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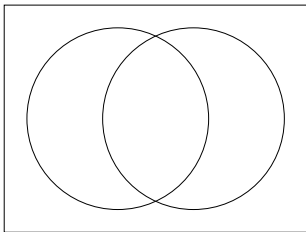
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What we would like to calculate is:

In how many ways can we choose  $k$  elements out of an arbitrary multiset?

Now, it's as easy as PIE.

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## Combinatorial proof involving $D_n$

**Recall:** The combinatorial interpretation of  $D_n$  is: “The number of ways to return  $n$  hats to  $n$  people so no one gets his/her own hat back”

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