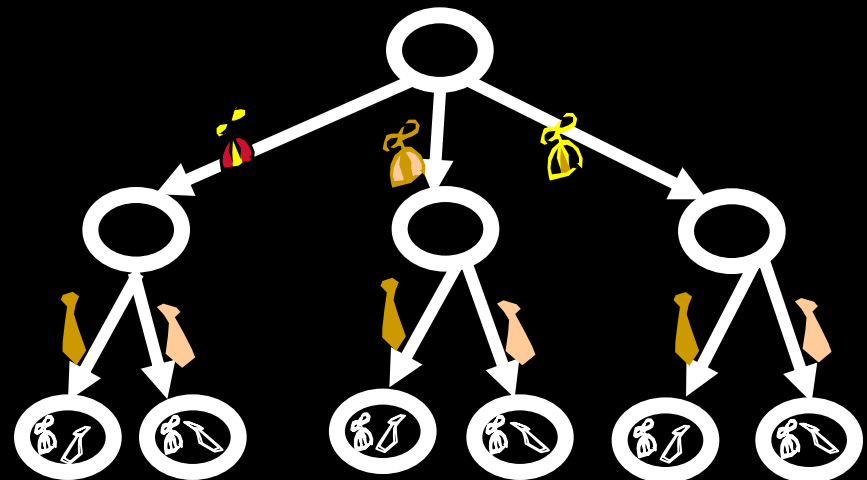


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Great Theoretical Ideas in Computer Science

Counting I: One-To-One Correspondence and Choice Trees

Lecture 6 (September 13, 2007)



If I have 14 teeth on the top and 12 teeth on the bottom, how many teeth do I have in all?



Addition Rule

Let A and B be two disjoint finite sets

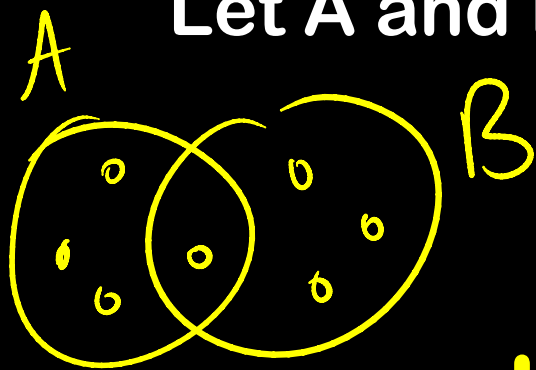
The size of $(A \cup B)$ is the sum of the size of A and the size of B

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

Addition Rule (2 possibly overlapping sets)

Inclusion Exclusion

Let A and B be two finite sets



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

Addition of multiple disjoint sets:

Let $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$ be disjoint, finite sets.

$$\left| \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right| = \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|$$

Partition Method

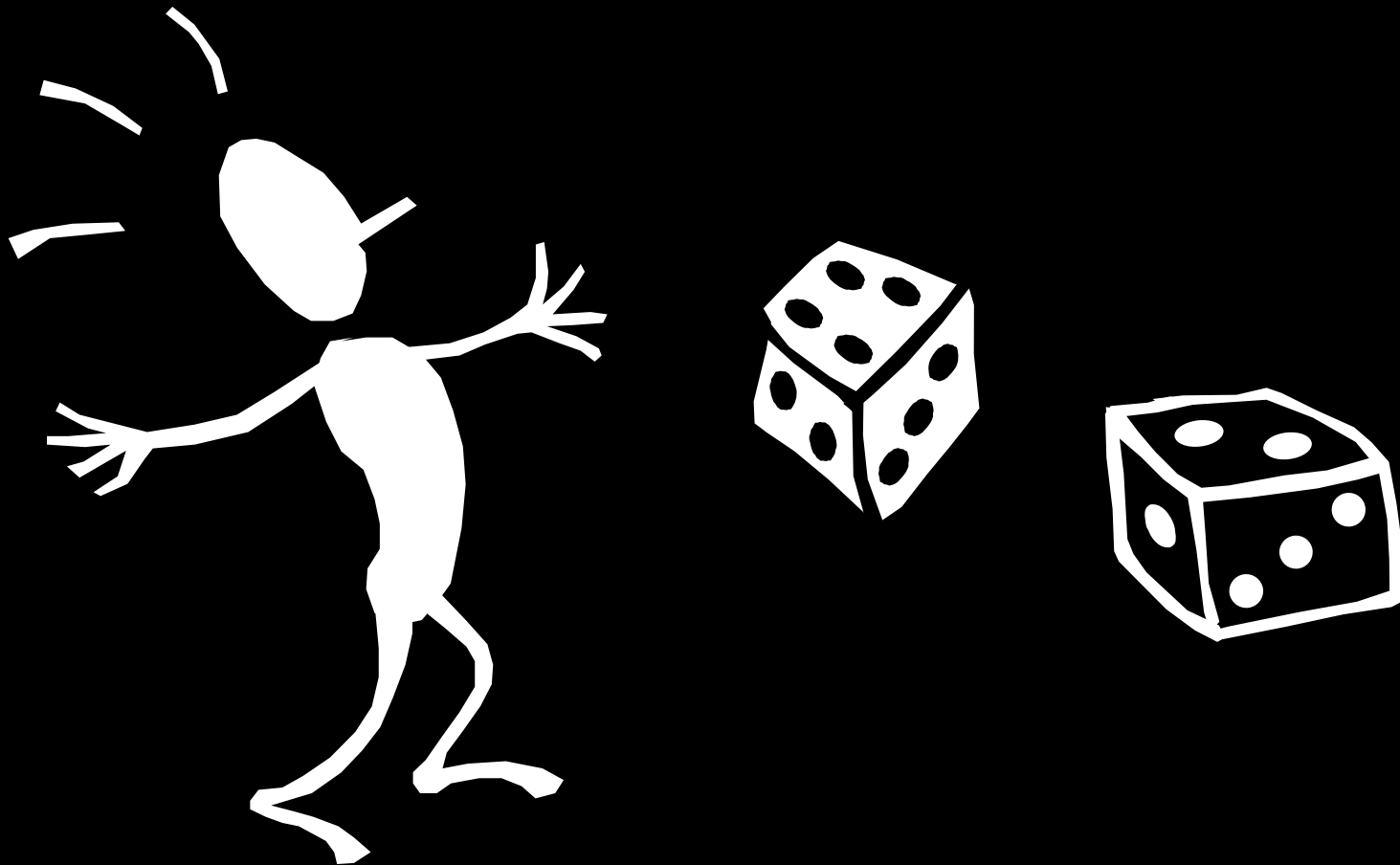
To count the elements of a finite set S , partition the elements into non-overlapping subsets $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$.

$$|S| =$$

$$\left| \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right| = \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|$$

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Partition S into 6 sets:

A_1 = the set of outcomes where the white die is 1.

A_2 = the set of outcomes where the white die is 2.

A_3 = the set of outcomes where the white die is 3.

A_4 = the set of outcomes where the white die is 4.

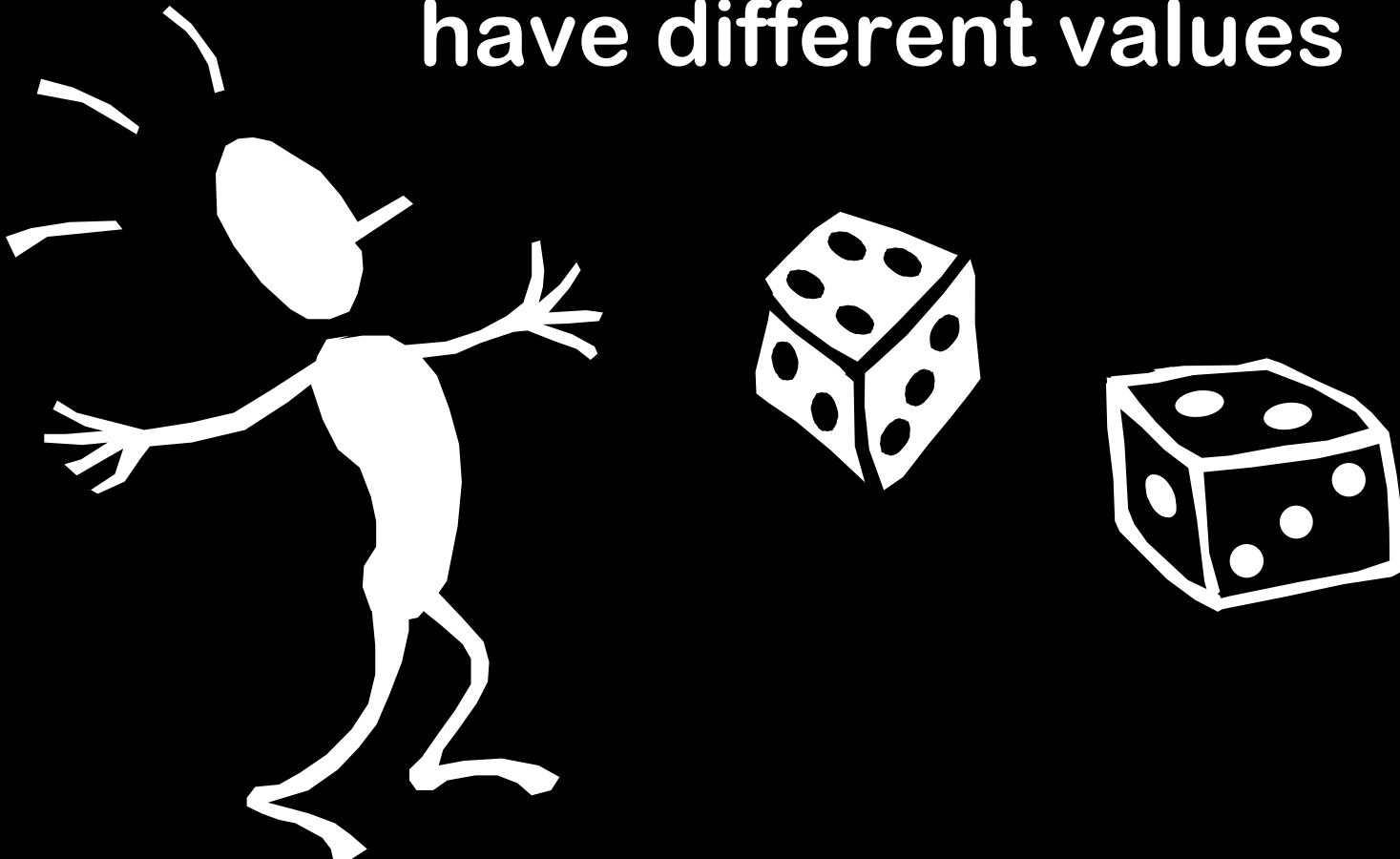
A_5 = the set of outcomes where the white die is 5.

