

1.2 Counting

To place probabilities on countably many possibilities, we must know how to count all such subsets. ← Events
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THE FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM of COUNTING

If a job consists of k separate tasks, the i th of which can be done by n_i ways, for $i=1, \dots, k$. Then, the entire job can be done in $n_1 \times n_2 \times \dots \times n_k$ ways.

EXAMPLES

1. Lottery: From $\{1, \dots, 44\}$ pick six different numbers for a ticket.

How many possible tickets?

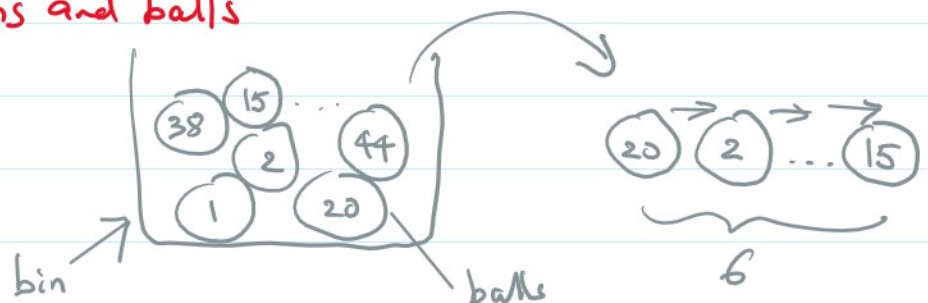
$$\begin{aligned} & 44 \times 43 \times 42 \times 41 \times 40 \times 39 \\ &= \frac{44 \times \dots \times 2 \times 1}{38 \times \dots \times 2 \times 1} = \frac{44!}{38!} \end{aligned}$$

ordered,
without
replacement

SAMPLING

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"bins and balls"



2. **Ordered, with Replacement**: The six numbers need not differ
How many tickets?

$$44, 44, \dots, 44 = 44^6.$$

3. **Unordered, without Replacement**: the six
numbers be distinct, but their order irrelevant

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{44 \cdot 43 \times \dots \times 39}{6 \times 5 \times \dots \times 1} &= \frac{44!}{38! \cdot 6!} \\ &= \binom{44}{6} = \binom{44}{38} \end{aligned}$$

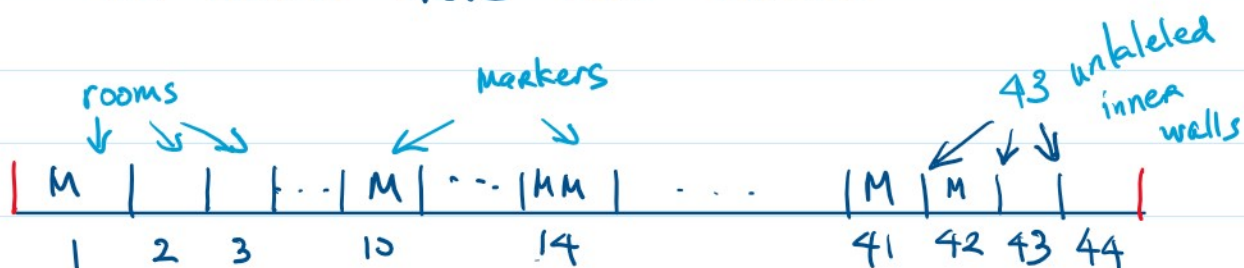
"n choose r":
$$\binom{n}{r} := \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-r+1)}{r! (n-r)!}$$
$$= \binom{n}{n-r}.$$

4. Unordered, with replacement.

the six numbers need not be distinct, order irrelevant

This is more tricky to count, answer $\neq \frac{44^6}{6!}$.

- Layout the 44 numbers in a **fixed** order, and create 44 "rooms", one for each number
- Rooms are separated by walls (45 in total)
- Place the 6 Markers "M" in Rooms where the numbers have been chosen



Above: $\{1, 10, 14, 14, 41, 42\}$ were chosen.

Key observations:

tickets \equiv # unique ways to place 6 Markers to 44 ^{Rooms} ~~rooms~~

= ways to arrange 6 Markers with 43 inner walls

$$= \binom{6 + 43}{6}$$

SUMMARY

Arrangements of size r from n

	w/o Replacement	w/ placement
ordered	$n! / (n-r)!$	n^r
unordered	$\binom{n}{r}$	$\binom{n+r-1}{r}$