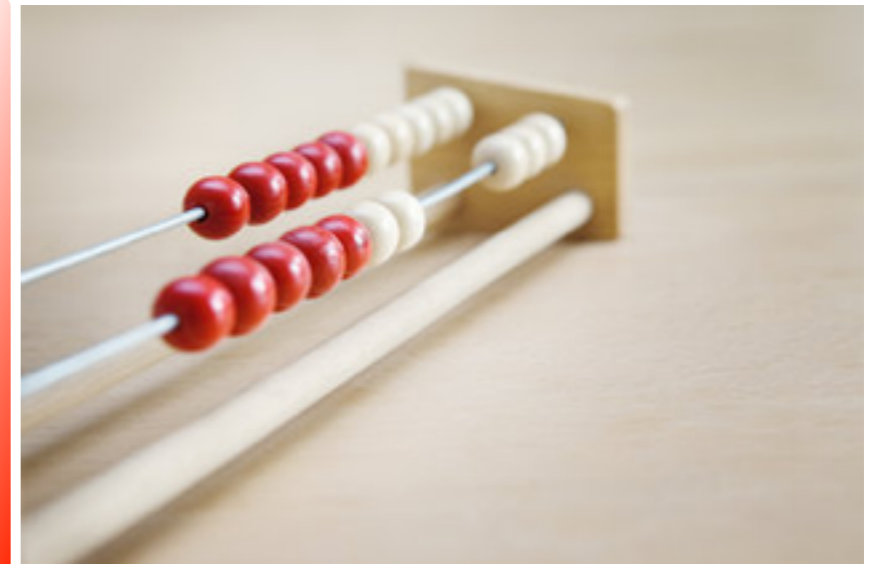


Lecture 18

Counting



Poker Hands



Game of (Straight) Poker

- Each of the players is dealt five cards from a deck of 52 cards
- **Players can switch some of their cards against new ones**
 - We are not going to talk about this here.
- Players bet on their final hands
- Cards are revealed
- Highest hand wins

Winning Hands

| | | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Royal flush |  | 5 consecutive cards of one color, starting with 10 |
| Straight flush |  | 5 consecutive cards of one color, starting with ≤ 9 |
| Four of a kind |  | Four cards are of one kind |
| Full house |  | A pair of one kind, three cards of another kind |
| Flush |  | All cards of one color, but not consecutive |
| Straight |  | Consecutive cards, not all of the same suit |
| Three of a kind |  | Three colors of the same kind, the other two different |
| Two pairs |  | Two pairs of same kind, but not a four |
| One pair |  | One pair of the same kind, the other three different |
| No pair |  | None of the above |

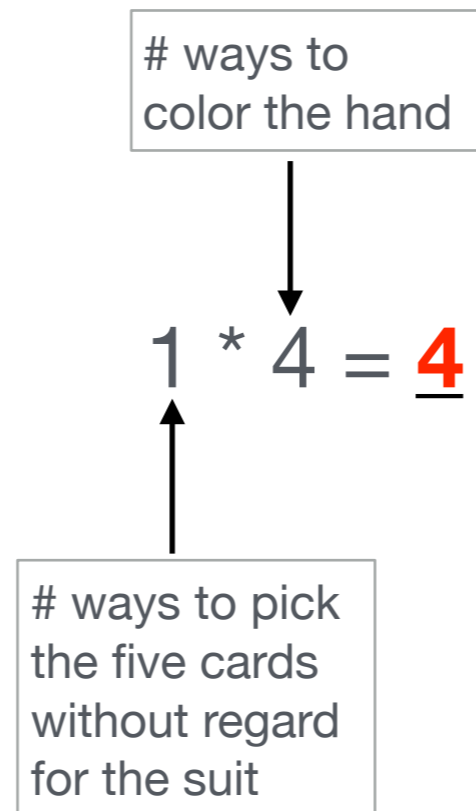
Total number of distinct hands

$$C(52,5) = \frac{52!}{5!47!} = \underline{\underline{2'598'960}}$$

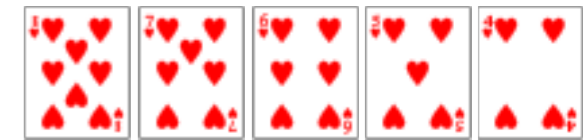
Number of royal flush hands



5 consecutive cards of one suit, starting with 10



Number of straight flush but not royal flush hands



5 consecutive cards of one color, starting with ≤ 9

ways to color the hand

$$9 * 4 = \underline{36}$$

The first card in the royal flush hand can be A, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, so 9 possibilities

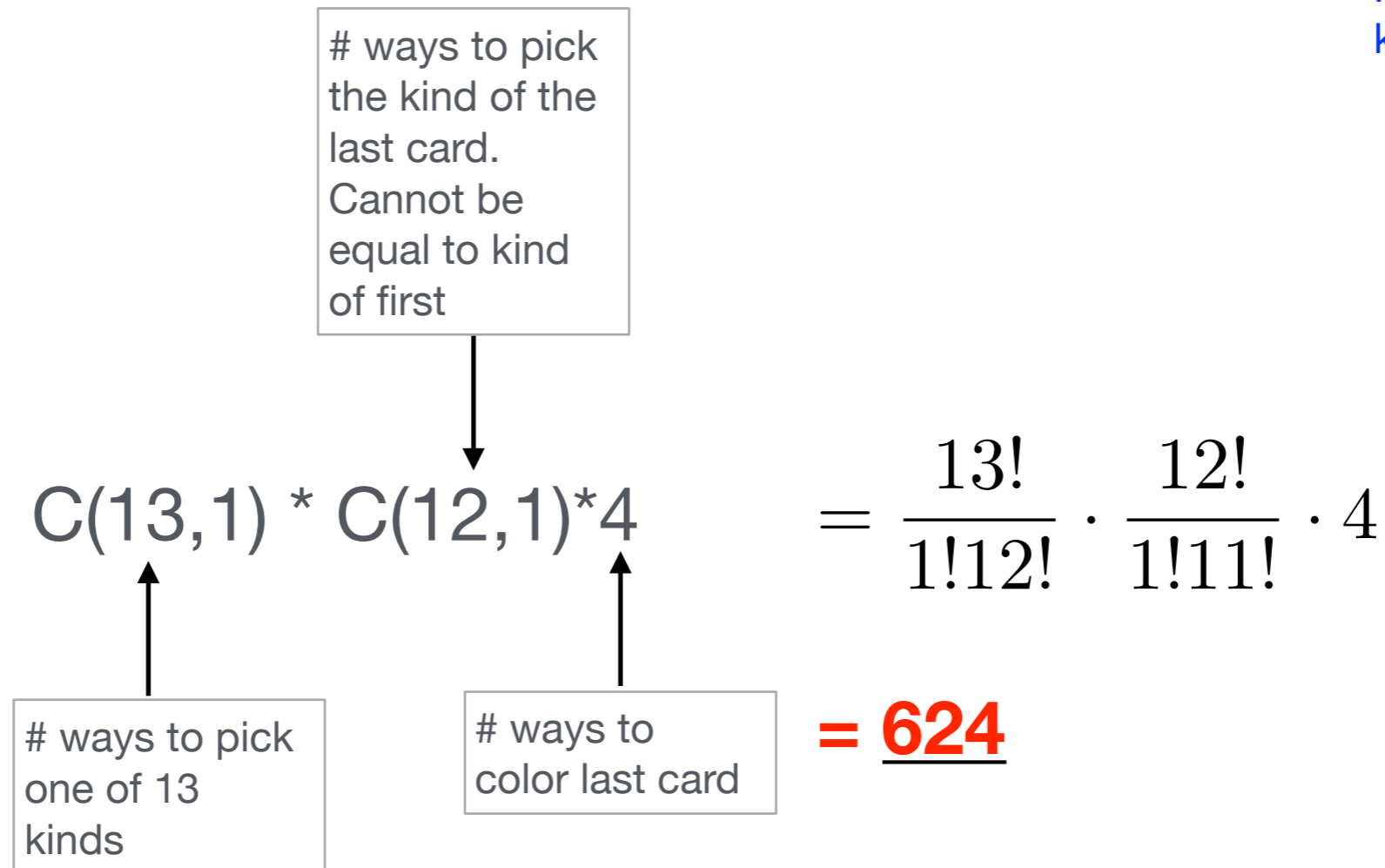
Cumulative count

| | |
|-------|------|
| | 4 |
| | + 36 |
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| | 40 |

Number of four of a kind hands

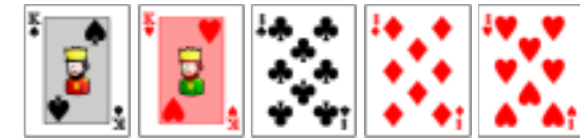


Four cards are of one kind



| |
|------------------|
| Cumulative count |
| 4 |
| + 36 |
| + 624 |
| 664 |

Number of full house hands



A pair of one kind, three cards of another kind

ways to
color the three
cards.

