

## 2.1 Basic Counting

A *partition* of a set  $S$  is a collection of subsets  $S_i$  of  $S$  such that  $S = \cup S_i$  and  $S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset$  for all  $i \neq j$ .

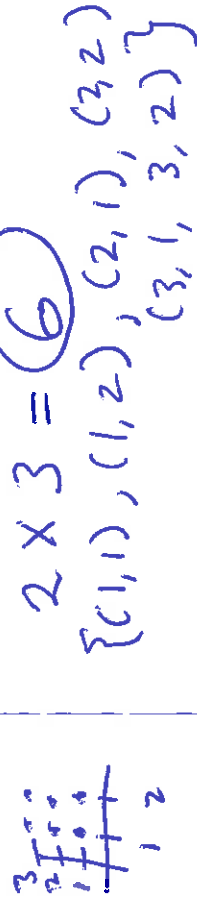
**Addition Principle:** If  $S = S_1 \cup S_2$  and  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$ , then  $|S| = |S_1| + |S_2|$ .

If  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$  and if  $x \in S$  implies  $x \in S_1$  OR  $x \in S_2$ , then  $|S| = |S_1| + |S_2|$ .



**Multiplication Principle:** If  $S = S_1 \times S_2$ , then  $|S| = |S_1| |S_2|$ .

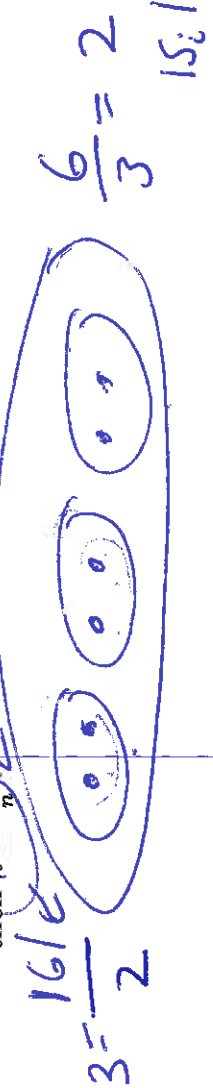
$x = (a, b) \in S$  implies  $a \in S_1$  AND  $b \in S_2$ , then  $|S| = |S_1| |S_2|$ .



**Subtraction Principle:** Suppose  $A \subset U$ . Let the complement of  $A$  in  $U = \bar{A} = \{x \in U \mid x \notin A\}$ . Then  $|A| = |U| - |\bar{A}|$ .



**Division Principle:** Suppose  $S = \cup_{i=1}^k S_i$ . If  $|S_i| = n \forall i$ , then  $k = \frac{|S|}{n}$ .



## Counting Problems:

- 1.) Order matters (ordered arrangements or selections)
  - 1a.) no repeats allowed
  - 1b.) (limited) repeats allowed
- 2.) Order does not matter (unordered arrangements or selections)
  - 2a.) no repeats allowed
  - 2b.) (limited) repeats allowed

Defn: A *multiset* is a collection of objects where repeats are allowed.

Set:  $\{a, a, b, b, b\} = \{a, b\}$

Multiset:  $\{a, a, b, b, b\} = \{2 \cdot a, 3 \cdot b\}$

Subsets: Suppose a set  $B$  has  $n$  elements (i.e.,  $|B| = n$ ). The number of subsets of  $B$  is

$$2^n$$

Suppose a symbol can be either a number between 0 and 9 or a letter. How many are symbols there?

$\{0-9\} \cup \{A-Z\}$

Addition principle

$10 + 26 = 36$

How many sequences consisting of one letter followed by one single digit number (0 - 9) are possible?

Mult principle

$26 \times 10 = 260$

letter number

How many different license plates are possible if 3 letters followed by 3 numbers are used?

$26^3 \times 10^3$

$26 \times 26 \times 26 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 = 26^3 \times 10^3$

$\{A-Z\} \{0-9\}$

How many different license plates are possible if 3 letters followed by 3 numbers are used and the license plate starts with a vowel if and only if the plate contains exactly one vowel?

See chalk board notes

$\phi = \{ \}$

- Subsets  $\{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{c\}, \{d\}, \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, \dots, \{a,b,c,d\}\}$

Suppose a set  $A$  has four elements (i.e., the cardinality of  $A = |A| = 4$ )

The number of subsets of  $A$  is

$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^4$

1 or no a      b or no b      c or no c      d or no d  
in subset      in subset      in subset

The number of nonempty subsets of  $A$  is

A pizza parlor offers 4 different toppings (sausage, onions, chicken, walnuts). How many different types of pizzas can one order?

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$2^n$