

CSCI 2011 HW 10

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1 Chapter 8.2 Problem 16

Each of the four sets A_1, A_2, A_3 and A_4 contains four elements. The intersection of every i of these four sets ($2 \leq i \leq 4$) consists of $5 - i$ elements. What is $|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4|$?

We know that intersections of two sets contain $5 - 2 = 3$ elements, intersection of three sets contains $5 - 3 = 2$ elements, and the intersection of four sets has $5 - 4 = 1$ element. By the principle of Inclusion-Exclusion, we know that the cardinality of the union of four sets is the total of all their elements minus the sum of all the two set intersections, plus the sum of all the three set intersections, minus the intersection of all four sets.

looking first at the two set intersections, we have...

$\left\{ \{A_1 \cap A_2\}, \{A_1 \cap A_3\}, \{A_1 \cap A_4\}, \{A_2 \cap A_3\}, \{A_2 \cap A_4\}, \{A_3 \cap A_4\} \right\}$, since there are six sets, each of which have three elements, the cardinality of all these sets put together is $6 * 3 = 18$.

Next, looking at the three set intersections...

$\left\{ \{A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3\}, \{A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_4\}, \{A_1 \cap A_3 \cap A_4\}, \{A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_4\} \right\}$, there are four sets in this case, so the total cardinality for these is $4 * 2 = 8$.

Finally for the intersection of all four sets, there's only one possibility which contains one element. Therefore, by the principle of Inclusion-Exclusion, $|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4| = 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 - 18 + 8 - 1 = 5$.

2 Chapter 8.3 Problem 18

A man runs a grocery store in a small town. He keeps a number of \$1 bills, \$5 bills, \$10 bills and \$20 bills in the cash register to make change. A good friend of the man often comes to the grocery store, asking the man to change a \$100 bill into smaller bills all of the same denomination. The store owner never knows beforehand which denomination his friend will request. How many bills would the man have to keep in the cash register at all times to be certain that he can satisfy his friend's request?

If the friend asks for \$100 all in the same denomination, then there are four choices: all ones, all fives, all tens, and all twenties. First, if the guy asks for change in ones, then the cashier will need 100 ones. Second, if the guy asks for change in fives, the cashier will need 20 fives. Third if the guy asks for change in tens, then the cashier will need 10 tens. Finally, if the guy asks for change in twenties, the cashier will need 5 twenties. Assuming we don't know what the guy will ask for, we must come prepared for all possibilities, therefore, the cashier will need $100 + 20 + 10 + 5 = 135$ bills.

3 Chapter 8.4 Problem 32

Show that $\binom{2n}{2} = 2\binom{n}{2} + n^2$.

$$\binom{2n}{2} = \frac{(2n)!}{2!(2n-2)!} = \frac{(2n)(2n-1)(2n-2)!}{2(2n-2)!} = 2n^2 - n = n(n-1) + n^2 = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)!}{(n-2)!} + n^2 = 2\frac{n!}{2!(n-2)!} + n^2 = 2\binom{n}{2} + n^2$$

4 Chapter 8.5 Problem 10

A total of 5 seniors, 3 juniors and 4 sophomores have volunteered to serve on a 4-person committee. How many committees are possible if

- (a) **there is no other restriction on membership for the committee?**

$$5 + 3 + 4 = 12, \binom{12}{4} = \frac{12!}{4!8!} = 495$$

- (b) **at least one senior, one junior and one sophomore must serve on the committee?**

Three possibilities: (1) two seniors, one junior, one sophomore. (2) one senior, two juniors, one sophomore. (3) one senior, one junior, two sophomores. Therefore, our total is...

$$\binom{5}{2}\binom{3}{1}\binom{4}{1} + \binom{5}{1}\binom{3}{2}\binom{4}{1} + \binom{5}{1}\binom{3}{1}\binom{4}{2} = (10 \cdot 3 \cdot 4) + (5 \cdot 3 \cdot 4) + (5 \cdot 3 \cdot 6) = 270.$$

- (c) **at least 3 seniors must serve on the committee?**

Three possibilities: (1) four seniors. (2) three seniors, one junior. (3) three seniors, one sophomore. Therefore, our total is...

$$\binom{5}{4} + \binom{5}{3}\binom{3}{1} + \binom{5}{3}\binom{4}{1} = 5 + (10 \cdot 3) + (10 \cdot 4) = 75.$$

- (d) **at least one senior must serve on the committee?**

For this case, we can subtract the inverse from our total possibilities. So we look at the cases where there are zero seniors. Four possibilities: (1) 3 juniors, 1 sophomore. (2) 2 juniors, 2 sophomores. (3) 1 junior, 3 sophomores. (4) 4 sophomores. Therefore, our total is

$$\binom{12}{4} - \binom{3}{3}\binom{4}{1} - \binom{3}{2}\binom{4}{2} - \binom{3}{1}\binom{4}{3} - \binom{4}{4} = 495 - 4 - (3 \cdot 6) - (3 \cdot 4) - 1 = 460.$$

5 Chapter 8 Problem 26

For a positive integer n , let t_n be the number of different ways to divide $2n$ people into pairs to play n tennis matches.

- (a) **Determine t_1 and t_2 .**

- (b) **Give a recursive definition of t_n for $n \geq 1$.**

- (c) **Use the recursive definition in (b) to compute t_3 and t_4 .**