A_6 = the set of outcomes where the white die is 6.

Each of 6 disjoint set have size 6 = 36 outcomes

Partition Method

S = all possible outcomes where
the white die and the black die
have different values



$S \equiv$ Set of all outcomes where the dice show different values. $|S| = ?$

$A_i \equiv$ set of outcomes where black die says i and the white die says something else.

$$|S| = \left| \bigcup_{i=1}^6 A_i \right| = \sum_{i=1}^6 |A_i| = \sum_{i=1}^6 5 = 30$$

$S \equiv$ Set of all outcomes where the dice show different values. $|S| = ?$

$T \equiv$ set of outcomes where dice agree.
 $= \{ \langle 1,1 \rangle, \langle 2,2 \rangle, \langle 3,3 \rangle, \langle 4,4 \rangle, \langle 5,5 \rangle, \langle 6,6 \rangle \}$

$$|S \cup T| = \# \text{ of outcomes} = 36$$

$$|S| + |T| = 36$$

$$|T| = 6$$

$$|S| = 36 - 6 = 30$$

$S \equiv$ Set of all outcomes where the black die shows a smaller number than the white die. $|S| = ?$

$A_i \equiv$ set of outcomes where the black die says i and the white die says something **larger**.

$$S = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5 \cup A_6$$

$$|S| = 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 + 0 = 15$$

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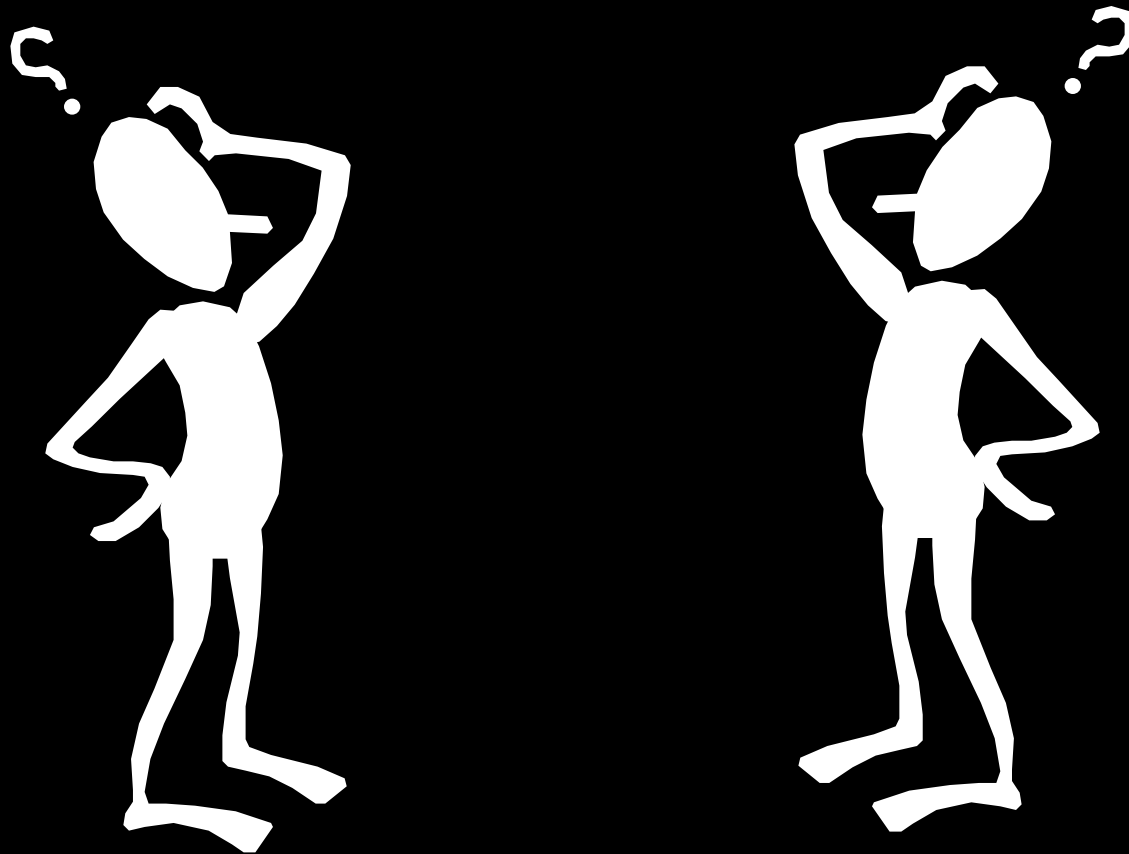
$L \equiv$ set of all outcomes where the black die shows a **larger** number than the white die.

$$|S| + |L| = 30$$

It is clear by **symmetry** that $|S| = |L|$.

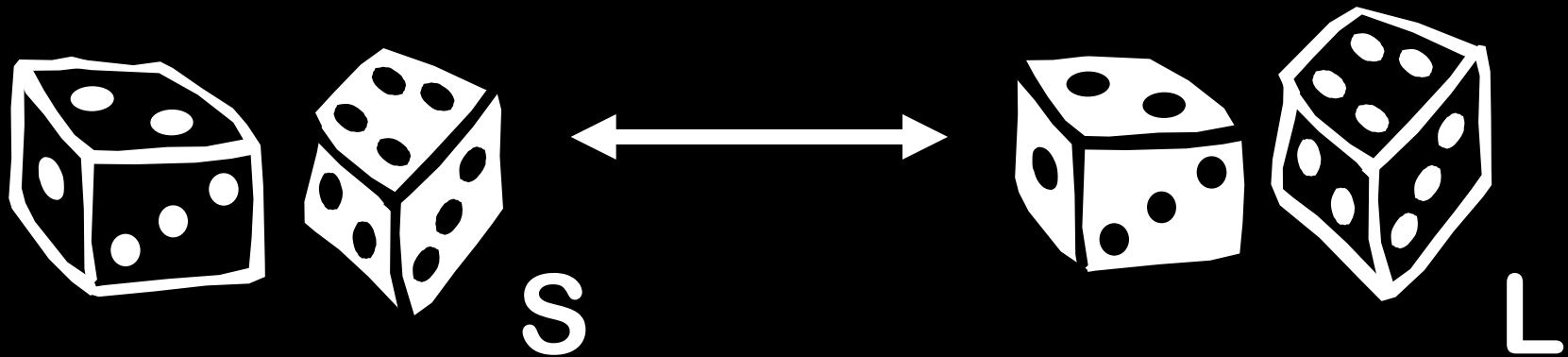
Therefore **$|S| = 15$**

“It is **clear** by symmetry that $|S| = |L|$?”



Pinning Down the Idea of Symmetry by Exhibiting a Correspondence

Put each outcome in S in correspondence with an outcome in L by **swapping** color of the dice.



