

# Lecture 14 - 1348



Now on Website

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Set of Old Exam Questions  
Solutions soon. Some will be done in DGD's
- Next Monday - Review for Second Midterm  
Be there!

Last time - Section 5.1 Counting

Two fundamental principles of counting

## Product Rule

If an activity can be done in  $t$  successive steps  
and  
step 1 can be done in  $n_1$  ways  
" 2 " " "  $n_2$  ways  
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step  $t$  " " "  $n_t$  ways,

then the # of outcomes of the activity is the  
product  $n_1 n_2 \cdots n_t$ .

## Sum Rule

Suppose that  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_t$  are sets and

that  $X_1$  has  $n_1$  elements  
 $X_2$  has  $n_2$  elements  
 $\vdots$   
 $X_k$  has  $n_k$  elements.

(2)

Suppose that the sets are all disjoint, i.e.  $\forall i, j$  if  $i \neq j$ , then  $X_i \cap X_j = \emptyset$

Then the # of possible elements that can be selected from  $X_1$  or  $X_2$  or ... or  $X_k$  is

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k$$

Ex: An n-bit string is a string of length  $n$  made up entirely of 0's and 1's.

Q1 How many 8-bit strings begin with either 101 or 111? (Uses both rule)

1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1

$$2^5 + 2^5 = 64$$

Q2 In how many ways can we pick 2 books from different subjects among 3 math books 5 art books and 2 history books?

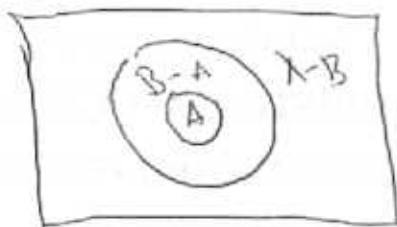
$$5 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 2 + 5 \cdot 2 = 31$$

Why?

Q3. Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -element set. How many ordered pairs  $(A, B)$  are there such that  $A, B$  are subsets of  $X$  and  $A \subseteq B$ ? (3)

Solution: Given an ordered pair  $(A, B)$  such that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq X$ , note that each element in  $X$  is exactly one of the 3 following sets

$A, B-A, X-B$



On the other hand, if we assign each element of  $X$  to one of the 3 sets  $A, B-A$  or  $X-B$ , we obtain a unique ordered pair  $(A, B)$  of the right type. (We get  $B$  by taking the union of  $A$  and  $B-A$ .)

So Answer  $3^n$   $\square$

## 5.2 Pigeonhole Principle

Pigeonhole Principle (first version)

If  $n$  pigeons fly into  $k$  pigeonholes and  $k < n$ , then some pigeonhole contains

at least 2 pigeons.

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Who cares?

Ex1 Suppose that 10 people are in a room. Among these 10 people there are 3 distinct first names, A, B, C and 3 distinct last names D, E, F. Show that there are (at least) 2 people with the same first & last name.

Proof: There are 9 distinct combinations of a first name and a last name. There are 10 different people. Imagine that the people are pigeons. The 9 names are pigeonholes. Grouping a person & name corresponds to putting a pigeon in a pigeonhole.  $\square$

Second Version of Pigeonhole principle

If  $f$  is a function from a finite set  $X$  to a finite set  $Y$  and  $|X| > |Y|$ , then there are

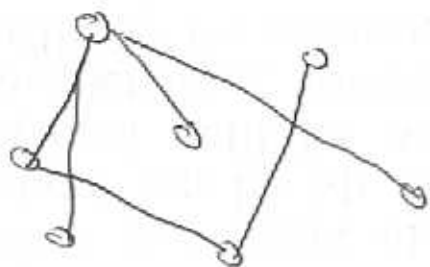
2 different elements of  $X$ ,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  s.t.

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

$$x_1 \neq x_2$$

Ex2 If 20 computers are interconnected,

as in



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Show that at least 2 computers are connected to the same # of other computers.

Proof: Number the computers  $1, 2, \dots, 20$ .

Then note that a computer can be connected to at most 19 other computers. So if we assign to each computer the # of other computers to which it is attached.

So we set a function

$$\{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{20}\} \longrightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 19\}$$

Both sets have twenty elements, so PHP does not apply.

Is there a trick? Yes. Is it possible to have both 0 and 19 in image? No. Why not?

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Ex 4, p 348. Show that for any integer  $n$ ,  
there is a multiple of  $n$  whose decimal expansion  
consists only of 0's and 1's.

Proof: Consider

1, 11, 111, 1111, 11111, etc

$\underbrace{11111 \dots 1}_{n+1 \text{ 1's}}$

Divide each of these #'s by  $n$ .

There are  $n$  possible different remainders

0, 1, 2, ...,  $n-1$ .

So two #'s must have same remainder.

Subtract the smaller one from the bigger one, and you  
are done.

Ex:  $n=4$

1, 11, 111, 1111, 11111

remainder 1, 3, 3, 3, 3

1111 - 111 = 1000, which is divisible by 4.

## Generalized pigeonhole principle

If  $k$  is any real #, then  $\lceil k \rceil$  is the smallest integer greater than  $k$ .

If  $N$  objects are placed into  $k$  boxes, there is at least one box containing  $\lceil N/k \rceil$  objects.