

Test 1

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[1] Give a proof of Burnside's Lemma: If a group G acts on a set of patterns X , then the number of distinct patterns up to symmetry is equal to the average number of patterns fixed by an element of the group:

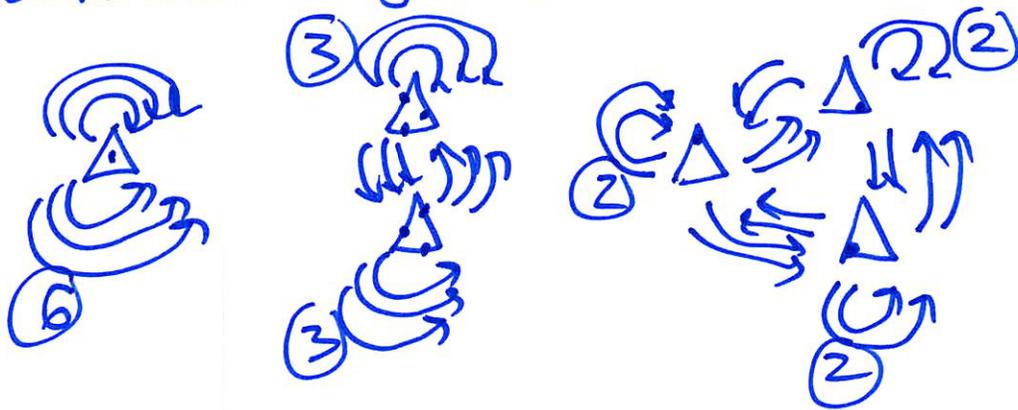
$$\frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} |X^g|$$

$$\frac{1}{|G|} |\{ (g, x) \mid gx = x \}|$$

count self-loops (pattern carried to self by element of g)
and divide by $|G|$

Everything divides evenly in group theory. \leftarrow (assume this, till you take Modern Algebra)

Draw orbit diagram for action of G on X



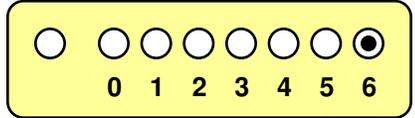
Every orbit has a total of $|G|$ self loops

\Rightarrow # patterns up to symmetry

= # orbits

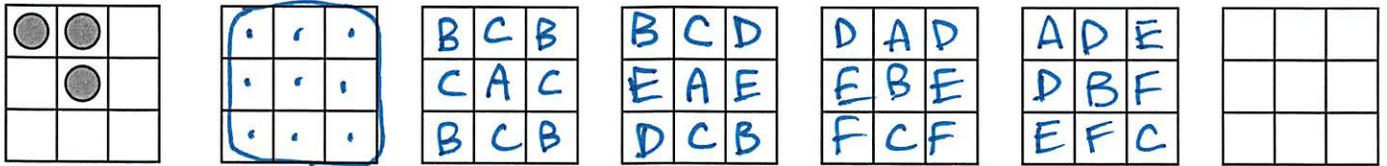
= # self-loops \div $|G|$





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[2] How many ways can three checkers be placed on a 3×3 checkerboard, up to symmetry? Consider both rotations and flips.



Id

2r

r

\leftrightarrow (1)

\downarrow (2)

$|G| = 8$

g	#	$ X^g $	Σ
Id	1	84	84
2r	2	0	0
r	1	4	4
\leftrightarrow \updownarrow	2	90	40
$\nwarrow \nearrow$	2		
8			128

$128/8 = 16$



Id $\binom{8}{3} = \frac{8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 2 = 12 \cdot 2 = 24 + 14 = 38$

r A, one of B, C, D, E 4

flips (one of A, B, C)(one of D, E, F)

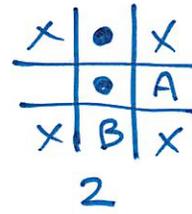
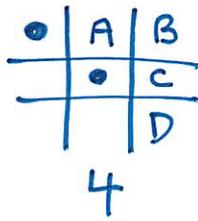
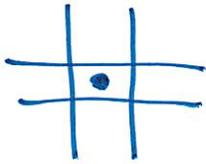
$3 \cdot 3 = 9$

or D, E and F 1

[2]

check:

Middle:



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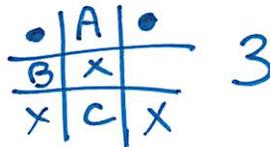
No middle:

3 corners



1

2 corners adjacent



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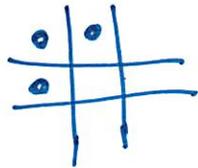
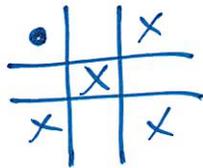
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2 corners opposite

