

Counting Part 2

Part I

1. a. Using one RED, one BLUE, one GREEN, and one ORANGE disc, list all the ways you can choose a set of 2 discs if the order in which you choose them *does not* matter, i.e., choosing RB is the same as choosing BR. The list of 6 has been started for you.

RB, RG, RO, _____, _____, _____

b. There is a total of _____ ways to choose 2 of 4 discs, where order doesn't matter. When order mattered, there were $P(4, 2) = 12$ ways to arrange them. Now that order doesn't matter, there are only 6 ways to choose the set of two.

2. a. If you had 5 discs of different colors (R, B, G, O, P), list all the ways that you could choose a set of 4 in which the order that the discs are chosen doesn't matter, i.e., RBGO is the same as GRBO.

b. There is a total of _____ ways to choose 4 of 5 discs, where order doesn't matter.

If order mattered, there would be $P(5, 4) = 120$ ways to arrange these discs. Now that order doesn't matter, there are only 5 ways to choose the set of four.

A selection of objects, where order does NOT matter, is called a *combination*. The number of combinations of n objects taken r at a time is

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

Using this notation, the number of ways to choose 2 of the 4 colored discs in 1. is $C(4, 2)$ and the number of ways to choose 4 of 5 colored discs in 2. is $C(5, 4)$.

The formula above may be used, but there is a built-in function on your calculator that will calculate the numerical value of $C(n, r)$. Enter the value of n , press MATH, cursor right to the PRB menu, choose option 3, enter the value of r , and press ENTER.

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Verify your answers to 1. and 2. on your calculator.

3. Find the number of ways to choose 6 crayons from a box of 24 crayons. $C(\underline{\hspace{1cm}}, \underline{\hspace{1cm}}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

4. Find the number of ways to choose 3 pens and 4 pencils from a drawer containing 8 pens and 12 pencils.

a. In how many ways can the 3 pens be chosen from the 8 in the drawer? $C(\underline{\hspace{1cm}}, \underline{\hspace{1cm}}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

b. In how many ways can the 4 pencils be chosen from the 12 in the drawer? $C(\underline{\hspace{1cm}}, \underline{\hspace{1cm}}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

c. In how many ways can **both** the pens **and** pencils be chosen?

Hint: Use the Multiplication Principle.

$$\frac{\hspace{2cm}}{\text{\# of ways to choose pens}} \times \frac{\hspace{2cm}}{\text{\# of ways to choose pencils}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Some examples of other situations involving combinations are

- Choosing a 3-member committee from a group of 40 people (order does not matter since the 3 people are being chosen for the same job);
- Choosing a committee of 3 males and 1 female from a club with 7 male and 8 female members;
- Selecting a sample of 8 light bulbs in which 2 are defective from a box of 30 bulbs that contains 10 defectives.

Part II

1. In how many ways can two sets of 5 dominoes be selected from a box of 28 dominoes?

$$\begin{array}{l}
 C(\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad}) \times C(\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad}) = \underline{\hspace{4cm}} \\
 \# \text{ of ways to choose} \quad \# \text{ of ways to choose} \\
 5 \text{ dominoes from } 28 \quad 5 \text{ dominoes from the remaining} \\
 \text{for the 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ hand} \quad 23 \text{ dominoes for the 2}^{\text{nd}} \text{ hand}
 \end{array}$$

Note: $C(28, 10)$ is incorrect since it would give the number of ways to select 10 dominoes from the set of 28, but does not indicate which 5 dominoes go to which hand.

2. Suppose you buy 9 different canned goods at the grocery store and you want to arrange them in your pantry. The bottom shelf fits 9 cans and the top shelf fits 6 cans.

- In how many ways can all 9 be arranged on the bottom shelf? _____
- In how many ways can 6 of the 9 cans be arranged on the top shelf? _____
- Of the 9 cans, 2 are canned vegetables, 3 are canned fruit, and 4 are soups. If you want to arrange all 9 cans on the bottom shelf *by type*, in how many ways can this be done?

One possible arrangement of the 9 cans is the following: $\underbrace{V_1 V_2}_{\text{vegetable cans}} \underbrace{F_1 F_2 F_3}_{\text{fruit cans}} \underbrace{S_1 S_2 S_3 S_4}_{\text{soup cans}}$

To create other arrangements, you can rearrange the order in which the groups appear and you can rearrange the cans within each group. For example, another possible arrangement is

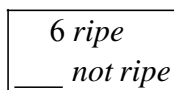
$\underbrace{S_3 S_2 S_4 S_1}_{\text{soup cans}} \underbrace{V_2 V_1}_{\text{vegetable cans}} \underbrace{F_1 F_3 F_2}_{\text{fruit cans}}$. The total number of arrangements is found as follows:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \times \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \times \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \times \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{4cm}} \\
 \# \text{ of ways to} \quad \# \text{ of ways to} \quad \# \text{ of ways to} \quad \# \text{ of ways to} \quad \text{total \# of ways to arrange} \\
 \text{arrange the 3} \quad \text{arrange the 2} \quad \text{arrange the 3} \quad \text{arrange the 4} \quad \text{cans by type} \\
 \text{groups} \quad \text{vegetable cans} \quad \text{fruit cans} \quad \text{soup cans}
 \end{array}$$

3. At a fruit stand there are 15 watermelons, of which 6 are ripe. A sample of 7 watermelons is selected at random. How many samples would have exactly 5 ripe watermelons?

a. If 6 of the watermelons are ripe, then _____ are not ripe.

