

Name: Solutions

Directions: Show all work. No credit for answers without work.

1. How many ways are there to arrange the letters of 'SLEEPLESS':

(a) [2 points] with no additional restrictions?

$$\#S: 3$$

$$\#L: 2$$

$$\#E: 3$$

$$\#P: 1$$

total # letters: 9

$$\# \text{ of ways} = \frac{9!}{(3!)(3!)(2!)} = \boxed{5,040}$$

(b) [1 point] beginning with an L?

Count arrangements of "SEEPLESS".

$$\# \text{ ways} = \frac{8!}{(3!)(3!)} = \boxed{1,120}$$

(c) [1 point] beginning with an L and ending with some letter besides L?

$$\#(\text{ways beginning with L}) = (\# \text{ways beginning and ending with L}) + X$$

$$1120 = \frac{7!}{(3!)(3!)} + X$$

$$1120 = 140 + X, \quad X = \boxed{980}$$

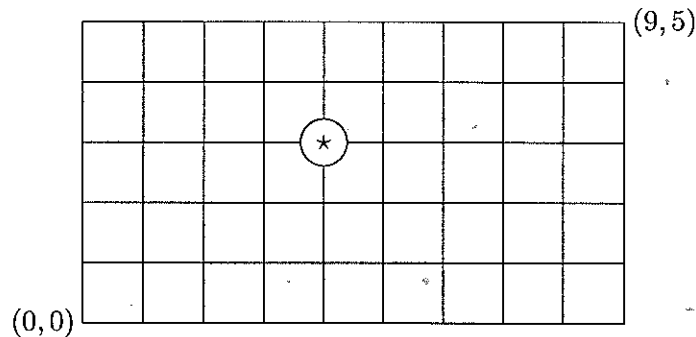
(d) [1 point] if all three E's are to the left of all three S's?

Combine E's and S's into a new symbol?

Count arrangements of ?L??PL???; then <sup>replace ?'s</sup> with EEESSS in that order.

$$\# \text{ ways} = \frac{9!}{(6!)(2!)} = \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7}{2} = \boxed{252}$$

2. Lattice paths from  $(0,0)$  to  $(9,5)$ . Recall that each step of a lattice path increases one of the coordinates by 1; geometrically, we either move one unit in the horizontal direction or 1 unit in the vertical direction.



- (a) [2 points] How many lattice paths are there from  $(0,0)$  to  $(9,5)$ ?

Arrange 9 U's and 5 R's:

$$\frac{(9+5)!}{(9!)(5!)} = \frac{14 \cdot 13 \cdot 12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \boxed{2002}$$

- (b) [2 points] Suppose there is a prize (denoted by  $*$ ) at  $(4,3)$ . How many lattice paths visit  $(4,3)$  and win the prize?

Stage 1:  $(0,0)$  to  $(4,3)$ :  $\frac{(4+3)!}{(4!)(3!)} = \frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 35$  ways

Stage 2:  $(4,3)$  to  $(9,5)$ : 5R, 2U;  $\frac{7!}{(5!)(2!)} = 21$  ways.

Total # =  $35 \cdot 21 = \boxed{735}$

- (c) [1 point] How many lattice paths miss the prize at  $(4,3)$ ?

$$(\# \text{ paths}) = (\# \text{ paths that hit } (4,3)) + x$$

$$2002 = 735 + x$$

$$x = \boxed{1267}$$