ways to
color the last
two cards

ways to pick
one of 13
kinds

ways to pick
a kind out of
the remaining
12 for the last
two cards

$C(13,1) * C(4,3) * C(12,1) * C(4,2)$

$= \frac{13!}{1!12!} \cdot \frac{4!}{3!1!} \cdot \frac{12!}{1!11!} \cdot \frac{4!}{2!2!}$

= 3'744

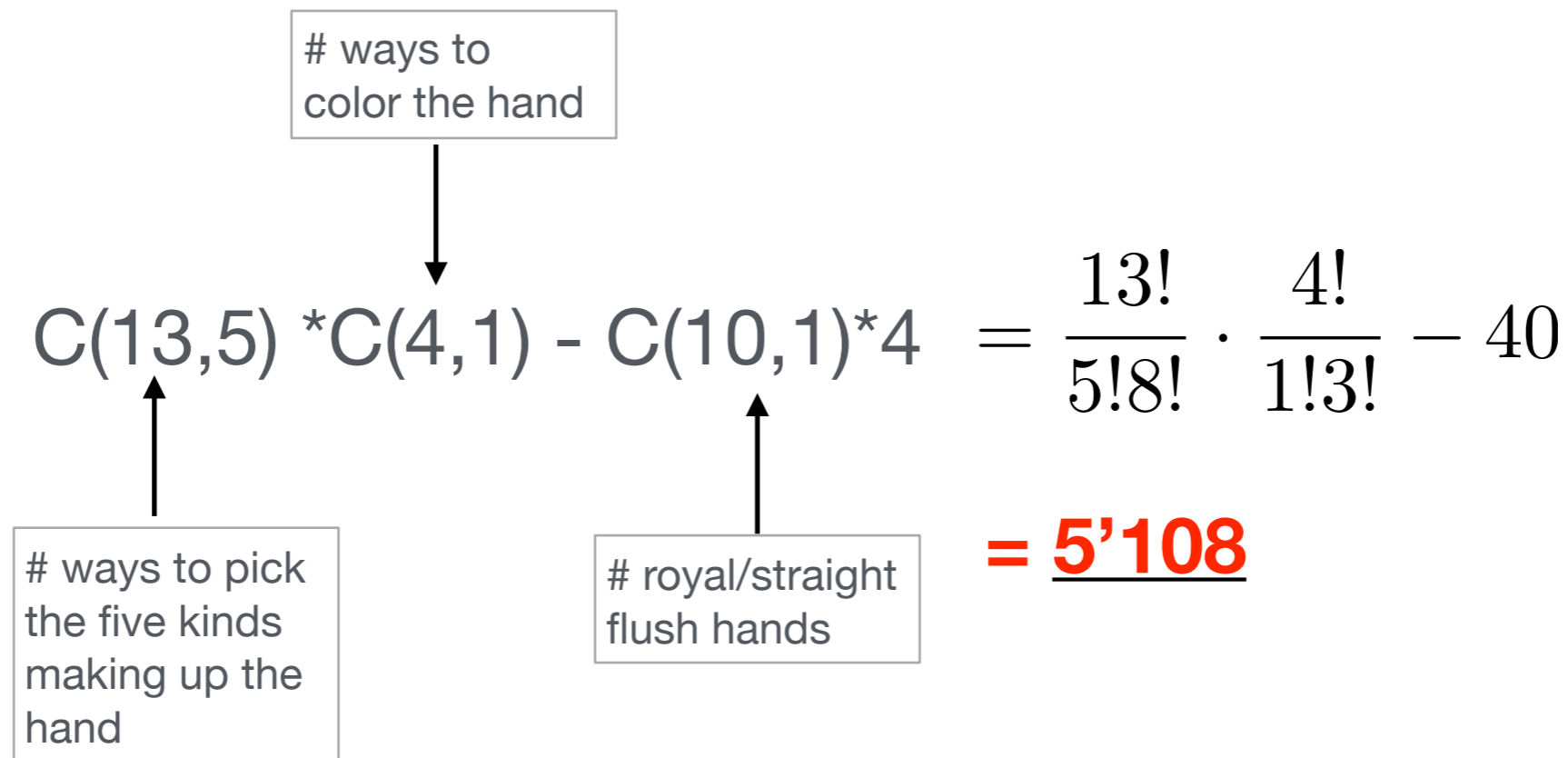
Cumulative
count

| |
|---------|
| 4 |
| + 36 |
| + 624 |
| + 3'744 |
| 4'408 |

Number of flush but not royal/straight flush hands

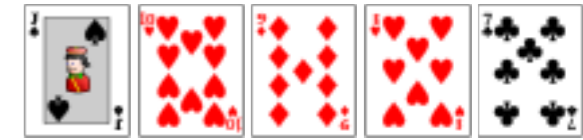


All cards of one color, but not consecutive



| Cumulative count |
|------------------|
| 4 |
| + 36 |
| + 624 |
| + 3'744 |
| + 5'108 |
| 9'516 |

Number of straight but not flush/royal flush hands



Consecutive cards, not all of the same suit

ways to color the hand

↓

$$10 \cdot C(4, 1)^5 - C(10, 1) \cdot 4 = 10 \cdot \left(\frac{4!}{1!3!}\right)^5 - 40$$

ways to pick the five kinds making up the hand

↑

royal/straight flush hands

↑

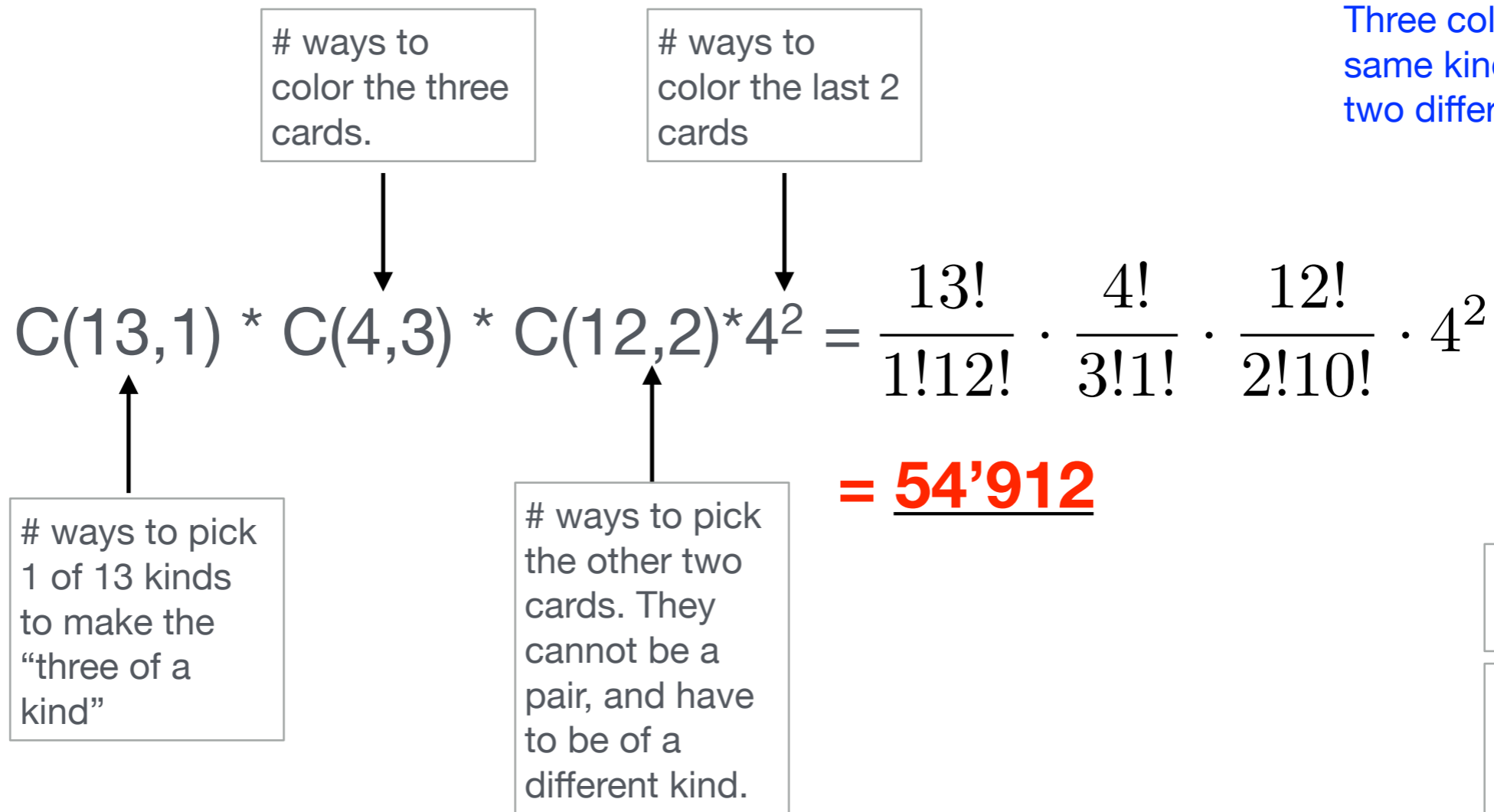
= 10'200

| Cumulative count |
|------------------|
| 4 |
| + 36 |
| + 624 |
| + 3'744 |
| + 5'108 |
| + 10'200 |
| 19'716 |

