
Counting: Basics

Rosen, Chapter 5.1-2

Motivation: Counting is useful in CS

- Application domains such as, security, telecom
 - How many password combinations does a hacker need to crack?
 - How many telephone numbers can be supported
- How many steps are needed to solve a problem
 - (time complexity)
- How much space is needed to solve a problem
 - (space complexity)
- Existence proofs
 - Mathematicians may prove that something (useful) exists without giving an algorithm to find it
 - Computer Scientists and engineers may find exact or approximate approaches to find that thing

Four main concepts this week

- Product rule
 - Sum rule
 - Inclusion-exclusion principle
 - Pigeonhole principle
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A simple counting problem

- You have 6 pairs of pants and 10 shirts. How many different outfits does this give?

Counting: the product rule

- If there are n_1 ways of doing one task, and for each of way of doing the first task there are n_2 ways of doing a second task, then there are n_1n_2 ways of performing both tasks.
- Example:
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Relation to Cartesian products

- The **Cartesian product** of sets A and B is denoted by $\mathbf{A \times B}$ and is defined as:

$$\mathbf{A \times B} = \{(a,b) \mid a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$$
- $\mathbf{|A \times B| = |A| * |B|}$

Product rule

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IClicker Question #2

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- B. 7
- C. 14 (= 2 X 7)
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- A. 8
- B. 2²⁶
- C. 8 X 26
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- E. 26⁸

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A function corresponds to a choice of one of the n elements in the codomain (a set that includes all the possible values of a given function) for each of the m elements in the domain.

$$n \text{ possibilities} * n \text{ possibilities} * \dots = n^m$$

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- How many one-to-one functions are there from a set with m elements to a set with n elements?
- One-to-one - A **function** for which every element of the range of the **function** corresponds to exactly **one** element of the domain.*

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When $m > n$, there are none.

It is not possible for every element of m to be associated with only one element n when there are more $m(s)$ than $n(s)$.

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When $m \leq n$, the following is true:

There are n selections for the first value of m , $n-1$ for the second, $n-2, \dots, (n-m+1)$

So for a set of 3 to a set of 5, there are $5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3$

IClicker Question #5

- How many 8 character passwords are there that use only English lowercase letters, but no letter is repeated?

- 8×26
- $26 \times 25 \times 24 \times 23 \times 22 \times 21 \times 20 \times 19$
- 8^{26}
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- Let each element of the set be represented by a bit. The element is either included in the subset (bit set to 1) or not included (bit set to 0). The question now becomes:

How many bit strings with S digits are there?

IClicker Question #6

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A different counting problem

- X has decided to shop at a single store, either in old town or the foothills mall. If X visits old town, X will shop at one of three stores. If X visits the mall, then X will shop at one of two stores. How many ways could X end up shopping?

The Sum Rule

- If a task can be done either in one of n_1 ways or in one of n_2 ways, and none of the n_1 ways is the same as the n_2 ways, then there are $n_1 + n_2$ ways to do the task.

- This is a statement about set theory: if two sets A and B are disjoint then

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$$

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$$23 + 15 + 19 = 57$$

- *The student can choose from one of 57 different projects.*

IClicker Question #7

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- B. $10 + 10^2 + 10^3 + 10^4 + 10^5 + 10^6$
- C. $10 \times 10^2 \times 10^3 \times 10^4 \times 10^5 \times 10^6$
- D. $1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6$
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IClicker Question #9

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- B. $(26^2*10^2)+(26^2*10^3)+(26^3*10^2)+(26^3*10^3)$
- C. $(26^2+10^2)*(26^2+10^3)*(26^3+10^2)*(26^3+10^3)$
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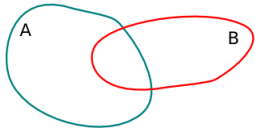
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- Suppose you need to pick a password that has length 6-8 characters, where each character is an uppercase letter or a digit, and each password must contain at least one digit. How many possible passwords are there?
- $P_6 = 36^6 - 26^6$, $P_7 = 36^7 - 26^7$, $P_8 = 36^8 - 26^8$
- Possible passwords = $P_6 + P_7 + P_8$

The inclusion exclusion principle

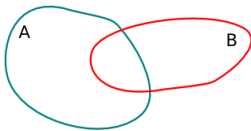
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$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$$



Example

- How many numbers between 1 and 100 are divisible by 2 or 3?



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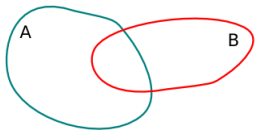
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if I add these
 how many have I now counted twice?

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- P1 = 2⁷ 1xxxxxxx
- P2 = 2⁶ xxxxxx00
- P3 = 2⁵ 1xxxxx00

- P = P1 + P2 - P3

IClicker Question #10

- How many passwords of 6 characters, where each character is a lowercase letter, start with two a's or end with three b's?

- A. $26^2 + 26^3 - 26^5$
- B. $2^{26} + 3^{26} - 5^{26}$
- C. $4^{26} + 3^{26} - 1^{26}$
- D. $26^4 + 26^3 - 26$
- E. 26

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- E. **26**

IClicker Question #12

- There is a circular table that seats 4 people. Two seatings are considered to be the same if everyone has the same immediate left and immediate right neighbor. How many different ways can you seat 4 of a group of 10 people around this table?

- A. 10^4
- B. 4^{10}
- C. 10×4
- D. $10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 = 5040$
- E. $5040 / 4 = 1260$

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A hairy problem

- In Denver there are two people that have the same number of hairs.

- A) True
- B) False

On average, non balding people have 90K-150K hairs depending on color. So let's assume the maximum number is less than 300K.

The pigeonhole principle

- If k is a positive integer and $k+1$ or more objects are placed into k boxes, then there is at least one box containing two or more objects.



Image: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:TooManyPigeons.jpg>

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 - It is possible to have 366 people, each with different birthdays. What happens when we add one more person?
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- A drawer contains a dozen brown socks and a dozen black socks, all unmatched. A guy takes socks out at random in the dark.
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 - 3
 - How many socks must he take out to be sure that he has at least two black socks?
 - He could take out 12 brown socks, then 2 black - 14
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IClicker Question #13

- How many cards must you draw before you are guaranteed to have two of the same suit?
 - A. 2
 - B. 13
 - C. 4
 - D. 5
 - E. 52
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- How many cards must you draw before you are guaranteed to have two Aces?
 - A. 4
 - B. 5
 - C. 14
 - D. 50
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IClicker Question #14 Answer

- How many cards must you draw before you are guaranteed to have two Aces?
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- B. 5
- C. 14
- D. **50**
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What are the sets of pairs that add up to 9?
{1,8}, {2,7}, {3,6}, {4,5}

If we choose 5 of these numbers, at least 2 must come from the same set.

Proof question

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11 students left, 10 possible scores

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Proof question

- Assume that in a group of 6 people, each pair of individuals consists of 2 friends or 2 enemies. Show that there are either 3 mutual friends or 3 mutual enemies for any person in the group
- Pigeon holes – enemies or friends
- Pigeons – pairs of people
- Let A be an individual. That individual has 5 people he/she has a relationship with.

IClicker Question #15

- How many cards must you draw to guarantee you have 3 of a kind?
- A. 4
- B. 9
- C. 14
- D. 27
- E. 52

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