Multiset Poker

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Add 4 cards (knights) to deck: $C\clubsuit, C\diamondsuit, C\heartsuit, C\diamondsuit$

The standard bijection: $\left(\left(\begin{smallmatrix} [6]\\5 \end{smallmatrix}\right)\right) \leftrightarrow \left(\begin{smallmatrix} [6+5-1]\\5 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$

multiset stars and bars set 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 | 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 | * * * * * $2, 3, 4, 4, 4 \mid 2, 4, 6, 7, 8 \mid |*|*|*|****|$ 1, 1, 2, 3, 6 | 1, 2, 4, 6, 10 | * * | * | * |||* 3, 3, 3, 3, 3 | 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 | || * * * * * |||2, 3, 4, 5, 6 | 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 | | * | * | * | * | * 1, 1, 3, 3, 6 1, 2, 5, 6, 10 * * || * *|||*

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Linear order of augmented deck Low to high ranks: 2,3,...,9,10, J, Q, K, A, CLow to high within ranks: \clubsuit , \diamondsuit , \heartsuit , \clubsuit

The standard bijection



- A hand with no knight maps to itself
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Knight's bijection $C: \binom{[n+k-1]}{k} \Rightarrow \binom{[n]}{k}$

- For $S \in {\binom{[n+k-1]}{k}}$, let $T = S \cap \{n+1, n+2, ..., n+k-1\}$
- |T| = t and $R = S \cap [n] = S T$ with |R| = k t
- Write $R = a_1 < a_2 < \cdots < a_{k-t}$ and $T = n + b_1 < n + b_2 < \cdots < n + b_t$
- $T' = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_t\} \subset {[k-1] \choose t}$ is a t element set from [k-1]
- Use the standard bijection B to map T' = {b₁, b₂,..., b_t} to a t element multiset from [(k − 1) − t + 1] = [k − t]

- Use these as indices of repeated elements from R.
- In particular $B(T') = \{b_i i + 1 | i = 1, 2, ..., t\}.$
- Then let $R' = \{a_{b_i i + 1} | i = 1, 2, \dots, t\}$
- The image of S under the knight's bijection is then $C(S) = R \cup R'$.

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- Any set avoiding knights maps to itself
- Place knights in their location
- Place regular elements in order in open spots
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Knight's bijection
$$C : \binom{[n+k-1]}{k} \Rightarrow \binom{[n]}{k}$$

• Stars and bars bijection with 'extra' elements as stars and 'regular' elements as bars

Playing poker with Knight's bijection

- No 'numerical' computations needed
- 'Normal' hands are themselves
- No 2 players can get the same card
- At most 4 instances of duplicated cards
- . High card 'beats' one pair

General Poker Games

3 'Deals'

- Multiple Decks (t decks)
- Multiset bijection
- Dealing with replacement
- r ranks
- *s* suits
- hand size h

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\lambda = \langle 0^{p_0}, 1^{p_1}, 2^{p_2}, \dots, \rangle
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Regular 13 rank poker:

\langle 0^{11}, 1^1, 2^0, 3^0, 4^1 \rangle is 4 of a kind

\langle 0^{11}, 1^0, 2^1, 3^1 \rangle is full house

\langle 0^{10}, 1^2, 2^0, 3^1 \rangle is 3 of a kind

\langle 0^{10}, 1^1, 2^2 \rangle is 2 pair

\langle 0^9, 1^5 \rangle is high card
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With r = 17 ranks and hand size h = 9
\langle 0^{14}, 1^0, 2^0, 3^3 \rangle is three 3 of a kinds
\langle 0^{14}, 1^1, 2^0, 3^0, 4^2 \rangle is two 4 of a kinds
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Observe that full house and 4 of a kind have same exponents as do 2 pair and 3 of a kind $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n}$

$$r = \sum p_i$$
 and $h = \sum i \cdot p_i$

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For a poker hand of type $\lambda = \langle 0^{p_0}, 1^{p_1}, 2^{p_2}, \ldots, \rangle$, the number of ways to pick the ranks is the multinomial coefficient

$$N_{ra} = \begin{pmatrix} r \\ p_0, p_1, p_2, \ldots \end{pmatrix}$$

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Does not depend on method of dealing

