

CS1800

10/10 - Tues.

Admin

- HW4 due Fri 11:59, only one late day
- exam in one week! 10/17, 2hr window
9-5:30
- Fri (10/13) \rightsquigarrow optional lecture
(practice exam)

Agenda

1. Stars + Bars (aka, balls into bins)
2. Breaking down (subtraction, overcounting)
3. Examples

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|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| order matters no rep $P(n, k)$ | order matters rep ok n^k | product rule |
| order doesn't matter no rep $\binom{n}{k} (n, k)$ | order doesn't matter rep ok stars + bars | |

Formulas:

$$P(n, k) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

\rightsquigarrow no rep ABC BCA
 CBA ACB
 \rightsquigarrow when to stop CAB
 BAC

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

\rightsquigarrow no rep $\{A, B, C\}$
 \rightsquigarrow like a permutation
 but don't over count

\rightsquigarrow b/c
 order doesn't matter

1. Stars + Bars

- order doesn't matter
 - repetition is ok
- } indistinguishable objects

(ex) Bagels at the Dunkin'

- 3 flavors: S, E, G

↳ for a given flavor, bagels are indistinguishable "identical"

- I want 4 bagels

↳ necessary repetition

- They get placed in a bag

↳ order doesn't matter

Possible outcomes:

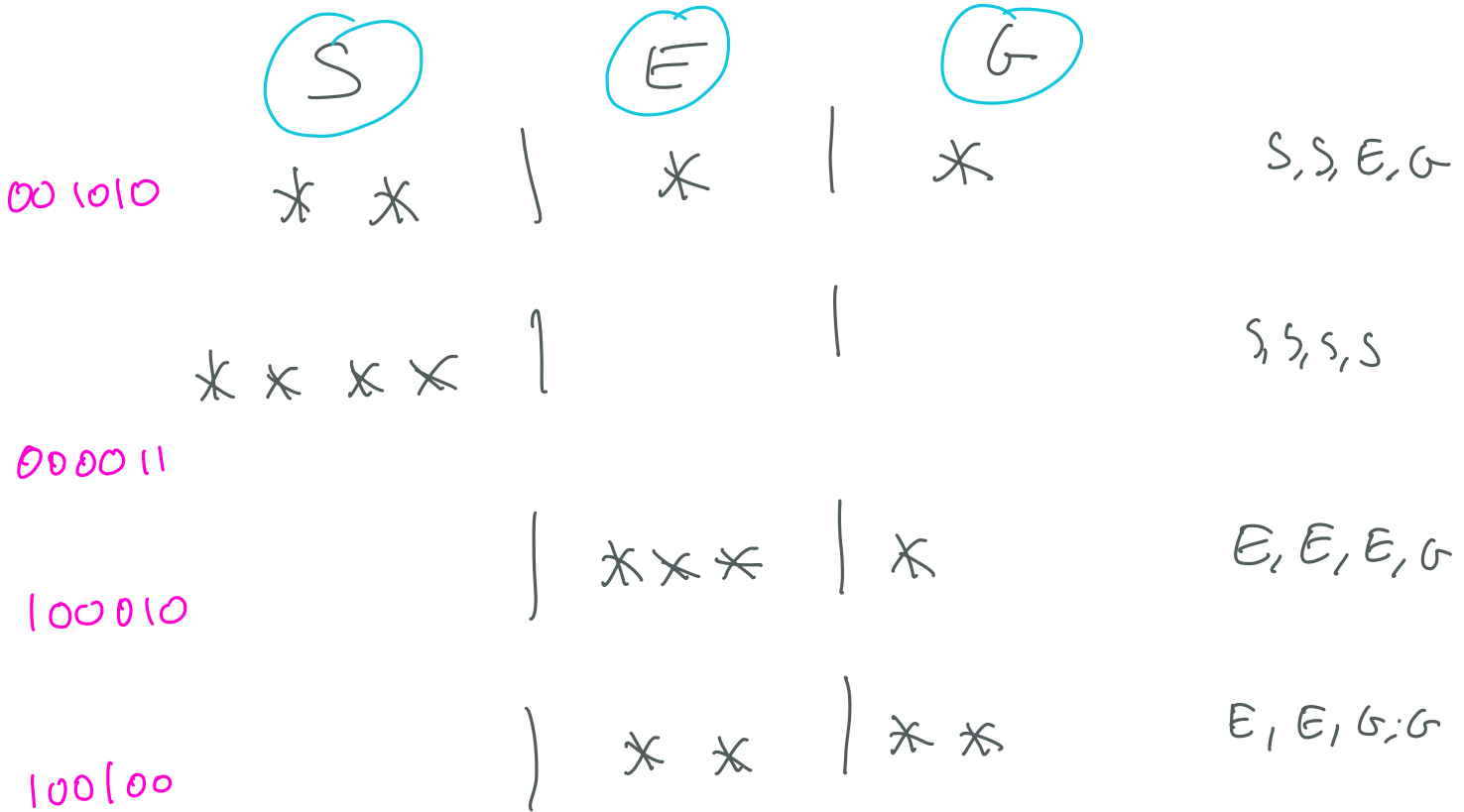
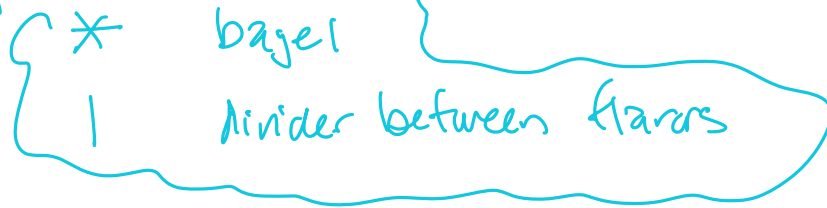
$$\bullet \{S, S, E, G\} = \{S, E, G, S\} = \{E, S, S, G\} = \dots$$

