

# CS109A Week 2

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# Welcome everyone!

- Introductions
- Office hours start tomorrow from 10am - 12pm PT
  - Calendly link was sent out via email

If there is anything else I can help with, please email me

# Agenda

- Permutations\*
- Combinations\*
- Divider method\*
- Inclusion Exclusion Principle\*
- Applications

\* Relevant for HW 1

# Permutations

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- Examples
  - How many ways are there to order the letters in the word APPLE?
  - Suppose there are ten unique exams given to ten students. Each student receives one exam. How many different ways are there to assign the exams to the students?

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Technique: Try writing  
out small examples if  
you get stuck

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4 options  
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3 options  
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2 options  
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1 option  
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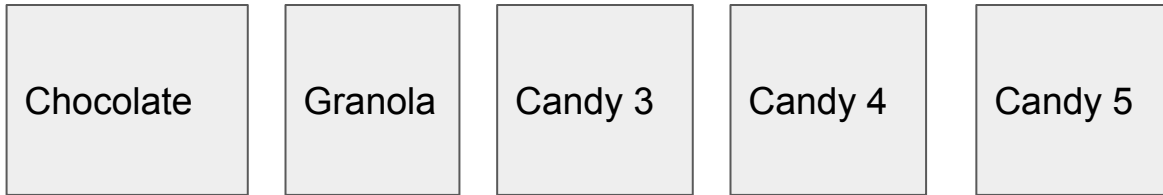
$$5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1 = 5! \text{ ways}$$

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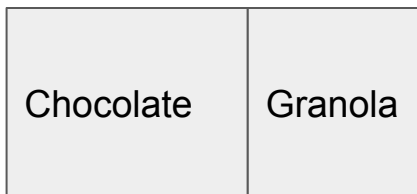


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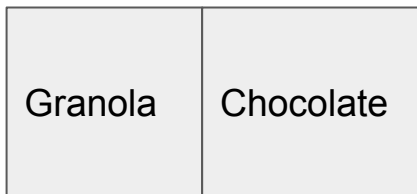
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=  $- 2 * 4!$  ways

**Solution:**  $5! - 2 * 4!$

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- Notation:  $nCk = n! / k! / (n-k)!$

Note: also known as the *binomial coefficient* and has many interesting properties.  
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- Beyond CS109: Combinatorial Identities
  - Pascal's triangle: provable algebraic properties hold, e.g.

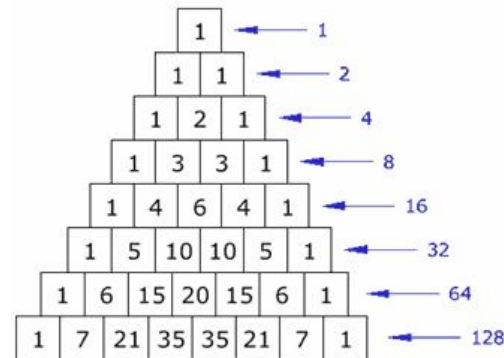
$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$

- Binomial theorem.

\* [https://artofproblemsolving.com/wiki/index.php/Pascal%27s\\_Identity](https://artofproblemsolving.com/wiki/index.php/Pascal%27s_Identity)

\* Image from: <https://www.mathsisfun.com/pascals-triangle.html>

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- Examples
  - Given a class of 200 students. In how many ways can we select a group of 20 students to receive a candy bar?

