

CS 206 - Introduction to Discrete Structures II

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Homework: 1

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Assignment 1:

In how many ways can 8 people be seated in a row if

1. there are no restrictions on the seating arrangement?

Solutions: $8!$.

2. persons A and B must sit next to each other?

Solution: $2! \times 7!$.

3. there are 4 men and 4 women and no 2 men or 2 women can sit next to each other?

Solution: $2! \times 4! \times 4!$.

4. there are 5 men and they must sit next to each other?

Solution: $5! \times 4!$.

5. there are 4 married couples and each couple must sit together?

Solution: $2^4 \times 4!$.

Assignment 2:

Suppose we have the word "Mississippi". Let $S = \{M, i, s, s, i, s, s, i, p, p, i\}$ be a multiset of the letters in the word "Mississippi". Recall that in the multiset S we can have repetitions of the same letter, but the order of the letters in S are not important.

1. How many arrangements using the letters in S are possible?

Solution: $11!$.

2. How many different arrangements using the letters in S are possible? Here we say two arrangements A and B are alike (i.e., not different) if one arrangement, say A can be transformed to the other, say B if we permute the instances of the same letter.

Solution: $\frac{11!}{4! \times 4! \times 2!}$.

3. Suppose we choose a multiset of 5 letters in S . How many choices do we have?

Solution: $\binom{11}{5}$.

4. Suppose we choose a multiset of 5 letters in S . How many choices do we have if the two p letters must be in the set at the same time?

Solution: $\binom{9}{3} + \binom{9}{5}$.

5. Suppose we choose a multiset of 5 letters in S . How many choices do we have if the two p letters cannot be in the set at the same time?

Solution: $\binom{9}{5} + 2\binom{9}{4}$.