$$\bullet \{S, S, S, S\}$$

$$\bullet \{E, E, E, G\}$$

$$\bullet \{E, E, G, G\}$$

Approach: diagram the outcomes



- notation makes sense ✓
- capture every possible outcome ✓

notice...

- all outcomes are same length (6)
- 2 choices for every character (*, |)
- all outcomes have same # of stars (4)

And so... it's a 2 bit string question! !!

Bar = 1

Star = 0

How many bit strings of length 6 have exactly 4 zeros?

- choose the positions for the 4 zeros

$$\binom{6}{4} = \frac{6!}{2!4!} = \frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = 15$$

there are 15 ways to have 4 bagels from 3 flavors

A Stars + Bars question

- order doesn't matter
 - repetition is ok
- } def. a combination,

$$\binom{?}{?}$$

$$\binom{\# \text{ bars} + \# \text{ stars}}{\# \text{ stars}} \rightarrow \# \text{ bars} = \# \text{ dividers} = \# \text{ options} - 1$$

$$\# \text{ stars} = \text{selections}$$

Bagel example: $\# \text{ bars} = 2$ (3 flavors)
 $\# \text{ stars} = 4$ (4 selections)

S | E | G

Laney, Kyla are playing roulette (1-36)

- Laney wins on odd
- Kyla wins on even

How many ways for 5 spins to turn out?

