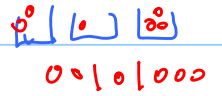


n balls into m distinguishable bins:



Distinguishable balls

Indistinguishable (= identical) Balls.

No restrictions	m^n	$\binom{n+m-1}{m-1}$
At most one ball per bin. ($n \leq m$)	$m \cdot (m-1) \cdots (m-n+1)$ $P(m, n)$	$\binom{m}{n}$
Specific # in each bin. r_i in bin i , $r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_m = n$.	$\frac{n!}{(r_1)! (r_2)! \cdots (r_m)!} = \binom{n}{r_1} \binom{n-r_1}{r_2} \cdots \binom{r_m}{r_m}$	<u>1</u>

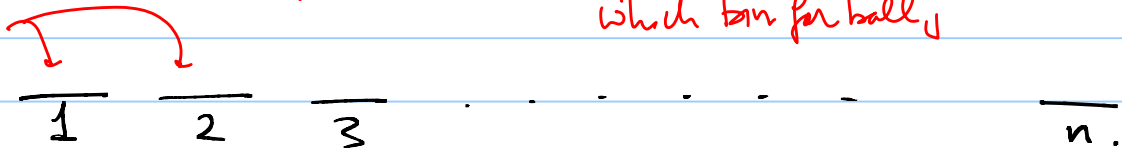
If same # balls in each bin then it must be that m evenly divides n . Then $\frac{n}{m}$ in each bin ($r_1 = r_2 = \dots = r_m = \frac{n}{m}$).

Distinguishable balls into distinguishable bins (no restrictions).

m choices for each position.

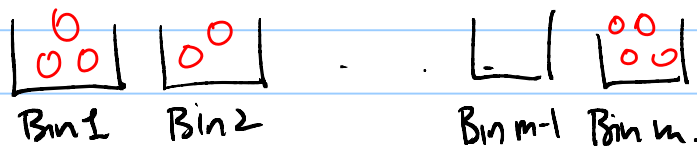
j 's position indicates which bin for ball j

m^n



- # strings of length n over an alphabet with m characters.
- Schedule planning: n days, choose one of m activities per day.
- Assignment of n different people to m different projects (no restrictions on # people in each project).

Indistinguishable Balls, Distinguishable Bins (no restrictions).



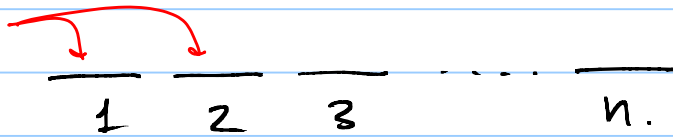
$n \leq m$
or $n \geq m$

- Selecting n items from m varieties (large supply of each variety).
balls in bin j = # chosen for variety j .
- Solutions to: $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_m = n$
 X_i 's are non-negative integers.
 X_j = # balls in bin j .
- n identical jobs assigned to m different processors.



n distinguishable balls into m distinguishable bins.
At most one per bin. Need $m \geq n$.

choice of
bin for
each ball



an n -permutation
from a set of size m .

No repetitions: $m(m-1) \dots (m-n+1) = P(m, n)$.

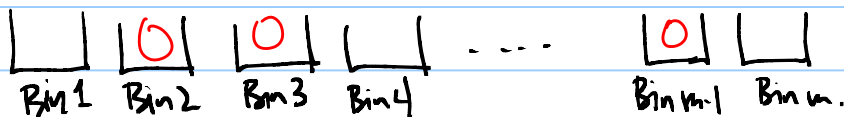
- Distribute n different prizes to m different people
at most one per person.
- Select class officers from an 8th grade class.
Order of selection matters:



- Schedule of n days m choices for each
day — no repetitions.

n indistinguishable balls into m distinguishable bins.
At most one per bin. Need $m \geq n$.

- Subset of size n from a set of size m .



$$\binom{m}{n}$$

Which of the n bins get balls?

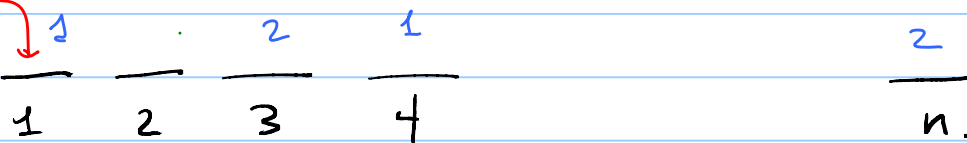
- Select a committee of size n from a
club w/ m members. (No special roles)
- # binary string with m bits and n 1's

n distinguishable balls into m distinguishable bins. r_j balls in bin j .

Must have $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_m = n$.

↳ total # balls.

Bin selection
for each ball.



r_1 1's
 r_2 2's
⋮
 r_m m's.

$$\frac{n!}{(r_1)! (r_2)! \dots (r_m)!}$$

- Placement of people in offices. Each office has a capacity. Total capacity = total # of people.
- Schedule choice of m activities per day, n days total. r_j = # times activity j occurs in the schedule.

n indistinguishable balls into m distinguishable bins. r_j balls in bin j .

Must have $r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_m = n$.

↳ total # balls.

- 10 candy bars to 5 kids. (candy bars all same)
Same # to each kid.
⇒ 2 to each kid.