More counting + pigeonhole principle



BT Section 1.6, Rosen, Section 7.5 Inclusion-exclusion

Permutations: Number of ways to order n distinct objects.

$$n! = n \cdot (n-1) \cdots 2 \cdot 1$$

Combinations: Number of ways to choose r things from n things

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

quick review of cards



- 52 total cards
- 13 different ranks:
- 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,J,Q,K,A

• 4 different **suits**: Hearts, Clubs, Diamonds, Spades

For each object constructed it should be possible to reconstruct the unique sequence of choices that led to it!

Example: How many ways are there to choose a 5 card hand that contains at least 3 aces?

 $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 49 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ Choose 3 aces, then choose 2 cards from remaining 49.

For each object constructed it should be possible to reconstruct the unique sequence of choices that led to it!

Example: How many ways are there to choose a 5 card hand that contains at least 3 aces?



- How many possible 5 card hands?
- A "straight" is five consecutive rank cards of any suit. How many possible straights?

 $10 \cdot 4^5 = 10,240$

• How many flushes are there?

$$4 \cdot \binom{13}{5} = 5,148$$



counting cards

• How many straights that are not flushes?

$$10 \cdot 4^5 - 10 \cdot 4 = 10,200$$

How many flushes that are not straights?

$$4 \cdot \binom{13}{5} - 10 \cdot 4 = 5,108$$



General: + singles - pairs + triples - quads + ...

• How many hands have <u>at least</u> three cards of one rank (**three of a kind**)?

$$13 \cdot \binom{4}{3} \cdot \binom{48}{2} + 13 \cdot 48 = 59,280$$

 How many hands are straights or flushes or three of a kind?

Inclusion/exclusion:

- Flushes + Straights + 30fKind
- (Flushes AND Straights) (Flushes AND 30fKind) –
 (Straights AND 30FKind)
- + (Flushes AND Straights AND 3OfKind)

pigeonhole principle



If there are **n** pigeons in **k** holes and **n > k**, then **some hole contains more than one pigeon**.

More precisely, some hole contains at least $\lceil n/k \rceil$ pigeons.

Prove that there are two people in London who have the same number of hairs on their head.

- Londoners have between 0 and 999,999 hairs on their heads.

- There are more than 1,000,000 people in London...



There are many people in this room, some of whom are friends, some of whom are not...





Prove that some two people have the same number of friends.

Pigeons: Pigeonholes: Rule for assigning pigeon to pigeonhole: