CS 145 – Foundations of Computer Science

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Lecture – M W 1:30pm
Lab – F 1:30pm

Lecture Meeting Location: SP 105
Lab Meeting Location: SP 309

Business

• HW6 due May 1 / May 2

• (Please bring exams to class until we can finish going over them!)

• Reading: Makinson, Ch. 5 and Ch. 6
  – We may not cover all the material in chapter 6, but it’s worth reading anyway

• Labs 5 and 6 due by end of the day April 28
• Lab 7 on Friday, April 29; due by the end of the day Sunday, May 1
  – (Idea is to have Lab 7 completed before HW7 is out on May 2)
Business, pt. 2

• Visiting Speaker tomorrow, April 28
  – Title: Referring to objects in interactive virtual environments
  – Speaker: Kristina Striegnitz, Union College
  – Place: SP 105
  – Time: 4:35pm

Counting Cards

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• Number of 5-card hands with 3 of a kind and nothing more (i.e., having 3 of a kind but not 4 of a kind or a full house)?

• Number of 5-card hands with 2 pair and nothing more?

• Number of 5-card hands with a straight (i.e., in rank order)?

Which 5-card hand is more common, a straight or a flush? Did we just figure that out, in the last two slides?

• How about the number of 8-card hands with 2 pair and one 3-of-a-kind (but no 4-of-a-kind)?
Ranking of Poker Hands

• In the game of poker, there are several kinds of hands with a pair or better… how do they rank relative to each other?

  Kinds of poker hands:
  - 1 pair; 2 pair; 3 of a kind; 4 of a kind; full house
  - Straight; flush; straight flush; royal flush

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  – To the right, on this slide, is the standard rank ordering of poker hands.
  – Do we think the standard ordering is right? How would we confirm it?
  – How would we compute the probability for each of the kinds of hands?

  Ranking of poker hands (low to high)
  - One pair
  - Two pair
  - Three of a kind
  - Straight
  - Flush
  - Full house
  - Four of a kind
  - Straight flush
  - Royal flush
Counting Full Houses

• What’s the number of 5-card hands can be dealt from a standard 52-card deck (standard 4 suits, 13 cards each; no jokers)?
  – \((52\text{-choose-5}) = \frac{52!}{5!\ 47!} = 2598960\)

• Number of 5-card hands with a full house?
  – One way to think of it: choose rank \(r_1\) for the triple, then choose 3 cards for it; then choose rank \(r_2\) for the pair, then choose 2 cards for it
    • So: \(13\ast(4\text{-choose-3}) \ast 12\ast(4\text{-choose-2}) = 13\ast4\ast12\ast(\frac{4\ast3}{2}) = 3744\)

• Probability of a 5-card hand being a full house?
  – \((\text{number of full houses}) / (\text{number of 5-card hands}) = 3744 / 2598960\)