

Section 5.4 Permutations and Combinations

Definition: n-Factorial

For any natural number n , $n! = n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$.

$0! = 1$

$$5! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 = 120 \quad 20! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot 19 \cdot 20$$

$$\frac{5!}{2!} = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2} = 60$$

A **combination** of a set is arranging the elements of the set without regard to order.

Example: The marinade for my steak contains soy sauce, Worcestershire sauce and a secret seasoning.

nCr

Formula: $C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$, $r \leq n$, where n is the number of distinct objects and r is

the number of distinct objects taken r at a time.

$${}^5C_2 = \frac{5!}{2!3!} = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = 10$$

A **permutation** of a set is arranging the elements of the set with regard to order.

Example: My previous pin number was 2468, now it's 8642.

nPr

Formula: $P(n, r) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$, $r \leq n$, where n is the number of distinct objects and r is the

number of distinct objects taken r at a time.

$${}^5P_2 = \frac{5!}{3!} = \frac{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} = 20$$

The deck of 52 playing cards is a good set to use with some of these problems, so let's make some notes:

52 total cards, no jokers--26 red and 26 black

Suits are Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs, and Spades.

Each suit has 13 cards, one of each 2 – 10, Jack, Queen, King, Ace

Face cards are J, Q, K only = 12 face cards

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠

Number: 2-10 9
Face cards: K, Q, J 3
Ace 1

Example 1: In how many ways can 7 cards be drawn from a well-shuffled deck of 52 playing cards?

Combination or Permutation

$$C(52, 7) = 133784560$$

Example 2: An organization has 30 members. In how many ways can the positions of president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and historian be filled if not one person can fill more than one position?

Combination or **Permutation**

$$P(30, 5) = 171\,007\,200$$

Example 3: In how many ways can 10 people be assigned to 5 seats?

Combination or **Permutation**

$$P(10, 5) = \frac{10!}{(10-5)!} = \frac{10!}{5!} = 302\,400$$

Example 4: An organization needs to make up a social committee. If the organization has 25 members, in how many ways can a 10 person committee be made?

Combination or Permutation

$$C(25, 10) = \frac{25!}{10! \cdot 15!}$$

$$C(25, 10) = 3\,268\,760$$

Example 5: Seven people arrive at a ticket counter at the same time to buy concert tickets. In how many ways can they line up to purchase their tickets?

Combination or **Permutation**

$$P(7, 7) = 5040$$

$$\frac{7}{7!} \cdot \frac{6}{6!} \cdot \frac{5}{5!} \cdot \frac{4}{4!} \cdot \frac{3}{3!} \cdot \frac{2}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{1!}$$

Formula: Permutations of n objects, not all distinct

Given a set of n objects in which n_1 objects are alike and of one kind, n_2 objects are alike and of another kind, ..., and, finally, n_r objects are alike and of yet another kind so that

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r = n$$

$$P(6, 6) = 6!$$

then the number of permutations of these n objects taken n at a time is given by

$$\frac{FUNNY}{\frac{5!}{2!}}$$

$$\frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_r!}$$

$$\frac{FLOWER}{6!} = 720$$

Example: All arrangements that can be made using all of the letters in the word

COMMITTEE

$$\frac{9!}{2! 2! 2!} = \frac{9!}{8} = 45360$$

Example 6: REENNER, a small software company would like to make letter codes using all of the letters in the word **REENNER**. How many codes can be made from all the letters in this word?

Combination or **Permutation**

$$\frac{7!}{2! 3! 2!} = 210$$

Example 7: A coin is tossed 5 times.

a. How many outcomes are possible?

$$\underline{2} \underline{2} \underline{2} \underline{2} \underline{2} = 2^5 = 32$$

H H H H H
 T T T T H
 T H T H T
 T T H H H
 H H H T T

b. In how many outcomes do exactly 3 heads occur?

$$\binom{5}{3} = 10$$

{ (H₁H₂H₃TT), (H₁H₂TH₄T), (H₁H₂TT H₅), (H₁TH₃TH₅), (H₁TTH₄H₅),
 (H₁T H₃H₄T), (TH₂H₃H₄T), (TH₂H₃TH₄), (TH₂TH₄H₅), (TTH₃H₄H₅) }

c. In how many outcomes do exactly 2 tails occur?

$$\binom{5}{2} = 10$$

$$\binom{n}{n-1} = n$$

ex $\binom{5}{4} = 5$

Example 8: A coin is tossed 18 times.

a. How many outcomes are possible?

$$2^{18}$$

{H, T}

$$\binom{n}{n} = 1$$

ex $\binom{5}{5} = 1$

$$\binom{n}{0} = 1$$

ex $\binom{5}{0} = 1$

$$\binom{n}{1} = n$$

ex $\binom{5}{1} = 5$

b. In how many outcomes do exactly 7 tails occur?

$$\binom{18}{7}$$

c. In how many outcomes do at most 2 tails occur?

0T, 1T, 2T

$$\binom{18}{0} + \binom{18}{1} + \binom{18}{2} = 172$$

$$= 1 + 18 + 153$$

d. In how many outcomes do at least 17 tails occur?

