

## \* Permutation

- It is a technique that determines the number of possible arrangements in set when the order of arrangements matters.
- Permutation is set of arrangement of its members into sequence. And if the members already ordered then reordering them.

$${}^n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

$n$  = total no. of elements in set  
 $r$  = no. of selected elements arranged in order

## \* Relation of permutation and combination

$$\text{Theorem: } {}^n P_r = {}^n C_r \cdot r!$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}^n C_r \cdot r! &= \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \cdot r! \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \\ &= {}^n P_r \end{aligned}$$

→ It means that for each combination of  ${}^n C_r$  we have  $r!$  permutations because  $r$  objects in every combination can be rearranged in  $r!$  ways.

## \* Combination

- It is a technique that determines the number of possible arrangements in the collection of items where order of selection doesn't matters.
- Combination is selection of items from a set that has distinct members, such that order of selection doesn't matters.

$${}^n C_r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

$n$  = total no. of elements in set  
 $r$  = no. of selected elements.

$$\text{Theorem: } {}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1} = {}^{n+1} C_r$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1} &= \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} + \frac{n!}{(r-1)!(n-r+1)!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{r!(r-1)!(n-r)!(n-r+1)!} + \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \left[ \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{(n-r+1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{(n+1)!}{r!(n+1-r)!} \\ &= {}^{n+1} C_r \end{aligned}$$

## \* Permutation vs Combination

→ Permutation:

- the different ways of arranging a set of objects into a sequential order.
- order matters.
- denotes arrangement of objects
- multiple permutations can be derived from single combination.
- simply these are ordered elements.

→ Combination:

- one of the several way of choosing object from large set of objects, without considering the order.
- order doesn't matters.
- denotes selection of objects.
- single combination can be derived from single permutation.
- simply defined as unordered sets.

→ If order matters use permutation, else combination.

→ Ex, Let elements be X, Y, Z. (for two)

- Possible permutations are  $P_2$   
 $XY, YX, YZ, ZY, XZ, ZX$
- Possible combinations are  $C_2$   
 $XY, YZ, ZX$