



B52 Sept 15 Lec 1 Notes

Ex 1:

(i) 2^n

(ii) 6^n

(iii) 2^n

Ex 2:

(i) 10^4

(ii) $\frac{10!}{6!} = 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7$

Permutation: ordered arrangement of k objects, chosen without replacement from n possible objects.

Stirling's approximation: $n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$

Ex 3:

$$P(2 \text{ or more}) = 1 - P(\text{no one shares same birthday})$$

$$= 1 - \frac{\frac{365!}{335!}}{365^{30}}$$

$$\approx 70.63\%$$

Ex 4:

$$|S| = 9!$$

$$P(A) = \frac{3! \cdot 2! \cdot 3! \cdot 4!}{9!}$$

$$|A| = \underline{3!} \cdot \underline{2! \cdot 3! \cdot 4!}$$

ways to
arrange
subjects
as groups

ways to
arrange the
books within
the subject

Ex 5:

$$= 6!/6 = 5!$$

Ex 6:

$$= C_6^{49}$$

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

Every term in expression will be of form $x^i y^{n-i}$. # times $x^i y^{n-i}$ appears (for fixed i) = # ways to choose the i positions of the x 's from the n -tuple (x, y, \dots) .

In particular $\sum_{r=0}^n \binom{n}{r} = 2^n$

i.e. (# subsets of S) = $\sum_{i=0}^n$ (# of subsets of size i)

Binomial Coefficient Properties

(i) $\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$ and $\binom{n}{1} = \binom{n}{n-1} = n$

(ii) $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$

(iii) $\binom{n+1}{k+1} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k+1}$