

# Assignment 14, Discrete Mathematics

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# 1 Problems

## 1.1 Problem 1

1. Develop the identity  $(3 - 2)^n = 1$  using binom of Newton formula:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 3^i \cdot (-2)^{n-i} = 1$$

And verify the identity for the case  $n = 4$ .

2. Let number of ways to distribute  $k$  identical balls between 10 boxes is  $D(10, k)$ . Paint three boxes green and the remaining seven—red. Derive:

$$D(10, k) = \sum_{i=0}^k \text{???},$$

and verify for the case  $k = 3$ .

### 1.1.1 Answer 1

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 3^i \cdot (-2)^{n-i} = 1.$$

**Solution:** (*using Maxima*)

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n: 4;  
tex(sum(binomial(n, i) * 3^i * (-2)^(n - i), i, 0, n));
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(hand-made)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=0}^4 \binom{i}{4} 3^i \cdot (-2)^{4-i} \\
&= 1 \cdot 3^0 \cdot (-2)^4 + 4 \cdot 3^1 \cdot (-2)^3 + 6 \cdot 3^2 \cdot (-2)^2 + 4 \cdot 3^3 \cdot (-2)^1 + 1 \cdot 3^4 \cdot (-2)^0 \\
&= 16 - 96 + 216 - 216 + 81 \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

### 1.1.2 Answer 2

## 1.2 Problem 2

How many permutations of a string  $AAABBCCDD$  can you form s.t. they don't contain subsequences  $AAA$ ,  $BB$ ,  $CC$  or  $DD$ ?

### 1.2.1 Answer 3

The total number of ways in which we can arrange the sequence  $AAABBCCDD$  is  $n(\Omega) = \frac{9!}{3!2!2!2!} = 7560$ . Then we find all permutations which contain sequences of consecutive letters,  $AAA$ ,  $BB$  and so on.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{9!}{3!2!^3} - \left( \frac{7!}{2!^3} + 3 \cdot \frac{8!}{3!2!^2} \right) + \left( 3 \cdot \frac{6!}{2!^2} + 3 \cdot \frac{7!}{3!2!} \right) - \left( 3 \cdot \frac{5!}{2!} + \frac{6!}{3!} \right) + 4! \\
&= 7560 - (630 + 5040) + (540 + 1260) - (180 + 120) + 24 \\
&= 3414 .
\end{aligned}$$

We count in stages: first we find all permutations of the string containing  $AAA$  or duplicated characters, divided by the internal orderings of the remaining duplicates. Some of these permutations will also intersect with each other, thus, we want to subtract duplicates such as  $AAA \cup BB$ , but now we subtracted some of the duplicates twice, so we need to add them back. Those which we counted twice are those containing three subsequences, and so on. Finally:

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is_prefix([], _).
is_prefix(_, []) :- fail.
is_prefix([X | Xs], [X | Ys]) :- is_prefix(Xs, Ys).

not_allowed([a, a, a]).
not_allowed([b, b]).
not_allowed([c, c]).
not_allowed([d, d]).

prefix_allowed(Sofar) :-
    not_allowed(Bad), is_prefix(Bad, Sofar).

valid_sequence(X, [], X).
valid_sequence(Sofar, Pool, Result) :-
    select(E, Pool, Rem), Next = [E | Sofar],
    \+prefix_allowed(Next),
    valid_sequence(Next, Rem, Result).
valid_sequence(X) :-
    valid_sequence([], [a, a, a, b, b, c, c, d, d], X).

sans_repetitions :-
    findall(X, valid_sequence(X), X),
    list_to_set(X, Y),
    length(Y, Result),
    format('$$$~p$$$', [Result]).

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### 1.3 Problem 3

Four families (all distinct) went out to barbecue. They took 8 steaks and 10 kebabs. In how many ways is it possible to distribute the food to the families, while every family has to have at least one meal?

#### 1.3.1 Answer 4

We can distribute all meals in the following way:

i(S)	i(K)	i(O)	r(S)	r(K)	r(O)
4	0	$\binom{0}{4} = 1$	4	10	$\binom{4}{14} = 1001$
3	1	$\binom{1}{4} = 4$	5	9	$\binom{5}{14} = 2002$
2	2	$\binom{2}{4} = 6$	6	8	$\binom{6}{14} = 3003$
1	3	$\binom{1}{4} = 4$	7	9	$\binom{7}{14} = 3432$
0	4	$\binom{0}{4} = 1$	8	8	$\binom{8}{14} = 3003$
$2^4 = 16$			43758		

$i(X)$  stands for how many meals were distributed *initially*.  $r(X)$  stands for *remaining* meals.  $S$  stands for *steaks*,  $K$  stands for *kebabs*,  $O$  stands for *orderings*.

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:- use_module(library(clpfd)).

feed_families([(S, K), (S1, K1), (S2, K2), (S3, K3)]) :-
    Steaks = [S, S1, S2, S3],
    Kebabs = [K, K1, K2, K3],
    Steaks ins 0..8, sum(Steaks, #=, 8),
    Kebabs ins 0..10, sum(Kebabs, #=, 10),
    append([Steaks, Kebabs], Meals),
    maplist(indomain, Meals),
    Total is (S + K) * (S1 + K1) * (S2 + K2) * (S3 + K3),
    Total > 0.

barbecue :-
    findall(X, feed_families(X), X),
    length(X, Result),
    format('$$$~p$$$ ', [Result]).
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