

Comp Sci 212

1. Binomial theorem
2. Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion

Announcements

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Theorem # of subsets of size l of a set S , $|S|=k$ is $\frac{k!}{l!(k-l)!} = \binom{k}{l}$

" k choose l "

Theorem. $\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k-1} = \binom{n+1}{k}$ (*)

Proof. Use bijection rule. Let

$A =$ set of subsets of $[n+1]$ w/ k elements.

$\{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$

$A_1 =$ set of subsets of $[n]$ w/ k elements.

$A_2 =$ set of subsets of $[n]$ w/ $k-1$ elements.

$$|A| = \binom{n+1}{k} \quad |A_1| = \binom{n}{k} \quad |A_2| = \binom{n}{k-1}$$

Need to prove $|A| = |A_1| + |A_2|$.

$f: A \rightarrow A_1 \cup A_2$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \text{ does not contain } n+1 \\ x \setminus \{n+1\} & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$n=6, k=3 \quad f(\{1, 4, 7\}) = \{1, 4\}$$

$$f(\{1, 4, 6\}) = \{1, 4, 6\} \quad \{1, 4, 8\} \notin A$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \begin{cases} x \cup \{n+1\} & \text{if } |x|=k-1 \\ x & \text{if } |x|=k \end{cases}$$

$|f^{-1}(x)|=1$ for all $x \in A_1, x \in A_2$, so f is a bijection, and $|A| = |A_1 \cup A_2|$.

Finally, by the sum rule, $|A_1 \cup A_2| = |A_1| + |A_2|$ ($A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$). $|A| = |A_1| + |A_2|$. $\square$

"To choose k elements from $[n+1]$, either choose $k-1$ elements from $[n]$ and $n+1$, or choose k elements from $[n]$."

Def. $\binom{n}{k} = 0$ if $k \leq -1$, or $k \geq n+1$.

$$\binom{n}{0}x^0 + \binom{n}{1}x^1 + \binom{n}{2}x^2 + \dots + \binom{n}{n}x^n$$

Binomial Theorem.

Then If $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $(1+x)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i$

Proof. Use induction.

Base case $n=0$, $(1+x)^0 = 1 = \binom{0}{0}x^0$

Inductive step. Assume $(1+x)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i$

Then $(1+x)^{n+1} = (1+x)(1+x)^n$

$$= (1+x) \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i \right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^{i+1} \rightarrow \binom{n}{0}x^0 + \binom{n}{0}x^1 + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \binom{n}{i-1} x^i \rightarrow \binom{n}{0}x^0 + \binom{n}{1}x^1 + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \binom{n}{i-1} x^i + \binom{n}{n+1} x^{n+1} + \binom{n}{-1} x^0$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i + \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i-1} x^i = \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\binom{n}{i} + \binom{n}{i-1} \right) x^i = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n+1}{i} x^i \quad \square$$

Corollary. If $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $(a+b)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^i b^{n-i}$

Proof. By binomial, $(1+\frac{a}{b})^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \frac{a^i}{b^i}$

$$\text{Thus, } (a+b)^n = b^n (1+\frac{a}{b})^n$$

$$(a+b)^n = b^n \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \frac{a^i}{b^i} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^i b^{n-i}$$

Theorem. $\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \dots + \binom{n}{n} = 2^n$

Proof. $\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} + \dots + \binom{n}{n} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 1^i$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{by binomial} \\ &\text{theorem} \end{aligned} = (1+1)^n = 2^n$$

Theorem. $\binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{4} + \dots = \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{5} + \dots$

Proof. $\binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} - \binom{n}{3} + \dots$

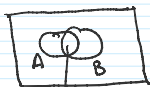
$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^i$$

$$= (1+(-1))^n \quad (\text{by binomial theorem}) = 0.$$

Principle of Inclusion-Exclusion

(sum rule update)

For all A, B , $|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|$



$A \cap B$

$|A| + |B|$ - counting elements of $A \cap B$ twice

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

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



$|A \cap B \cap C|$

Ex. How many numbers from 1 to 100 are divisible by 2 or 5?

$$A = \{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 100, x \in \mathbb{N}, x \text{ is even}\}$$

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

$$= |A| + |B| - |C|.$$

Ex. How many numbers from 1 to 100 are
divisible by 2 or 5?

$$A = \{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 100, x \in \mathbb{Z}, x/2 \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$B = \{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 100, x \in \mathbb{Z}, x/5 \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$C = \{x \mid 1 \leq x \leq 100, x \in \mathbb{Z}, x/10 \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= |A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B| \\ &= |A| + |B| - |C|. \end{aligned}$$

$$|A| = 50, |B| = 20, |C| = 10$$

$$|A \cup B| = 50 + 20 - 10 = 60.$$