

# 6 Counting Methods and Pigeonhole Principle

## 6.1 The Basics of Counting

### Product and Sum Rules

Suppose two task,

$m$  number of ways to do task 1

$n$  number of ways to do task 2

Do **both** task 1 and task 2:

$m \cdot n$  ways       $|A \times B| = |A| \times |B|.$

**Multiplication Principle**

Do **either** task 1 **or** task 2, but not both:

$m+n$  ways       $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B|, \text{ if } A \cap B = \emptyset.$

**Addition Principle**

### Thm 6.1.12 Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|.$$

*proof trivial.*

## 6.2 Permutations and Combinations

**Def. 6.2.1** A permutation of  $n$  distinct elements  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$  is an ordering of  $n$  elements  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$ .

**Thm. 6.2.3** There are  $n!$  permutations of  $n$  elements.

**Thm. 6.2.10** Permutation( 순열 ) of  $r$ -elements of set of  $n$  objects.

$$0 \leq r < n, P(n, r) = n(n-1) \dots (n-r+1)$$

$$0 \leq r \leq n, P(n, r) = n! / (n-r)!$$

**Thm. 6.2.17** Combination( 조합 ) of  $r$ -elements of set of  $n$  objects.

$$0 \leq r \leq n, C(n, r) = P(n, r) / r! = n! / r!(n-r)!$$

$$C(n, r) = C(n, n-r)$$

### 6.3 Generalized Permutations and Combinations

**Thm 6.3.1** *r-permutation of set of n objects with repetition allowed.*

$$n^r. \qquad \text{중복순열}$$

*n-ary string of length r.*

**Thm 6.3.5** *r-combination of set of n objects with repetition allowed.*

$$H(n, r) = C(n+r-1, r) \qquad \text{중복조합}$$

*n-ary string of length r.*

중복

순열  $P(n, r) = n! / (n-r)!$

$$\Pi(n, r) = n^r$$

조합  $C(n, r) = P(n, r) / r! = n! / r!(n-r)!$

$$H(n, r) = C(n+r-1, r)$$

## 6.7 Binomial Coefficient and Combinatorial Identities

**Thm. 6.7.1**  $(a+b)^n$

$$= C(n, 0)a^n + C(n, 1)a^{n-1}b + \dots + C(n, n-1)ab^{n-1} + C(n, n)ab^n.$$

$$= C(n, 0)a^n b^0 + C(n, 1)a^{n-1}b^1 + \dots + C(n, n-1)a^1 b^{n-1} + C(n, n)a^0 b^n.$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n C(n, n-k)a^{n-k}b^k.$$

**Corollary 1**  $\forall n \geq 0: \sum_{k=0}^n C(n, k) = (1+1)^n = 2^n.$

**Corollary 2**  $\sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k C(n, k) = (1+(-1))^n = 0^n = 0.$

**Thm. 6.7.6** Pascal's Identity and Triangle

$$1 \leq \forall k \leq n: C(n+1, k) = C(n, k-1) + C(n, k).$$

## 6.8 The Pigeonhole Principle

### **First Form 1 The pigeonhole principle(First Form)**

*If  $n$  objects(pigeons) are placed into  $k$  boxes(holes) and  $n > k$ ,  
there is at least one or more box containing two or more objects.*

### **Dirichlet drawer principle**

**Second Form** *If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $|X| > |Y|$ , then  $f$  is not 1-1.*

### **Third Form: The generalized pigeonhole principle**

*If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  with  $|X| = n$  and  $|Y| = m$ . Then*

*there is at least one or more boxes containing  $\lceil n/m \rceil$  objects.*

**proof by contradiction**, *no box contains  $\lceil n/m \rceil$  objects.*

$$n(\lceil n/m \rceil - 1) < m((n/m+1) - 1) = n$$

**Example**  $n = 59$  students,  $m = 12$  months,

$$\lceil 59/12 \rceil = \lceil 4.91\dots \rceil = 5 \text{ students/month}$$