

How high is the probability that in a group of 4 people EXACTLY 2 of them have their birthday on the same day?

We consider a variation problem and number them from 1 to 4.

☐ Use product rule for the following 3 substeps:

substep1: How many possibilities exist to place the pair (with the same weekday)?

→ Combination w/o-rep. We choose 2 positions out of the set of positions  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

$$\text{So, } \binom{4}{2} = 6$$

substep2: fill the pair-position with one of the 7 weekdays.

substep3: fill the rest of the positions with the other weekdays. Two positions are left. So,  $6 \times 5 = 30$

In total:  $6 \times 7 \times 30 = 1260$  desired events

$$7^4 = 2401 \quad \text{all events}$$

$$\text{Laplace: } P(\text{"Exactly one pair"}) = \frac{\text{desired events}}{\text{all events}} = \frac{1260}{2401}$$

$$= 52,478\%$$