Number of hands with three of a kind

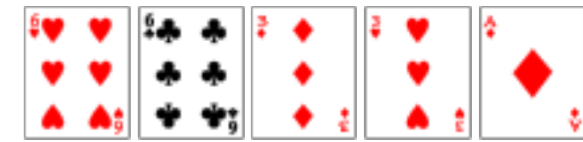


Three colors of the same kind, the other two different



| Cumulative count | |
|------------------|----------|
| | 4 |
| | + 36 |
| | + 624 |
| | + 3'744 |
| | + 5'108 |
| | + 10'200 |
| | + 54'912 |
| <hr/> | |
| | 74'628 |

Number of hands with two distinct pairs



Two pairs of same kind, but not a four

ways to color the two pairs. Each pair has independently $C(4,2)$ ways

ways to color the last card

$$C(13,2) * C(4,2)^2 * C(11,1) * 4 = \frac{13!}{2!11!} \cdot \left(\frac{4!}{2!2!} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{11!}{1!10!} \cdot 4$$

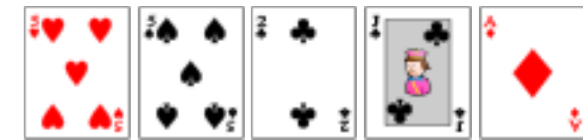
$$= \underline{\underline{123'552}}$$

ways to pick 2 of 13 kinds to make the two pairs

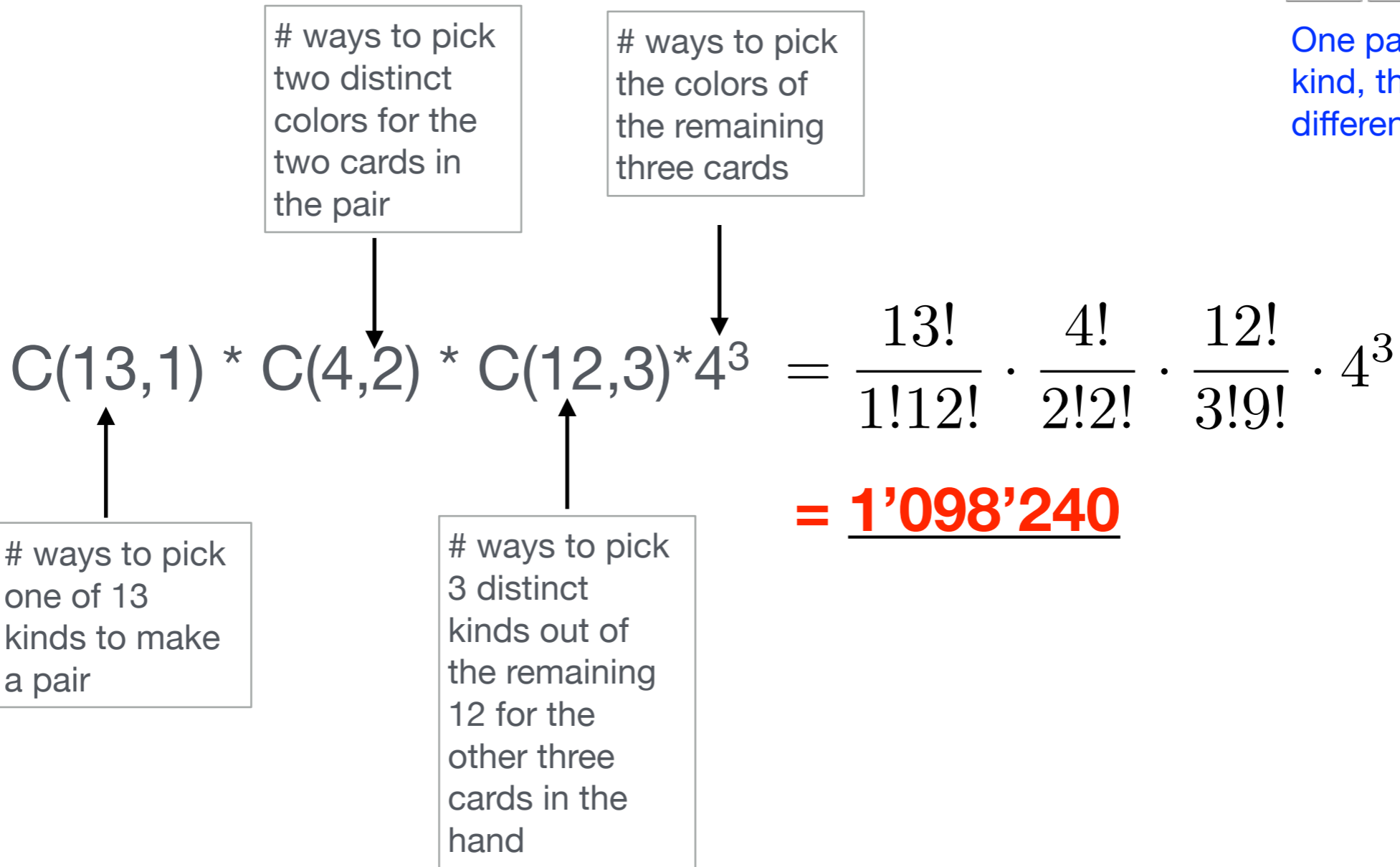
ways to pick a kind out of the remaining 11 kinds for the last card

| Cumulative count |
|------------------|
| 4 |
| + 36 |
| + 624 |
| + 3'744 |
| + 5'108 |
| + 10'200 |
| + 54'912 |
| + 123'552 |
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| 198'180 |

Number of hands with exactly one pair



One pair of the same kind, the other three different

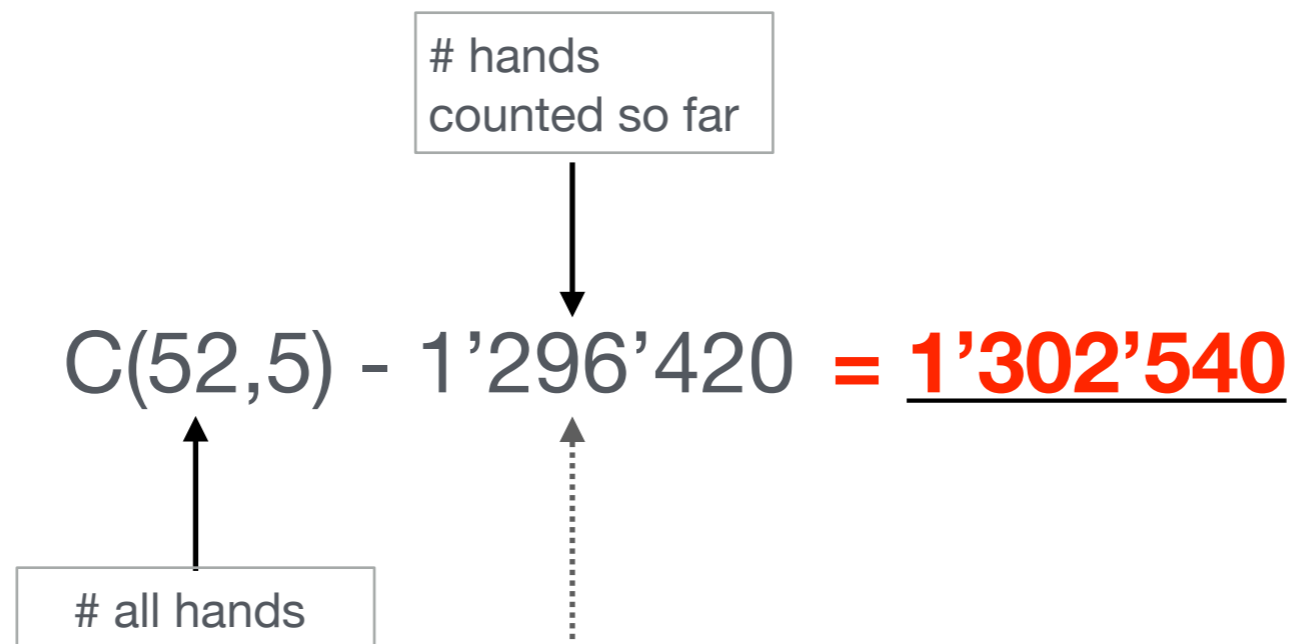


| Cumulative count |
|------------------|
| 4 |
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| + 624 |
| + 3'744 |
| + 5'108 |
| + 10'200 |
| + 54'912 |
| + 123'552 |
| + 1'098'240 |
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| 1'296'420 |