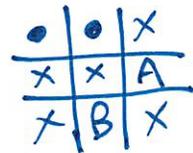


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1 corner



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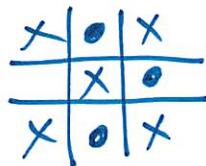
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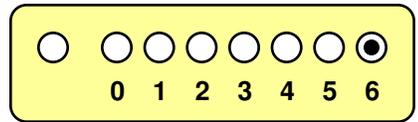
No corners



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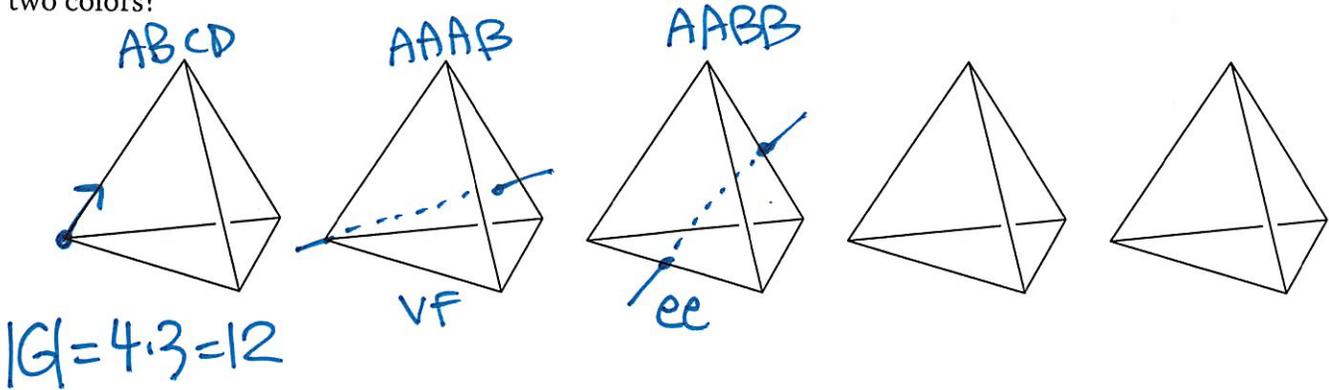
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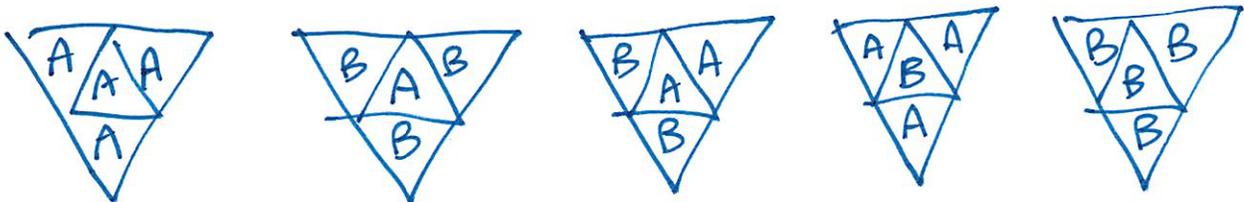


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[3] Up to rotational symmetry, how many ways can we color the four faces of a tetrahedron, using at most two colors?



	g	$\#$	$ X^g $	Σ
	Id	1	2^4	16
$\frac{1}{3} \curvearrowright$	VF	8	2^2	32
$\frac{1}{2} \curvearrowright$	ee	3	2^2	12
		12		$60/12 = 5$



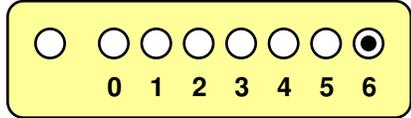
(tetrahedrons as bear skin vugs) (A, B are colors)