4 of a kind and full house: $N_{ra}(\langle 0^{11}, 1^1, 2^0, 3^0, 4^1 \rangle) = N_{ra}(\langle 0^{11}, 1^0, 2^1, 3^1 \rangle)$

$$= \binom{13}{11,1,1} = \frac{13!}{11!1!1!} = 13 \cdot 12$$

3 of a kind and 2 pair: $N_{ra}(\langle 0^{10}, 1^2, 2^0, 3^1 \rangle) = N_{ra}(\langle 0^{10}, 1^1, 2^2 \rangle)$ $= \begin{pmatrix} 13\\ 10, 2, 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{13!}{10!2!1!} = \frac{13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11}{2}$

two four of a kind with r = 17 ranks and hand size h = 9:

$$N_{ra}(\langle 0^{14}, 1^1, 2^0, 3^0, 4^2 \rangle) = {17 \choose 14, 2, 1} = {17! \over 14! 2! 1!}$$

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- (t decks): $N_{su}^{md}(\lambda) = \prod {\binom{st}{i}}^{p_i}$
- (multiset): $N_{su}^{ms}(\lambda) = \prod \left(\begin{pmatrix} s \\ i \end{pmatrix} \right)^{p_i}$
- (dealing with replacement): $N_s^r(\lambda) = {h \choose \lambda} \cdot s^h$

Regular poker full house probabilities (including full house flush) $\langle 0^{11}, 1^0, 2^1, 3^1 \rangle$



Dealing with replacement:

$$\frac{\binom{13}{11,1,1} \cdot \binom{5}{3,2} \cdot 4^5}{52^5}$$

17 ranks, 3 suits, 9 card hands two 4 of a kind (including flushes), $\langle 0^{14}, 1^1, 2^0, 3^0, 4^2\rangle$

2 decks:

$$\frac{\binom{17}{14,2,1} \cdot \binom{6}{4}^2 \binom{6}{1}}{\binom{102}{9}}$$

multiset:

$$\frac{\binom{17}{14,2,1}\cdot \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}^2 \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 51 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Dealing with replacement:

$$\frac{\binom{17}{14,2,1} \cdot \binom{9}{4,4,1} \cdot 3^9}{51^9}$$

$$\begin{split} \lambda &= \langle 0^{p_0}, 1^{p_1}, 2^{p_2}, \dots, \rangle \\ t \ decks & \underbrace{\binom{r}{p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots} \cdot \prod \binom{st}{i}^{p_i}}{\binom{rst}{h}} \\ \\ Multiset & \underbrace{\binom{r}{p_0, p_1, p_2, \dots} \cdot \prod \binom{s}{i}^{p_i}}{\binom{rs}{h}} \\ \\ Dealing \ with \ replacement \end{split}$$

$$\frac{\binom{r}{(p_0,p_1,p_2,...)} \cdot \binom{h}{(0!)^{p_0} (1!)^{p_1} (2!)^{p_2} (3!)^{p_3}...)} \cdot s^h}{(rs)^h}$$

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Multiset vs. regular probabilities (as percents %)

	multiset	regular
Straight flush 5 kind flush 4 kind flush 1 house flush 5 kind 3 kind flush 2 pair flush flush	.001 .016 .016 .02 .09 .09 .13	.001 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 .20
straight	.27	.39
pair flush	.30	0
4 kind	.56	.02
full house	.80	.14
3 kind	7.10	2.87
2 pair	8.90	4.75
High card	34.10	49.68
1 pair	47.62	42.3

regular poker hands $\binom{52}{5} = 2,598,960$ multiset poker hands $\binom{52}{5} = \binom{56}{5} = 3,819,816$

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