

# Inclusion/Exclusion

Section 8.5+8.6

The hat problem: Suppose everyone one in a classroom has a hat, and they put their hat in a box when they enter, and then grab a random hat when they leave. What is the probability that everybody gets their own hat. Answer is  $\frac{1}{n!}$

What about the probability that *someone* will not get their own hat:  $1 - \frac{1}{n!}$

What about the probability that someone will get their own hat, or that no one? Need inclusion/exclusion. The probability that no one will get their own hat is 37.8% pretty much no matter how many people.

**Remember:**

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

and

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

**Formula**

$$\begin{aligned} |A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n| &= |A_1| + |A_2| + \dots + |A_n| - |A_1 \cap A_2| - |A_1 \cap A_3| - \dots - |A_{n-1} \cap A_n| \\ &\quad + |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3| + |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_4| + \dots + |A_{n-2} \cap A_{n-1} \cap A_n| \\ &\quad - |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_4| - \dots - |A_{n-3} \cap A_{n-2} \cap A_{n-1} \cap A_n| \\ &\quad + |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_4 \cap A_5| + \dots + |A_{n-4} \cap A_{n-3} \cap A_{n-2} \cap A_{n-1} \cap A_n| \\ &\quad \dots (-1)^{n+1} |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n| \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i| - \sum_{i \leq i_1 < i_2 \leq n} |A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2}| + \dots + (-1)^{k+1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k} |A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_k}| + \dots + (-1)^{n+1} |A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n|$$

Proof: Focus on any  $x \in A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n$  and see how many times it is counted. Let  $k$  be the number of  $i$  such that  $x \in A_i$

$$-\binom{k}{0} + \binom{k}{1} - \binom{k}{2} + \binom{k}{3} - \binom{k}{4} + \binom{k}{5} - \dots + (-1)^{k+1} \binom{k}{k} + 1 = 1$$

(The reason we write +1 is because  $-\binom{k}{0} = -1$ )

Ignoring the +1, the rest is a row in Pascals triangle, and we now the alternating sum (+, then -, then +) is 0, so we know the whole thing will be 1.

Consider a set A with N elements. Properties  $P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_n$  which means that some elements have the property and some doesn't.  $N(P_3 P_5 P_6 P_9)$  = number of elements with each of the properties  $P_3 P_5 P_6 P_9$

$N(P_3' P_5' P_6' P_9')$  = the number of elements with none of the properties  $P_3 P_5 P_6 P_9$

**Inclusion/Exclusion:**

$$N(P_1' P_2' \dots P_n') = N - \sum_{i=1}^n N(P_i) + \sum_{i_1 < i_2} N(P_{i_1} P_{i_2}) \dots + (-1)^n N(P_1 P_2 \dots P_n)$$

**Proof:** Put  $A_i$  = the elements with property  $P_i$

$m$  balls in  $n$  boxes. We want to count the number of ways to put  $m$  balls into  $n$  boxes such that no box is empty. It follows  $m \geq n$ .

$A =$  all functions of  $S \rightarrow B = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$   $A_i =$  all functions such that  $i$  is not in the image.

$$|A \setminus \cup_{i=1}^n A_i| = |A| - |\cup_{i=1}^n A_i| = n^m - \binom{n}{1}(n-1)^m + \binom{n}{2}(n-2)^m - \dots (-1)^n \binom{n}{n}(n-n)^m$$

## Permutations of an n-set {1,2,3,4}

Normally a permutation of a set is the elements put on a row (like here 2, 3, 1, 4 and 3, 1, 4, 2).

You can think of permutations as a bijection (different elements should be mapped to different elements, and every element needs to be mapped to an element) from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  to  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Notice the 4, mapped unto itself, it's called a fixed point. The 4's would also be a fixed point here:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

But then its a different set at the top.

## Derangement

A bijection ( $\pi$ ) of a set  $S$  unto itself with no fixed points.

That is  $\pi(i) \neq i$

The hat problem: to find the chances of noone getting their own hat, just use derangements.

## Counting permutations

$A$  is the set of all permutations of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$A_i =$  the set of permutations  $\pi$  such that  $\pi(i) = i$

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= |A \setminus (\cup_{i=1}^n A_i)| = |A| - \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i| + \sum_{i_1 < i_2} |A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2}| - \dots (-1)^n |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n| \\ &= n! - \binom{n}{1}(n-1)! + \binom{n}{2}(n-2)! - \binom{n}{3}(n-3)! + \dots (-1)^k \binom{n}{k}(n-k)! \pm \dots |A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n| \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} (n-k)! \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} (n-k)! \\ &= n! \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \\ &= n! \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots (-1)^n \frac{1}{n!} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$D_n$  is the permutations

$$1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{32} + \dots$$

$$1 = 0.999999999\dots$$

$$\exp(x) = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\exp(1) = e = 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots$$

$$\exp(-1) = e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e} = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} - \frac{1}{4!} + \dots$$

$\exp(-1)$  is what we had before, so

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &= k! \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots (-1)^n \frac{1}{n!} \right] = n! \cdot \frac{1}{e} \\ &= n! \cdot \frac{1}{2.7\dots} = 0.378n! \end{aligned}$$

## Counting primes

The number of primes  $\leq 100$ . The same as saying 100 – not primes

Put

$$A = \{1, 2, \dots, 100\}$$

$$A_2 = \text{The numbers divisible by 2}$$

$$A_3 = \text{The numbers divisible by 3}$$

$$A_5 = \text{The numbers divisible by 5}$$

$$A_7 = \text{The numbers divisible by 7}$$

Number of primes

$$\begin{aligned} &= 100 - |A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_5 \cup A_7| - 1 + 4 - |A_2| - |A_3| - |A_5| - |A_7| + |A_2 \cap A_3| + \dots \\ &= 103 - 50 - 33 - 20 - 14 + 16 + 14 + 6 + \dots = 25 \end{aligned}$$

(–1 because 1 is not a prime, and +4 because else we're excluding 2, 3, 5, 7)