

**k-Permutation:** arrangement of  $k$  elements from a set of  $n$  elements  $P(n, k) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$

**Permutation With Repetition:** Can permute each object type  $a_i!$  times  $\binom{n}{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k} = \frac{n!}{a_1! \dots a_k!}$

**Combination:** Total number of ways to create a  $k$ -element subset of  $[n]$   $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{P(n, k)}{k!}$

- This comes from being able to permute the  $k$ -subset  $k!$  ways

**Binomial Theorem:**  $(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}$

**Multinomial Theorem:**  $(x_1 + \dots + x_k)^n = \sum_{\substack{a_1 + \dots + a_k = n \\ a_1, \dots, a_k \geq 0}} \binom{n}{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k} x_1^{a_1} \dots x_k^{a_k}$

**Pigeon Hole Principle:** If  $n$  pigeons are placed into  $k$  holes, then at least one hole has at least  $\lceil \frac{n}{k} \rceil$  (round up)

**Weak Composition:** Ordered  $k$ -tuple  $(a_1, \dots, a_k)$  such that  $a_i \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i = n$   $\binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$

**Compositions:** Ordered  $k$ -tuple  $(a_1, \dots, a_k)$  such that  $a_i \geq 1$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i = n$   $\binom{n-1}{k-1}$

**Partition of  $[n]$ :**  $\{A_1, \dots, A_k\}$  such that blocks are pairwise disjoint and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i = X$   $S(n, k) = S(n-1, k-1) + kS(n-1, k)$

**Bell's Number:** Total number of partitions of  $[n]$  into any sized blocks  $B(n) = \sum_{k=1}^n S(n, k) = \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n-1}{i-1} B(n-i)$

**Partition of  $n$ :**  $(a_1, \dots, a_k)$  such that  $a_1 \geq \dots \geq a_k$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i = n$  total:  $p(n)$   $k$ -parts:  $p_k(n) = p_{k-1}(n-1) + p_k(n-k)$

- Represented using **Ferrers Diagram:** partial rectangular grid with  $k$  rows, each with  $a_i$  squares (conjugate is also valid)

## Twelvefold Way Counting

- $n$  labeled balls into  $k$  labeled bins:  $k^n$   $k!S(n, k)$   $P(n, k)$
- $n$  unlabeled balls into  $k$  labeled bins:  $\binom{n+k-1}{k-1}$   $\binom{n-1}{k-1}$   $\binom{k}{n}$
- $n$  labeled balls into  $k$  unlabeled bins:  $\sum_{i=1}^k S(n, i)$   $S(n, k)$  1
- $n$  unlabeled balls into  $k$  unlabeled bins:  $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i(n)$   $p_k(n)$  1

**Inclusion-Exclusion Principle:**  $|\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i| = |X| - \sum_{I \subseteq [n]} (-1)^{|I|} |A_I| = |\bigcap_{i=1}^n \bar{A}_i| = |X| - \sum_{I \subseteq [n]} (-1)^{|I|} |A_I|$

**OGF:**  $F(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$   $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$   $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = e^x$

**Power Series Formulas:**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$      $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} = e^x$      $(1+x)^a = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{a}{n} x^n$      $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n x^{n-1} = \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \right)' = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$

**OGF:**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n x^n$      $(AB)(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i} \right) x^n$     **EGF:**  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{x^n}{n!}$      $(AB)(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a_i b_{n-i} \right) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

• **Even Permutation EGF:**  $\frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{(2n)}}{(2n)!}$     **Odd Permutation EGF:**  $\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{(2n+1)}}{(2n+1)!}$

**Weak Compositions OGF:**  $\frac{1}{(1-x)^k} = (1+x+\dots)(1+x+\dots)\dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k-1}{k-1} x^n$

**Stirling Number OGF:**  $\frac{x^k}{(1-x)(1-2x)\dots(1-kx)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S(n, k) x^n$

**Partitions OGF:**  $\frac{1}{(1-x)(1-x^2)\dots} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p(n) x^n$      $\frac{x^k}{(1-x)(1-x^2)\dots} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_k(n) x^n$

**Permutations EGF:**  $(1+x)^m = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(m, n) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

**Stirling Number EGF:**  $\frac{(e^x - 1)^k}{k!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S(n, k) \frac{x^n}{n!}$     **Bell Number EGF:**  $e^{(e^x - 1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B(n) \frac{x^n}{n!}$

**Catalan Numbers:**  $C_n = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} C_i C_{n-i-1}$     **OGF Catalan Numbers:**  $C_n = \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{n+1}$      $C_0 = 0$

**Theorem:**  $G$  is bipartite if and only if  $G$  has no odd cycles

**Theorem:**  $G$  with size  $m$  has  $\sum_{v \in V(G)} \deg(v) = 2m$     **Corollary:**  $G$  must have an even number of odd degree vertices

**Theorem:** There exists a  $d$ -regular graph on  $n$  vertices if and only if at least one of  $d, n$  is even

**Theorem:** For any graph  $G$ , there exists a  $d$ -regular graph  $G$  such that  $G$  is an induced subgraph of  $H$

**Theorem:**  $G$  with degrees  $d = d_1, \dots, d_n$  exists if and only if  $s_1 = d_2 - 1, d_3 - 1, \dots, d_{d_1+1} - 1, d_{d_1+2}, \dots, d_n$  is graphical

**Theorem:** Every tree on 2 or more vertices has at least 2 leaves

**Theorem:**  $G$  is a tree  $\iff G$  is connected, acyclic with  $n - 1$  edges  $\iff$  there is a unique path for  $u, v \in V(G)$

**Theorem:** A connected graph of order  $n$  has at least  $n - 1$  edges

**Theorem:** An edge  $e$  is a bridge if and only if  $e$  isn't in any cycles

**Spanning Tree to Code:** Delete lowest index leaf and write down vertex adjacent to it. Repeat until only an edge remains

