

# Agenda

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Day 10

1) Admin

Practice exam

Exam instructions

Leave answers in factorial form (Hw)

2) Review

3) Combinations (order doesn't matter)

- left over principle

4) Balls & Bins

## Review

Permutations  
(order matters)

Can reuse  
options (e.g.  
passwords)

$$n^k$$

Can't reuse  
options (e.g.  
people in photo)

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

Counting strategies - count by partition, count by complement, simplification

Exercise: 1) How many orders can I pet 5 cats at a cat cafe if I can pet a cat more than once? with 10 cats total

$$n=10$$

$$k=5$$

$$10^5$$

2) Same question, but now I can't pet a cat more than once?  $P(10, 5) = \frac{10!}{5!}$

# Combination - (order does not matter)



Grab a fist of two candies from the halloween candy bowl (Jolly Rancher, Reese's Cup, Milky Way)

How many different combinations?

JR

JM

RM

RJ

MJ

MR

In ordered pairs this is  $P(3,2) = \frac{3!}{1!} = 6$

But I'm grabbing a fistful at a time → it doesn't matter what order I grab them in!

*this is the same when I don't consider order*

(J, R)  
(R, J)

(J, M)  
(M, J)

(R, M)  
(M, R)

3 ways unordered

We've overcounted, we have 2x the count.  
OR there are  $2! = 2$  ways of ordering 2 candies

Informally combinations are:

Ways of choosing 2 from 3 (order not matter)	=	$\frac{\text{Ways of ordering 2 from 3 (order matters)}}{\text{ways of ordering 2 (order matters)}}$
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Formally: choosing k from n items, order doesn't matter

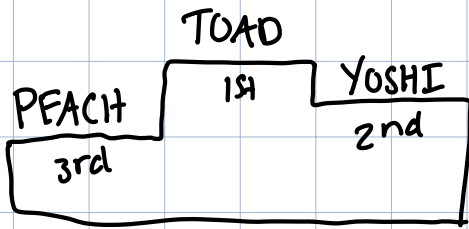
$$C(n, k) = \binom{n}{k} = \frac{P(n, k)}{P(k, k)} = \frac{P(n, k)}{k!} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!}$$

"n choose k"

	Can reuse options (e.g. passwords)	Can't reuse options (e.g. people in photo)
<del>Permutations</del> order matters	$n^k$	$\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$
<del>Combinations</del> order doesn't matter	? come back to this	$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!}$

Exercise 1) How many ways can 8 mario kart racers form the top 3. The order of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> matters

order matters, no repeats

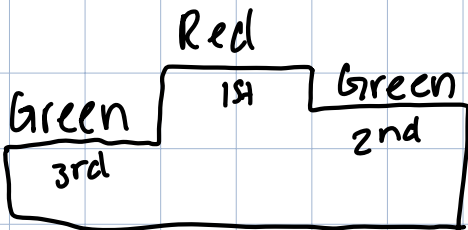


$$P(8, 3) = \frac{8!}{5!}$$

2) We now have 4 teams in mario kart, with 3 members each. How many different team orderings can we have for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>?

order matters, yes repeats

$$\underline{4} \underline{4} \underline{4} = 4^3$$



3) How many unique hands of 5 cards can be made from standard 52 card deck? (Hands are unordered)

order doesn't matter, no repeats

$$n = 52 \quad k = 5$$

$$\binom{52}{5} = \frac{52!}{5!(52-5)!} = \frac{52!}{5!47!}$$

4) How many ways can one select the "remaining" 47 cards from the problem above?

$$n = 52 \quad k = 47$$

$$\binom{52}{47} = \frac{52!}{47!(52-47)!} = \frac{52!}{47!5!}$$

# Leftover principle

How many ways can I choose all but 10 students to take out for ice cream in class of size  $n$ ?

$$\binom{n}{10} = \frac{n!}{(n-10)! 10!}$$

How about the  $n-10$  to take out for ice cream?

$$\begin{aligned} \binom{n}{n-10} &= \frac{n!}{(n-(n-10))! (n-10)!} = \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-n+10)! (n-10)!} = \frac{n!}{(n-10)! 10!} \end{aligned}$$

