

"TLE eliminator" v.v. imp for CP

Combinatorics - 1

not so much for interviews

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Binomial Coefficients

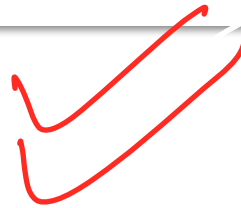
Base formula

- Number of ways to choose K items from N items

↳ distinct items

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

$C(n, k)$



3 elements A, B, C

choose 2 elements $\rightarrow C(3,2)$

A, B \longleftrightarrow B, A

B, C \longleftrightarrow C, B

A, C

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3!}{2! (3-2)!} &= \frac{3!}{2! 1!} \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

4 element

A A B B

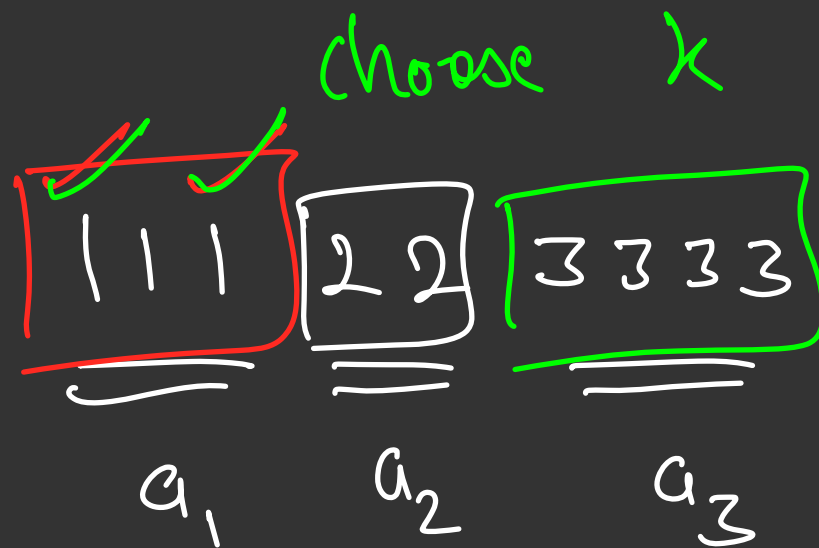
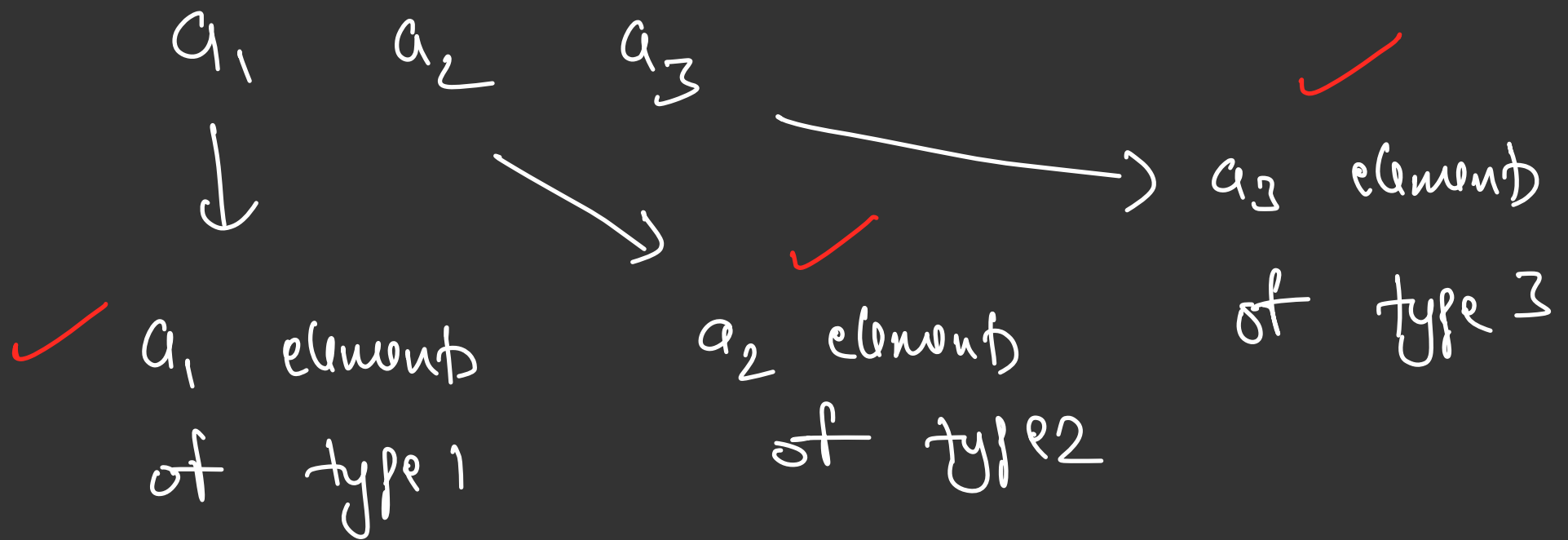
choose 2 element

