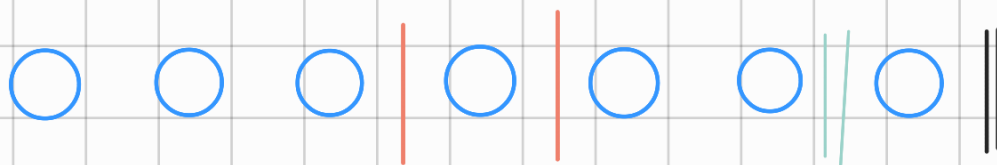


⊛ A  $r$ -combination with repetition allowed, is unordered selection of  $r$  elements from  $n$ -set where elements of  $X$  are allowed to repeat.

⊛ Consider placing  $r$  identical balls into  $u$  identical urns.

⊛ Ex:  $r = 7$ ,  $u = 3$



→ There are  $u$  dividers space  
 $r-1$  dividers

Dividers can be in same spot (empty urn)

$$\rightarrow \text{Cut} = \binom{r+u-1}{u-1}$$

⊛ Note: problem is called stars and bars

⊛ Ex: How many non-negative integer solution to  
 $x + y + z + a + b + c = 35$  (1)

• Aus:  $\binom{35+6-1}{6-1}$

How many positive integer solution?

• Aus: Let  $x' = x+1$ ,  $y' = y+1$ , ...

→ (1)  $\Leftrightarrow x' + y' + z' + a' + b' + c' = 29$

→  $\text{Cut} = \binom{29+6-1}{6-1}$

⊗ Ex:  $\text{for } k = 1 \rightarrow n$   
            $\text{for } j = 1 \rightarrow k$   
                $\text{for } i = 1 \rightarrow j$   
                   // code

How many times do inner loop runs?

• Ans:

There're  $r$  stars, 3 bars

Since  $i \leq j \leq k$ , num of stars before each bar indicate the values.

→ No bar appears before first star

→  $r-1$  stars, 3 bars

→  $C_{n+3} = \binom{r-1+3}{3}$

## Summary

For counting:

⊗ If repetition is not allowed:

- If order matter:  $P(n, r)$
- If order doesn't matter:  $C(n, r)$

⊗ If repetition is allowed:

- If order matter:  $n^r$
- If order doesn't matter:  $\binom{r+n-1}{n-1}$