

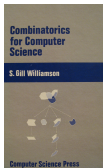
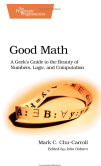
## Counting

- Introduction and Applications
- Sum and Product Rule
- The Complement Rule
- Inclusion-Exclusion Principle
- The Pigeon-Hole Principle
- Permutations and Combinations
- Combinatorial Proofs
- Permutation and Combinations with Repetitions

Combinatorics is the study of arrangement of objects

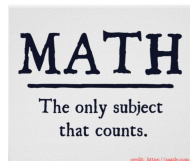
The Art of Counting (enumerative combinatorics)

# Why Count?



## Counting and Combinatorics:

- Calculate the chances of a component failure
- Analyze how long a program takes to finish
- Very useful in designing algorithms

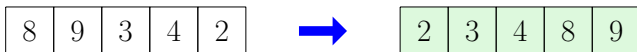


*The lottery is a tax on people who flunked math*

Monique Lloyd

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**Algorithm Selection Sort:** Sort an array  $A$  of  $n$  numbers

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**for**  $i = 1$  to  $n$  **do**

**for**  $j = i + 1$  to  $n$  **do**

**if**  $A[i] > A[j]$  **then**

            EXCHANGE( $A[i], A[j]$ )

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How many comparison are made?



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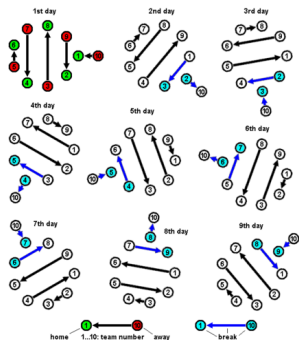
## Organizing Tournaments

$n$  teams are participating in Round 1 of a soccer tournament

Every team play every other team exactly once

Each game is refereed by a professional, charging \$1 per game

How many games are played?



A round-robin tournament with 10 teams (Wikipedia)

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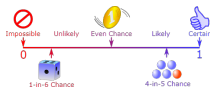
## Programming and Algorithm Design

- What should be size of array, other data structures?
- What is the runtime of the algorithm?
- How many arrangements of a specific kind must be generated to run simulations on?



## Probability Theory

- What is the runtime of a randomized algorithm?
- What are the chances that a network link will fail?



## Combinatorial Proofs

- Elegant counting based proofs



## Why Count?

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- How many bit strings of length  $n$  are there?
- How many paths between two nodes on the Internet?
- How many valid IP addresses are there?
- How many steps are required to do sorting?
- How many valid 6 character passwords are possible?
- How many ways are there to buy 13 different bagels from a shop that sells 17 types?
- How many bit strings of length 11 contain a streak of one type of bit of exact length 7?
- How many ways can a hiring service match 13 jobs to 17 applicants?
- How many arrangements are there of a deck of cards?

# Counting Techniques

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We will learn basic counting techniques to answer this type of questions and apply them in applications mentioned above

- Sum Rule and Product Rule
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