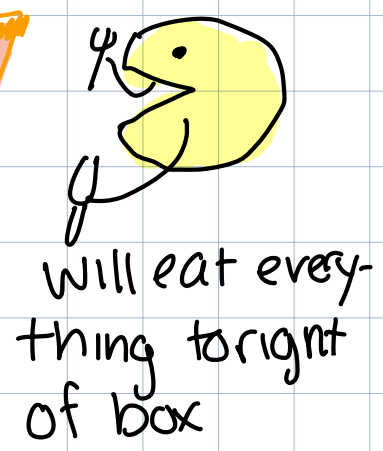
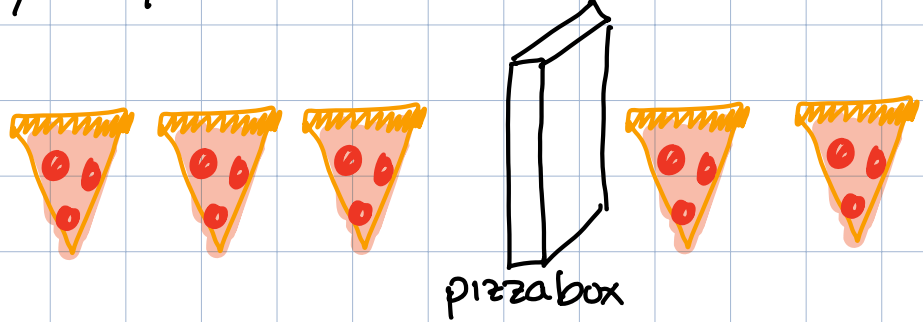
It doesn't matter who we choose to include or exclude, it is the same # of combinations

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Permutations order matters	$n^k$	$\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$
Combinations order doesn't matter	? Come back to this	$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)! k!}$

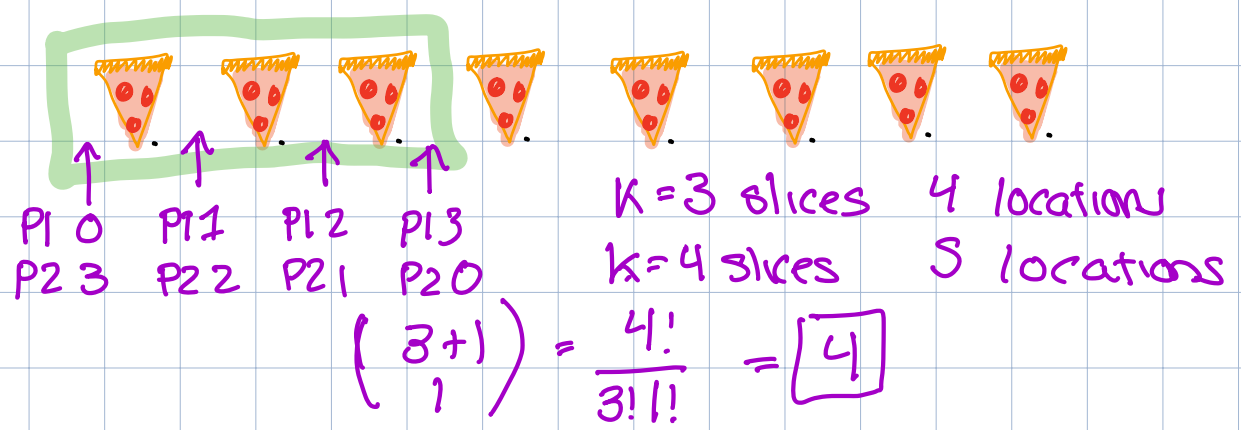
# Counting partitions of identical objects

(Balls & Bins or Stars & Bars)

How many ways can two people split  $k$  slices of pizza?



