

PVMT 2022: Combo Tiebreakers

**Problem 1**

Find how many ways there are to permute the following string: PVMT2022

(For instance, PVMT2022, 2022PVMT, PVT20M22 are all valid permutations)

**Problem 2**

Let  $S$  be lattice cube with opposite corners  $(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(-1, -1, -1)$ . You start at  $(1, 1, 1)$ , and each move you can move one unit in any direction, as long as you stay on a lattice point in the cube  $S$ . How many ways are there to get to  $(-1, -1, -1)$  in as few moves as possible without going through the center of any face?

**Problem 3**

I have a bag with 43 marbles, 14 of them blue, the rest are different, individual colors. Let there be  $N$  ways to choose 14 of the marbles, find  $\log_2 N$ .