

## Example

Arrangements & Selections  
with Repetitions are allowed

Let  $A = \{a, b, c\}$

The 2-permutations of 'A'  
are :  $ab, ac, ba, bc, ca, cb$

The 2-permutations allowed are  
 $aa, ab, ac, ba, bb, bc, ca, cb, cc$

There are  $3^2 = 9$  such 2-permutations

In general, if  $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$   
then the number r-permutations of  
'A' with repetition allowed is

$n^r$

\* no need for  $0 \leq r \leq n$   
due to being able to  
have repetition

Example Find the number of 5-permutations of  $a, a, a, b, c$

Approach 01: "Pretend" the  $a$ 's are distinguishable

Let us, for a moment, pretend the  $a$ 's are different

$$a_1, a_2, a_3, b, c \rightarrow \underbrace{a_1, a_2, a_3, b, c}_{3!}$$

There are  $5! = 120$  permutations of these 5 elements

Some are  
 $123 \leftarrow a_1, b, a_2, a_3, c$   
 $213 \leftarrow a_2, c, a_1, a_3, b$   
 $321 \leftarrow a_3, b, a_2, a_1, c$   
 $\vdots$

There are  $3!$  ways to permute the  $a_1, a_2, a_3$  among themselves  
 $\frac{5!}{3!}$  permutations of  $a, a, a, b, c$

Approach 02: Count the unique items

$a, a, a, b, c$

a a b c a, so  $(\frac{5}{2})2$

In general...

Suppose we have  $t$ -types of objects

$r_1$  of type 1

$r_2$  of type 2

$\vdots$

$r_t$  of type 3

The number of permutations of all objects is

$$\frac{(r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_t)!}{r_1! r_2! r_3! \dots r_t!}$$

Or  $(\frac{5}{2})2$  if we organize the  $b, c$  first and then the  $a$ 's

$b$   $c$  a a a the reason for the 2 in  $\rightarrow (\frac{5}{2})2$

A multiset is a collection of unordered objects where repetition is allowed.

$\{a, b, c\} \leftarrow$  set and multiset

$\{a, b, c, c\} \leftarrow$  multiset, but NOT a set.

Notation for multisets:

$$\{a, a, b, b, b, b, c, c, c, \dots\} = \{2 \cdot a, 4 \cdot b, \infty \cdot c\}$$

$$\{2 \cdot a, 4 \cdot b, \infty \cdot c\}$$

The number 2 is called the repetition number of 'a'  
4 is the repetition number of 'b'  
 $\infty$  is the repetition number of 'c'

Suppose we have a multiset

$$M = \{r_1 \cdot a_1, r_2 \cdot a_2, r_3 \cdot a_3, \dots, r_n \cdot a_n\}$$

permutating all elements of M  
would give a total of

$$\frac{(r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_n)!}{r_1! r_2! r_3! \dots r_n!} \text{ permutations}$$

If we permute not all of the elements M,  
the counting is more tricky

Example| Find the sequences of length 10 with two 0's, three 1's, five 2's

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Two 0's} \\ \text{Three 1's} \\ \text{Five elements total} \end{array} \left\{ \frac{5!}{2! 3!} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Two 0's} \\ \text{Three 1's} \end{array} \left\{ \frac{5!}{2!(5-2)!} \right.$$

The total count is...

$$\frac{10!}{2! 3! 5!}$$

Example| Find the number of ways to tile the rectangle



using blocks of size  $1 \times 1$ ,  $1 \times 2$ ,  $1 \times 3$

We need to find the number of ways to write 7 as an ordered sum of 1, 2, and 3 where the terms can repeat

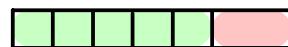
Case 01 all  $1 \times 1$  blocks

$$7 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$$



Case 02 Five 1's, One 2

$$\frac{6!}{5!} = 6$$



Case 03 Three 1's, Two 2's

$$\frac{5!}{3! 2!} = 10$$



Case 04 One 1, Three 2's

$$\frac{4!}{3!} = 4$$



Case 05 Four 1's, One 3

$$\frac{5!}{4!} = 5$$



Case 06 One 1, Two 3's

$$\frac{3!}{2!} = 3$$



Case 07 Two 2's, One 3

$$\frac{3!}{2!} = 3$$



Case 08 Two 1's, One 2, One 3

$$\frac{4!}{2!} = 12$$



Recall

The number of r-permutations of the multiset

$$M = \{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \dots, \infty \cdot a_n\}, \text{ is } n^r$$

$$\text{If } M = \{f_1 \cdot a_1 + f_2 \cdot a_2 + f_3 \cdot a_3 + \dots + f_n \cdot a_n\}$$

Then the number of permutations of M is

$$\frac{(f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + \dots + f_n)!}{f_1! f_2! f_3! \dots f_n!}$$

Example: "the sandwich" - taking subsets of multisets

There are three types of sandwiches  
turkey (T), ham (H), and butter lentil turmeric (BLT)  
How many ways can a person order 6 sandwiches?