A A

B B

A B \longleftrightarrow B A

$4C_2$ \rightarrow



choose k element out of it

$k=5$

$$\underline{\underline{k=5}}$$

$$x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3$$

$$\boxed{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5}$$

such that $0 \leq \underline{x_1} \leq c_1$

$$0 \leq \underline{x_2} \leq c_2$$

$$0 \leq \underline{x_3} \leq c_3$$

Requirements to calculate $C(n, r)$

- Mod Inverse calculation
- Precomputation of Factorials ✓
- Precomputation of Inverse Factorials
- Trick to find Inverse Factorials in $O(N)$ ✓

$$\underline{\underline{C(10^9, 2)}}$$

- Idea to implement $n(x)$ in $o(x)$ time

$$\left\{ \frac{n!}{r! (n-r)!} \right\} \cdot \underline{\underline{C(10,4)}}$$

no of ways mod $10^9 + 7$

no of way to choose 50 items from
 10^6 elements

$$\underline{\underline{C(n, r) \text{ only } \times}}$$

$$n \rightarrow \underline{\underline{10^5}}$$

$$C(10^5, 4)$$

$$C(1000, 6)$$

$$\underline{\underline{C(n, r)}}$$



$$\underline{\underline{C(n, r)}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{r \leq n}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{r > n}}$$

$$n!$$

$$\boxed{r!} \boxed{(n-r)!}$$

} ✓✓

Print $C(n, r)$ mod some prime

$$\frac{n!}{r! (n-r)!} \rightarrow (n!) \cdot \boxed{\left(\frac{1}{r!} \right)} \cdot \left[\frac{1}{(n-r)!} \right]$$

x mod inverse wot to $10^9 + 7$

fermat's Theorem $\rightarrow x^{p-1} = 1 \text{ mod } p$

$$\underline{x^{p-2}} = \underline{x^{-1} \text{ mod } p}$$

Suppose you have factorials for
computed

$$\underline{\underline{n!}}$$

$$\frac{n!}{\underline{\underline{x! (n-x)!}}}$$

$$\rightarrow \checkmark \frac{n!}{\underline{\underline{x! (n-x)!}}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{n!}{x!} \cdot \frac{1}{(n-x)!}}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{\left[\frac{n!}{x!} \right]^{p-2}}} \cdot \underline{\underline{\left[\frac{1}{(n-x)!} \right]^{p-2}}}$$

factorials \rightarrow precomputed

$$1! \quad 2! \quad 3! \quad \xrightarrow{\underline{\underline{O(n)}}} \quad n!$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$\left(\frac{1!}{1!}\right)^{p-2} \quad \left(\frac{2!}{1!}\right)^{p-2} \quad \cdots \quad \left(\frac{n!}{1!}\right)^{p-2}$$

$\underline{\underline{O(n)}}$

fact[n]

$$\text{fact}(i) = i!$$

$$\text{fact}(0) = 1$$

for (int i = 1; i ≤ n; i++)

O(1) → $\text{fact}(i) = (\text{fact}(i-1) \times i) \bmod M$

O(log) → $\text{ifact}(i) = \text{expo}(\text{fact}(i), \underbrace{M-2}_{\log(M)})$

ifact[n]

$$\text{ifact}(i) = (i!)^{-1}$$

$$C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{r! (n-r)!} = \frac{\text{fact}(n)}{\text{fact}(r) \cdot \text{fact}(n-r)}$$

$$\text{fact}(n) = n!$$

$$\text{ifact}(n) = (n!)^{-1} = \exp(n!^{M-2})$$

log^M time

ifact(n)