Each outcome in S gets matched with exactly one outcome in L, with none left over.

$$\text{Thus: } |S| = |L|$$

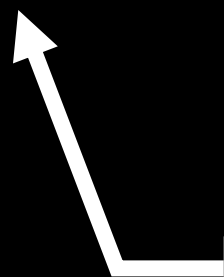
Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ Be a Function
From a Set A to a Set B

f is **1-1** if and only if

$$\forall x, y \in A, x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$$

f is **onto** if and only if

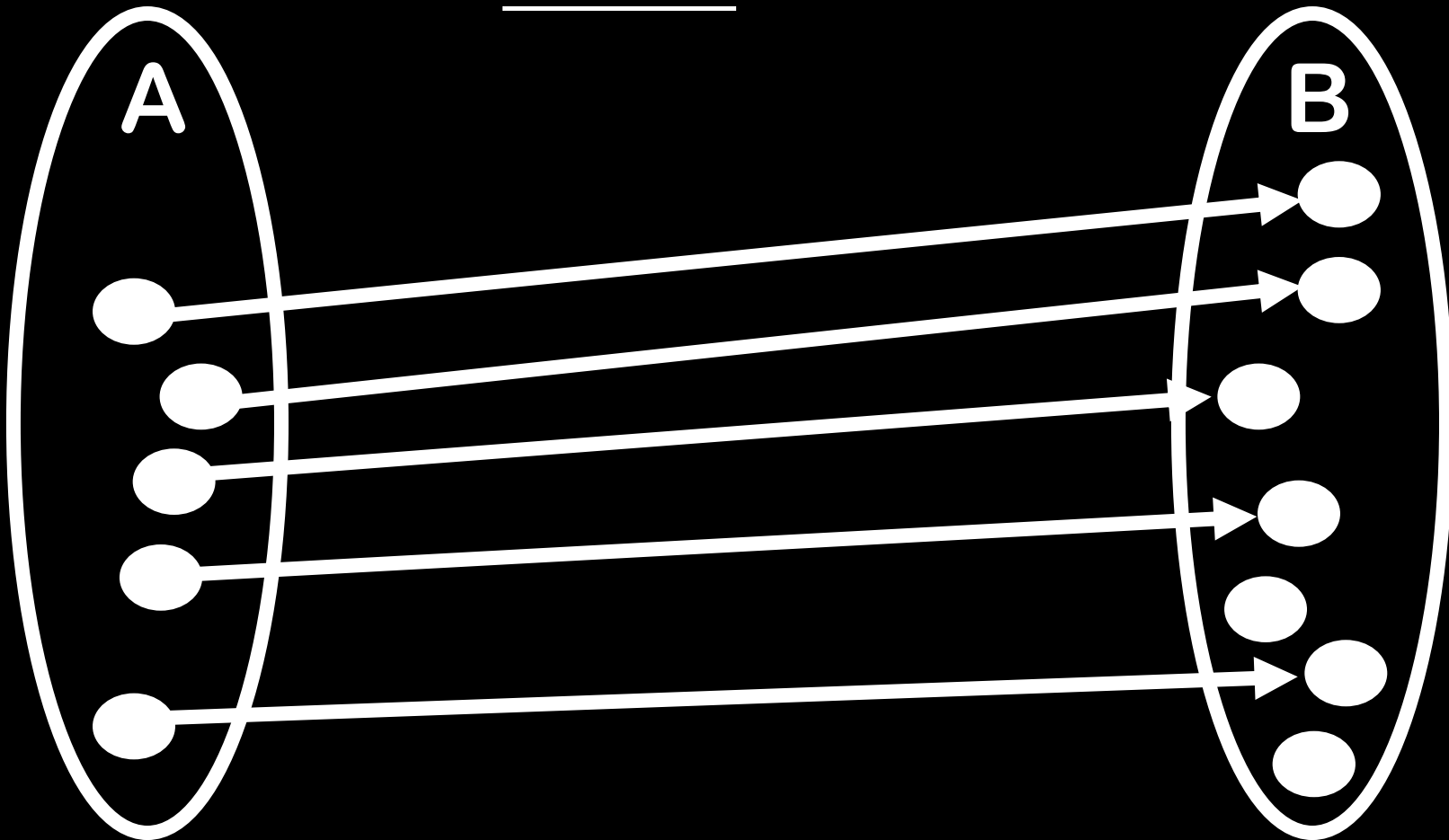
$$\forall z \in B \exists x \in A f(x) = z$$



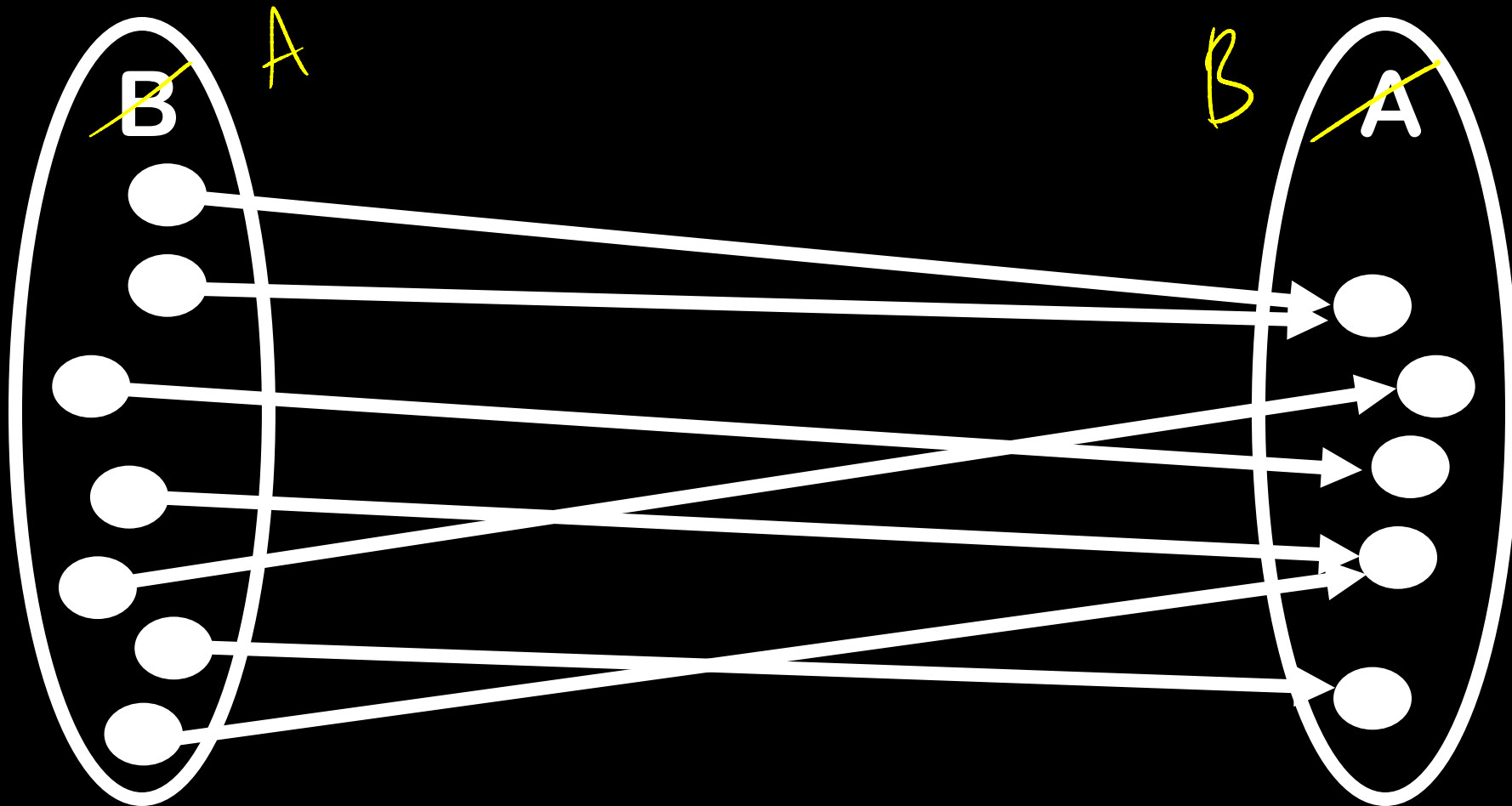
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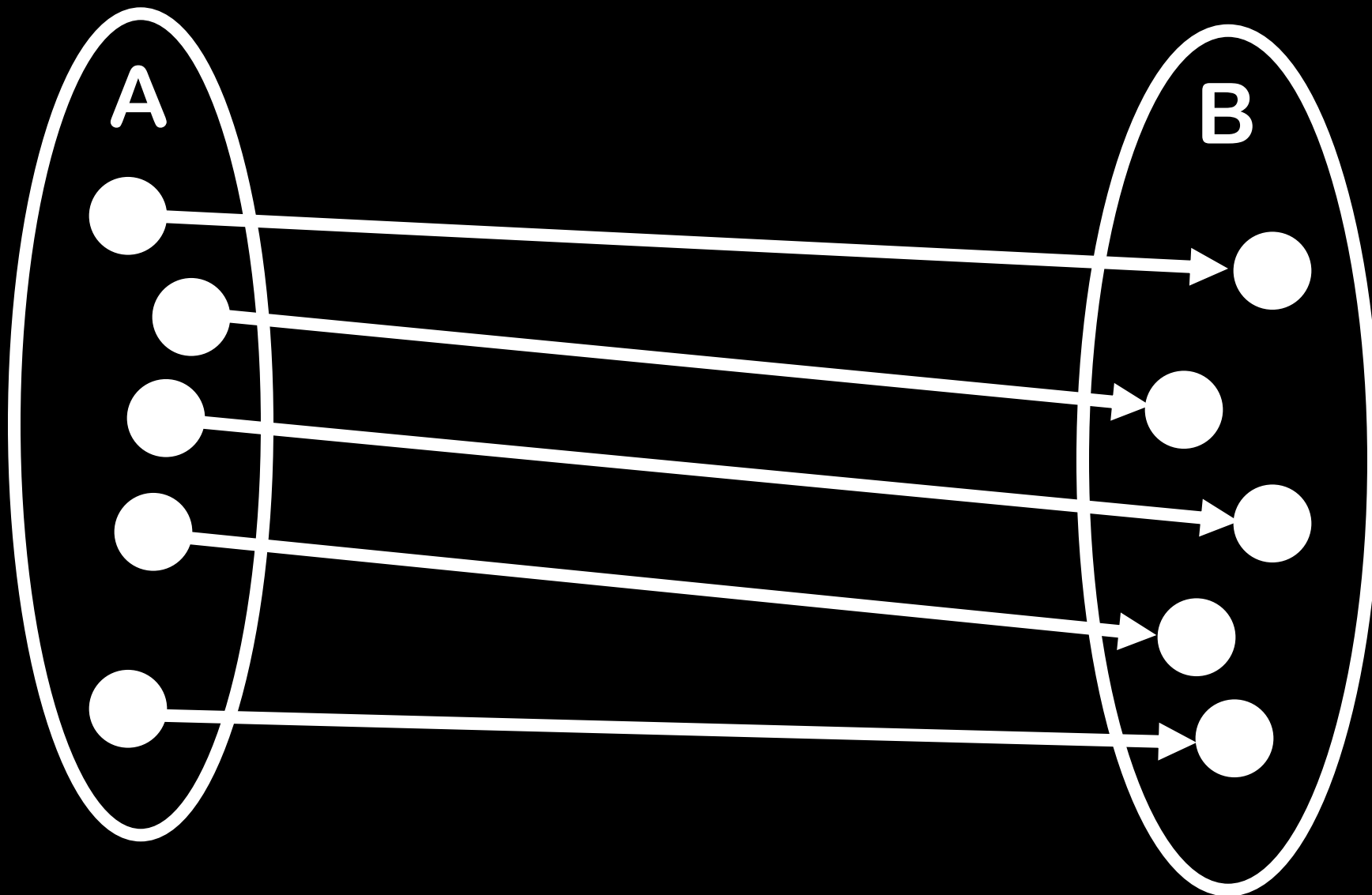
Let's Restrict Our Attention to Finite Sets