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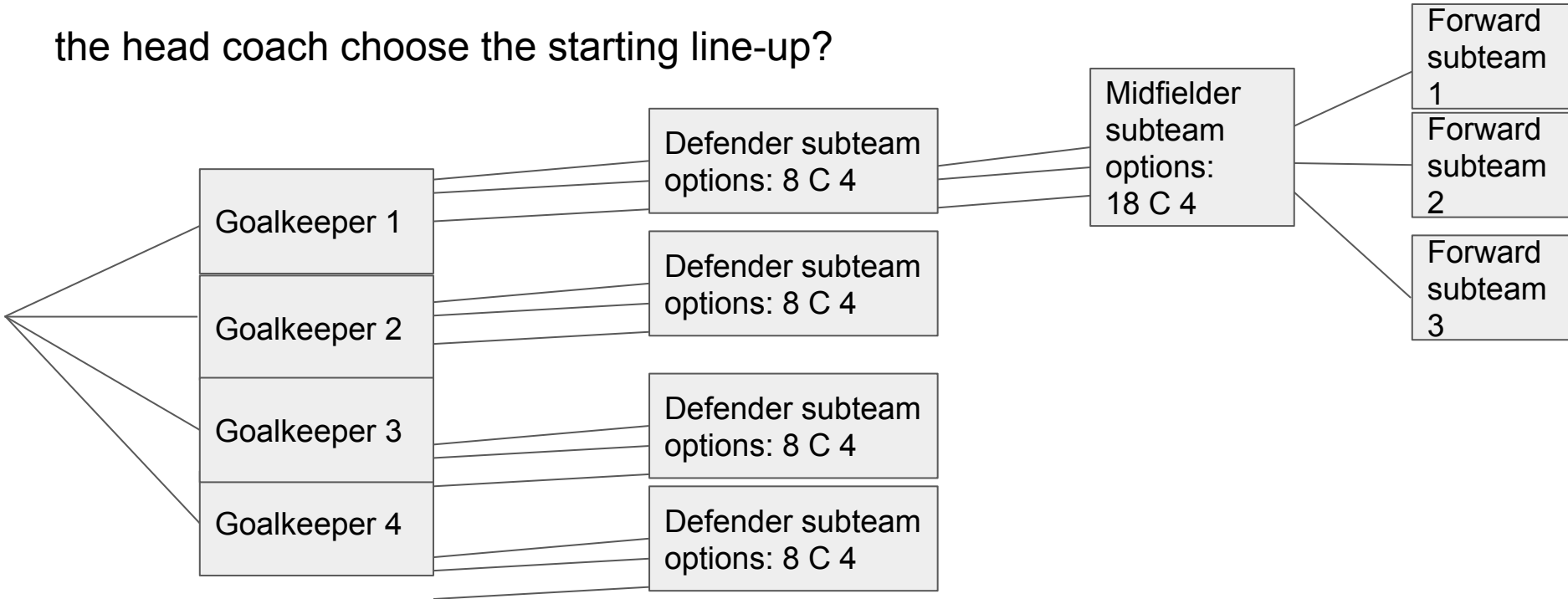
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**Divider Method:** Suppose you want to place  $n$  indistinguishable items into  $r$  containers. The divider method works by imagining that you are going to solve this problem by sorting two types of objects, your  $n$  original elements and  $(r - 1)$  dividers. Thus, you are permuting  $n + r - 1$  objects,  $n$  of which are same (your elements) and  $r - 1$  of which are same (the dividers). Thus the total number of outcomes is:

$$\frac{(n + r - 1)!}{n!(r - 1)!} = \binom{n + r - 1}{n} = \binom{n + r - 1}{r - 1}.$$



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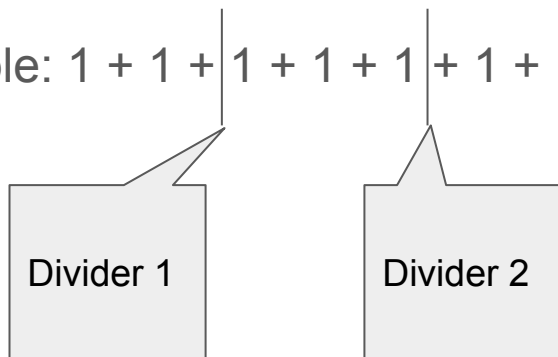
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**Solution:** By applying the divider method, we have  $(7 + 3 - 1) C (3 - 1)$  ways to permute 7 indistinguishable 1's and 2 indistinguishable dividers. (remember we only need  $2 = 3 - 1$  dividers to establish 3 buckets).

