

MATH 120 In-class Activity

Day 9

All but one of the following triples of counting questions has something in common in terms of **how they are solved**. Determine the common link that each triple has. Then identify the triple that does not have a common solving technique. Once you have determined the appropriate counting techniques, go ahead and answer the counting questions.

Triple 1.

- 1a. How many positive integer solutions are there to $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 20$?
- 1b. How many dozens of donuts can be created if there are 10 different types of donuts available?
- 1c. In how many ways can you choose 15 marbles out of a bag with 100 blue marbles, 100 red marbles, and 100 green marbles?

Triple 2.

- 2a. How many rearrangements are there of the letters in the word “uncopyrightable”?
- 2b. In how many ways can you pair up 8 humans and 8 pets?
- 2c. In how many ways can six distinct books be arranged on one shelf?

Triple 3.

- 3a. In how many ways can you choose three letters out of the word “junipers” to make bold?
- 3b. How many ten-digit sequences of 0’s and 1’s have the sum of their digits equal to 4?
- 3c. How many lattice paths leaving from $(0,0)$ and ending at $(5,9)$ only take East steps and North steps?

Triple 4.

- 4a. In how many ways can 20 distinguishable books be arranged on a bookcase with three shelves?
- 4b. In how many ways can 20 identical books be put into a bookcase with three shelves?
- 4c. In how many ways can you choose three books to remove from a shelf displaying 20 different books?

Triple 5.

- 5a. How many five-card hands of cards do not have all five cards of the same suit?
- 5b. How many subsets of $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ are there with at least two elements?
- 5c. In how many ways can you choose a committee of size 10 with at least 2 men if there are 30 women in the club and 20 men in the club?

Triple 6.

- 6a. In how many ways can a game club of 50 people form a board game committee of 15 members, of which 5 are on the “Monopoly” subcommittee?
- 6b. How many rearrangements are there of the letters in the word “zigzagging”?
- 6c. How many hands of cards have three cards of one suit and two cards of a second suit?

Triple 7.

- 7a. In how many ways can you pick a card from a standard deck that is either a face card or is red?
- 7b. If there are 10 people in this class who take the bus to come to campus and 8 people who ride a bicycle to campus, and 3 people who use both modes of transportation, how many people take the bus or ride a bicycle to campus, *but not both*?
- 7c. How many 18-digit passwords using only letters use at least one letter from A–E and at least one letter from V–Z?

Triple 8.

- 8a. In how many ways can you pick a card from a standard deck that is either a face card or an Ace?
- 8b. How many pairs of two *distinct* integers chosen from $\{1, 2, \dots, 101\}$ have a sum that is even?
- 8c. A taxi that fits at most 5 passengers must take 7 passengers to the airport in two trips. In how many ways can the passengers be broken into two groups?