None of the above













None of the above

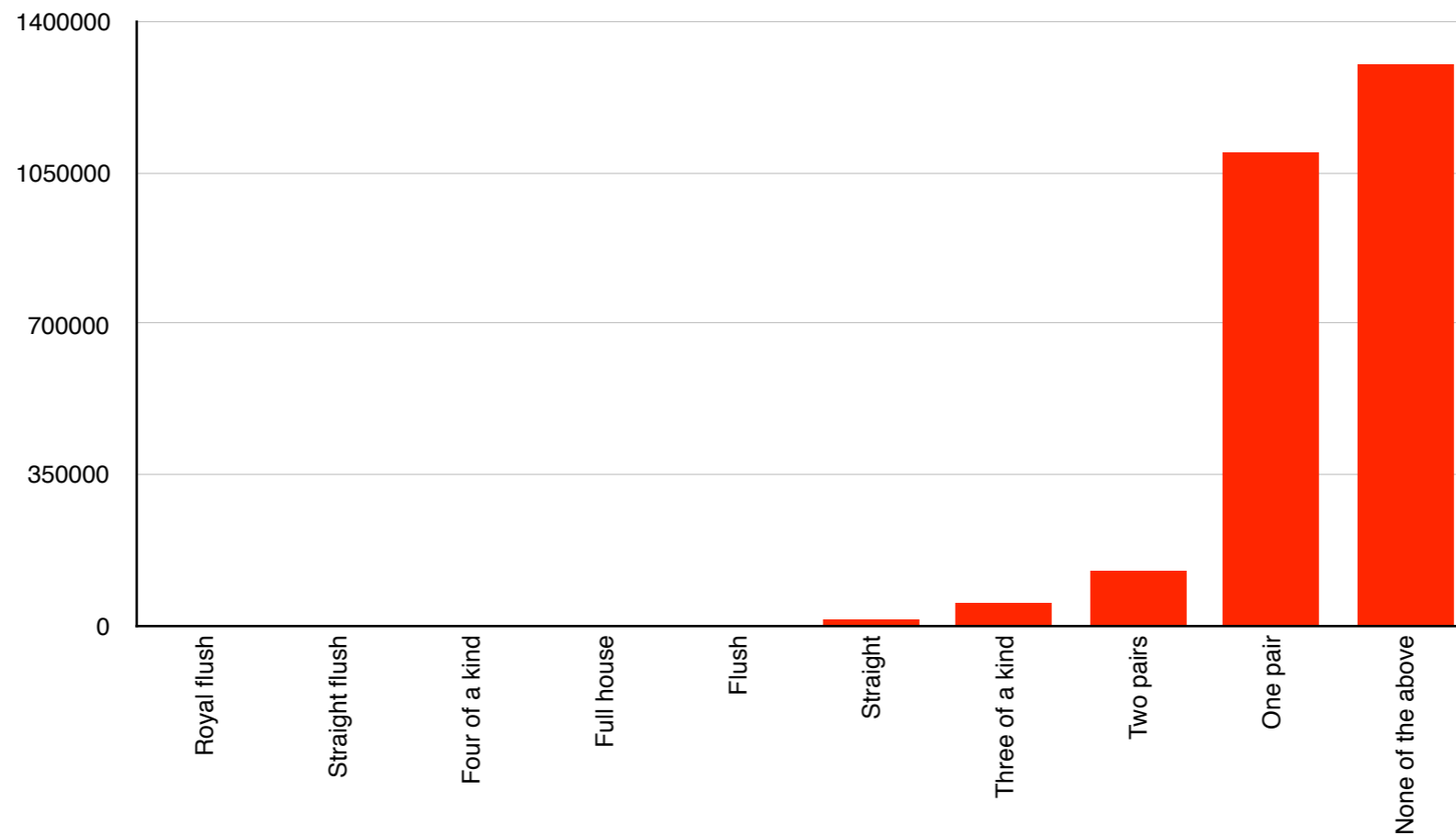


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Results

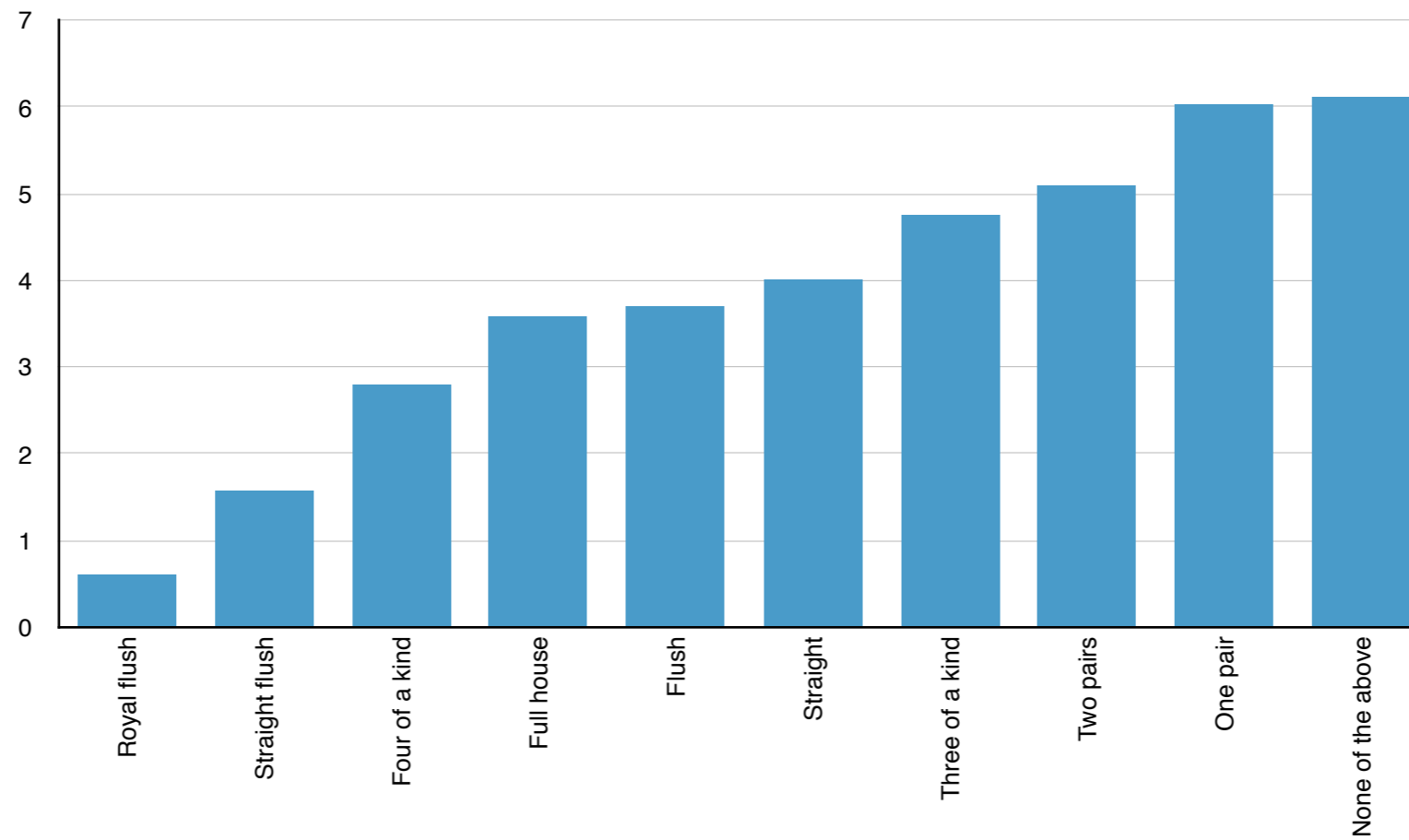
| | | Number of hands | Probability |
|-------------------|---|-----------------|-------------|
| Royal flush |  | 4 | 0.00015% |
| Straight flush |  | 36 | 0.00139% |
| Four of a kind |  | 624 | 0.02401% |
| Full house |  | 3744 | 0.14406% |
| Flush |  | 5108 | 0.19654% |
| Straight |  | 10200 | 0.39246% |
| Three of a kind |  | 54912 | 2.11285% |
| Two pairs |  | 123552 | 4.75390% |
| One pair |  | 1098240 | 42.25690% |
| None of the above |  | 1302540 | 50.11774% |

Plot: Number of hands of each category



The top hands are not visible in this plot

Logarithmic plot: $\log_{10}(\text{number of hands})$



Another example

How many hands don't contain *any* pair?