$$\exists \text{ 1-1 } f: A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow |A| \leq |B|$$

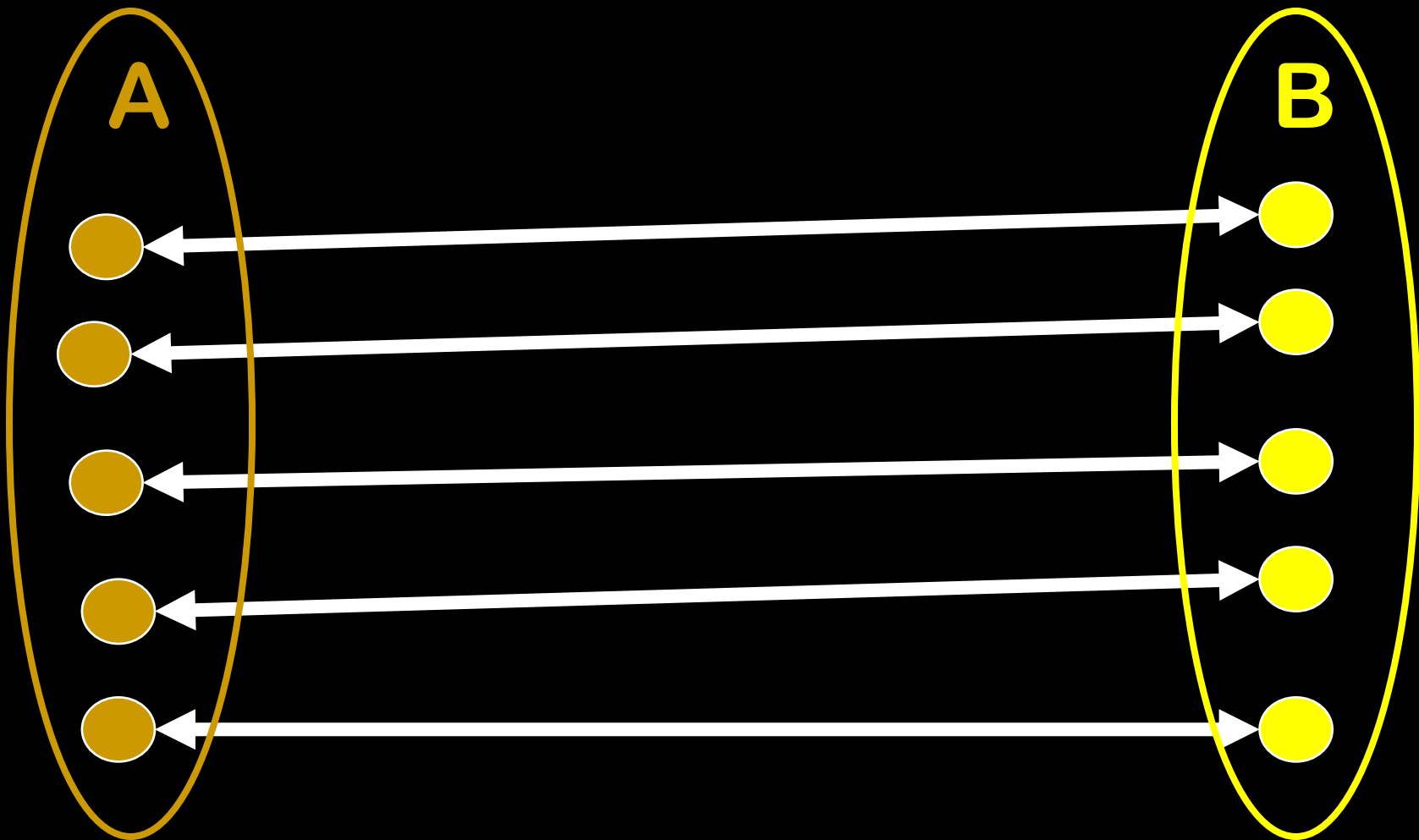


$$\exists \text{ onto } f : A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow |A| \geq |B|$$



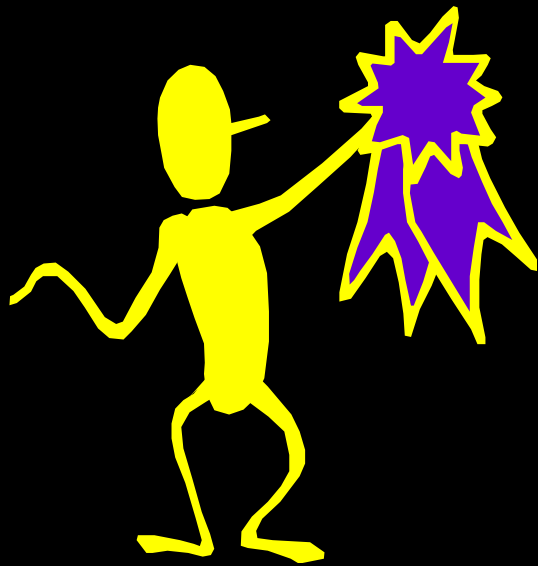
\exists 1-1 onto $f : A \rightarrow B \Rightarrow |A| = |B|$

f being 1-1 onto means f^{-1} is well
defined and unique
 f is a way of pairing up elements



Correspondence Principle

If two finite sets can be placed into 1-1 onto correspondence, then they have the same size



It's one of the
most important
mathematical
ideas of all time!


Question: How many n-bit sequences are there?

000000	\leftrightarrow	0
000001	\leftrightarrow	1
000010	\leftrightarrow	2
000011	\leftrightarrow	3
:	:	:
111111	\leftrightarrow	2^n-1

Each sequence corresponds to a unique number from 0 to 2^n-1 . Hence 2^n sequences.

A = { a,b,c,d,e } Has Many Subsets

**{a}, {a,b}, {a,d,e}, {a,b,c,d,e},
{e}, \emptyset , ...**



**The entire set and the
empty set are subsets with
all the rights and privileges
pertaining thereto**

Question: How Many Subsets Can Be Made From The Elements of a 5-Element Set?

a	b	c	d	e
0	1	1	0	1

{ **b** **c** **e** }

1 means "TAKE IT"
0 means "LEAVE IT"

Each subset corresponds to a 5-bit sequence
(using the "take it or leave it" code)

$A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$

$B = \text{set of all } n\text{-bit strings}$

a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4	a_5
b_1	b_2	b_3	b_4	b_5

For bit string $b = b_1b_2b_3\dots b_n$, let $f(b) = \{a_i \mid b_i=1\}$

Claim: f is 1-1

Any two distinct binary sequences b and b' have a position i at which they differ

Hence, $f(b)$ is not equal to $f(b')$ because they disagree on element a_i

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Claim: f is onto

Let S be a subset of $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$.

Define $b_k = 1$ if a_k in S and $b_k = 0$ otherwise.

Note that $f(b_1b_2\dots b_n) = S$.