17T, 18T

$$\binom{18}{17} + \binom{18}{18} = 19$$

$$= 18 + 1$$

e. In how many outcomes do at most 16 heads occur?

$$2^{18} - (\binom{18}{17} + \binom{18}{18})$$

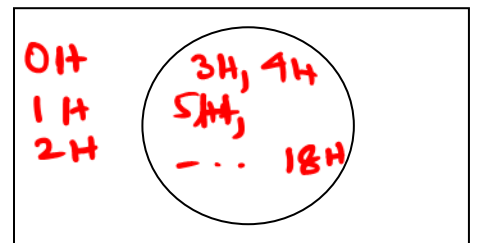
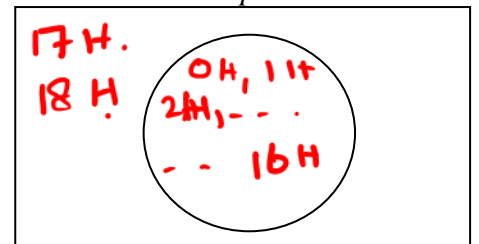
$$= 2^{18} - 19 = 262125$$

f. In how many outcomes do at least 3 heads occur?

$$2^{18} - (\binom{18}{0} + \binom{18}{1} + \binom{18}{2})$$

$$= 2^{18} - 172 = 261972$$

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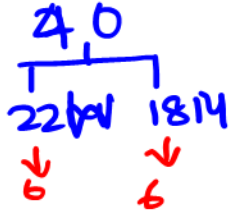
Example 9: A judge has a jury pool of 40 people that contains 22 women and 18 men. She needs a jury of 12 people.

a. How many juries can be made?

$$C(40, 12) = 5586853480$$

b. How many juries contain 6 women and 6 men?

$$C(22, 6) \cdot C(18, 6) = 1385115732$$



Example 10: A club of 16 students, 7 juniors and 9 seniors, is forming a 5 member subcommittee.

a. How many subcommittees can be made?

$$C(16, 5)$$

b. How many subcommittees contain 2 juniors and 3 seniors?

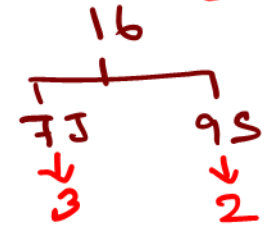
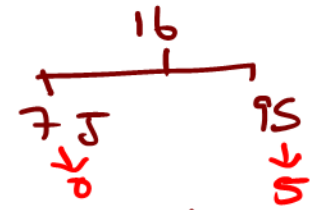
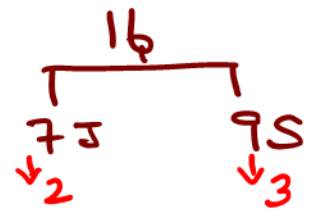
$$C(7, 2) \cdot C(9, 3)$$

c. How many subcommittees contain all seniors?

$$C(9, 5) \cdot C(7, 0) = C(9, 5)$$

d. How many subcommittees contain 3 juniors?

$$C(7, 3) \cdot C(9, 2) = 1260$$



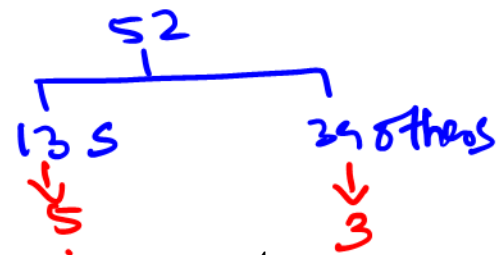
Example 11: In how many ways can 5 spades be chosen if 8 cards are chosen from a well-shuffled deck of 52 playing cards?

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	J	Q	K	A
♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♠

$$\# \text{ spades} = 13$$

$$\text{Rest} = 52 - 13 = 39$$

$$C(13, 5) \cdot C(39, 3) = 11761893$$



Example 12: A customer at a fruit stand picks a sample of 7 oranges at random from a crate containing 35 oranges of which 5 are rotten.

a. How many selections can be made?

$$C(35, 7)$$

b. How many selections contain 4 rotten?

$$C(30, 3) \cdot C(5, 4)$$

c. How many selections contain at least 4 rotten?

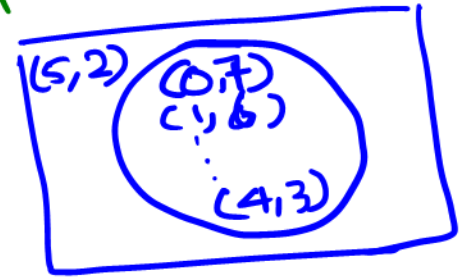
$$4R, 3G, \quad 5R, 2G$$

$$C(5, 4) \cdot C(30, 3) + C(5, 5) \cdot C(30, 2)$$

d. How many selections contain at most 4 rotten? OR, 1R, 2R, 3R, 4R

complement 5R

$$C(35, 7) - [C(30, 2) \cdot C(5, 5)]$$



e. How many selections contain at least 1 rotten?

$$C(35, 7) - C(30, 7)$$

- 1R 6G
- 2R 5G
- 3R 4G
- 4R 3G
- 5R 2G

$$\text{OR } 7G$$

f. How many selections contain at least 3 rotten?

$$C(5, 3) \cdot C(30, 4) + C(5, 4) \cdot C(30, 3) + C(5, 5) \cdot C(30, 2)$$

- 3R 4G
- 4R 3G
- 5R 2G

Example 13: A store receives a shipment of 35 calculators including 8 that are defective. A sample of 6 calculators is chosen at random. How many selections contain at least 5 defective calculators?

5D OR 6D

$$C(27, 1) \cdot C(8, 5) + C(27, 0) \cdot C(8, 6)$$

