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# Chapter 6 Counting Methods and Pigeonhole Principle

## 计数方法与鸽巢原理

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## 6.1 Basic Principles 基本原理

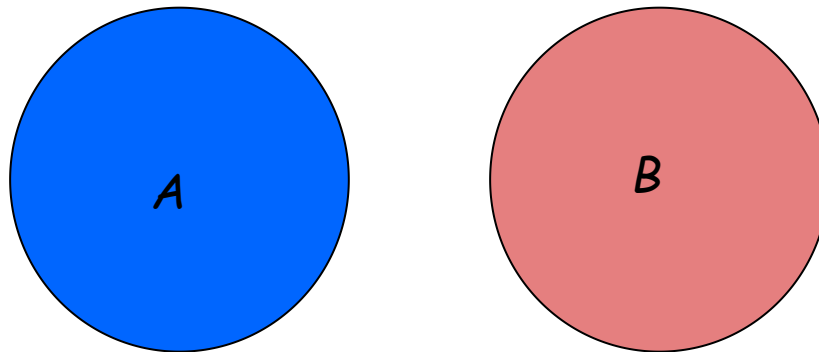
### Multiplication Principle 乘法原理

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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### Addition Principle 加法原理



If sets  $A$  and  $B$  are **disjoint**, then

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

- 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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### Addition Principle 加法原理

Suppose that  $X_1, \dots, X_t$  are sets and that the  $i$ th set  $X_i$  has  $n_i$  elements. If  $\{X_1, \dots, X_t\}$  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

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_t.$$

(Equivalently, the union  $X_1 \cup X_2 \cup \dots \cup X_t$  contains  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_t$  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 6.1.11** 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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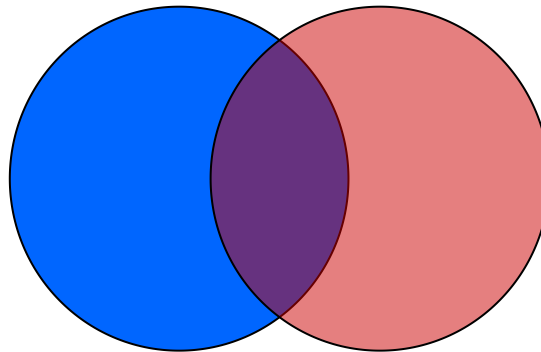
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**Proof**



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**Example 6.1.14** A committee composed of Alice, Ben, Connie, Dolph, Egbert, and Francisco is to select a chairperson, secretary, and treasurer. How many selections are there in which either Alice or Dolph or both are officers?





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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 denoted  $A, B, \dots, C$  the six permutations are ?



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

### Proof

- 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  $n \cdot (n - 1) \cdot (n - 2) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = n!$  permutations of an  $n$ -element set.



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**Example 6.2.5** How many permutations of the letters ABCDEF contains the substring DEF?



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**Example 6.2.6** How many permutations of the letters ABCDEF contain the letters DEF together in any order?



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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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$$P(n, n) = n!$$



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**Theorem 6.2.10** The number of  $r$ -permutations of a set of  $n$  distinct objects is

$$\begin{aligned} P(n, r) &= n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-r+1) \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \quad r \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

### Proof

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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:

- ✂ Select an  $r$ -combination of  $X$  (an unordered subset of  $r$  items).
- ✂ Order the  $r$ -combination.



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

$$C(n, r) = \frac{P(n, r)}{r!} = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-r+1)}{r!} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!} \quad r \leq n.$$

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



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

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## Poker Hands

There are 52 cards in a deck.  
Each card has a suit and a value.

4 suits      (♠   ♥   ♦   ♣ )

13 values      (2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, J, Q, K, A)

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$$\binom{52}{5} = 2598960$$



## Poker Hands

### Example 1: Four of a Kind

A Four-of-a-Kind is a set of four cards with the same value.

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ 8\spadesuit, 8\diamondsuit, Q\heartsuit, 8\heartsuit, 8\clubsuit \} \\ & \{ A\clubsuit, 2\clubsuit, 2\heartsuit, 2\diamondsuit, 2\spadesuit \} \end{aligned}$$

How many different hands contain a Four-of-a-Kind?



