

6.2: Combinations with repetitions.

What is the number of r -combinations of $\{n_1 \cdot 1, n_2 \cdot 2, \dots, n_k \cdot k\}$?

If $k = 1$; The number of r -combinations of $\{n \cdot a\} =$ _____

If $r = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$:

The # of r -combinations of $\{n_1 \cdot 1, n_2 \cdot 2, \dots, n_k \cdot k\} =$ _____

If $r > \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$:

The # of r -combinations of $\{n_1 \cdot 1, n_2 \cdot 2, \dots, n_k \cdot k\} =$ _____

If $n_i = 1 \forall i$:

The number of r -combinations of $\{1, 2, \dots, k\} =$ _____

If $n_i \geq r \forall i$:

The number of r -combinations of $\{n_1 \cdot 1, n_2 \cdot 2, \dots, n_k \cdot k\}$

= the number of integral solutions to $\sum_{i=1}^k x_i = r$

= the number of permutations of $\{r \cdot 1, (k-1) \cdot +\}$

$$= \binom{r+k-1}{r} = \frac{(r+k-1)!}{r!(k-1)!}$$

What if $2 \leq n_i < r - 1$?

Ex: The number of 10-combinations of $\{3 \cdot a, 9 \cdot b\}$

This problem is small enough to break into cases & use **sum rule**:

A 10-subset of $\{3 \cdot a, 9 \cdot b\}$ is of the form $\{n_1 \cdot a, n_2 \cdot b\}$ where

$$n_1 = 0 : \quad n_1 = 1 : \quad n_1 = 2 : \quad n_1 = 3 :$$

Thus the number of 10-combinations of $\{3 \cdot a, 4 \cdot b\} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Can also use inclusion-exclusion:

Let $S =$ set of all 10-combinations of $\{\infty \cdot a, \infty \cdot b\}$, $|S| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Let $A_1 =$ set of all 10-combinations of $\{\infty \cdot a, \infty \cdot b\}$
containing more than 3 a 's, $|A_1| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

I.e., A_1 can have 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 a 's. $10 - 3 = 7$.

I.e., $|A_1| =$ the number of 6 combinations of $\{\infty \cdot a, \infty \cdot b\} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ■

Let $A_2 =$ set of all 10-combinations of $\{\infty \cdot a, \infty \cdot b\}$
containing more than 9 b 's, $|A_2| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$A_1 \cup A_2 =$ set of all 10-combinations of $\{\infty \cdot a, \infty \cdot b\}$
containing more than 3 a 's and more than 9 b 's = $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$\overline{A_1 \cup A_2} =$ The number of 10-combinations of $\{3 \cdot a, 9 \cdot b\}$

$$= \frac{(10+1)!}{10!1!} - (10-3) - (10-9) + 0 = 11 - 8 = 3$$

What if $3 \leq n_i \leq r - 1$? Use inclusion-exclusion (Usually).

Ex: The number of integral solutions to $\sum_{i=1}^5 x_i = 20$
where $-2 \leq x_i \leq 7 \forall i$

= The number of integral solutions to $\sum_{i=1}^5 y_i = 30$
where $0 \leq y_i \leq 9 \forall i$

= The number of 30-combinations of the
multiset $\{9 \cdot a_1, 9 \cdot a_2, 9 \cdot a_3, 9 \cdot a_4, 9 \cdot a_5\}$

Pf: Let $y_i = x_i + 2$

See example in book for case when the number of a_i 's is not the same $\forall i$.

Let $S =$ the set of integral solutions to $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5 = 30$
where $0 \leq y_i \forall i$

Then $|S| =$ the number of permutations of $\{30 \cdot 1, 4 \cdot +\} =$

For $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,$

let $A_i =$ the set of integral solutions to $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5 = 30$
where $10 \leq y_i$

Ex: $(10, 5, 5, 5, 5) \in A_1, (0, 20, 7, 2, 1) \in A_2,$
 $(0, 0, 10, 10, 10) \in A_3 \cap A_4 \cap A_5$

Then $\overline{\cup_{i=1}^5 A_i} =$ the set of of integral solutions to $\sum_{i=1}^5 y_i = 30$
where $0 \leq y_i \leq 9 \forall i$

Note $|A_1| = |A_2| = |A_3| = |A_4| = |A_5|$.

Note $|A_1| =$ The number of 30-combinations of the multiset $\{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \infty \cdot a_4, \infty \cdot a_5\}$ containing more than 9 a_1 's.

The number of 30-combinations of the multiset $\{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \infty \cdot a_4, \infty \cdot a_5\}$ containing at least 10 a_1 's.

= The number of 20-combinations of the multiset $\{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \infty \cdot a_4, \infty \cdot a_5\}$

= the set of integral solutions to $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5 = 30$
where $y_1 \geq 10$ and $y_i \geq 0$ for $i = 2, 3, 4, 5$

= the set of integral solutions to $z_1 + z_2 + z_3 + z_4 + z_5 = 20$
where $z_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

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Note $|A_i \cap A_j| = |A_1 \cap A_2|$ for $i \neq j$.

The number of 30-combinations of the multiset $\{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \infty \cdot a_4, \infty \cdot a_5\}$ containing at least 10 a_1 's and at least 10 a_2 's

The number of 10-combinations of the multiset $\{\infty \cdot a_1, \infty \cdot a_2, \infty \cdot a_3, \infty \cdot a_4, \infty \cdot a_5\} =$

Etc. (see class notes).

Read book for examples where the pairwise intersections are not all identical