**Code to Spanning Tree:** Find smallest index  $b_1$  not used and create  $a_1 \sim b_1$ . Delete  $a_1$  and append  $b_1$ . Repeat until  $b_1, \dots, b_{n-2}$  then connect missing 2 indices

**Theorem:** Each Prufer code corresponds to a unique spanning tree. Thus number of spanning trees of  $K_n$  is  $n^{n-2}$

**Corollary:** Total spanning trees such that vertex  $i$  has degree  $d_i$  is  $\binom{n-2}{d_1-1, d_2-1, \dots}$

**Rooted Plane Tree:** Tree with a root vertex, left/right ordering, but vertices are NOT labeled

• Clockwise walk around border of the tree reveals that the number of rooted plane trees on  $n + 1$  vertices is  $C_n = \frac{\binom{2n}{n}}{n+1}$

**Rooted Forest:** Forest where each tree component has a distinguishable root vertex

**Theorem:** Number of labeled rooted forests on  $n$  vertices is  $(n+1)^{n-1}$

**Parking Function:**  $P(n) = (n+1)^{n-1}$        $P(n+1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n}{i} (i+1)P(i)P(n-i)$

**Matching:** Set of edges with no shared endpoints

**Hall's Theorem:** A bipartite graph  $G$  has a matching that saturates  $A$  if and only if for all  $S \subseteq A$ ,  $|N(S)| \geq |S|$

**k-factor:** Spanning  $k$ -regular subgraph      **k-factorable:** Exists factors  $F_1, \dots, F_k$  that decompose  $E(G)$  into disjoint sets

- **Note:**  $G$  is 1-factorable if and only if  $G$  has a perfect matching      2-factor is just a union of cycles

- **Note:** Any  $k$ -regular bipartite graph has a perfect matching

**SDR:** Given sets  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  (not necessarily distinct), it is an **SDR** if there are  $n$  distinct elements such that  $a_i \in A_i$

**Eulerian Circuit:** Circuit that traverses all edges exactly once with the same start and end vertices

**Theorem:** Let  $G$  be a connected graph. Then  $G$  is Eulerian if and only if every vertex has an even degree

**Corollary:** Graph  $G$  has a **Eulerian Trail**  $\iff$  2 vertices have odd degree, which are the start and end of the trail

**Hamiltonian Cycle:** A cycle (vertices are used only once except the start/end) that contains all vertices of  $G$

- **Note:** Hamiltonian Cycle  $\implies$  Hamiltonian Path (remove an edge) but HP  $\not\Rightarrow$  HC (consider  $P_n$ )

**t-tough:** A graph is  $t$ -tough if  $t \leq \frac{|S|}{c(G \setminus S)}$  where  $S$  runs through all subsets of vertices that disconnect  $G$

**Theorem:** If  $G$  is Hamiltonian, then  $t(G) = \frac{|S|}{c(G \setminus S)} \geq 1$ , i.e.  $\forall$  disconnecting set  $S$ ,  $|S| \geq c(G \setminus S)$

- **Corollary:** If there exists a subset of vertices where  $|S| < c(G \setminus S)$ , then the graph is not Hamiltonian

**Theorem (Ore):** Let  $G$  have order  $n \geq 3$ . If  $\deg(u) + \deg(v) \geq n$  for any 2 non-adjacent vertices, then  $G$  is Hamiltonian

- **Note:** This is a sufficient but NOT necessary condition. Consider  $C_n$ , non-adjacent vertices have degree  $\deg(u) + \deg(v) < n$

**Planar Graph:** Graph can be drawn without edges crossing

**Euler's Identity:** If  $G$  is a connected, planar graph on  $n$  vertices,  $m$  edges, and  $f$  faces, then  $n - m + f = 2$

**Theorem:** For a connected planar graph of order  $\geq 3$ , we have  $m \leq 3n - 6$

- **Corollary:** If  $G$  is planar, then there is a vertex of degree  $\leq 5$

**Kuratowski Theorem:**  $G$  is planar if and only if  $G$  doesn't contain  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$ , or a subdivision of either

**Chromatic Number:** Smallest number of colors in any coloring of  $G$ , denoted  $\chi(X)$

- **k-colorable:** Can color vertices of  $G$  using  $k$  colors      **k-chromatic:**  $G$  such that  $\chi(G) = k$

**Independent Set:** Set  $S$  of vertices where no two vertices of  $S$  are adjacent

**Independence Number:** Size of largest independent set, denoted  $\alpha(G)$

- **Note:**  $k$ -chromatic  $\implies V(G)$  can be partitioned into  $k$  independent sets (color classes)

**Theorem:**  $\chi(G) = 2$  if and only if  $G$  is non-empty bipartite graph      **Corollary:** If  $G$  has an odd cycle, then  $\chi(G) \geq 3$

**Clique:** Complete subgraph of  $G$       **Clique Number:** Size of the largest clique of  $G$ , denoted  $\omega(G)$

**Theorem:**  $\chi(G) \geq \omega(G)$        $\chi(G) \geq \frac{n}{\alpha(G)}$

**Theorem:**  $\chi(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$       **Brooks' Theorem:** For a connected graph not equal to odd  $C_n$  or  $K_n$ ,  $\chi(G) \leq \Delta(G)$

**Mycielski Construction:** Maintain  $\omega(G) = 2$  while arbitrarily grow  $\chi(G)$  by adding  $n+1$  vertices  $(w, u_1, \dots, u_n)$

- Join  $w$  to all  $u_i$  such that  $u_i$ 's are not adjacent to each other. Join  $u_i$  with  $v_j$  where  $v_j \sim v_i$