

DM 551 Lecture 1 2/9 2021

6.1 Basic counting

Why interesting for CS?

- determine # solutions to a problem
- complexity of algorithms
- list all subjects with given properties
- passwords

$$\text{Product rule: } |A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_k| = \prod_{i=1}^k |A_i|$$

In words: If a procedure can be broken into a sequence of k tasks such that there are n_i ways to perform task i , then there are $n_1 \cdot n_2 \cdot \dots \cdot n_k$ ways to do the procedure

Example 3 32 computers each with 24 ports
Find # of different ports in total

$A_1 = \{\text{computers}\}$ $A_2 = \{\text{ports}\}$

$(i, j) \sim \text{port } j \text{ on computer } i$

$$|A_1 \times A_2| = |A_1| \cdot |A_2| = 32 \cdot 24 = 768$$

Example 4 Find # of bit strings of length n

$$A_i = \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$|A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n| = 2^n$$

Example 6 # of functions $f: A \rightarrow B$ when $|A| = m$
 $|B| = n$

Each of the elements of A can map to any of the n elements of B so with

$A_i = \{ \text{possible image of element } i \}$ we have

$$|A_i| = n \text{ and hence}$$

$$\text{Number of functions} = |A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n| = n^m$$

Example 7 # of 1-1 functions $f: A \rightarrow B$ when $|A| = m$ ($|B| = n$)

Recall: f is 1-1 if $f(x) = f(y) \Rightarrow x = y$

Can 1 $m > n$: no solution (see next section, pigeonhole principle)

Can 2 $m \leq n$:

Say $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m\}$, then there are

n choices of image for a_1

$n-1$ ———— 1 ———— a_2

\vdots

$n-i+1$ ———— a_i

$$\text{so there are } n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-m+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-m)!}$$

1-1 functions from A to B

Example 10 Number of subsets of an n -set A ($|A|=n$)

NB: This only depends on the size of A , not the type of elements!

$$A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$$

There is a 1-1 correspondence between subsets of A and bit strings of length n :

$$b_1 b_2 \dots b_i \dots b_n \quad \text{where} \quad b_i = 1 \Leftrightarrow a_i \in A' = A'(b)$$

We saw that there are 2^n bit strings of length n
so there are 2^n subsets of an n -set

$$\emptyset \sim 000 \dots 0$$

$$\{a_1\} \sim 1000 \dots 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A \sim 1111 \dots 1$$

$$\text{Sum rule } A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset \Rightarrow |A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2|$$

In words: If a task can be done in either one of n_1 ways or in one of n_2 ways, where none of the n_1 ways is the same as one of the n_2 ways, then there are $n_1 + n_2$ ways to do the task

Example 12 Need a person for a committee

should be either a math faculty or $n_1 = 37$ such

a math student $n_2 = 83$ such

Then # choices is $37 + 83 = 120$

Generalized sum rule: If $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \forall i \neq j$ then
 $|A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n| = |A_1| + |A_2| + \dots + |A_n|$

Proof: by induction on n

$n=2$ is the sum rule

• assume formula holds for $n-1$ sets satisfying the condition and let $C = A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_{n-1}$

• Then $C \cap A_n = \emptyset$ as $A_i \cap A_n = \emptyset$ so the

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum rule gives } |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n| &= |C \cup A_n| = |C| + |A_n| \\ &= |A_1| + \dots + |A_{n-1}| + |A_n| \end{aligned}$$

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Example 16 Passwords of length 6, 7 or 8 characters

Rules (i) each character $\in \{ \text{upper case letter} \cup \{ \text{digit} \} \}$
(ii) at least one digit

passwords $P = P_6 + P_7 + P_8$ $P_i = \# \text{ of pw of length } i$
 \uparrow
by the sum rule

Finding P_6 : difficult if we try different places for digits as we may double count! \therefore

instead count bad pw of length 6 (only upper case letters)