The number
of subsets of
an n -element
set is 2^n



Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ Be a Function From
Set A to Set B

f is **1-1** if and only if

$$\forall x, y \in A, x \neq y \Rightarrow f(x) \neq f(y)$$

f is **onto** if and only if

$$\forall z \in B \exists x \in A \text{ such that } f(x) = z$$

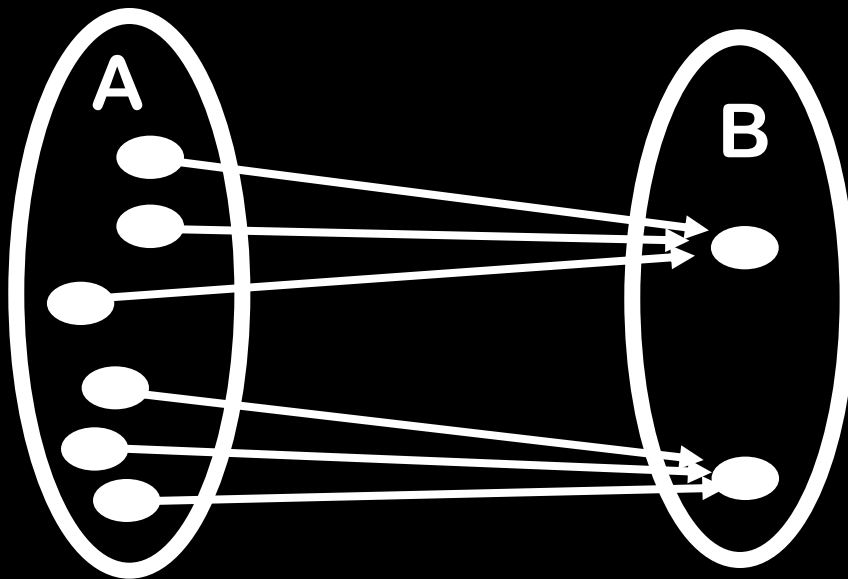
Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ Be a Function From
Set A to Set B

f is a **1-to-1 correspondence** iff

$\forall z \in B \exists$ **exactly one** $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = z$

f is a **k-to-1 correspondence** iff

$\forall z \in B \exists$ **exactly k** $x \in A$ such that $f(x) = z$



3 to 1 function



To count the number of horses in a barn, we can count the number of hoofs and then divide by 4

If a finite set A
has a k-to-1
correspondence
to finite set B,
then $|B| = |A|/k$



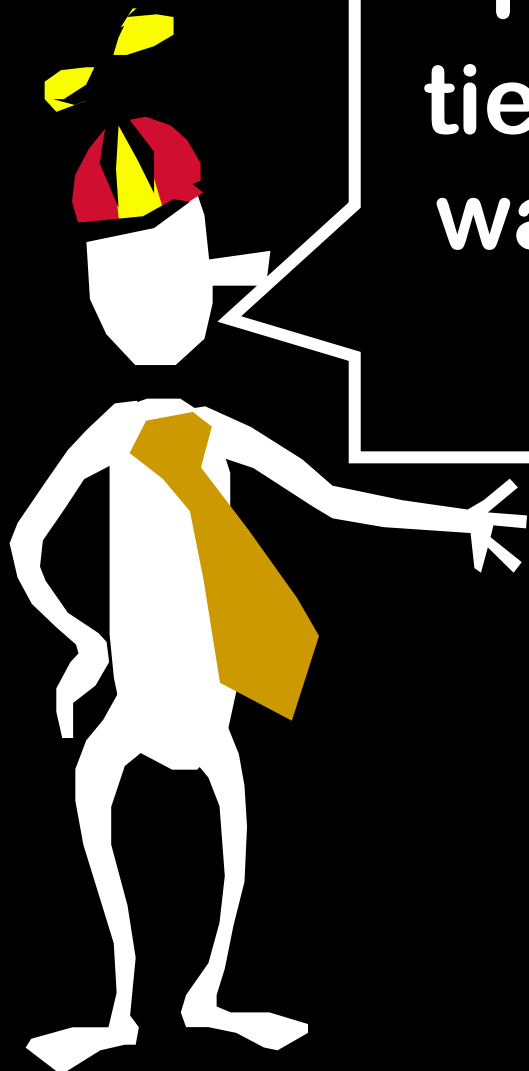


How many seats in
this auditorium?

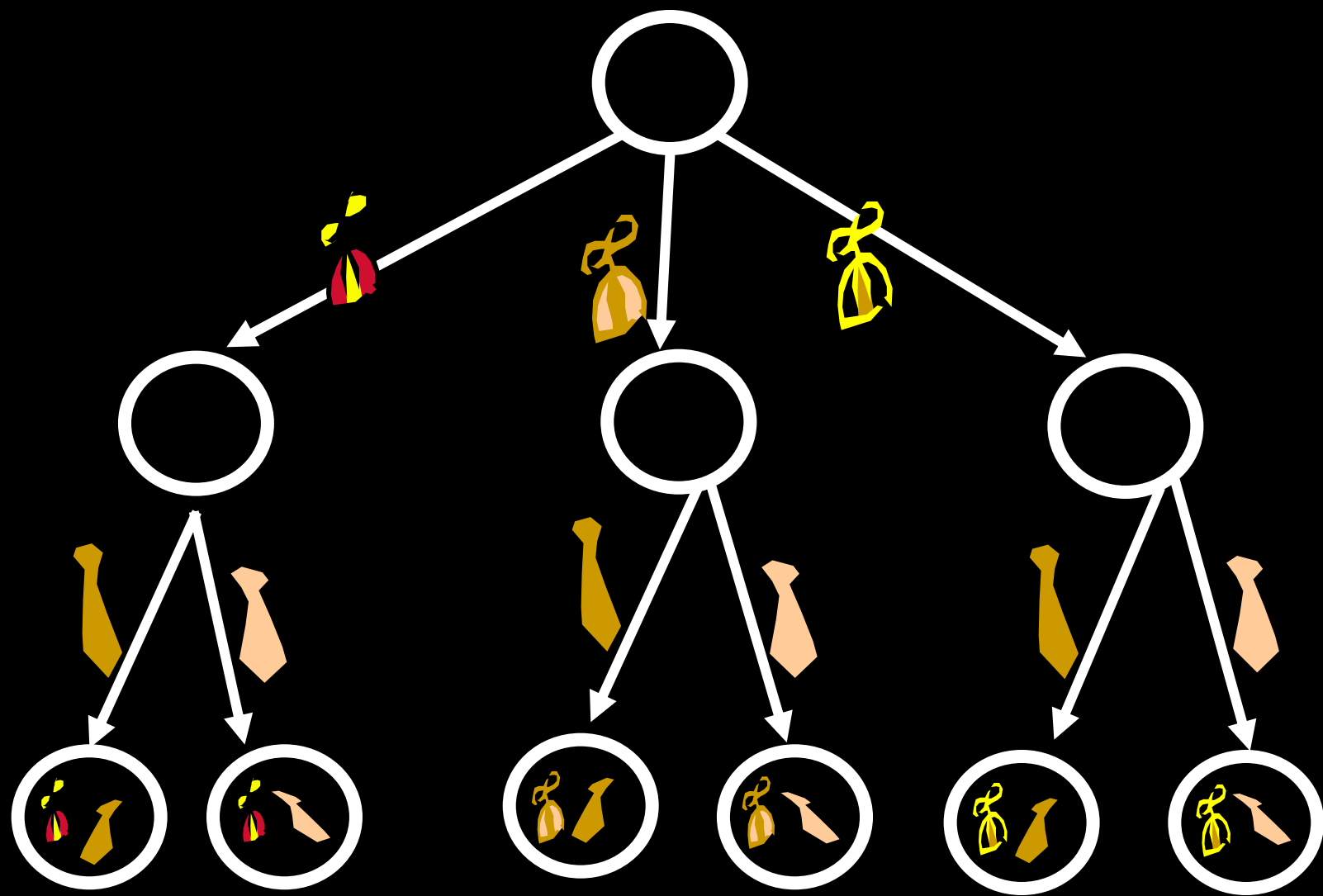


Count without Counting:
The auditorium can be
partitioned into n rows
with k seats each

Thus, we have nk seats in the room



I own 3 beanies and 2 ties. How many different ways can I dress up in a beanie and a tie?



A Restaurant Has a Menu With 5 Appetizers, 6 Entrees, 3 Salads, and 7 Desserts

How many items on the menu?

$$5 + 6 + 3 + 7 = 21$$

How many ways to choose a complete meal?

$$5 \times 6 \times 3 \times 7 = 630$$

How many ways to order a meal if I am
allowed to skip some (or all) of the courses?

