

## Solutions

### Solution. 1

- (a) There are 4 independent choices, so  $10^4$ .
- (b)  $10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7$ .
- (c) Choose the remaining three:  $9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7$ .
- (d)  $\binom{10}{4}$ .
- (e) Pick two additional digits and count all permutations:  $\binom{8}{2} \times 4!$ .

### Solution. 2

It is easier to first count the number of forbidden shuffles. We have two different types of forbidden arrangements, see Fig. 2.

The number of decks with  $A\heartsuit$  on top of  $K\heartsuit$  is  $51!$ , since we can remove the  $A\heartsuit$ , shuffle the remaining 51 different cards, and then place the ace of hearts on top of the king of hearts. In the same manner, we have  $51!$  forbidden decks involving  $A\spadesuit$ .

Finally, we need to count the number of elements in the intersection, i.e., decks where both of the forbidden configurations occur. We remove  $A\heartsuit$  and  $A\spadesuit$ , shuffle the 50 cards, and insert the aces on the respective kings. This gives  $50!$  shuffles. The number of forbidden configurations is therefore  $51! + 51! - 50!$ , and the total number of good decks is

$$52! - 2 \times 51! + 50!.$$

### Solution. 3

Since there are duplicates of  $E$ ,  $S$  and  $I$ , there are  $11!/2^3$  different words.

### Solution. 4

It is given by the multinomial coefficient

$$\binom{7}{2, 2, 3} = \frac{7!}{2! \times 2! \times 3!} = 210.$$

### Solution. 5

It is given by the multinomial coefficient

$$\binom{8}{2, 2, 2, 2} = \frac{8!}{2^4}$$

It is the same as counting number of different words we can create from AABCCDD. For example, the word ADCBCCDA assign dish  $A$  to person 1 and person 8.

These must be chosen in an unordered fashion, since we later count all  $4!$  permutations of the unordered digits.

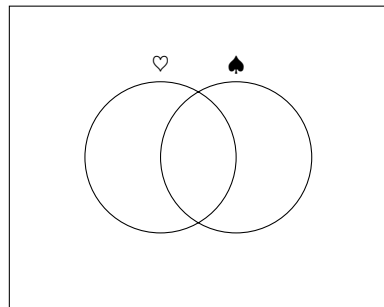


Figure 2: The total deck of cards,  $52!$ , and the two intersecting forbidden subsets.

**Solution. 6**

It is easier to consider the couples as labeled. We first pick 2 people to form couple  $A$ , then 2 other people to form couple  $B$  and so on.

The number of ways to create *labeled* couples is

$$\binom{8}{2, 2, 2, 2} = \frac{8!}{2^4}.$$

However, all permutations of the 4 labels produce the same set of couples, so we need to divide this by  $4!$ . The answer is therefore

$$\frac{8!}{4! \times 2^4}.$$

**Solution. 7**

First, we sample the 5 types. That leaves space for 8 more, which we can choose freely, with repetition. The dots-and-bars formula tells us that there are

$$\binom{8+5-1}{5-1} = \binom{12}{4}$$

ways to do this.

**Solution. 9**

Dots and bars give

$$\binom{r+n-1}{n-1}.$$

**Solution. 10**

Let  $y_1 = x_1 - 2$ ,  $y_2 = x_2 - 3$ ,  $y_3 = x_3 - 10$  and  $y_4 = x_4 + 3$ .

We get a new equation where  $y_i \geq 0$  and

$$(y_1 + 2) + (y_2 + 3) + (y_3 + 10) + (y_4 - 3) = 15, \quad \Leftrightarrow \\ y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 = 3$$

Dots and bars gives  $\binom{3+4-1}{4-1}$  integer solutions.

**Solution. 11**

We add one extra variable to turn the inequality to an equality:

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + s = 15, \quad s, x_i \geq 0.$$

This gives  $\binom{15+5-1}{5-1}$  integer solutions.

**Solution. 13**

There are  $k!S(n, k)$  surjections — the quantity  $k!$  is responsible for the labeling.

**Solution. 16**

This problem is not a clear-cut standard problem as in the introduction. However, the fact that each letter appears at least once imposes a lot of restriction, as we only need to decide which two additional letters to add to  $abcd$ .

- We add two different letters. Thus, the letters appearing are one of  $abbccd$ ,  $abccdd$  or  $abccdd$ . To calculate the number of words we can make from  $abbccd$ , we use a multinomial coefficient,  $\binom{6}{2,2,1,1}$ .
- We add the same letter twice. This gives  $abbbcd$ ,  $abcccd$  or  $abccdd$ , and each of these options give  $\binom{6}{3,1,1,1}$  words.

Expanding the multinomials and putting it all together, there are in total

$$3 \frac{6!}{(2!)^2} + 3 \frac{6!}{3!}$$

words satisfying the requirements.

**Solution. 19**

We notice that if the positions of the  $b$ 's and  $d$ 's are fixed, then the positions of the remaining letters is uniquely determined by the restriction. For example,

$$b \square \square d \square b \square d \implies baadcbcd.$$

To create a valid word, it is enough to first choose 2 positions of the 8 available for the  $b$ 's and then 2 positions for the  $d$ 's. This can be done in  $\binom{8}{2,2,4} = \frac{8!}{2! \times 2! \times 4!}$  ways.

**Solution. 42**

- There are  $8 \times 7 \times \cdots \times 3$  ways.
- There are  $(8 \times 7 \times 6) \times (5 \times 4 \times 3)$  ways.
- There are  $\frac{1}{2}(8 \times 7 \times \cdots \times 3)$  ways, since the lines two pairs of lines  $(abc, def)$  and  $(def, abc)$  are considered equal configurations.
- There are  $\binom{8}{6}$  ways.
- We first choose 6 people, and then choose 3 of these to be in group  $A$ :  $\binom{8}{6} \binom{6}{3}$  ways.
- There are  $\frac{1}{2} \binom{8}{6} \binom{6}{3}$  ways.
- There are  $\binom{8}{6} \frac{1}{3!} \binom{6}{2,2,2}$  ways.

This is a strong hint that we need to divide the problem into sub-cases. The fewer cases the better.

**Solution. 43**

- (a) There is only one way.
- (b) There is only one way.
- (c) Bars and stars give  $\binom{6+2}{2}$  ways.
- (d) Bars and stars give  $\binom{3+2}{2}$  ways.
- (e) This is the same as counting integer partitions of 6 into 3 parts.  
We get three ways,  $4 + 1 + 1$ ,  $3 + 2 + 1$  and  $2 + 2 + 2$ .
- (f) Same as previous question, but we can have as many piles as we like. We get 11 ways,

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 6 & 5+1 & 4+2 & 3+3 \\
 4+1+1 & 3+2+1 & 2+2+2 & 3+1+1+1 \\
 2+2+1+1 & 2+1+1+1+1 & 1+1+1+1+1+1 & 
 \end{array}$$

**Solution. 44**

- (a) Each of the 6 spots has 8 options:  $8^6$ .
- (b) Also  $8^6$ .
- (c) We get  $8^3 + \frac{1}{2} \times 8^3 \times (8^3 - 1)$  (the number of cases where groups are identical, plus number of cases where groups are different).
- (d) Bars and stars give  $\binom{6+8-1}{8-1}$  ways — the bars separate types.