↳ # games won by each person

- order matters? no
- repetition ok? yes

possible outcomes:

- LLLKK
- LLLLL
- LLKKK

| Laney | | Kyla |
|-------|--|------|
| *** | | ** |
| ***** | | |
| ** | | *** |

$$\binom{?}{?} = \binom{\# \text{ stars} + \# \text{ bars}}{\# \text{ stars}} = \binom{6}{5} = \frac{6!}{5! 1!} = \frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = \boxed{6}$$

2. Breaking Down Problems (subtraction/overcounting)

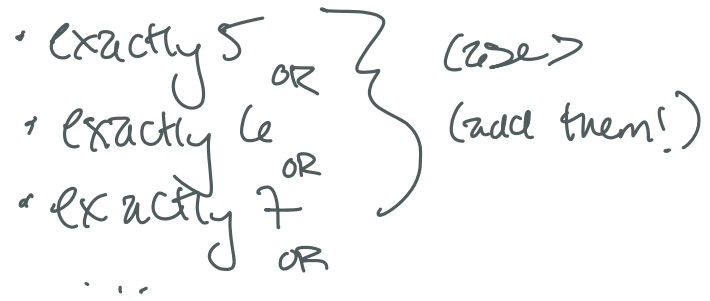
Word problems for counting... what is it asking?

- does order matter?
- is repetition ok?

Often, more than one subproblem and need to put stuff together

- AND ... multiply!
- OR ... addition!
- at least ... break into cases

"At least 5 ..."



- at most ... break into cases
- Lots of cases? ... Subtraction rule
 - compute total possibilities
 - Subtract invalid cases

- "arrange" ... order matters
- "choose" ... order doesn't matter

- "identical" ... str's + bars
- outcomes are named ... order matters
 - ↳ choose A, B, C? vs. choose 3 things

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3. Examples

(EX) How many bit strings of length 7 have at least 2 zeros?

Case 1: exactly 2 $\textcircled{2}$

Case 2: exactly 3 $\textcircled{3}$

Case 3: exactly 4

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But this is tedious! So... Subtraction

• total: 2^7

• invalid: at most 1 zero

↳ 0 zeros: 1 } 8 total
1 zero: 7 } invalid

• at least 2 zeros: $2^7 - 8 = \boxed{120}$

(ex) 10 players

Want to make 2 teams of 5

- win a team, order doesn't matter
- no repetition

(A) Aces, Liberty

Pick Aces and pick Liberty

$$\binom{10}{5} \cdot \binom{5}{5}$$

$$= \frac{10!}{5!5!} = \boxed{252}$$

Aces:
ABCDE

Liberty:
FGHIJ

↗

FGHIJ

ABCDE

(B) any 2 teams

$$\frac{\binom{10}{5} \cdot \binom{5}{5}}{2!}$$

2!

$$= \boxed{126}$$

ABCDE, FGHIJ = FGHIJ, ABCDE

3 teams

| <u>A</u> | <u>B</u> | <u>C</u> |
|----------|----------|----------|
| 123 | 456 | 789 |
| 123 | 789 | 456 |
| 456 | 789 | 123 |
| 456 | 123 | 789 |
| 789 | 123 | 456 |
| 789 | 456 | 123 |

no names

123, 456, 789

↳ to correct for overcounting, divide by

$$\boxed{3!}$$

Assume

- Deck of cards: 52, 4 suits, 13 of each suit
- 200 ppl in this room
- 5 instructors for CS100

- We are in a ^{pot} battle royale. How many ways to have first, second, third place?

$$P(200, 3) = \frac{200!}{197!} = 200 \cdot 199 \cdot 198 = 7880400$$

- there are 100 identical dollar bills. Everyone gets at least \$1. How many ways to distribute the money?

Stars + bars → give everyone \$1
solve the problem w/ letters

200 people, \$100

Stars: 100

bars: 199

$$\binom{100+199}{100} = \text{big number} \text{!}$$

- Flush: 5 cards, all same suit
How many flushes exist?

• choose suit $\binom{4}{1} = 4$

- choose values
(order doesn't matter)
(no rep)

$$\binom{13}{5} = \frac{13!}{5!8!} = 1287$$

• choose 2nd values:

$$4.1287 = \boxed{5148}$$

Everyone in this room shakes hands w/ everyone else exactly once. How many handshakes?

• order matters? no

• rep ok? no

$$\binom{200}{2} = \frac{200!}{2!198!} = 19900$$

⇒ choosing pairs



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