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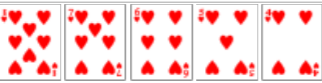

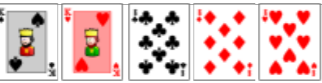






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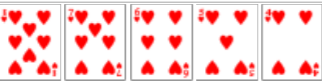

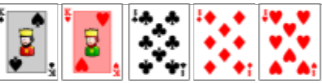






| | | Number of hands |
|-------------------|---|------------------|
| Royal flush |  | 4 |
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| Four of a kind |  | Contains pair |
| Full house |  | Contains pair |
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| None of the above |  | 1302540 |
| TOTAL | | 1'317'888 |

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Method 1











Method 2

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|-------------------|---|------------------|
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Method 2

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \# \text{ possibilities 1st card} \\
 \downarrow \\
 \# \text{ possibilities 2nd card} \\
 \downarrow \\
 \# \text{ possibilities 3rd card} \\
 \downarrow \\
 \# \text{ possibilities 4th card} \\
 \downarrow \\
 \# \text{ possibilities 5th card} \\
 \downarrow \\
 52 * 48 * 44 * 40 * 36 \\
 \hline
 = \underline{1'317'888}
 \end{array}$$

$5!$
 ↑
 Permutations don't matter

Combinations with Replacement



Choosing r elements from a set of n -elements

| | | Without replacement | With replacement |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------|
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Let's call this number $A(n,r)$

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| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
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| 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 0 | 3 |
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| 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 1 | 0 | 4 |

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- How many different sets of 5-scoops can we make? **A(3,5)**

At least one chocolate

No chocolate

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|-----------|--------|---------|
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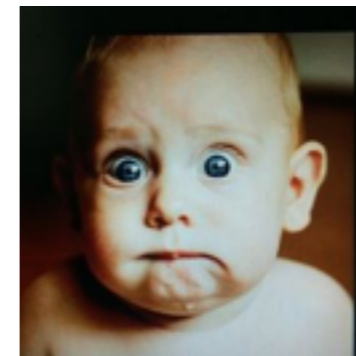
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| 1 | 0 | 4 |

No chocolate

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
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| 0 | 2 | 3 |
| 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 0 | 0 | 5 |

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|-----------|--------|---------|
| 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 0 | 4 | 1 |
| 0 | 3 | 2 |
| 0 | 2 | 3 |
| 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 0 | 0 | 5 |

21 choices total, so $A(3,5) = 21$
but what is $A(n,r)$ in general?

At least one chocolate

At least one chocolate

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 |
| 3 | 2 | 0 |
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Take out that chocolate scoop
Same as number of 4-scoops

At least one chocolate

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| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 |
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| 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 |
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| 0 | 3 | 1 |
| 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 0 | 1 | 3 |
| 0 | 0 | 4 |

This is number of 4-scoops
of three flavors, so $A(3,4)$

No chocolate

No chocolate

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 0 | 4 | 1 |
| 0 | 3 | 2 |
| 0 | 2 | 3 |
| 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 0 | 0 | 5 |

No chocolate

No chocolate

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 0 | 4 | 1 |
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| 0 | 0 | 5 |

5-scoops from two flavors only

No chocolate

No chocolate

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 0 | 5 | 0 |
| 0 | 4 | 1 |
| 0 | 3 | 2 |
| 0 | 2 | 3 |
| 0 | 1 | 4 |
| 0 | 0 | 5 |

5-scoops from two flavors only

| banana | vanilla |
|--------|---------|
| 5 | 0 |
| 4 | 1 |
| 3 | 2 |
| 2 | 3 |
| 1 | 4 |
| 0 | 5 |

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This is number of 5-scoops of two flavors, so $A(2,5)$

Recursion

$A(3,5) =$

$A(3,4)$

+

$A(2,5)$

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 5 | 0 | 0 |
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| 2 | 0 | 3 |
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| 1 | 3 | 1 |
| 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 1 | 0 | 4 |

| chocolate | banana | vanilla |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| 0 | 5 | 0 |
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Trivial cases

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If you have n ice cream flavors, but only one scoop, you can only have n different ice cream servings.

$$A(1, r) = 1 \text{ for } r \geq 1$$

If you have only one ice cream flavor, then no matter how many scoops you take, you will end up having only one type of ice cream serving.

$$A(n,r) = A(n,r-1) + A(n-1,r)$$

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | | | | | |
| 2 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | |

$$A(n,r) = A(n,r-1) + A(n-1,r)$$

| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 2 | | | | | |
| 3 | | | | | |
| 4 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | |

$$A(n,1) = n \text{ for } n \geq 1$$

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 3 | 1 | | | | |
| 4 | 1 | | | | |
| 5 | 1 | | | | |

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| 4 | 1 | | | | |
| 5 | 1 | | | | |