By product rule there are 26^6 such pw

By product rule there are 36^6 strings of length 6

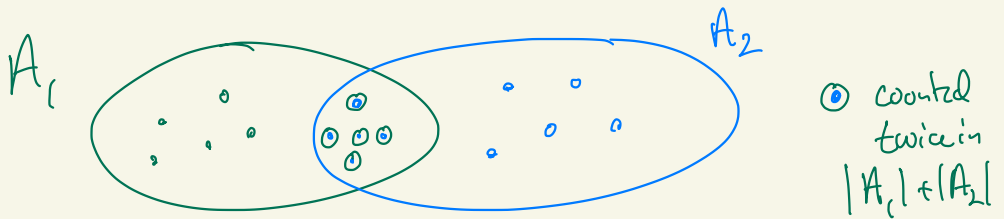
$$\text{so } P_6 = 36^6 - 26^6$$

$$\text{similarly } P_7 = 36^7 - 26^7 \quad P_8 = 36^8 - 26^8$$

$$\text{so } P = (36^6 - 26^6) + (36^7 - 26^7) + (36^8 - 26^8)$$

Exact number NOT important here!

Inclusion-exclusion principle: $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2|$
 subtraction rule



Example 18 # bitstrings of length 8 of the form

$1a_2 \dots a_8$ or $a_1 a_2 \dots a_6 00$

$$A_1 = \{1a_2 a_3 \dots a_8 \mid a_i \in \{0,1\}, i=2, \dots, 8\} \quad |A_1| = 2^7 = 128$$

$$A_2 = \{a_1 a_2 \dots a_6 00 \mid a_i \in \{0,1\}, i=1, \dots, 6\} \quad |A_2| = 2^6 = 64$$

$$A_1 \cap A_2 = \{1a_2 a_3 \dots a_6 00 \mid a_i \in \{0,1\}, i=2, 3, \dots, 6\} \quad |A_1 \cap A_2| = 2^5 = 32$$

$$\text{So } |A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2| = 128 + 64 - 32 = 160$$

Example 19 350 applicants for positions

220 are CS majors

A_1

147 are business majors

A_2

51 are both CS and business majors

$A_1 \cap A_2$

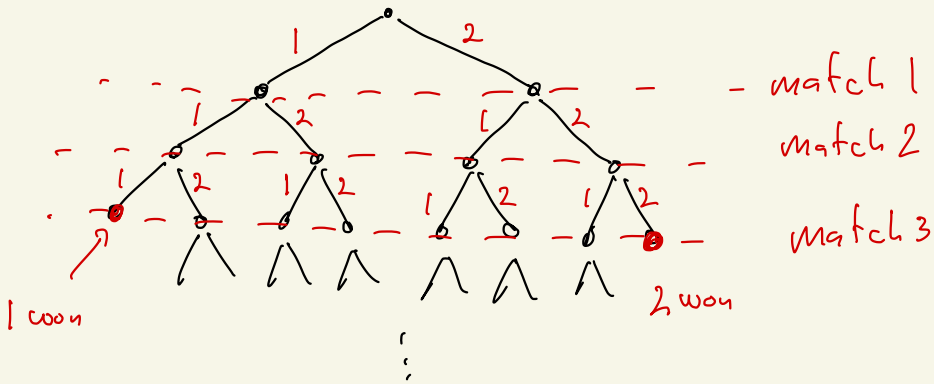
$$|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_2| = 220 + 147 - 51 = 316$$

So $350 - |A_1 \cup A_2| = 350 - 316 = 34$ are neither CS major or business major

Tree diagrams (count using trees)

- branches at vertex = possible choices
- leaves = possible outcomes

Example: best of 5 game between two teams



see Figur 5 page 4/6.

6.2 The pigeon hole principle

Theorem 1 If $k+1$ objects are placed in k boxes, then at least one box will have more than one element

proof (by contradiction)

suppose no box has more than 1 element, then there are at most $k \cdot 1 = k$ objects in total $\rightarrow \Leftarrow$

Theorem 2 If we place N objects in k boxes, then some box has at least $\lceil \frac{N}{k} \rceil$ objects

proof (by contradiction)

suppose $\leq \lceil \frac{N}{k} \rceil - 1$ in each then

$$N = \# \text{ object} \leq k \cdot (\lceil \frac{N}{k} \rceil - 1) < k \left(\left(\frac{N}{k} + 1 \right) - 1 \right) = N \rightarrow \Leftarrow$$

Example 4 For every integer n there exist integer k so that kN has only 0's and 1's in its decimal expansion

How to show this using

php = pigeon hole principle?