## Example 3.5

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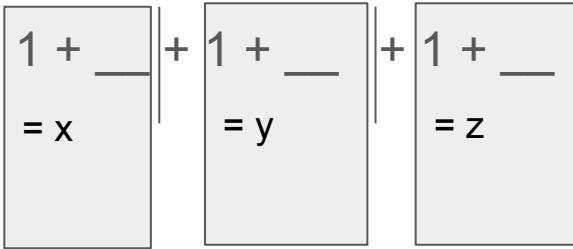
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**Key Idea:** Pre-allocate one 1 to each bucket to ensure constraint is satisfied.

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For example:  $1 + \frac{\quad}{\quad} + 1 + \frac{\quad}{\quad} + 1 + \frac{\quad}{\quad}$   
                   $= x$                    $= y$                    $= z$

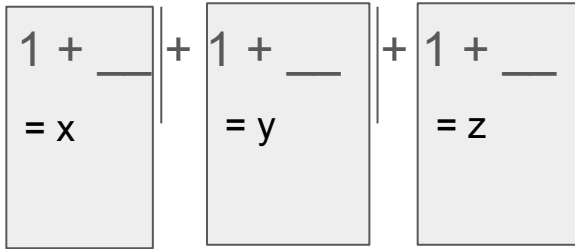


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# Divider Method with Pre-allocation

For example:



The diagram illustrates three buckets, each represented by a light gray rectangular box. Each box contains the text "1 + \_\_\_" on the top line and "= x", "= y", and "= z" on the bottom line, respectively. The boxes are arranged horizontally and separated by vertical lines and plus signs, indicating they are to be summed together.

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**Solution:** Divider method

$$(4 + 3 - 1) C (3 - 1)$$

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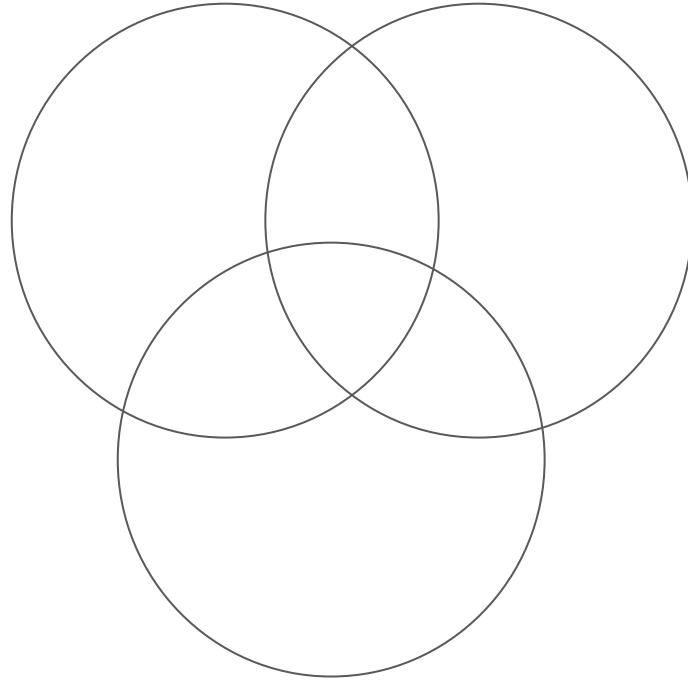
**Solution:**

By divider method,  $(100 + 3 - 1) C (3 - 1) = 102 C 2$  ways.

# Inclusion Exclusion Principle

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Technique: draw out  
Venn diagrams



# Applications

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- Distributed computing and networking [CS144]
  - Routing different requests to different servers
  - Load balancing
- Cryptography and network security [CS155, CS255]
  - Password
  - Encryption techniques: e.g. one-time pad
- Card games

See you next Tuesday!