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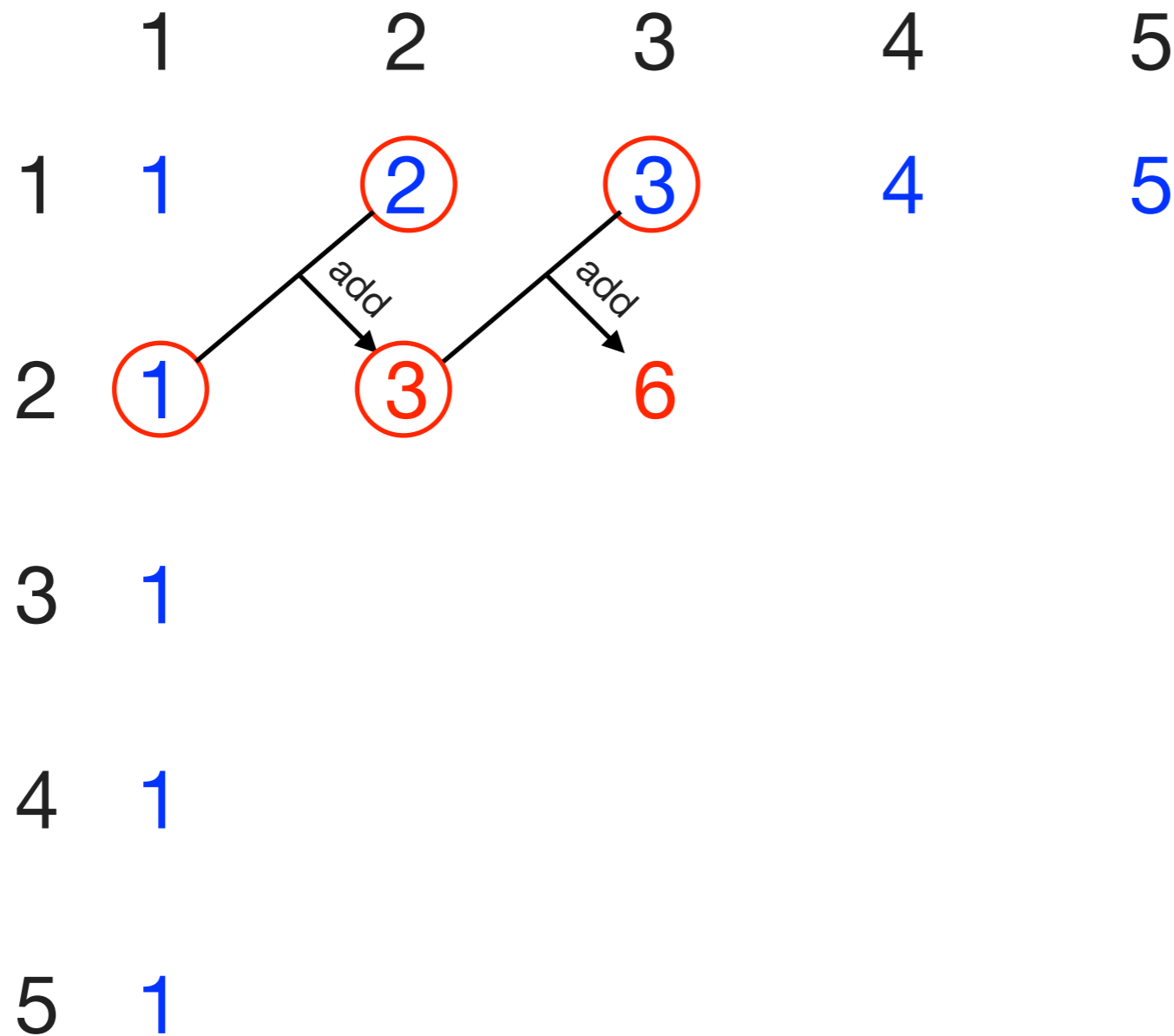
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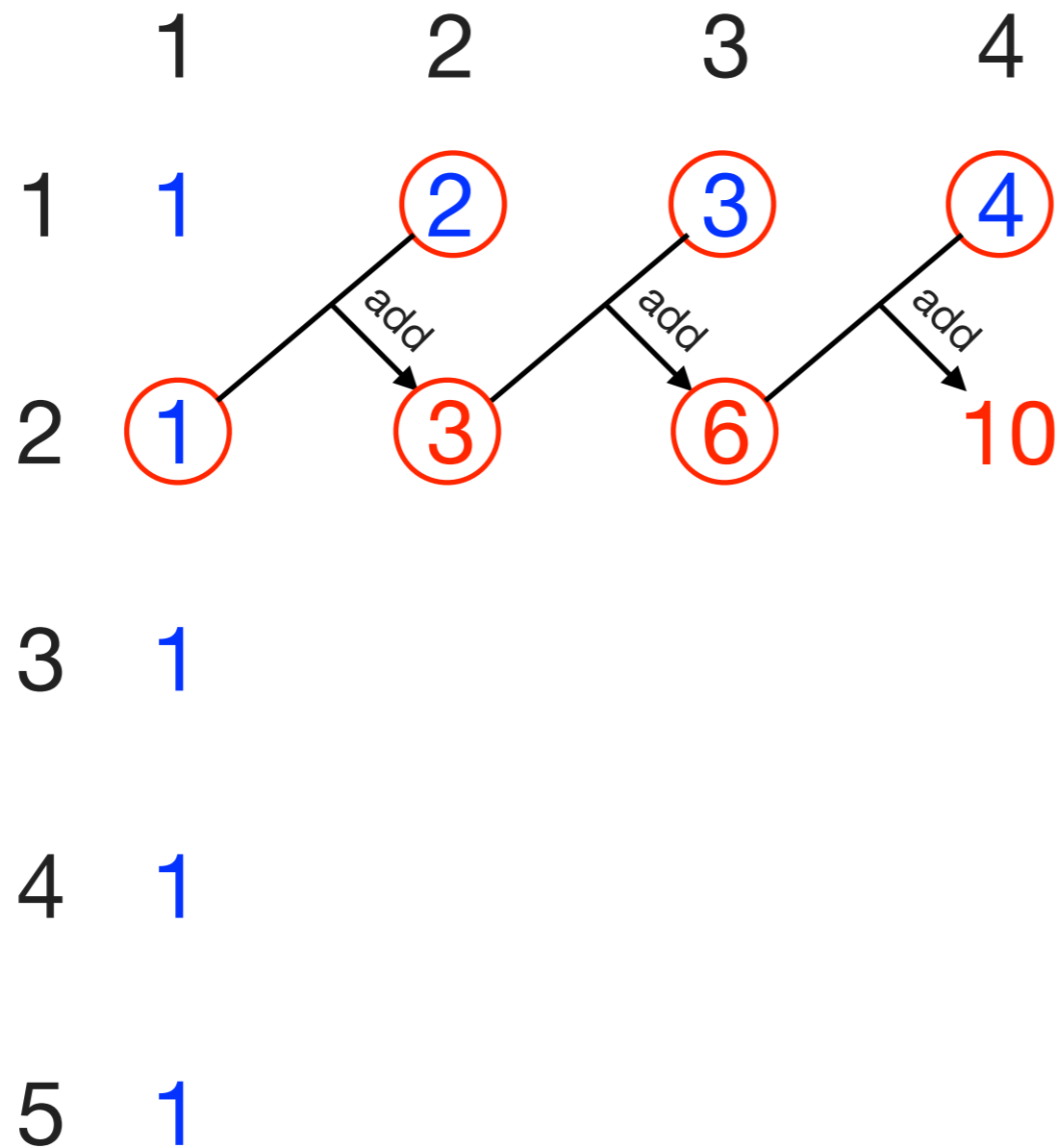
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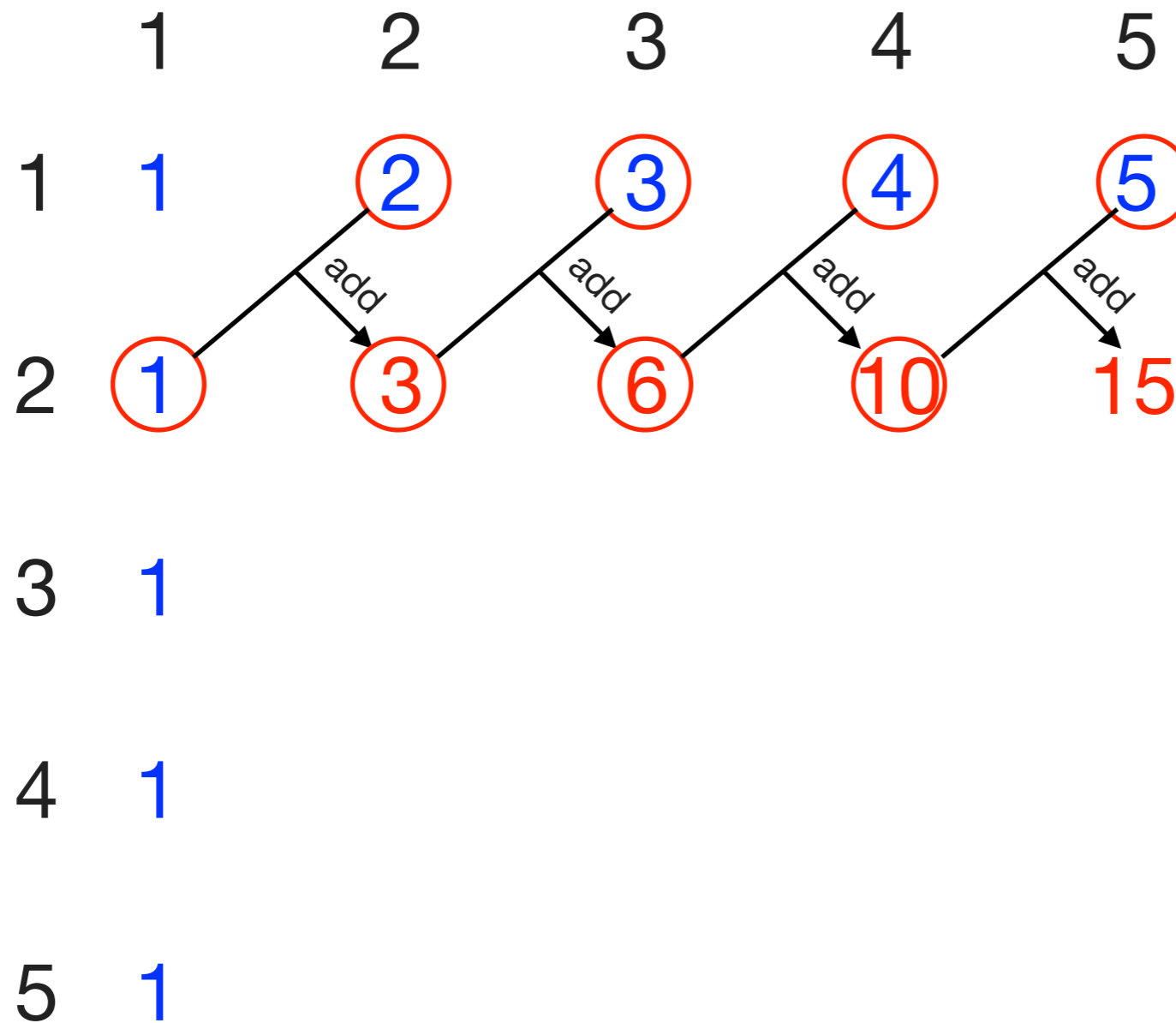
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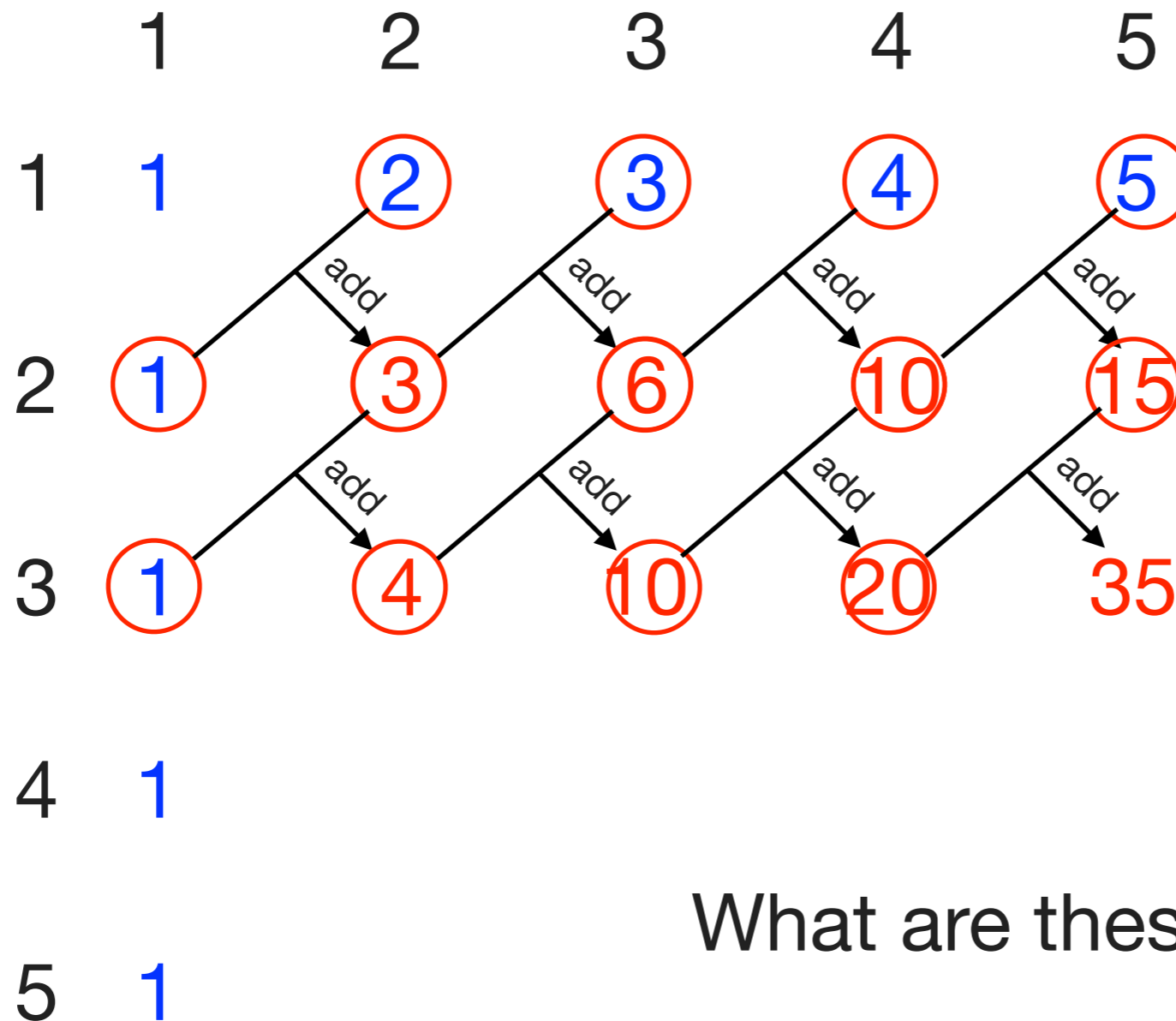
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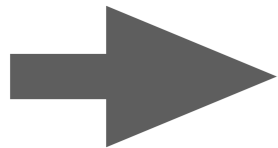
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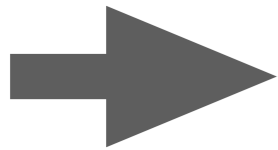
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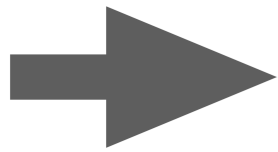
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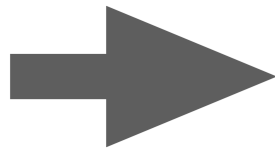


