

COUNTING RULES

For experiments for which all sample points (outcomes) are equally likely, we compute

$$P(A) = \frac{\# \{ \text{sample points in } A \}}{\# \{ \text{sample points} \}}$$

Theorem (Fundamental theorem of counting):

If a job consists of K tasks, such that the tasks may be completed in n_1, \dots, n_K ways, then there are $n_1 \cdot \dots \cdot n_K$ ways to do the job.

Many counting situations are like drawing r things from N things ...

- I. ordered, without replacement (OwoR) ↖ "order matters to us"
 - II. unordered, without replacement (UwoR)
 - III. ordered, with replacement (Owr) ↖ "put back what you draw each time"
 - IV. unordered, with replacement (Uwr) ↖ "put back what you draw each time"
- ↑ "order does not matter to us"

E.g. 15 dollars to be disbursed among students ...

I. Top 5 of 60 students to receive \$5, \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1 according to rank (OwoR)

$$\# \text{ ways} = 60 \times 59 \times 58 \times 57 \times 56 = \frac{60!}{55!} = 655,381,440$$

Formula: Number of ways to draw r things from N , ordered, without replacement, is

$$\frac{N!}{(N-r)!}$$

II. Top 5 of 60 students each to receive \$3.

(UwR)

$$\# \text{ ways} = \frac{60!}{55! / 5!}$$

Divide by ~~#~~ redundant orderings (permutations)
(There are $5!$ ways in which the top 5 students can be ranked.)

$$= 5,461,512$$

Formula: Number of ways to draw r things from N , unordered, without replacement, is

$$\binom{N}{r} := \frac{N!}{(N-r)! r!}$$

" N choose r " we use "=" to define notation

III. Student chosen at random during each of 5 class periods.

(OwR) Chosen student receives according to the day the amounts

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
\$6.82	\$4.36	\$2.45	\$1.09	\$1.28

ways to choose 5 students from 60, with replacement when the order matters is

$$60 \times 60 \times 60 \times 60 \times 60 = 60^5 = 777,600,000$$

Formula: Number of ways to draw r things from N , ordered with replacement, is

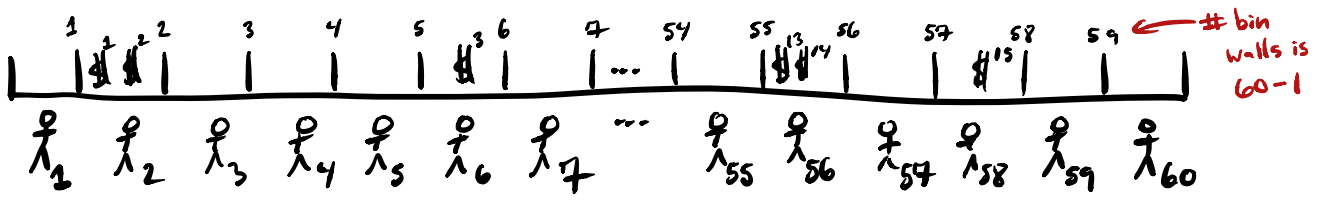
$$N^r$$

IV. 15 dollar bills distributed among 60 students.

(UwR)

Like dropping 15 dollar bills into 60 bins;

Each unique possibility corresponds to an arrangement of the bin walls and the dollar bills:



We can arrange the bin walls and dollar bills in this many ways:

$$\frac{\overbrace{(60-1 + 15)}^{\# \text{ bin walls } \# \text{ dollar bills}}!}{\underbrace{(60-1)!}_{\# \text{ orderings of bin walls}} \underbrace{15!}_{\# \text{ orderings of bills}}} \approx 1.824 \times 10^{15}$$

Formula: Number of ways to draw r things from N , unordered, with replacement, is

$$\frac{(N-1+r)!}{(N-1)! r!} = \binom{N+r-1}{r}$$

Smaller example: Distribute 3 dollar bills among 4 people

Enumerate all possibilities:

			<p>Each possibility corresponds to a permutation of \$\$\$ and bin walls:</p>
$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$	
<p>1 person gets \$\$\$</p>	<p>1 person gets \$0</p>	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	
	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$	<p>1 person gets \$\$</p>	

There are 20 possibilities, which agrees with the formula:

$$\frac{(4-1+3)!}{(4-1)! 3!} = \frac{6!}{3!3!} = \frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 5 \cdot 4 = 20$$

In summary, the numbers of ways to draw r things from N are:

	without replacement	With replacement
Ordered	$\frac{N!}{(N-r)!}$	N^r
Unordered	$\binom{N}{r}$	$\binom{N+r-1}{r}$