Look at examples of orders:

$$\begin{matrix} n=3 \\ r=6 \end{matrix}$$

T	H	BLT
**	*	***
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Concept: Stars & Bars  
If I can see it  
I can count it

$$\begin{aligned} 2T's, 1H, 3BLT's &\rightarrow 00101000 \\ 0T, 2H's, 4BLT's &\rightarrow 10010000 \\ 3T's, 0H, 3BLT's &\rightarrow 00011000 \end{aligned} \} \text{ So, } \binom{8}{2}$$

Each order corresponds to a 0-1 sequence with exactly  $6+3+1=8$  positions and has exactly 6 zeros

$$\text{So, } \binom{6+3-1}{6} = \binom{8}{6} \text{ or } \binom{6+3-1}{3-1} = \binom{8}{2}$$

In general, if

$$M = \{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \dots, \infty \cdot a_n\}$$

and  $H_r^n$  is the number of multisubsets of M with r-element is

$$H_r^n = \binom{r+n-1}{r} \text{ OR } H_r^n = \binom{r+n-1}{n-1}$$

Let  $M = \{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \dots, \infty \cdot a_n\}$ . The number  $H_r^n$  of r-element multi-subsets of M is given by

$$H_r^n = \binom{r+n-1}{r}.$$

Example: Solving integers with equations

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 7$$

Find the number of solutions in non-negative integers

\* Same stars and bars of the previous example\*

We can think of a solution as a multiset

T	H	BLT
***	**	**
***	***	*** *

$\leftarrow 3+2+2=7$

$\leftarrow 0+3+4=7$

$$\binom{7+3-1}{3-1} = \binom{9}{2}$$

$\binom{9}{2} = 36$  is the number of non-negative integer solutions to  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 7$

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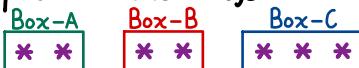
→ Number of non-negative integer solutions to

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n = r$$

→ Number of r-element multisubsets of

$$M = \{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \dots, \infty \cdot a_n\}$$

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→ Number of ways to put  $r$ -identical objects

into  $n$ -distinct boxes



Recall: Sterling Numbers of the first Kind

Given integers  $0 \leq n \leq r$  let,

$S(r, n)$  be the number of ways to place ' $r$ ' distinct objects around ' $n$ ' indistinguishable tables where no tables are empty

Properties of  $S(r, n)$ : \* Lower Case 'S' as notation \*

$r$ -people  $r$ -table

$$\bullet S(r, 1) = \frac{1}{r!} r! = (r-1)! \quad \text{from the textbook}$$

$$\bullet S(r, r) = 1 \quad \text{X X ... X}$$

$$\bullet S(r, r-1) = \binom{r}{2}$$

Pick a pair to → sit together

$$\bullet S(r, r-2) = \frac{(3n-1)}{4} \binom{n}{3}$$

$s(r, 0) = 0$	if $r \geq 1$
$s(r, r) = 1$	if $r \geq 0$
$s(r, 1) = (r-1)!$	for $r \geq 2$
$s(r, r-1) = \binom{r}{2}$	for $r \geq 2$

Note: How So?  
 $S(r, r-2) = 2 \cdot \binom{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \binom{2}{2} \binom{n-4}{2}$   
 $= \frac{(3n-1)}{4} \binom{n}{3}$

### Claim

If  $r \geq n$ , then

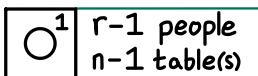
$$S(r, n) = S(r-1, n-1) + (r-1)S(r-1, n)$$

WHY? Let  $1, 2, 3, \dots, r$  be the people

### \*Focus on person 1

case 01:  $S(r-1, n-1)$

Person 1 is at own table



$S(r-1, n-1)$  ways to complete

case 02:  $(r-1)S(r-1, n)$

Person 1 is at not own table

Place all but person #1  
 r-1 people choices for who  
 1 table sits to left of

$S(r-1, n)$  ways to complete

## ~Stirling Numbers of the Second Kind~

\* Upper Case 'S' as notation \*

$S(r, n) =$  Number of ways to put  $r$ -distinct objects into  $n$ -identical boxes where no boxes are empty



Example: Let  $r=4$  & try to find  $S(4, n)$  for  $n=1, 2, 3, 4$

Set will be  $x = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$

$n=1$

$$S(4, 1) = 1$$

$n=2$

$$S(4, 2) = 7$$

$n=3$

$$S(4, 3) = 6$$

1	2
3	4

1	2	3	4
2	1	3	4
3	1	2	4
4	1	2	3

$n=4$

$$S(4, 4) = 1$$

$n \geq 5$

$$S(5, 3) = 0$$

1	2	3	4
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$$1 + 7 + 6 + 1 = 15$$

the number of partitions of  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  = 4<sup>th</sup> Bell Number

$$S(4, 1) + S(4, 2) + S(4, 3) + S(4, 4) = B_4$$

The N<sup>th</sup> Bell Number is given by the formula

$$B_n = \frac{1}{e} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^n}{k!}$$

## Stirling Numbers of the Second Kind Properties

- (i)  $S(0, 0) = 1$ ,
- (ii)  $S(r, 0) = S(0, n) = 0$  for all  $r, n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,
- (iii)  $S(r, n) > 0$  if  $r \geq n \geq 1$ ,
- (iv)  $S(r, n) = 0$  if  $n > r \geq 1$ ,
- (v)  $S(r, 1) = 1$  for  $r \geq 1$ ,
- (vi)  $S(r, r) = 1$  for  $r \geq 1$ .
- (vii)  $S(r, 2) = 2^{r-1} - 1$ ,
- (viii)  $S(r, 3) = \frac{1}{2}(3^{r-1} + 1) - 2^{r-1}$ ,
- (ix)  $S(r, r-1) = \binom{r}{2}$ ,
- (x)  $S(r, r-2) = \binom{r}{3} + 3 \binom{r}{4}$ .