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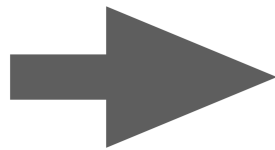
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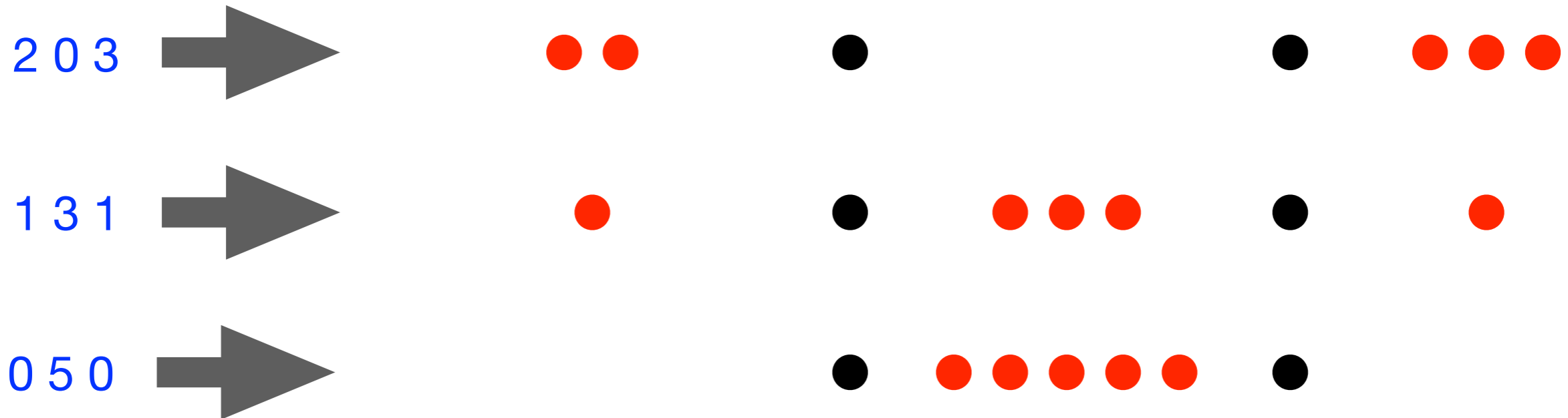
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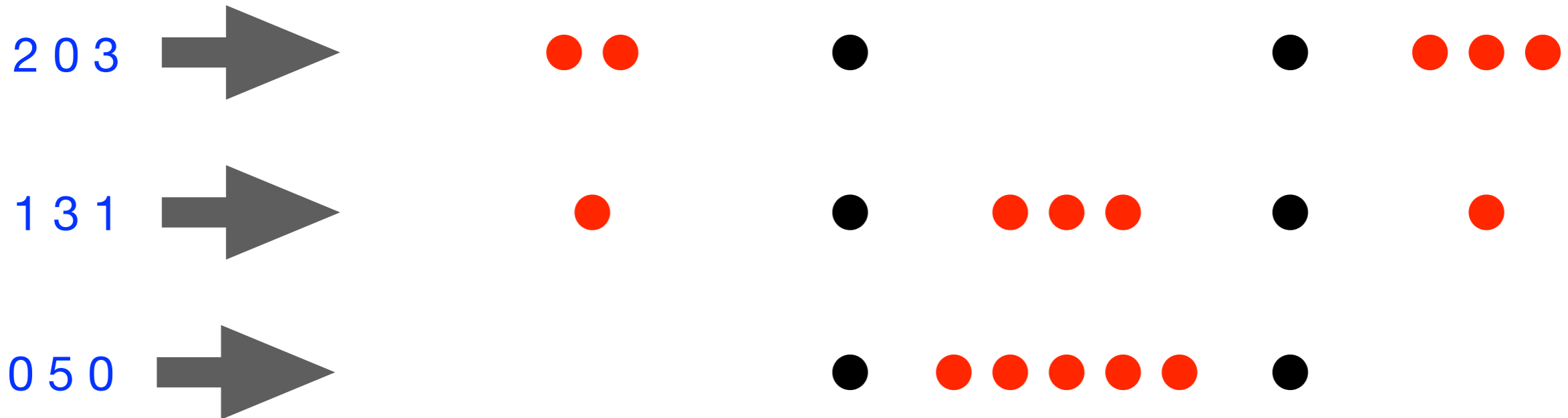
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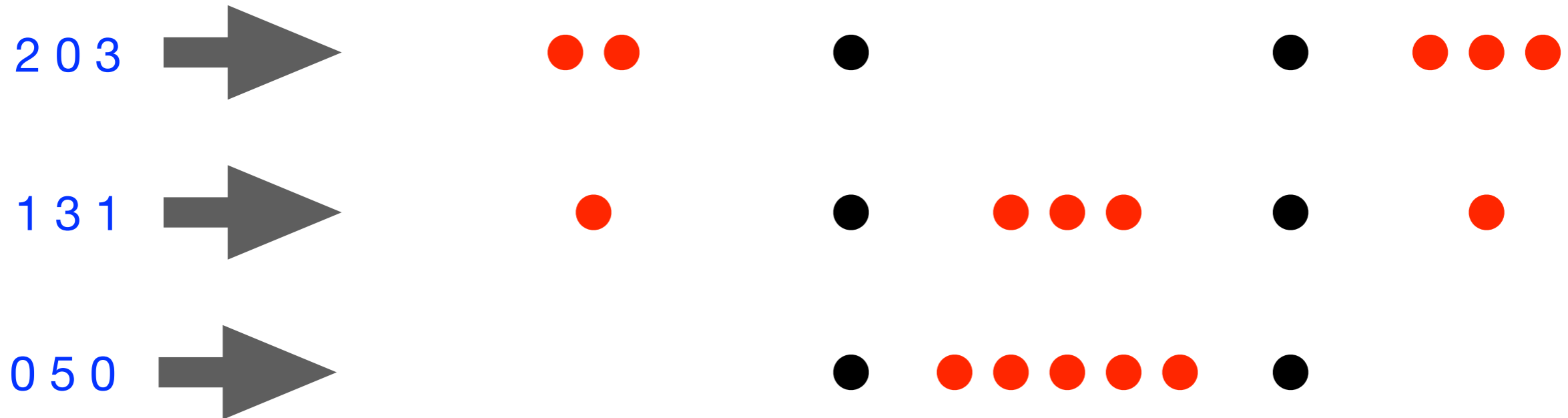
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Item $n-1$