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A hand with a Four-of-a-Kind is completely described by a sequence specifying:

- (1) The value of the four cards.
- (2) The value of the extra card.
- (3) The suit of the extra card.

$$\begin{aligned}(8, Q, \heartsuit) &\leftrightarrow \{ 8\spadesuit, 8\diamondsuit, 8\heartsuit, 8\clubsuit, Q\heartsuit \} \\ (2, A, \clubsuit) &\leftrightarrow \{ 2\clubsuit, 2\heartsuit, 2\diamondsuit, 2\spadesuit, A\clubsuit \}\end{aligned}$$





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There are 13 choices for (1), 12 choices for (2), and 4 choices for (3).  
By generalized product rule, there are  $13 \times 12 \times 4 = 624$  hands.

Only 1 hand in about 4165 has a Four-of-a-Kind!



## Poker Hands

### Example 2: Full House

A Full House is a hand with three cards of one value and two cards of another value.

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ 2\spadesuit, 2\clubsuit, 2\diamondsuit, J\clubsuit, J\diamondsuit \} \\ & \{ 5\diamondsuit, 5\clubsuit, 5\heartsuit, 7\heartsuit, 7\clubsuit \} \end{aligned}$$

How many different hands contain a Full House?



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### Example 2: Full House

A Full House is a hand with three cards of one value and two cards of another value.

There is a bijection between Full Houses and sequences specifying:

- (1) The value of the triple, which can be chosen in 13 ways.
- (2) The suits of the triple, which can be selected in  $C(4, 3)$  ways.
- (3) The value of the pair, which can be chosen in 12 ways.
- (4) The suits of the pair, which can be selected in  $C(4, 2)$  ways.

$$\begin{aligned} (2, \{\spadesuit, \clubsuit, \diamondsuit\}, J, \{\clubsuit, \diamondsuit\}) &\leftrightarrow \{ 2\spadesuit, 2\clubsuit, 2\diamondsuit, J\clubsuit, J\diamondsuit \} \\ (5, \{\diamondsuit, \clubsuit, \heartsuit\}, 7, \{\heartsuit, \clubsuit\}) &\leftrightarrow \{ 5\diamondsuit, 5\clubsuit, 5\heartsuit, 7\heartsuit, 7\clubsuit \} \end{aligned}$$

By generalized product rule, there are  $13 \cdot \binom{4}{3} \cdot 12 \cdot \binom{4}{2} = 3744$

Only 1 hand in about 634 has a Full House!



## Poker Hands

### Example 3: Two Pairs

A Two Pairs is a set of two cards of one value, two cards of another value, and one card of a third value.

$$\begin{aligned} & \{ 3\diamondsuit, 3\spadesuit, Q\diamondsuit, Q\heartsuit, A\clubsuit \} \\ & \{ 9\heartsuit, 9\diamondsuit, 5\heartsuit, 5\clubsuit, K\spadesuit \} \end{aligned}$$

How many different hands contain a Two Pairs?



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- (1) The value of the first pair, which can be chosen in 13 ways.
- (2) The suits of the first pair, which can be selected  $\binom{4}{2}$  ways.
- (3) The value of the second pair, which can be chosen in 12 ways.
- (4) The suits of the second pair, which can be selected in  $\binom{4}{2}$  ways
- (5) The value of the extra card, which can be chosen in 11 ways.
- (6) The suit of the extra card, which can be selected in 4 ways.

$$\text{Number of Two pairs} = 13 \cdot \binom{4}{2} \cdot 12 \cdot \binom{4}{2} \cdot 11 \cdot 4$$



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Double  
Count!

$$\begin{array}{l} (3, \{\diamond, \spadesuit\}, Q, \{\diamond, \heartsuit\}, A, \clubsuit) \searrow \\ (Q, \{\diamond, \heartsuit\}, 3, \{\diamond, \spadesuit\}, A, \clubsuit) \nearrow \end{array} \quad \{ 3\diamond, 3\spadesuit, Q\diamond, Q\heartsuit, A\clubsuit \}$$

$$\text{Number of Two pairs} = 13 \cdot \binom{4}{2} \cdot 12 \cdot \binom{4}{2} \cdot 11 \cdot 4$$

$$\text{So the answer is } \frac{1}{2} \cdot 13 \cdot \binom{4}{2} \cdot 12 \cdot \binom{4}{2} \cdot 11 \cdot 4 = 123552$$



# Poker Hands

## Example 4: Every Suit

How many hands contain at least one card from every suit?

