube?



• How many different chess positions after n moves?



How many weighings to find the one counterfeit among 12 coins?

The menu for Kay's Quick Lunch is shown as follows. It features two appetizers, three main courses, and four beverages.

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<i>Nachos</i>
Salad 1.90
MAIN COURSES
Hamburger
Cheeseburger 3.65
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<i>Tea</i>
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#### Multiplication Principle 乘法原理

If an activity can be constructed in t successive steps and step 1 can be done in  $n_1$  ways, step 2 can then be done in  $n_2$  ways, ..., and step t can be done in  $n_t$  ways, then the number of different possible activities is  $n_1 n_2 \dots n_t$ .

We multiply together the numbers of ways of doing each step when an activity is constructed in successive steps.

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(b) How many strings of part (a) begin with the letter B? 24

(c) How many strings of part (a) do not begin with the letter B? 96

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- (1) How many elements in the power set of *X* ?
- (2) How many ordered pairs (A, B) satisfy  $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$ ?
- (3) How many relations are there from *X* to *Y* ?
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**Definition 3.3.2** A (binary) relation (二元关系) R from a set X to a set Y is a subset of the Cartesian product  $X \times Y$ . If  $(x, y) \in R$ , we write xRy and say that x is related to y. If X = Y, we call R a (binary) relation on X.

**Exercise** Let X be an n-element set and Y be an m-element set.

(4) How many functions are there from *X* to *Y* ?

**Definition 3.1.1** Let X and Y be sets. A function f from X to Y is a subset of the Cartesian product  $X \times Y$  having the property that for each  $x \in X$ , there is exactly one  $y \in Y$  with  $(x, y) \in f$ .

**Exercise** Let X be an n-element set and Y be an m-element set.

(5) How many one-to-one functions are there from *X* to *Y*?

**Definition 3.1.21** A function f from X to Y is said to be **one-to-one (or injective)** (单射的) if **for all**  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ , **if**  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$  **then**  $x_1 = x_2$ 

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- (4) How many functions are there from X to Y?  $m^n$
- (5) How many one-to-one functions are there from X to Y? m(m-1)(m-2)...(m-n+1)

**Example 6.1.9** How many eight-bit strings begin either 101 or 111?

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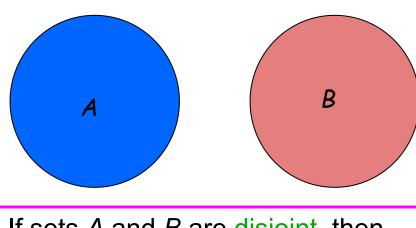
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$$L ::= \{a, b, ..., z, A, B, ..., Z\}$$

$$D ::= \{0, 1, ..., 9\}$$

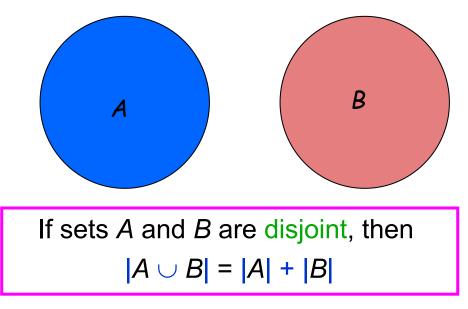
#### Addition Principle 加法原理



If sets A and B are disjoint, then

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$$

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- Class has 43 women, 54 men, so total enrollment = 43 + 54 = 97
- 26 lower case letters, 26 upper case letters, and 10 digits, so total characters = 26+26+10 = 62

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Suppose that  $X_1, ..., X_t$  are sets and that the ith set  $X_i$  has  $n_i$  elements. If  $\{X_1, ..., X_t\}$  is a pairwise disjoint family (i.e., if  $i \neq j$ ,  $X_i \cap X_j = \emptyset$ ), the number of possible elements that can be selected from  $X_1$  or  $X_2$  or ... or  $X_t$  is

$$n_1 + n_2 + \ldots + n_t$$
.

(Equivalently, the union  $X_1 \cup X_2 \cup ... \cup X_t$  contains  $n_1 + n_2 + ... + n_t$  elements.)

We add the numbers of each subset when the elements being counted can be decomposed into pairwise disjoint subset.

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**Example 6.1.10** In how many ways can we select two books from different subjects among five distinct computer science books, three distinct mathematics books, and two distinct art books?

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Method 1:

$$7xxx + o7xx + oo7x + ooo7$$

$$10^3 + 9 \cdot 10^2 + 9^2 \cdot 10 + 9^3 = 3439$$

Method 2:

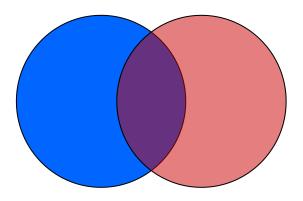
$$= 10^4 - 9^4 = 3439$$

**Example 6.1.11** A six-person committee composed of Alice, Ben, Connie, Dolph, Egbert, and Francisco is to select a chairperson, secretary, and treasurer.

- (a) In how many ways can this be done?
- (b) In how many ways can this be done if either Alice or Ben must be chairperson?
- (c) In how many ways can this be done if Egbert must hold one of the offices?
- (d) In how many ways can this be done if both Dolph and Francisco must hold office?

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**Exercise** Count the number of eight-bit strings that start 10 or end 011 or both.

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**Example 6.2.2** There are six permutation of three elements. If the elements are dnoted  $A, B, \ldots, C$  the six permutations are ?

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**Theorem 6.2.3** There are n! permutations of n elements.

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- There are n choices for the first element.
- For each of these, there are n-1 remaining choices for the second element.
- For every combination of the first two elements, there are n-2 ways to choose the third element, and so forth.
- Thus, there are a total of  $n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \cdot \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = n!$  permutations of an n-element set.

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**Example 6.2.7** In how many ways can six persons be seated around a circular table? If a seating is obtained from another seating by having everyone move n seats clockwise, the seatings are considered identical.

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$$P(n,r) = n(n-1)(n-2)...(n-r+1)$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$
 $r \le n$ .

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**Example 6.2.13** In how many ways can seven distinct Martians and five distinct Jovians wait in line if no two Jovians stand together?

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We can construct r-permutations of an n-element set X in two successive steps:

- $\bowtie$  Select an r-combination of X (an unordered subset of r items).
- **G** Order the *r*-combination.

**Theorem 6.2.16** The number of r-combinations of a set of n distinct objects is

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**Example 6.2.18** In how many ways can we select a committee of two women and three men from a group of five distinct women and six distinct men?

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**Example 6.2.19** How many eight-bit strings contain exactly four 1's?

**Example 6.2.23** What is wrong with the following argument, which purports to show that there are  $C(8, 5)2^3$  bit strings of length 8 containing at least five 0's?