

# Pascal's Triangle

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 1 & & & & \\
 & 1 & & 2 & & 1 & \\
 & & 1 & & 3 & & 1 \\
 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 & & \\
 & & 1 & 4 \binom{3}{1} & 6 \binom{3}{2} & 4 & 1 \\
 & \binom{4}{0} & \binom{4}{1} & \binom{4}{2} & \binom{4}{3} & \binom{4}{4} & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\binom{4}{2} = \binom{3}{1} + \binom{3}{2}$$

Recurrence Relation

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$

Is this true for  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} &= \frac{(n-1)!}{((n-1)-(k-1))!(k-1)!} + \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-k)!k!} \quad \text{multiply by } \frac{n}{n} \\
 &= \frac{n!}{n} \left( \frac{1}{(n-k)!(k-1)!} \cdot \frac{k}{k} + \frac{1}{(n-k-1)!k!} \cdot \frac{n-k}{n-k} \right) \\
 &= \frac{n!}{n!} \left( \frac{k}{(n-k)!k!} + \frac{n-k}{(n-k)!k!} \right) \\
 &= \binom{n}{k}
 \end{aligned}$$

Pascal's Identity

Ex Let  $S = \{\spadesuit, \clubsuit, \diamondsuit, \heartsuit\}$  call suit.  $|S| = 4$

Let  $R = \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 10, J, Q, K, A\}$  call rank.  $|R| = 13$

Let  $D = S \times R$  called the deck of cards.  $|D| = 52$

Consider the game where you are give (deal) 5 cards without replacement & order doesn't matter. These 5 cards are called a "hand".

$$P(\text{Royal Flush}) = \frac{|A|}{|D|} = \frac{4}{\binom{52}{5}} \leftarrow \text{ways to pull out 5 cards}$$

10, J, Q, K, A  
with same suit



$P(4 \text{ of a kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{4}}{\binom{52}{5}} \leftarrow \binom{13}{1} \text{ means 4 same rank at once}$

4 same rank

$\binom{48}{1}$  means remain one card can be anything else.

which make more sense to write  $\binom{12}{1} \binom{4}{1}$

such that  $\binom{4}{1}$  is any ~~rank~~ suit and  $\binom{12}{1}$  is any rank

$P(\text{Full House}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3} \binom{12}{1} \binom{4}{2}}{\binom{52}{5}}$

3 same rank &  
2 same rank

-4 means reduce Royal flush,  $\binom{10}{1} - 4 = \binom{9}{1}$

$P(\text{Straight Flush}) = \frac{\binom{10}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}}$

$\binom{10}{1} - 4$  mean first number for A to 10 ( $\binom{10}{1} - K$  will be illegal, because we don't have number next to them to form Straight Flush)

(A can be see the smallest)

$\binom{4}{1}$  means the different suit.

$P(\text{flush}) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{13}{5} - \binom{9}{1} \binom{4}{1} - 4}{\binom{52}{5}}$

all same suit  
but not straight

any suit (same)  $\Rightarrow \binom{4}{1}$  any 5 card from 13  $\binom{13}{5}$   
without straight flush & royal flush.

$P(\text{Straight}) = \frac{\binom{10}{1} \binom{4}{1}^5 - \binom{9}{1} \binom{4}{1} - 4}{\binom{52}{5}}$

$\binom{10}{1}$  A-5 through 10-K  
 $\binom{4}{1}^5$  any suit for each 5 cards

$P(3 \text{ of kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3} \binom{12}{2} \binom{4}{1}^2}{\binom{52}{5}}$

Ex. 777 & 9

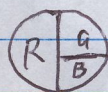
any one from 13 card with 3 same  $\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3}$   
any one from 12 remain card with any suit  $\times 2$   
 $\binom{12}{2} \binom{4}{1}^2$

$P(2 \text{ pairs}) = \frac{\binom{13}{2} \binom{4}{2}^2 \binom{11}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}}$

$\binom{13}{2}$  means two different ranks from 13 rank  
 $\binom{4}{2}$  means 4 suit choose any 2 suit for certain rank.

Notice that  $\binom{13}{1} \binom{12}{1}$  in Full House  $\neq \binom{13}{2}$  in 2 pairs  
order matter                      order doesn't matter.

Revisit the "working" definition that  $\frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$ , which assume every outcome has the same probability. But in a experiment of spin a wheel



that  $\frac{|R \cup B|}{|\Omega|} \neq \frac{1}{3}$ , thus we need a new definition of probability