1. Pizza slices are identical so they can be in any order
2. What varies is the number of pizza each eats, i.e. where we put the barrier

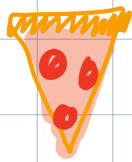


$\binom{k+1}{1}$  ways

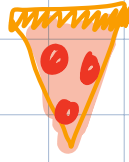
$k$  slices of pizza

$1$  boundary

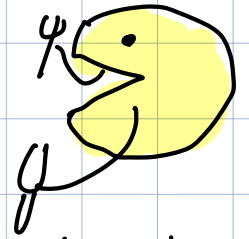
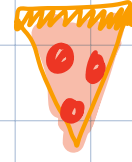
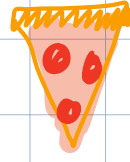
Three people?



pizzabox



pizzabox



will eat everything to right of box

will eat anything between boundary

# of slices

$$\binom{k+2}{2} \text{ ways}$$

# of boundaries

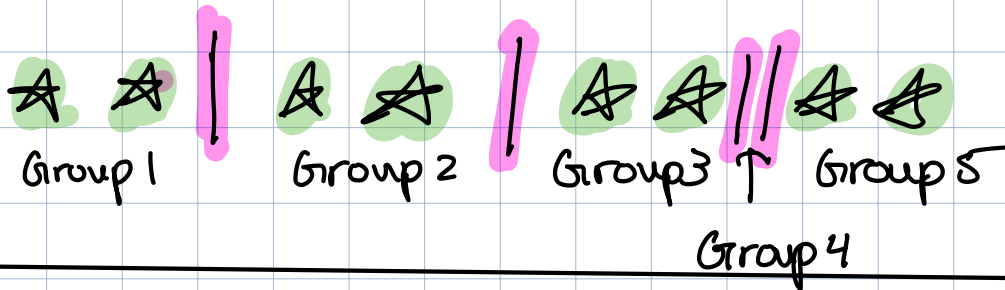
Formally

order doesn't matter  
can repeat

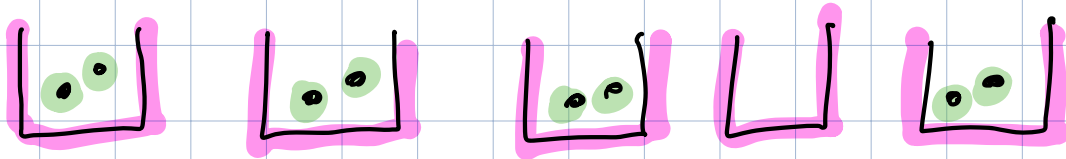
if we have  $n$  piles and  $k$  items

people (Bins)  $\cong$  (Balls)  
(Bars)  $\cong$  (stars)

stars & bars



balls & bins



Need  $n-1$  boundaries for  $n$  piles

$$\binom{k+n-1}{n-1} \text{ ways}$$

Putting it together

Can reuse options (e.g. passwords)

Can't reuse options (e.g. people in photo)

Permutations  
(order matters)

$$n^k$$

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

Combinations  
(order doesn't matter)

$$\binom{k+n-1}{n-1}$$

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

Example:



10 pieces of candy

How many ways split candy? eg 9/1/0


balls =  $k = 10$

bins =  $n = 3$

$$\binom{10+3-1}{3-1}$$

$$\binom{12}{2}$$


Warning two equivalent formulas for balls & bins

$k$  items 

$N$  groups 

$$\binom{k+N-1}{N-1}$$

(What we used)

$k$  items 

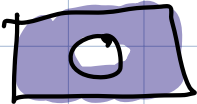
$N$  groups 

$$\binom{N+k-1}{k}$$

Equivalent due to left over principle



# Counting in summary:

- Sum rule: an  $\sim$ orn $\sim$  of options
  - if disjoint  $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|$
  - if not, use PIE:  $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$
- Product rule: an  $\sim$ and $\sim$  of options  
 $|A \times B| = |A| \cdot |B|$
- Counting strategies
  - Count-by-partition: break into disjoint subsets, combine using sum rule
  - Count-by-complement: count items not of interest   $|U - I| = |U| - |I|$
  - Count-by-simplification: look for simpler, equivalent problems

## Advice:

1. Clearly document approach (easier to find mistakes)
2. If stuck, review counting rules / strategies  
try solving simpler sub problem  
determine if order matters &  
are repeats allowed

1) How many passwords of length 5 can be made from vowels (upper and lowercase)?

A E I O U

10

order matters, can repeat

10 10 10 10 10

$$10^5$$

2) How many ways can I select 10 students in this room to give a million extra credit points to each?

