

***Problem 13.42:** To determine if a graph G with 50 vertices is 3-colorable, you test all possible 3-colorings. Your computer checks a million 3-colorings per second. Estimate how long it is going to take, in the worst case.

Test all possible 3-color: permutations

total number (n) = number of vertices = 50

selected colors (k) = 3

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} \\
 &= \frac{50!}{(50-3)!} \\
 &= \frac{50!}{47!} \\
 &= 50 \times 49 \times 48 \\
 &= 11760
 \end{aligned}$$

The number of possible 3-colorings is 11760, calculating a million per second:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= \frac{11760}{1000000} \\
 &= 0.01176
 \end{aligned}$$

The worst case, it will take **0.01176s**

***Problem 13.50.** How many 7-digit phone-numbers are non-decreasing (each digit is not less than the previous one.)

start with 9: we only have 1 possibility