

Math-42 Worksheet #20

Permutations and Combinations

1. How many bit strings of length 10 contain:
 - (a) Exactly three 1's.
 - (b) At most three 1's.
 - (c) At least three 1's. (Hint: not zero, one, or two 1's.)
 - (d) An equal number of 0's and 1's.

2. There are nine horses running in a horse race. How many ways are there for the horses to come in first (win), second (place), and third (show) when:
 - (a) There are no restrictions.
 - (b) The number 8 horse is scratched from the race (i.e., drops out).
 - (c) The number 4 horse comes in second.
 - (d) The number 3 horse comes in first and the number 9 horse comes in third.
 - (e) The number 3 horse comes in first and the number 9 horse comes in fifth.

3. How many distinct ways are there to arrange the letters in the word SUCCESS:
 - (a) With no restrictions.
 - (b) When the two C's must be together.
 - (c) When the two C's must be together and the three S's must be together.
 - (d) When the E can only follow a C.

4. A standard deck has 52 cards: 4 suits (clubs, diamonds, hearts, spades) and 13 ranks per suit (2–Ace). A poker hand is any 5 of the 52 cards.
 - (a) How many possible poker hands are there?

- (b) A three-of-a-kind hand consists of 3 cards of the same rank and two additional cards whose ranks do not match the three nor do they match each other (e.g.: AC,AD,AH,2D,5C). How many possible three-of-a-kind hands are there?
 - (c) A full house is like a three-of-a-kind; however, the two additional cards have the same rank as each other (e.g.: AC,AD,AH,10D,10S). How many full house hands are there?
 - (d) How many four-of-a-kind hands are there?
5. A committee of 4 people must be selected from a group consisting of 6 men and 4 women. How many possible committees can be formed if:
- (a) There are no restrictions.
 - (b) The committee must include at least one woman.
 - (c) The committee must include at least two woman.
 - (d) Bob and Nancy demand to serve together or not at all.
 - (e) Ed and Jose refuse to serve together.