, ifact(n-1)

$$\text{fact}(i) = i \times \text{fact}(i-1)$$

$$\text{ifact}(i) = \left[\frac{1}{i!} \right]$$

$$\text{ifact}(i-1) = \left[\frac{1}{(i-1)!} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\text{ifact}[i-1] = \text{ifact}[i] \times i}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{(i-1)!} = \frac{1}{(i)!} \times i = \frac{1}{(i-1)!}$$

fact(n), ifact(n)



$$\text{ifact}(n-1) = \text{ifact}(n) \times n$$

$$\text{ifact}(\underline{n-2}) = \text{ifact}(n-1) \times (n-1)$$

Efficient Implementation

```
ll combination1(ll n, ll r, ll m, vector<ll>& fact, vector<ll>& ifact){  
    return mod_mul(fact[n], mod_mul(ifact[r], ifact[n - r], m), m);  
}  
void solve(){  
    int n = 10;  
    vector<ll> fact(n + 1);  
    vector<ll> ifact(n + 1);  
    fact[0] = 1;  
    for(int i = 1; i <= n; i++){  
        fact[i] = mod_mul(fact[i - 1], i, MOD);  
    }  
    ifact[n] = mminvprime(fact[n], MOD);  
    for(int i = n - 1; i >= 0; i--){  
        ifact[i] = mod_mul(ifact[i + 1], i + 1, MOD);  
    }  
    cout << combination1(8, 6, MOD, fact, ifact) << endl;  
}
```

$O(1)$

$\log M$

$\text{mod_mul}(a, b, m)$

$\rightarrow (a \times b) \% m$

$\text{mminvprime}(n, m)$

\downarrow
 (x^{m-2})

$$C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{r! (n-r)!}$$

$$\frac{5!}{2! 3!} \rightarrow \frac{\cancel{3!} (4)(5)}{2! \cancel{3!}} = \frac{4 \times 5}{2 \times 1}$$

$$C(7, 3) \rightarrow \frac{7!}{3! 4!} = \frac{(4!)(5)(6)(7)}{3! 4!} = \frac{5 \times 6 \times 7}{3 \times 2 \times 1}$$

$$\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = \frac{(n-r)! \times (n-r+1) \cdot (n-r+2) \dots n}{r!(n-r)!}$$

$$= \frac{(n-r+1)(n-r+2) \dots n}{r(r-1) \cdot (r-2) \dots 1}$$

$$= \frac{n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \dots (n-r+1)}{r \times (r-1) \times (r-2) \dots (1)}$$

$C(n, r)$ \rightarrow individually

\downarrow

$$\frac{n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times (n-r+1)}{r \times (r-1) \times (r-2) \times \dots \times (1)}$$

$O(r)$

+

$O(r)$

+

$O(\log r)$

problem 1

nCr for some
general n, r

$$1 \leq n \leq 10^6$$

many times

$O(1)$ time

problem 2

Calculate nCr just
once

$$\frac{n \times (n-1) \times \dots \times (n-r+1)}{r \times (r-1) \times \dots \times 1}$$