$\boxed{5}$ ✓



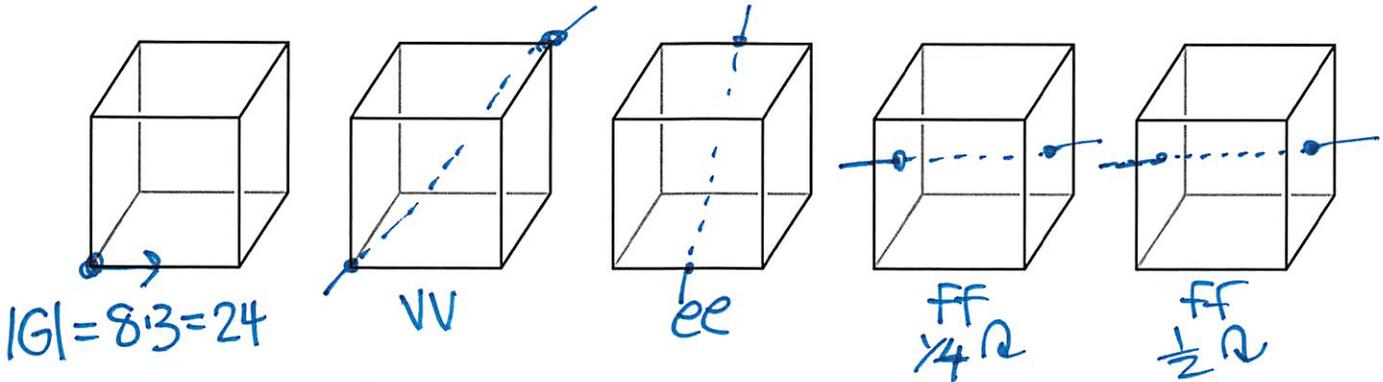


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[4] Up to rotational symmetry, how many ways can we choose three of the twelve edges of a cube?



g	#	$ x^g $	Σ
Id	1	220	220
$\frac{1}{3}R$ VV	8	4	32
$\frac{1}{2}R$ ee	6	10	60
$\frac{1}{4}R$ ff	6	0	
$\frac{1}{2}R$ ff	3	0	
	24		312

$$\binom{12}{3} = \frac{12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 2 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 = 220$$

VV 3,3,3,3 choose 1

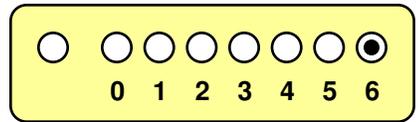
ee 1,1, 2,2,2,2 2,5=10
choose 1 choose 1

ff $\frac{1}{4}$ 4,4,4 zero

ff $\frac{1}{2}$ 2,2,2,2,2,2 zero

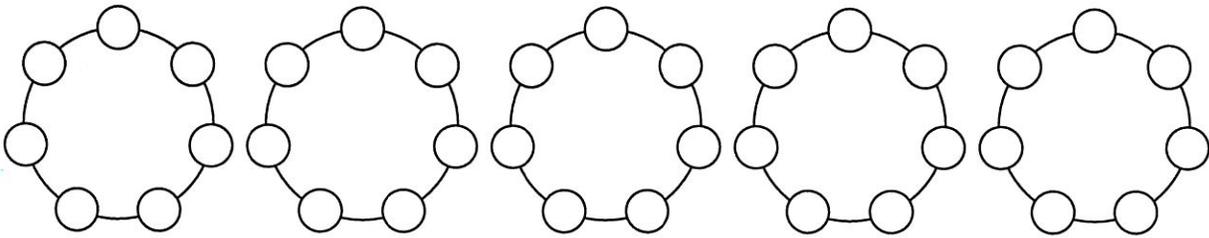
$$\frac{240 + 72}{24} = 10 + 3$$

= 13 ✓



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[5] Up to symmetry, how many ways can the beads of a seven bead necklace be colored, using exactly three colors? Consider only rotations, and use all three colors.



$|G| = 7$

g	#	$ X^g $	Σ
Id	1	k^7	k^7
turn	6	k	$6k$

k	$k^7 + 6k$	$\div 7$
1	7	1
2	140	20
3	2205	315

k colors
(at most)

$3^7 = 3^4 \cdot 3^3 = 81 \cdot 27$
 $6 \cdot 3 = 18$

$$\begin{array}{r} 27 \\ 81 \\ \hline 27 \\ 216 \\ \hline 2187 \\ 18 \\ \hline 2205 \\ 2100 + 105 \\ \div 7 \quad 300 + 15 \end{array}$$

Inclusion/Exclusion

at most	ABC	315
- at most	AB	-20
	AC	-20
	BC	-20
+ at most	A	1
	B	1
	C	1

$315 - 60 + 3 = \boxed{258}$
255



[5] check:

Every pattern using all 3 colors has an orbit of size 7.

So, # raw patterns $\div 7$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{at most 3: } 3^7 = 2187 \\ - \text{at most 2: } 2^7 = -128 \\ \quad \quad \quad -128 \\ \quad \quad \quad -128 \\ \text{+ at most 1: } \quad \quad \quad +3 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} 2187 \\ -128 \\ -128 \\ +3 \end{array}} \right\} 3 \cdot 127 = 381$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2187 \\ -381 \\ \hline 1806 \quad \div 7 \\ \hline 1400 \quad 200 \\ 350 \quad 50 \\ 56 \quad 8 \\ \hline \boxed{258} \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$