(125 students)

order doesn't matter

$$n = 125$$

can't repeat

$$k = 10$$

$$\binom{125}{10} = \frac{125!}{10!115!}$$

3) 10 countries each have one woman swimming in the women's 200m freestyle. How many ways might the podium's nationality be arranged?  
(e.g. in Tokyo 2020 it was Australia, Hong Kong (China) & Canada)

order matters, no repeats

$$n = 10, k = 3$$

$$P(10, 3) = \frac{10!}{7!}$$

4) How many ways can we order 14 pizza for our TAs from a pizza place which serves 3 types of pizza (cheese, pepperoni, veggie)? Assume a whole pizza may only be of one type.

order doesn't matter

can repeat

$$\text{Balls} = k = 14$$

$$\text{Bins} = n = 3$$

$$\binom{14+3-1}{3-1} = \binom{16}{2} = \frac{16!}{14!2!} = \binom{16}{14}$$



e) I've got 3 pairs of pants, 2 shirts and 5 hats. How many outfits (pants, shirt & hat) can I wear if I won't wear one pair of pants with either 1 shirt or 1 hat?

i.e. won't wear pant A w/ shirt B and pant A w/ hat C  
 complement  $\rightarrow$  partition

$\overline{P} \quad \overline{S} \quad \overline{H}$

$U =$  all possible outfits

$I =$  shirt B w/ pant A  $\sim$  or  $\sim$  pant A w/ hat C

$$|U| = \frac{3}{P} \cdot \frac{2}{S} \cdot \frac{5}{H} = 30$$

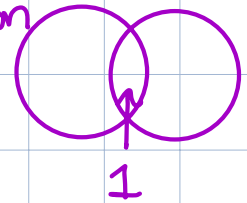
$$|U| - |I| = \boxed{24}$$

$$|I| = |A_P \text{ w/ } B_S| + |A_P \text{ w/ } C_H| - 1 = 6$$

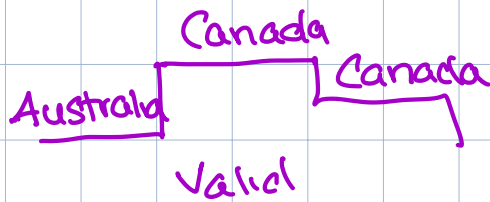
$$\frac{1}{P} \cdot \frac{1}{S} \cdot \frac{5}{H} + \frac{1}{P} \cdot \frac{2}{S} \cdot \frac{1}{H}$$

$\frac{A}{P} \quad \frac{B}{S} \quad \frac{C}{H}$

Intersection



7) <sup>5</sup> countries each have <sup>2</sup> ~~one~~ woman swimming in the women's 200m freestyle. How many ways might the podium's nationality be arranged?  
 (e.g. in Tokyo 2020 it was Australia, Hong Kong (China) & Canada) (partition)



No nation repeated  
 (order matters, no repeat)

$$\underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \cdot \underline{3}$$

$$P(S, 3)$$

nation is repeated  
 (trickier)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \underline{A} \quad \underline{A} \quad \underline{B} \quad \underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \\ \underline{A} \quad \underline{B} \quad \underline{A} \quad \underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \\ \underline{B} \quad \underline{A} \quad \underline{A} \quad \underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$5 \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 4$$

$$3 \cdot (5 \cdot 4)$$

8) <sup>5</sup> countries each have <sup>3</sup> woman swimming in the women's 200m freestyle. How many ways might the podium's nationality be arranged?  
 (e.g. in tokyo 2020 it was Australia, Hong Kong (China) & Canada)

No nation repeated | 2 repeated | 3 times  
 " " | " " | A A A S

$$\frac{5!}{3!} + 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 + 5$$

How many ways can we order 14 pizza for our TAs from a pizza place which serves 3 types of pizza (cheese, pepperoni, veggie)? Assume a whole pizza may only be of one type.

(++) redo the pizza problem, relaxing our assumption that the whole pizza may only be of one type. Instead, assume each half of the pizza may only be of one type.

Bins are still pizza types, we just have more options

CP  
CC

CV  
VV

PV  
PP

6 bins, 14 pizza

$$\binom{14+6-1}{6-1} = \binom{19}{5}$$