Some poker examples: 5 cards drawn from 52-card deck

1. # hands with ace & diamonds

- # of ways to draw 4 cards from remaining 51 is

$$\binom{51}{4} = \frac{51 \cdot 50 \cdot 49 \cdot 48}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = 17 \cdot 25 \cdot 49 \cdot 12 = 249,900$$

2. # full house hands

- draw 5 cards from 52
- full house: 3 cards of one rank and 2 of another

There are 13×12 ordered pairs of ranks

Each pair of ranks can be dealt in

$$\binom{4}{3} \times \binom{4}{2} \text{ ways}$$

Choose 2 of the 4 eights, for example.
Choose 3 of the 4 Aces, for example

So the total # of full house hands is

$$\binom{4}{3} \times \binom{4}{2} \times 13 \times 12 = 3,744$$

3. # flush hands

- Flush: 5 cards of same suit but not sequential
4 possible suits.

For each suit, $\binom{13}{5} - 10$ flushes possible

ways to draw
5 cards from 13

of sequences:

1-5
⋮
10-14) - 10 sequences
(Ace can be high or low)

So # flush hands is

$$4 * \left[\binom{13}{5} - 10 \right] = 5,108$$

4. # straight hands

- Straight: 5 cards in sequence, not all of same suit
There are 10 sequences possible, 1-5, ..., 10-14
Can make 1-5 with

$$(4 \text{ choices of Ace}) * (4 \text{ choices of two}) * \dots * (4 \text{ choices of five})$$

So # ways to make 1-5 is 4^5 .

But 4 of these are sequences of a single suit.

So # straight hands is

$$10 * (4^5 - 4) = 10,200.$$

possible
sequences

for each sequence,
ways minus
ways with same suit.

Application of counting to probability

Recall the point of counting:

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Probability for poker examples:

Experiment: Draw 5 cards from 52-card deck

Sample space

$$S = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{All possible} \\ \text{poker hands} \end{array} \right\}$$

How many sample points in S ?

$$\binom{52}{5} = \frac{52 \cdot 51 \cdot 50 \cdot 49 \cdot 48}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 26 \cdot 17 \cdot 10 \cdot 49 \cdot 12 = 2,598,960$$

↑
possible hands

1. $P(\text{get Ace of diamonds}) = \frac{249,900}{2,598,960} = .0962$ ← #hands w/ Ace of diamonds

2. $P(\text{full house}) = 3,744 / 2,598,960 = .001441$

3. $P(\text{flush}) = 5,108 / 2,598,960 = .001965$

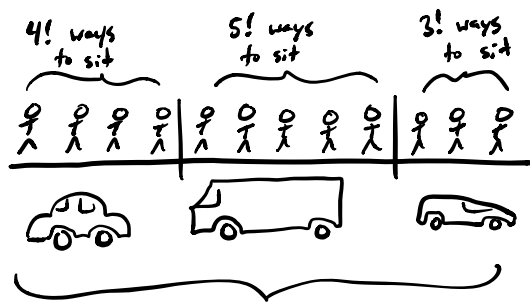
4. $P(\text{straight}) = 10,200 / 2,598,960 = .003925$

One more counting rule (Partitioning)

Formula: The number of ways to partition N things into K groups of sizes n_1, \dots, n_k , where $n_1 + \dots + n_k = N$, is

$$\frac{N!}{n_1! \cdot \dots \cdot n_k!}$$

Ex 12 passengers traveling in 3 vehicles taking 4, 5, and 3 passengers, resp.



12! ways to sit in all 12 passenger seats.

So # ways to split up (partition) is

$$\frac{12!}{4!5!3!} = \frac{12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 3 \cdot 11 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 = 27,720$$

Ex (prev. cont.) If every partition equally likely, then

$$P(\text{You ride with friend}) = \frac{\#\{\text{ways you ride with friend}\}}{27,720}$$

{You two in 1st car}: $\frac{10!}{2!5!3!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 5 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 = 2,520$

remaining sit arrangement in your car

{You two in 2nd car}: $\frac{10!}{4!3!3!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 5 = 4,200$

$$\# \{ \text{You two in 3rd car} \} : \frac{10!}{4! 5! 1!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 = 1260$$

$$\text{So } \# \{ \text{ways you ride w/ friend} \} = 2520 + 4200 + 1260 = 7980$$

and

$$P(\text{You ride with friend}) = \frac{7,980}{27,720} = .2879$$