$\{ 7\spadesuit, K\clubsuit, 3\heartsuit, A\spadesuit, 2\clubsuit \}$



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- (1) The value of each suit, which can be selected in  $13 \times 13 \times 13 \times 13$  ways.
- (2) The suit of the extra card, which can be selected in 4 ways.
- (3) The value of the extra card, which can be selected in 12 ways.

$$(7, K, A, 2, \clubsuit, 3) \leftrightarrow \{ 7\spadesuit, K\heartsuit, A\diamondsuit, 2\spadesuit, 3\clubsuit \}$$





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count!

$$\begin{array}{l} (7, K, A, 2, \spadesuit, 3) \searrow \\ (3, K, A, 2, \spadesuit, 7) \nearrow \end{array} \{ 7\spadesuit, K\heartsuit, A\spadesuit, 2\heartsuit, 3\clubsuit \}$$

So the answer is  $13^4 \times 4 \times 12 / 2$



## 6.3 Generalized Permutations and Combinations 广义的排列与组合

**Example 6.3.1** How many strings can be formed using the following letters?

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**The answer is not 11!**



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By the Multiplication Principle, the number of ways of ordering the letters is

$$C(11, 2)C(9, 4)C(5, 4) = \frac{11!}{2! 9!} \frac{9!}{4! 5!} \frac{5!}{4! 1!} = \frac{11!}{2! 4! 4! 1!} = 34650.$$

The solution to Example 6.3.1 assumes a nice form. The number 11 that appears in the numerator is the total number of letters. The value in the denominator give the numbers of duplicates of each letter.



## 6.3 Generalized Permutations and Combinations 广义的排列与组合

**Theorem 6.3.2** Suppose that a sequence  $S$  of  $n$  items has  $n_1$  identical objects of type 1,  $n_2$  identical objects of type 2, ..., and  $n_t$  identical objects of type  $t$ . Then the number of orderings of  $S$  is

$$\frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_t!}.$$

### Proof

- Assign positions to the  $n_1$  items of type 1 in  $C(n, n_1)$  ways.
- Assign positions to the  $n_2$  items of type 2 in  $C(n - n_1, n_2)$  ways, and so on.
- By the Multiplication Principle, the number of orderings is

$$\begin{aligned} & C(n, n_1) C(n - n_1, n_2) C(n - n_1 - n_2, n_3) \dots C(n - n_1 - \dots - n_{t-1}, n_t) \\ &= \frac{n!}{n_1!(n - n_1)!} \frac{(n - n_1)!}{n_2!(n - n_1 - n_2)!} \dots \frac{(n - n_1 - \dots - n_{t-1})!}{n_t!0!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_t!}. \end{aligned}$$



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$$\frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_t!}.$$

**Example 6.3.3** In how many ways can eight distinct books be divided among three students if Bill gets four books and Shizuo and Marian each get two books?



## 6.3 Generalized Permutations and Combinations 广义的排列与组合

**Example 6.3.4** Consider three books: a computer science book, a physics book, and a history book. Suppose that the library has at least six copies of each of these books. In how many ways can we select six books?

Method 1



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Method 2

$XX|XX|XX$

$XX|XXX|X$

$XX|XXXX|$



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**Example 6.3.4** Consider three books: a computer science book, a physics book, and a history book. Suppose that the library has at least six copies of each of these books. In how many ways can we select six books?

Method 3

  X  X  X  X  X  

What is wrong with  $\frac{C(7, 1)C(7, 1)}{2}$  ?





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**Theorem 6.3.5** If  $X$  is a set containing  $t$  elements, the number of unordered,  $k$ -element selections from  $X$ , repetitions allowed, is

$$C(k + t - 1, t - 1) = C(k + t - 1, k).$$



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**Example 6.3.6** Suppose that there are piles of red, blue, and green balls and that each pile contains at least eight balls.

- (a) In how many ways can we select eight balls?
- (b) In how many ways can we select eight balls if we must have at least one ball of each color?



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The following table summarizes the various formulas:

	<i>No Repetitions</i>	<i>Repetitions Allowed</i>
<i>Ordered Selections</i>	$n!$	$n!/(n_1! \cdots n_t!)$
<i>Unordered Selections</i>	$C(n, r)$	$C(k + t - 1, t - 1)$