

Discrete Structures— Counting Pt. 1

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Plan for Today

- Counting
 - Additive and Multiplicative Principles
 - Sets
 - Inclusion/Exclusion Principles

Warm Up: Functions

A **function** is a rule that assigns each input exactly one output.

- When a function maps the domain to everything in the codomain (i.e the codomain is the range) we say it is **onto**.
- When a function is such that each element of the codomain is the image of at most one element of the domain, we say it is **one-to-one**.
- An onto *and* one-to-one function is a **bijjective** function.

Practice: Are the following functions? If yes, are they onto, one-to-one, or bijective?

1. $f: \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} \rightarrow \{a, b, c, d\},$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ a & a & b & b & b & c \end{pmatrix}$$

2. $g: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, g(n) = n^2 + 1$

Motivation

A restaurant offers 8 appetizers and 14 entrées. How many choices do you have if:

- You will eat one dish, either an appetizer or entrée?
- You will eat two dishes, one appetizer and one entrée?

Answer these questions then think about what rules you used to answer them. Write down the rules you have.

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Answer these questions using the rules you developed. Do they work?

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- How many ways can you select a card that is either red or a face?
- How many ways can you select a card which is red and a face?
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Notice, this question is asking for pairs of shirts and pants, i.e. the Cartesian product of A and B .

$$\text{From before, we know } |A \times B| = |A| * |B|$$

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Notice, the question is asking $|A \cup B|$. Since there is no overlap, $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$

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How many people enjoy at least one of the kinds of pie?

An examination in three subjects, Algebra, Biology, and Chemistry, was taken by 41 students. The following table shows how many students failed in each single subject and in their various combinations:

Subject:	A	B	C	AB	AC	BC	ABC
Failed:	12	5	8	2	6	3	1

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Putting it all together

Practice: Consider all 5 character strings made from letters a – h.

- How many of these strings are there total?
- How many of these strings contain no repeated letters?
- How many of these strings start with the substring “aha”?
- How many of these strings either start with “aha” or end with “bah” or both?
- How many of the strings containing no repeats also do not contain the substring “bad”?