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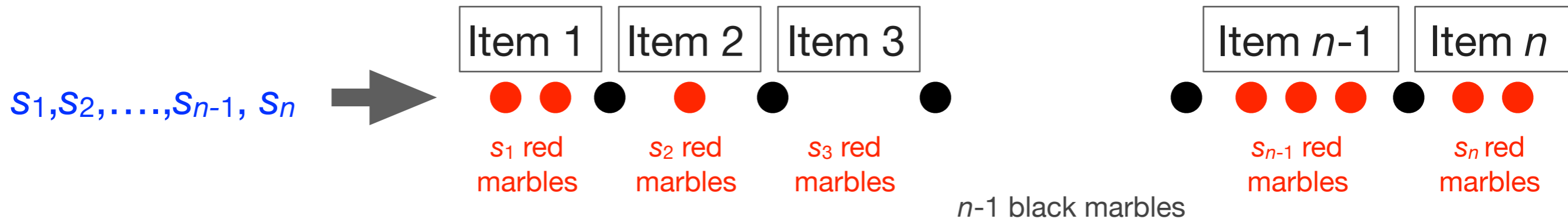
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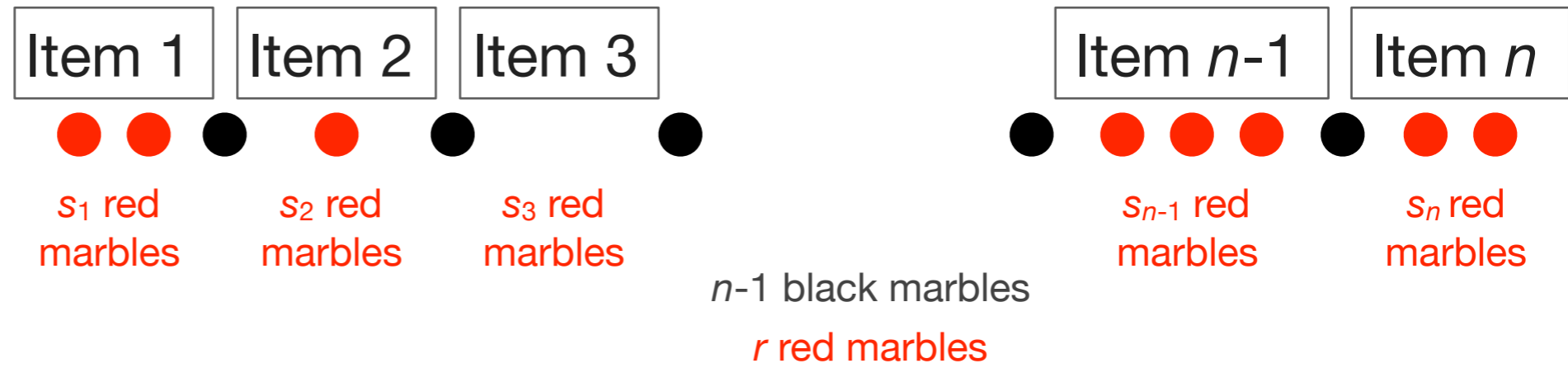
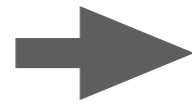
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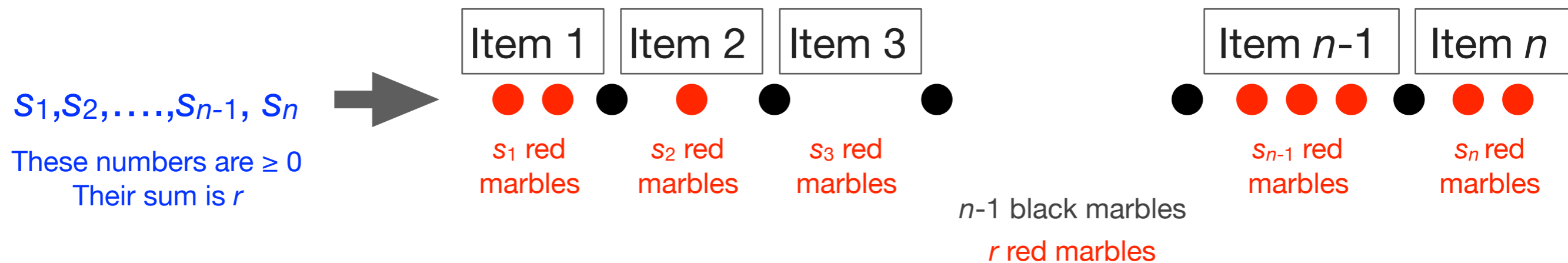


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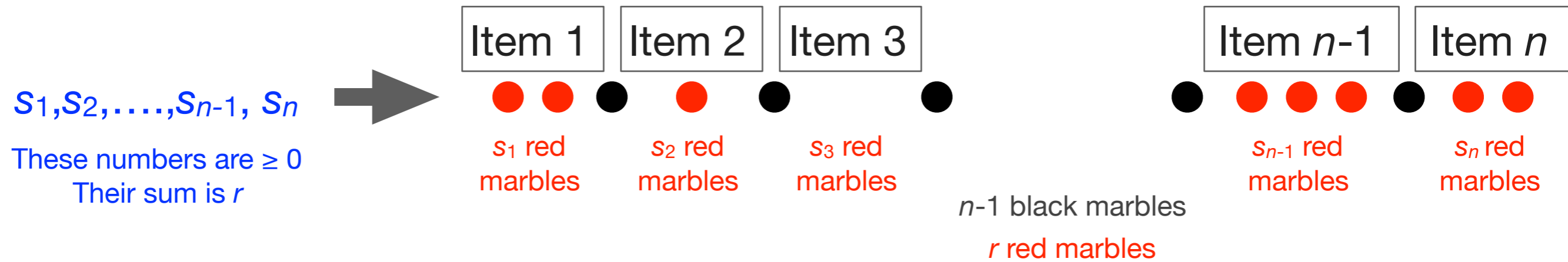
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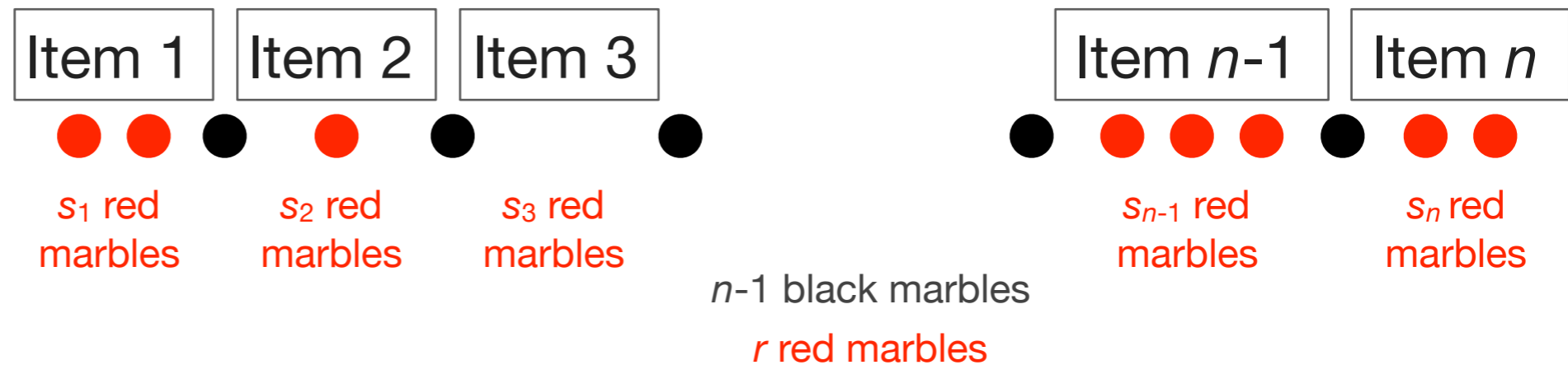
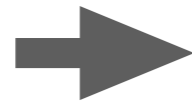
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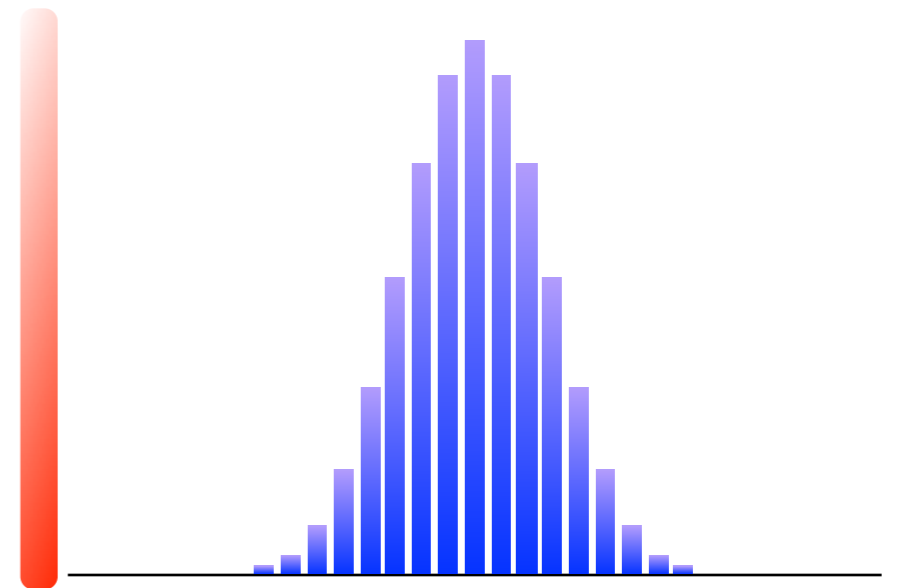
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Choosing r elements from a set of n -elements

| | | Without replacement | With replacement |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Ordering matters | Permutation | $P(n,r)$ | n^r |
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