

NOTES:

Probability Practice - Week 1

09/04

1.1 a) $4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 4!$

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 1st 2nd 3rd 4th
 instrument instrument

answer: $4! = 24$

b) Jay and Jack can only play piano and drums, so either

1) Jay: Piano or 2) Jay: Drums
 Jack: Drums Jack: Piano

Jim and John must play the other 2.

answer: $2! \cdot 2! = 4$

1.2 a) $\boxed{?} \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{?}$ e.g. 309

\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow
2, 3, 4... or 9 0 or 1 1, 2, ... or 9
 (8 possible) 2 9

answer: $8 \cdot 2 \cdot 9 = 144$

b) $\boxed{4} \quad \boxed{?} \quad \boxed{?}$ \Rightarrow answer: $1 \cdot 2 \cdot 9 = 18$

\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow
 1 2 9

1.3 a) $8!$ from def of permutation

b) $00 \boxed{A B} 0000$ Trick: combine A and B into one unit, which gives $7!$ arrangements, but then each arrangement can have AB or BA

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\Rightarrow answer: $7! \cdot 2 = 10080$

\Rightarrow 2 seating types (M: male, F: female)

- \hookrightarrow 1) MFMFMFMF
 2) FMFMFMFM

$4!$ ways to choose order of men, and $4!$ for women.

answer: $4! \cdot 4! \cdot 2 = 1152$

d) 1) MMMMM FFF
 1 2 3 4

answer: $4! \cdot 5! = 2880$

↓
 arrange the men inside the circle

e) MF MF MF MF
 1 2 3 4

answer: $4! \cdot 2^4 = 384$

↓
 arrange the circles

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 arrange the couples inside the circles

1.4) Each handshake is an (unordered) subset of size 2 of the set $\{1, 2, \dots, 20\} \Rightarrow$ answer: $\binom{20}{2} = 190$

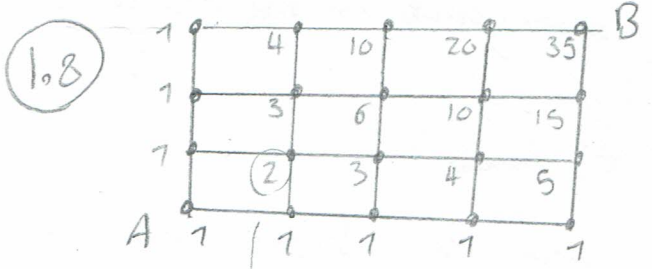
1.5) Ace, 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Jack Queen King } 13 types
 Each can be ♣ ♠ ♥ or ♦ } times 4

\Rightarrow 52 distinct cards ($4 \cdot 13 = 52$), we draw 5 cards from 52 \Rightarrow answer: $\binom{52}{5} = 2,598,960$

1.6) $\binom{10}{5} \cdot \binom{12}{5} \cdot 5! \leftarrow$ pair 5 men and 5 women
 answer: $\binom{10}{5} \cdot \binom{12}{5} \cdot 5! = 23,950,080$
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 choose women choose men

1.7) $\begin{matrix} \text{R} & \text{R} & \text{D} & \text{D} & \text{I} & \text{I} & \text{I} \\ \text{L} & \text{L} & \text{L} & \text{L} & \text{L} & \text{L} & \text{L} \end{matrix}$
 2 from 5 2 from 6 3 from 4

answer: $\binom{5}{2} \cdot \binom{6}{2} \cdot \binom{4}{3} = 10 \cdot 15 \cdot 4 = 600$



Example: There are 2 paths from A to there: \downarrow and \downarrow

answer: 35, but notice that the paths are a pascal pyramid. We go 4 to the right and 3 up to get to B, so its location in the pyramid is $\binom{7}{3} = 35$

1.11



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 $\binom{n}{1}$ ways to choose empty urn

distribute n balls into the remaining $n-1$ urns, with at least 1 in each urn.

- 2 balls have to be in the same urn $\binom{n}{2}$ choices
- Which urn has 2 balls? $\binom{n-1}{1}$ choices
- arrange the remaining $n-2$ balls: $(n-2)!$

good events: $\binom{n}{1} \cdot \binom{n}{2} \cdot \binom{n-1}{1} \cdot (n-2)!$

all events: n^n (n unique balls into n unique urns)

answer:
$$\frac{\binom{n}{1} \binom{n}{2} \cdot \binom{n-1}{1} \cdot (n-2)!}{n^n}$$

1.12

all events: $\binom{64}{8} \rightarrow$ 64 squares on the board
 $\binom{8}{8} \rightarrow$ 8 rooks

If none attack each other, then there can only be 1 in each row and column.

column 1: 8 possibilities
column 2: 7 possibilities
⋮
column 8: 1 possibility

} good events: $8!$

answer: $8! / \binom{64}{8}$

1.13



a) good: $\binom{n-N}{r}$, all $\binom{n}{r}$ answer: $\frac{\binom{n-N}{r}}{\binom{n}{r}}$

b) good: $(n-N)^r$, all n^r answer: $\left(\frac{n-N}{n}\right)^r$

1.14

a) all: $\binom{2n}{2r}$

good: $\binom{n}{2r} \cdot 2^{2r}$

→ from each pair, we can only pick 1 shoe, 2 possibilities (left, right)

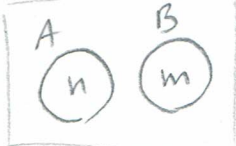
← we choose $2r$ pairs

answer: $\binom{n}{2r} \cdot 2^{2r} / \binom{2n}{2r}$

b) $\binom{n}{1} \cdot \binom{n-1}{2r-2} \cdot 2^{2r-2}$: good events, answer: $\frac{\binom{n}{1} \binom{n-1}{2r-2} 2^{2r-2}}{\binom{2n}{2r}}$

One pair chosen using a), no pairs are chosen from the remaining $n-1$ pairs

c) $\binom{n}{2} \cdot \binom{n-2}{2r-4} \cdot 2^{2r-4}$: good events, answer: $\frac{\binom{n}{2} \binom{n-2}{2r-4} 2^{2r-4}}{\binom{2n}{2r}}$

1.15  $|A| = n$
 $|B| = m$

$$\binom{n+m}{r} = \binom{n}{0} \binom{m}{r} + \binom{n}{1} \binom{m}{r-1} + \dots + \binom{n}{r} \binom{m}{0}$$

r from $A \cup B$ 0 from A or r from B or 1 from A or $r-1$ from B or \dots or r from A or 0 from B

1.16 Let $m=n$, $r=n$ then use 1.15

$$\binom{n+n}{n} = \binom{n}{0} \binom{n}{n} + \binom{n}{1} \binom{n}{n-1} + \dots + \binom{n}{n} \binom{n}{0} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \binom{n}{n-k}$$

rule: $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$, so $\binom{2n}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2$