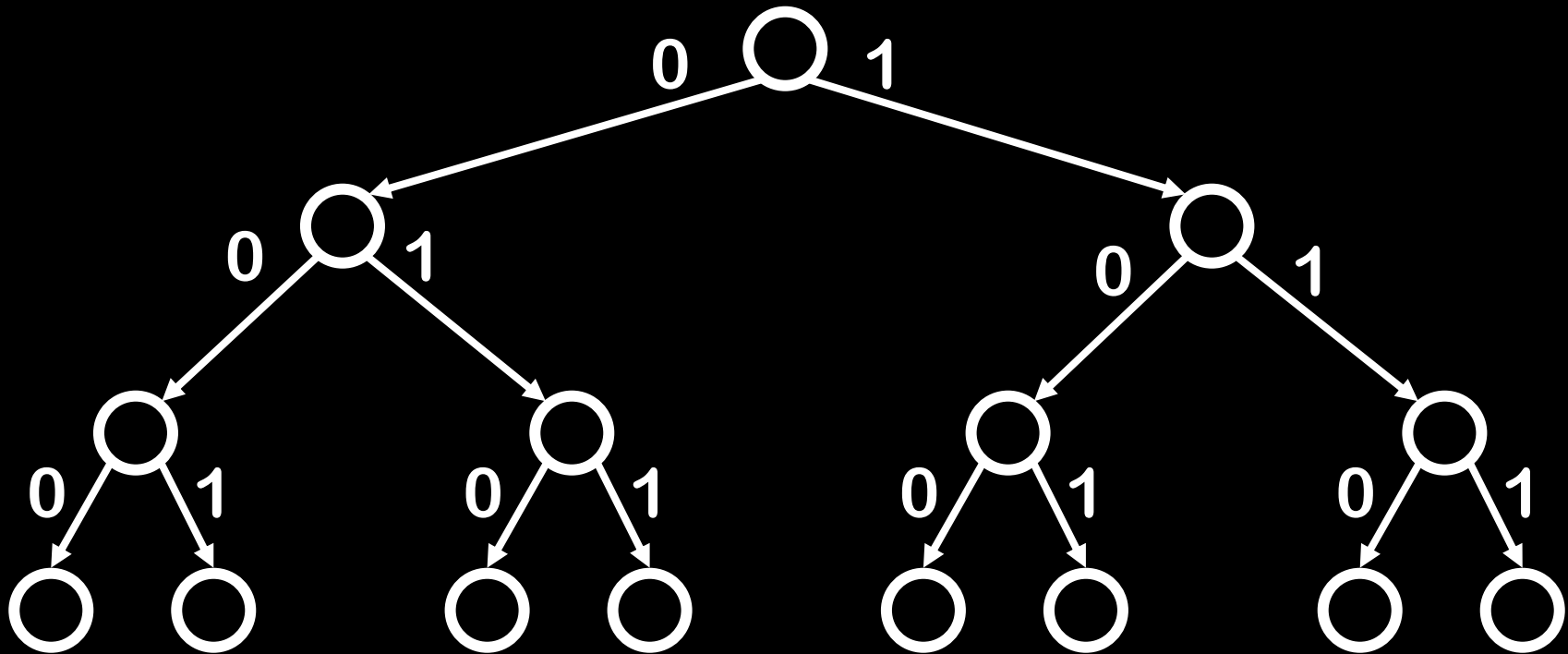
$$6 \times 7 \times 4 \times 8 = 1344$$

Hobson's Restaurant Has Only 1 Appetizer, 1 Entree, 1 Salad, and 1 Dessert

2^4 ways to order a meal if I might not
have some of the courses

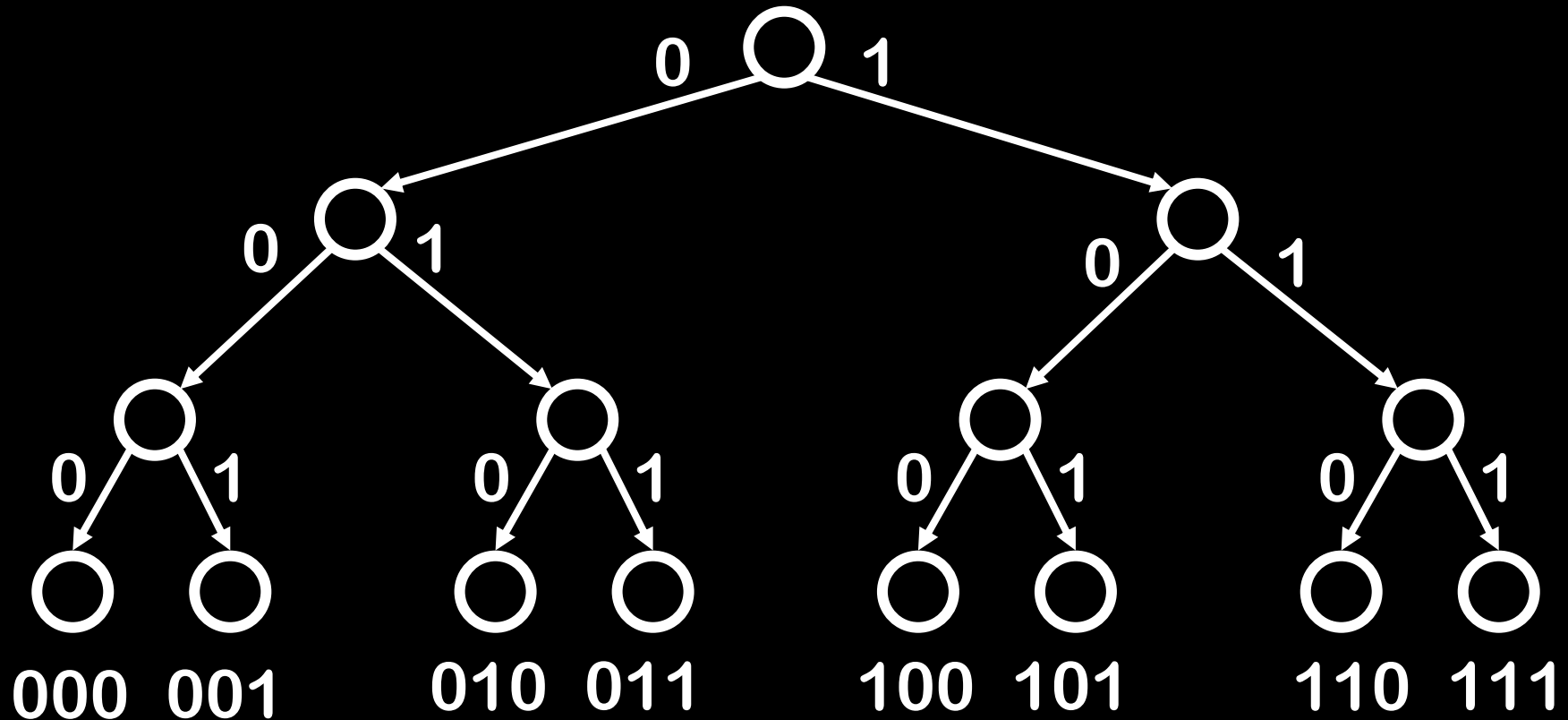
Same as number of subsets of the set
{Appetizer, Entrée, Salad, Dessert}

Choice Tree For 2^n n-bit Sequences

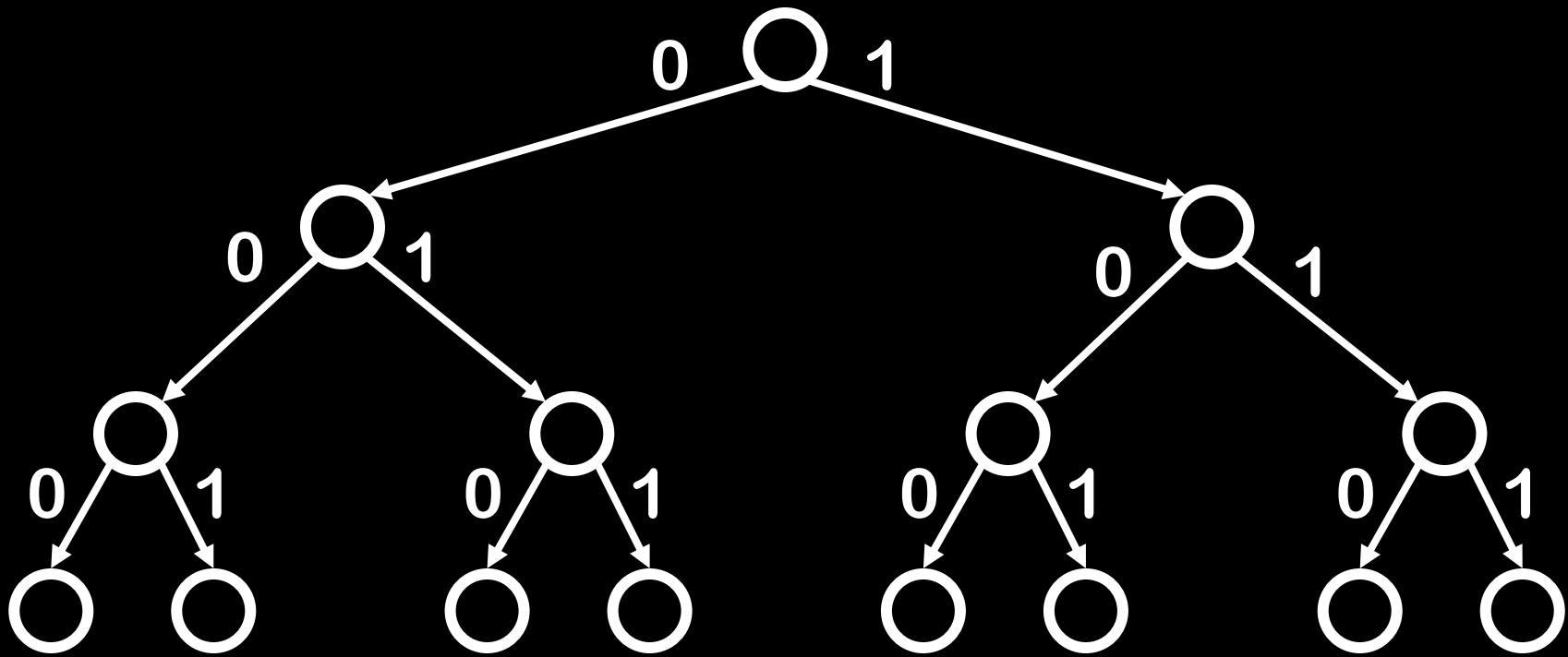


We can use a “choice tree” to represent the construction of objects of the desired type

Choice Tree For 2^n n-bit Sequences



Label each leaf with the object constructed
by the choices along the path to the leaf



2 choices for first bit
× 2 choices for second bit
× 2 choices for third bit
: :
× 2 choices for the n^{th}