Given n consider the $n+1$ numbers with decimal representations

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & , & 11 & , & 111 & , & \dots , & \overbrace{111 \dots}^{n+1} \\ N_1 & & N_2 & & N_3 & & & N_{n+1} \end{array}$$

There are only n remainders with respect to division by n ($0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$)

$$\text{Pigeonhole} \Rightarrow \exists i \neq j \text{ s.t. } i < j \text{ and}$$

$$N_j \bmod n = N_i \bmod n$$

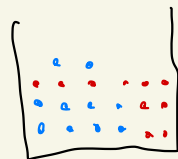
$$\Downarrow N_j - N_i = k \cdot n \text{ for some integer } k$$

$$\text{and } N_j - N_i = \underbrace{11 \dots}_{j-i} \underbrace{00 \dots}_i$$

Example (not in book)

A box contains 10 red and 10 blue balls

How many balls must we select to be sure to have at least 3 balls with the same colour?



Answer think of having two boxes B, R

and drop each red/blue ball picked up in R/B

If no box has at least 3, then we have taken at most

$2 \times 2 = 4$ balls 5 is the smallest N such that

$\lceil \frac{N}{2} \rceil \geq 3$ NB: the number of red/blue balls played no role

Example 11 $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n+1} \in \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$
 \Downarrow $\exists a_i, a_j$ such that a_i divides a_j

Proof Each integer a_i can be written as $a_i = 2^{k_i} q_i$
where q_i is an odd number

So q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{n+1} are all odd and there are only
 n odd numbers in $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$

By p.p. we have $q_i = q_j$ for some pair $i \neq j$

without loss of generality $k_i \leq k_j$ so we have

$$a_i = 2^{k_i} q_i \quad \text{and} \quad a_j = 2^{k_i} 2^{k_j - k_i} q_i \quad \text{so} \quad a_i \text{ divides } a_j$$

$n+1$ is best possible:

if we let $a_i = n+i$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

then we have n numbers $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$

so that no number divides another.

Example 12' (not same numbers as in book)

The sequence 3, 7, 1, 2, 4, 10, 11, 8, 12

contains $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, a_{i_3}, a_{i_4}$ with $i_1 < i_2 < i_3 < i_4$

such that $a_{i_1} < a_{i_2} < a_{i_3} < a_{i_4}$ increasing sequence

But no sequence of four $j_1 < j_2 < j_3 < j_4$ s.t

$$a_{j_1} > a_{j_2} > a_{j_3} > a_{j_4}$$

Theorem Every sequence of n^2+1 distinct real numbers $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n^2+1}$

contains $a_{i_1}, a_{i_2}, \dots, a_{i_n}$ s.t $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_n$

and either $a_{i_1} < a_{i_2} < \dots < a_{i_n}$

or $a_{i_1} > a_{i_2} > \dots > a_{i_n}$

Proof

let i_k = length of longest increasing sequence starting from a_k

$$\textcircled{a_k} < \bigcirc < \bigcirc < \bigcirc < \dots < \bigcirc$$

\rightarrow

and d_k = length of longest decreasing sequence starting at a_k

$$\textcircled{a_k} > \bigcirc > \bigcirc > \bigcirc \dots \bigcirc$$

If the claim is false then for all $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n^2+1\}$
all the pairs (i_k, d_k) satisfy that $i_k, d_k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Then are n^2+1 such pairs so $\exists p, q$ s.t. $(i_q, d_q) = (i_p, d_p)$
when we can assume that $p < q$

If $a_p < a_q$ then $i_p > i_q \rightarrow \Leftarrow$

$$a_p < \textcircled{a_q} < \bigcirc < \bigcirc \dots < \bigcirc$$

If $a_p > a_q$ then $d_p > d_q \rightarrow \Leftarrow$

$$a_p > \textcircled{a_q} > \bigcirc > \bigcirc > \dots > \bigcirc$$

n^2+1 is best possible when $n=2$:

5, 4, 7, 6 no \nearrow length 3

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Example 13 Ramsey theory

Given 6 persons which are pairwise either friends or enemies. There are always 3 persons who are all friends or 3 persons who are all enemies

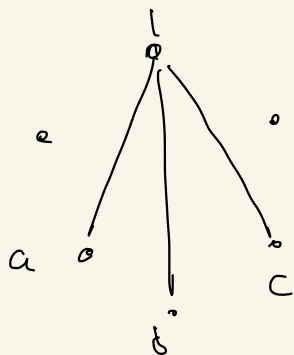
proof represent as a colored complete graph on 6 vertices

