

## Counting:

1) 
$$\frac{n!}{k_1! k_2! k_3!}$$
 multinomial

- $n$  distinct objects
- Boxes of capacity  $k_1, k_2, \dots$
- Boxes are labelled!

Number of ways to rearrange 4 red blocks and 3 blue blocks and 2 yellow blocks

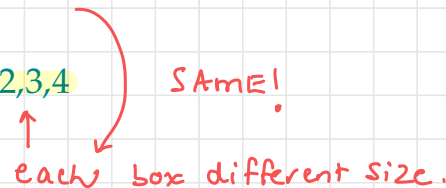
$$\frac{9!}{4! 3! 2!}$$

Number of ways to put 9 different colored blocks into 3 DISTINCT boxes of sizes 2,3,4

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SAME!  
  
 each box different size.

Number of ways to put 11 different colored blocks into 4 unmarked boxes of sizes 2, 3, 3, 3

$$\frac{11!}{2! 3! 3! 3!} \cdot 3!$$

boxes

# orders of similar boxes

Put 9 books (distinct) into boxes of size 2, 3, 4 where the order of the books in each box matters

$$\frac{9!}{\underbrace{2! \cdot 3! \cdot 4!}_{\text{Place into boxes}}} \times \underbrace{2! \cdot 3! \cdot 4!}_{\text{order in each box}} = 9!$$

2)  $\binom{n+K-1}{K-1}$

- Put  $n$  identical objects into  $K$  "categories".
- Allowed empty categories

*no capacity.*

Put 9 books (identical looking) onto 3 shelves, where each shelf is unique.

$$\binom{9+3-1}{3-1} = \binom{11}{2}$$

Put 9 DISTINCT books onto 3 shelves, where each shelf is unique. The order on the books on the shelves matters because the books are distinct!

$$\binom{9+3-1}{3-1} \cdot 9!$$

order the books

Pick # of  
book per shelf

3)  $\binom{n-1}{k-1}$  • Put  $n$  identical objects into  $k$  "categories".  
• No empty categories.

no capacity.

Put 9 coins into 3 distinct bags. . No empty bags!

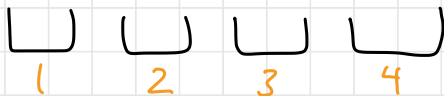
$$\binom{9-1}{3-1} = \binom{8}{2}$$

4)

6 different colored balls into 4 labelled boxes. No empty box.

Given capacities 3, 1, 1, 1

Set 6.  
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# ways :

Step 1) Pick "LARGE" box.

# ways = 4

Step 2) Pick which balls go into  
LARGE box:  $\binom{6}{3}$

Step 3) Assign remaining 3 balls into  
3 boxes:  $3!$

Total:

$$4 \binom{6}{3} \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 4! \binom{6}{3}$$

OR!! Use multinomial:

$$\frac{6!}{3!1!1!1!} \times 4 = 4 \cdot \frac{6!}{3!}$$

# ways to order boxes 3, 1, 1, 1 or 1, 3, 1, 1 ...

SAME!