15 total



b. In the sample of 7, if you want to select exactly 5 ripe watermelons, then you will have exactly _____ unripe watermelons in that sample.

c. The 5 ripe watermelons in your sample must be chosen from the 6 ripe watermelons at the fruit stand. Similarly, the 2 unripe watermelons in your sample must be chosen from the 9 unripe watermelons.

$$C(\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad}) \times C(\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

of ways to choose 5 ripe watermelons from 6 ripe available # of ways to choose 2 unripe watermelons from 9 unripe available

Note: $C(6, 5)$ without $C(9, 2)$ is incorrect since this only accounts for choosing 5 things in your sample. When dealing with counting problems, you must choose everything that is in your sample.

Recall the problem situation: At a fruit stand there are 15 watermelons, of which 6 are ripe. A sample of 7 watermelons is selected at random.

- d. How many samples of 7 would have exactly 4 or exactly 5 ripe watermelons?

The word “or” here breaks up this problem into two separate cases, which can be combined using the union rule.

$$n(\text{exactly 4} \cup \text{exactly 5 ripe}) = n(\text{exactly 4 ripe}) + n(\text{exactly 5 ripe}) - n(\text{exactly 4 ripe} \cap \text{exactly 5 ripe})$$

Note: Since you cannot have exactly 4 AND exactly 5 ripe watermelons in the same sample, then $n(\text{exactly 4 ripe} \cap \text{exactly 5 ripe}) = 0$. Therefore,

$$n(\text{exactly 4 ripe} \cup \text{exactly 5 ripe}) = \underset{\text{choose 4 ripe}}{C(\underline{\quad}, 4)} \underset{\text{choose 3 unripe}}{C(\underline{\quad}, \underline{\quad})} + \underset{\text{5 ripe, 2 unripe}}{C(6, 5)C(9, 2)} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

- e. How many samples contain at least 1 ripe watermelon?

“At least 1” means “1 or more” ripe watermelons in the sample. This problem can be handled as in d.

$$n(\text{exactly 1 ripe} \cup \text{exactly 2 ripe} \cup \text{exactly 3 ripe} \cup \dots \cup \text{exactly 6 ripe}) = n(\text{exactly 1 ripe}) + n(\text{exactly 2 ripe}) + n(\text{exactly 3 ripe}) + \dots + n(\text{exactly 6 ripe})$$

Again there is no intersection to subtract off because all cases are mutually exclusive. Notice that even though the size of your sample is 7, you cannot have exactly 7 ripe watermelons since there are only 6 ripe watermelons at the fruit stand.

This method requires a large computation. An alternative method is to consider the complement of what you are counting.

What is the complement of “at least 1 ripe”? To see this, look at all the possible scenarios for a sample.

<u>Possible Samples of 7</u>	
0 ripe, 7 unripe	} “at least 1 ripe”
___ ripe, ___ unripe	
___ ripe, ___ unripe	
___ ripe, 4 unripe	
4 ripe, ___ unripe	
___ ripe, ___ unripe	
6 ripe, 1 unripe	

Looking at the above scenarios, the complement of “at least 1 ripe” is 0 ripe (and 7 unripe).

Take the total number of samples and subtract off the number of samples in the complement. In other words, subtract the number of samples that you do *not* want.

$$n(\text{at least 1 ripe}) = n(\text{total samples}) - n(\text{exactly 0 ripe})$$

$$= C(15, \text{choose any 7 from all watermelons}) - C(\text{choose 0 ripe}, 0)C(\text{choose 7 unripe}, \text{choose 7 unripe}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Note: Since $C(6, 0) = 1$, it is not necessary to write this piece above, although it helps in organization.

4. A school held auditions for the school play. Eleven (11) students tried out for an acting role and 12 students tried out to be an extra. The play requires 2 acting roles (1 lead and 1 supporting) and 5 extras. In how many ways can the positions in the play be determined?

$$\text{choose lead} \times \text{choose supporting} \times C(\text{choose 5 extras}, \text{choose 5 extras}) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Note: The two blanks for choosing the lead and supporting role above can be replaced by one blank and calculated as $P(11, 2)$ since 2 of the 11 students are being chosen and “arranged” into their specific roles. $C(11, 2)$ is incorrect since it would give the number of ways to choose 2 students from 11, but it does not specify which student gets which role.

5. A jar contains 10 coins, 12 marbles, and 6 erasers. If 8 items are selected at random from the jar, how many samples would contain exactly 2 coins or exactly 6 marbles?

$$n(\text{exactly 2 coins} \cup \text{exactly 6 marbles})$$

$$= n(\text{exactly 2 coins}) + n(\text{exactly 6 marbles}) - n(\text{exactly 2 coins} \cap \text{exactly 6 marbles})$$

a. If there are exactly 2 coins in a sample, how many items in the sample are not coins? _____

b. $n(\text{exactly 2 coins}) = \frac{\hspace{2cm}}{\text{choose 2 coins and 6 that are not coins}}$

c. If there are exactly 6 marbles in a sample, how many items in the sample are not marbles? _____

d. $n(\text{exactly 6 marbles}) = \frac{\hspace{2cm}}{\text{choose 6 marbles and 2 that are not marbles}}$

e. Is it possible to have exactly 2 coins and exactly 6 marbles in a sample at the same time? _____

f. $n(\text{exactly 2 coins} \cap \text{exactly 6 marbles}) = \frac{\hspace{2cm}}{\text{choose 2 coins AND 6 marbles}}$

g. $n(\text{exactly 2 coins} \cup \text{exactly 6 marbles}) =$

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} + \underline{\hspace{2cm}} - \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$= \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$