$a \text{ --- } b = a \text{ and } b \text{ are friends}$

$a \text{ --- } b = a \text{ and } b \text{ are enemies}$

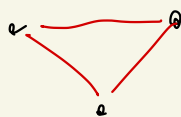
Fix person 1 and look at relation to persons 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
By pigeonhole there are 3 persons among 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 who are all friends or all enemies with person 1

Without loss of generality we have

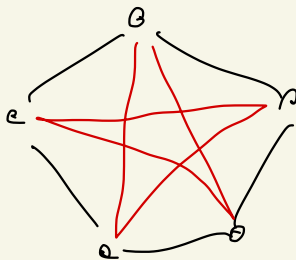


so either we get

or



6 is best possible:



6.3 Permutations and Combinations

r -permutation of an n -set S : pick r distinct elements a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r from S when the order matters

$P(n, r) = \#$ r -permutations of an n -set

$$P(n, r) = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-r+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

proof: by product rule we have n choices for a_1
 $n-1$ for a_2

\vdots
 $n-r+1$ for a_r \square

Note $P(n, 0) = 1$ as there is exactly one way to choose 0 elements namely take the empty set

r -combination of an n -set S : pick r distinct elements a_1, a_2, \dots, a_r from S when order does not matter

$C(n, r) = \#$ r -combinations of an n -set

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

proof Each fixed r -permutation can be obtained from an r -combination by permuting these r elements

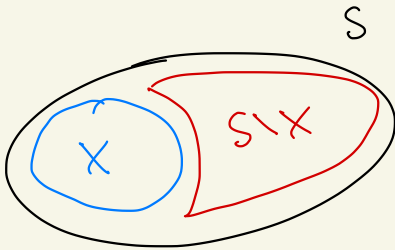
This can be done in $r!$ ways so $P(n, r) = r! C(n, r)$

$$\text{Notation } C(n, r) \sim \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Example 11 # poker hands from deck of 52 cards
is $\binom{52}{5}$

Note that $\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n}{n-r}$ as $n - (n-r) = r$

Combinatorial proof of this (count elements on both sides of equality)



Each r -set X corresponds
1-1 to one $(n-r)$ -set, namely

$$\begin{aligned} & S \setminus X \\ \Downarrow & \\ \# \text{ } r\text{-sets in } S & \quad \binom{n}{r} \\ = \# \text{ } (n-r)\text{-sets in } S & \quad \binom{n}{n-r} \end{aligned}$$

6.4 Binomial coefficients

$\binom{n}{r}$ also called a binomial coefficient because it occurs as a coefficient in the expansion of $(x+y)^n$.

$$(x+y)^2 = x^2 + 2xy + y^2$$

$$(x+y)^3 = x^3 + 3x^2y + 3xy^2 + y^3$$

$$\text{Theorem } (x+y)^n = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{j} x^{n-j} y^j \quad \text{Binomial Theorem}$$

proof: the terms are of the form $x^{n-j} y^j$ for $j=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ and the coefficient to $x^{n-j} y^j$ is the number of ways we can choose j y 's from the n parentheses so it is $\binom{n}{j}$ \square

applications of the binomial theorem

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n \quad (\text{take } x=y=1)$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} = 0 \quad (\text{take } x=1, y=-1)$$

Pascal's identity

$$\forall n, k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } n \geq k \quad \binom{n+1}{k} = \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1}$$

proof: fix one element a in an $(n+1)$ -set T and
let $S = T \setminus \{a\}$

Then are $\binom{n}{k}$ k -subsets of T which do not
contain a

Then are $\binom{n}{k-1}$ k -subsets of T that do contain
 a the remaining $k-1$ elements form a $(k-1)$ -subset
of S \square

This and $\binom{n}{0} = \binom{n}{n} = 1$ gives a recursive formula
for binomial coefficients using only addition

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & 1 & & & & \\ & & 1 & 2 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & 3 & 3 & 1 & & \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & 4 & 1 & & \\ 1 & 5 & 10 & 10 & 5 & 1 & \end{array}$$

Pascal's triangle

Vandermonde: when $r \leq \min\{n, m\}$

$$\binom{n+m}{r} = \sum_{k=0}^r \binom{m}{r-k} \binom{n}{k}$$

r -set

