## Math 225 Assignment 3 Odd Homework number 3, due Sep?, 2018

## Odd numbered questions

- 1. Build a generating function for  $a_r$ , the number of distributions of r identical objects into:
  - (a) Five different boxes with at most five objects in each box.

$$g(x) = (1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5)^5$$

(b) Four different boxes with between three and six objects in each box.

$$g(x) = (x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6)^4$$

- (c) Seven different boxes with at least one object in each box.  $g(x) = (x + x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6 + \dots + x^n)^7$
- (d) Three different boxes with at most five objects in the first

$$g(x) = (1 + x + x^{2} + x^{3} + x^{4} + x^{5}) \cdot (1 + x + x^{2} + x^{3} + \dots + x^{n})^{2}$$

- (a) It depends on what you mean by buried.
- (b) Perhaps, because  $C(6,2) = \binom{6}{2}$ .

Then again,  $P(6,2) = \frac{6!}{4!}$ . That's worth repeating more prominently:

$$P(6,2) = \frac{6!}{4!}$$

3. What was the color of George Washington's white horse?

It was a very pale blue, easily mistaken for white. Some may doubt this, but it's important to remember that

- a pale blue viewed in the reddish light of evening can appear white,
- the artist had run out of blue paint, and thought he could get by with an approximation, and
- blue is a nice color.
- 5. (a) Define the universe.
  - (b) Give three examples.
  - (a) The world is all that is the case. Thus, the world will not only fit into the case, it *is* the case.
  - (b) (i) It's actually a rather nice case.
    - (ii) We shall give  $C(3,1) = \binom{3}{1} = P(3,1)$  examples, but we shall not do that here.

## 7. What is $e^x$ ?

We have

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \cdots$$

which came out large since it was typeset as a display.