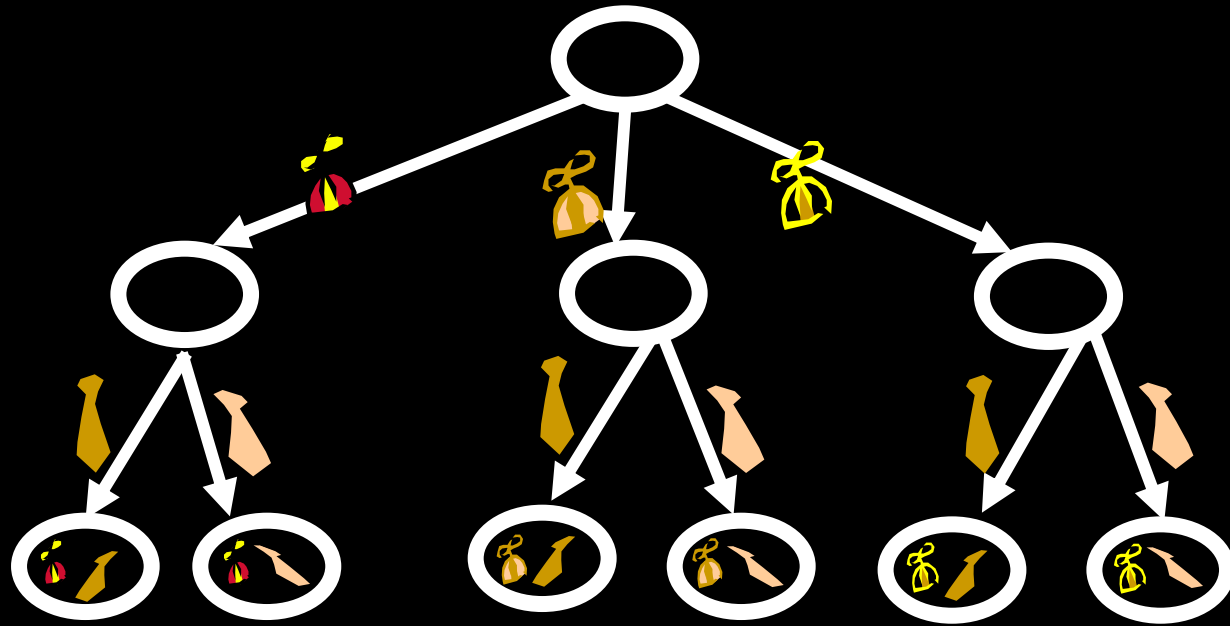
Leaf Counting Lemma

Let T be a depth- n tree when each node at depth $0 \leq i \leq n-1$ has P_{i+1} children

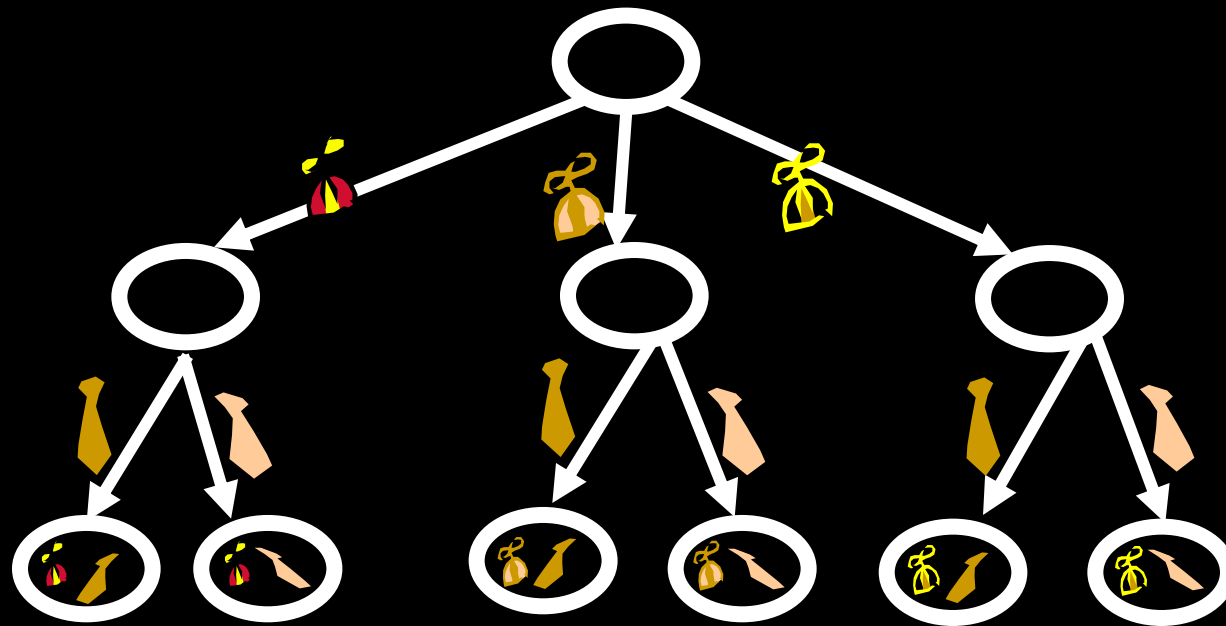
The number of leaves of T is given by:

$$P_1 P_2 \dots P_n$$

Choice Tree



A **choice tree** is a rooted, directed tree with an object called a “choice” associated with each edge and a label on each leaf



A choice tree provides a “choice tree representation” of a set S , if

1. Each leaf label is in S , and each element of S is some leaf label
2. No two leaf labels are the same



We will now
combine the
**correspondence
principle** with the
leaf counting lemma
to make a powerful
counting rule for
choice tree
representation.

Product Rule

IF set S has a **choice tree representation** with
 P_1 possibilities for the first choice,
 P_2 for the second, P_3 for the third,
and so on,

THEN

there are $P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots P_n$ objects in S

Proof:

There are $P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots P_n$ leaves of the choice tree
which are in 1-1 onto correspondence with the
elements of S .

Product Rule (Rephrased)

Suppose **every** object of a set S can be constructed by a sequence of choices with P_1 possibilities for the first choice, P_2 for the second, and so on.

IF 1. Each sequence of choices constructs an object of type S

AND

2. No two different sequences create the same object

THEN

and every object in S must be created

There are $P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots P_n$ objects of type S

How Many Different Orderings of Deck With 52 Cards?

What object are we making? **Ordering of a deck**

Construct an ordering of a deck by a sequence
of 52 choices:

52 possible choices for the first card;

51 possible choices for the second card;

: :

1 possible choice for the 52nd card.

By product rule: $52 \times 51 \times 50 \times \dots \times 2 \times 1 = 52!$

A **permutation** or **arrangement** of n objects is an ordering of the objects

The number of permutations of n distinct objects is $n!$



How many sequences of
7 letters are there?

$$26^7$$

(26 choices for each
of the 7 positions)



How many sequences of
7 letters contain **at least**
two of the same letter?

$$26^7 - 26 \times 25 \times 24 \times 23 \times 22 \times 21 \times 20$$

number of sequences containing
all different letters

Sometimes it is easiest to count the number of objects with property Q , by counting the number of objects that do not have property Q .



Helpful Advice:

In logic, it can be useful to represent a statement in the contra positive.

In counting, it can be useful to represent a set in terms of its complement.



If 10 horses race, how many orderings of the top three finishers are there?

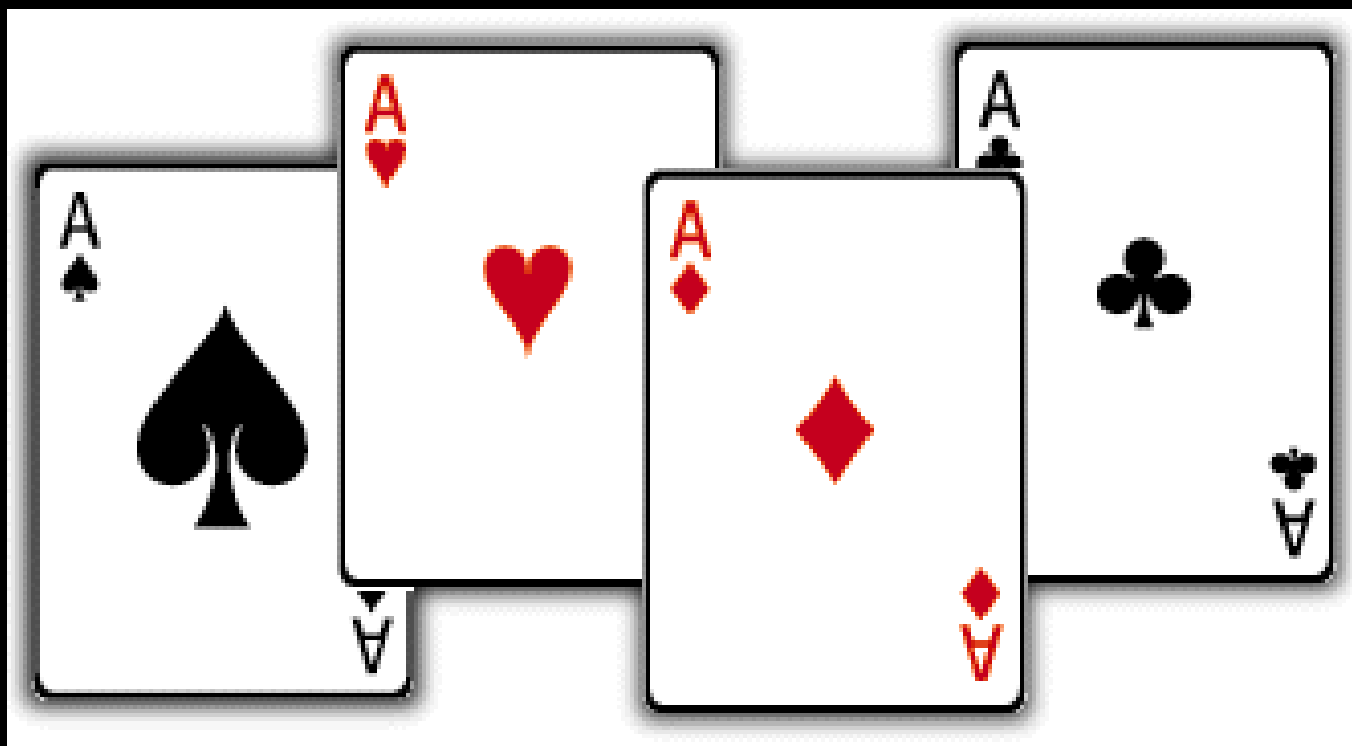
$$10 \times 9 \times 8 = 720$$

Number of ways of ordering, permuting, or arranging r out of n objects

n choices for first place, n-1 choices for second place, . . .

$$n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times (n-(r-1))$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$



Ordered Versus Unordered

From a deck of 52 cards how many ordered pairs can be formed?

$$52 \times 51$$

How many unordered pairs?

$$52 \times 51 / 2 \leftarrow \text{divide by overcount}$$

Each unordered pair is listed twice
on a list of the ordered pairs

Ordered Versus Unordered

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How many unordered pairs?

$$52 \times 51 / 2 \leftarrow \text{divide by overcount}$$

We have a 2-1 map from ordered pairs to unordered pairs.

Hence $\# \text{unordered pairs} = (\# \text{ordered pairs}) / 2$

Ordered Versus Unordered

How many **ordered** 5 card sequences can be formed from a 52-card deck?

$$52 \times 51 \times 50 \times 49 \times 48$$

How many orderings of 5 cards?

$$5!$$

How many **unordered** 5 card hands?

$$(52 \times 51 \times 50 \times 49 \times 48) / 5! = 2,598,960$$

A **combination** or **choice** of r out of n objects is an (unordered) set of r of the n objects

The number of r combinations of n objects:

$$\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = \binom{n}{r}$$

n “choose” r



The number of subsets of size r that can be formed from an n -element set is:

$$\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = \binom{n}{r}$$



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There are $P_1 P_2 P_3 \dots P_n$ objects of type S

How Many 8-Bit Sequences Have 2 0's and 6 1's?

Tempting, but incorrect:
8 ways to place first 0, times
7 ways to place second 0

Violates condition 2 of product rule!

Choosing position i for the first 0 and then
position j for the second 0 gives same
sequence as choosing position j for the first 0
and position i for the second 0

} 2 ways of
generating
same object!

How Many 8-Bit Sequences Have 2 0's and 6 1's?

1. Choose the set of 2 positions to put the 0's. The 1's are forced.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Choose the set of 6 positions to put the 1's. The 0's are forced.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

Symmetry In The Formula

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = \binom{n}{n-r}$$

“# of ways to pick r out of n elements”

=

“# of ways to choose the $(n-r)$ elements to omit”

How Many Hands Have at Least 3 As?

|| 4560

~~$\binom{4}{3} \binom{48}{2}$~~

$\binom{4}{3} \binom{49}{2}$

2496

4704

||

~~4560~~ $\cdot \frac{49 \cdot 48}{2} = 4704$

How Many Hands Have at Least 3 As?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

= 4 ways of picking 3 out of 4 aces

$$\begin{bmatrix} 49 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

= 1176 ways of picking 2 cards out of the remaining 49 cards

$$4 \times 1176 = 4704$$

How Many Hands Have at Least 3 As?

How many hands have **exactly** 3 aces?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \text{ ways of picking 3 out of 4 aces}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 48 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 1128 \text{ ways of picking 2 cards out of the 48 non-ace cards}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ \times 1128 \\ \hline 4512 \end{array}$$

How many hands have **exactly** 4 aces?

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \text{ way of picking 4 out of 4 aces}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 48 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 48 \text{ ways of picking 1 cards out of the 48 non-ace cards}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4512 \\ + 48 \\ \hline 4560 \end{array}$$

4704 \neq 4560

At least one of
the two counting
arguments is not
correct!



Four Different Sequences of Choices Produce the Same Hand

$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 4$ ways of picking 3 out of 4 aces

$\begin{pmatrix} 49 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 1176$ ways of picking 2 cards out of the remaining 49 cards

A♣ A♦ A♥	A♠ K♦
A♣ A♦ A♠	A♥ K♦
A♣ A♠ A♥	A♦ K♦
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Is the other argument
correct? How do I
avoid fallacious
reasoning?



REVERSIBILITY CHECK:

For each object can I
reverse engineer the
unique sequence of
choices that
constructed it?



Scheme I

1. Choose 3 of 4 aces
2. Choose 2 of the remaining cards

A♣ A♦ A♥ A♠ K♦

For this hard – you can't reverse to a unique choice sequence.

A♣ A♦ A♥	A♠ K♦
A♣ A♦ A♠	A♥ K♦
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Scheme II

1. Choose 3 out of 4 aces
2. Choose 2 out of 48 non-ace cards

A♣ A♦ Q♦ A♠ K♦

REVERSE TEST: Aces came from choices in (1)
and others came from choices in (2)

Scheme II

1. Choose 4 out of 4 aces
2. Choose 1 out of 48 non-ace cards

A♣ A♦ A♥ A♠ K♦

REVERSE TEST: Aces came from choices in (1)
and others came from choices in (2)

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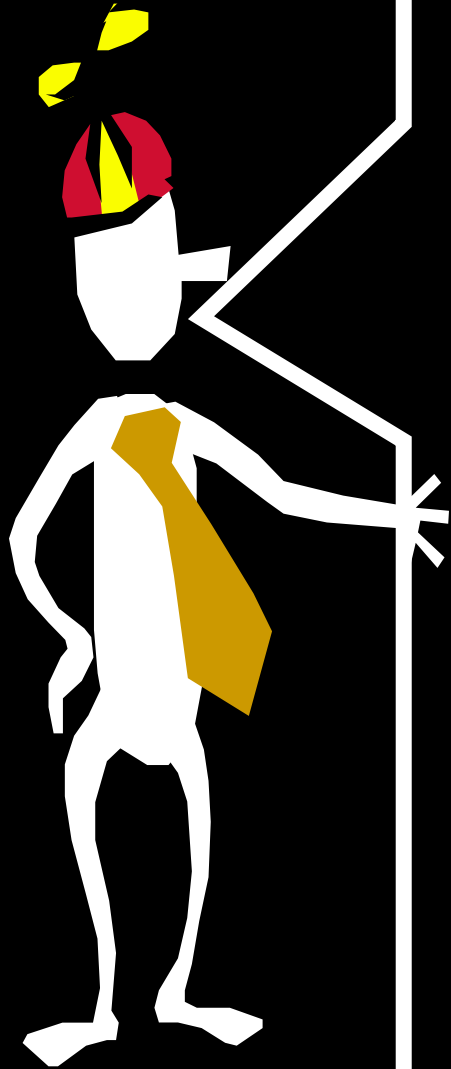
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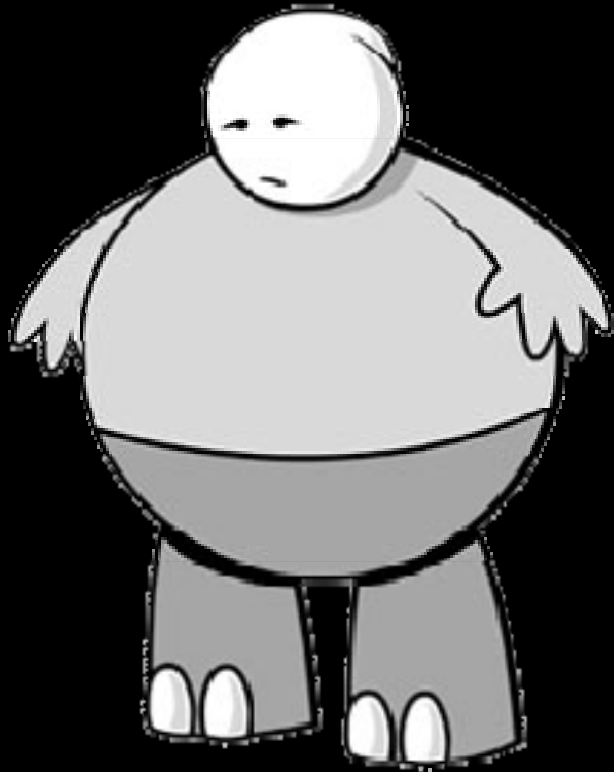


DEFENSIVE THINKING

ask yourself:

**Am I creating objects of
the right type?**

**Can I reverse engineer
my choice sequence
from any given object?**



Here's What
You Need to
Know...

Correspondence Principle

If two finite sets can be placed
into 1-1 onto correspondence,
then they have the same size

Choice Tree

Product Rule

two conditions

Reverse Test

Counting by complementing

Binomial coefficient