$O(r)$

$$n(r) = \frac{n \times (n-1) \dots n-r+1}{r \times (r-1) \dots 1}$$

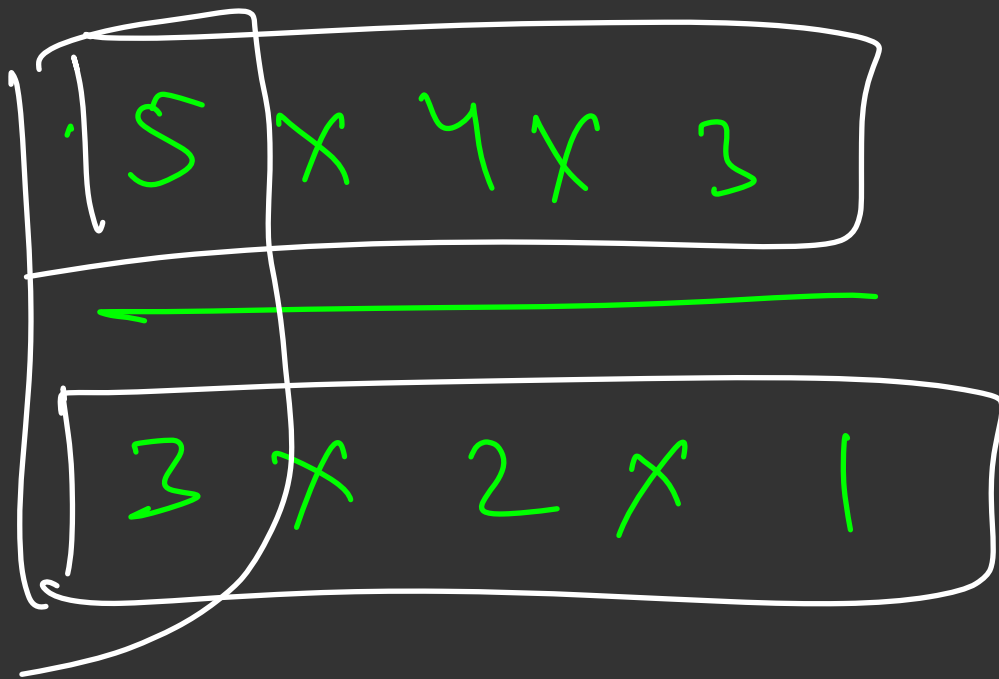
$$\text{num} \rightarrow O(r) \quad \text{num} \cdot \text{den}^{-1}$$

$$\text{den} \rightarrow O(r) \quad \downarrow \underline{O(\log r)}$$

$$\underline{O(r) + O(r)} + \underline{O(\log r)}$$

$$(a \times b) \bmod m$$

$$\left[(a \% m) \times (b \% m) \right] \% m$$



Important Binomial Results

②

①



$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$$

$$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$



$$\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n$$

$$C(n, k) = C(n, n-k)$$

↓

$n!$

$k! (n-k)!$

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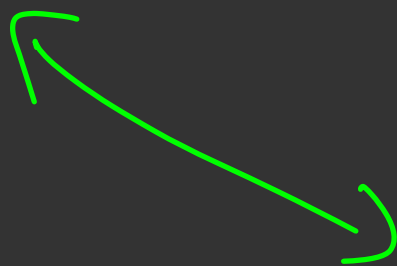
$n!$

$[n-(n-k)]! (n-k)!$

↓

$n!$

$k! (n-k)!$



Given n items choose k
items ①

Given n items don't choose
 $(n-k)$ items ②

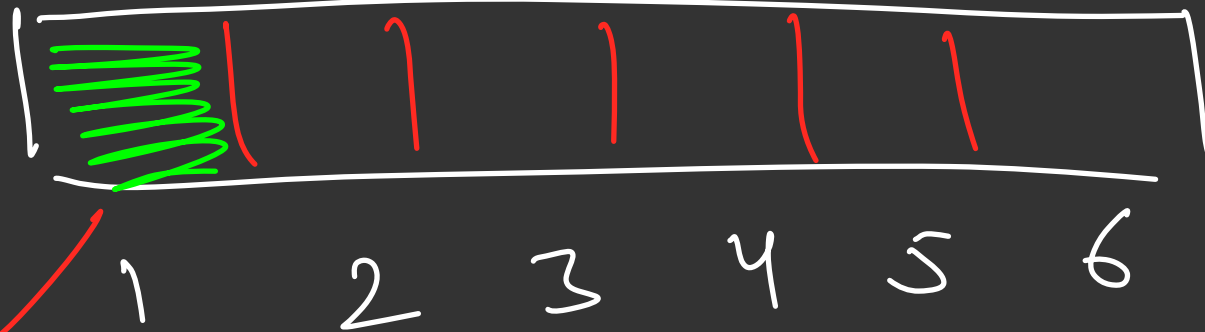
~~A~~ ✓ ✓ \longleftrightarrow ~~A~~ ✗
B, C A, B, C

$$\boxed{n C_r} = \boxed{n-1 C_{r-1}} + \boxed{n-1 C_r}$$

choose r
items from
 n

choose $r-1$
items from
 $n-1$

choose r
items from
 $n-1$



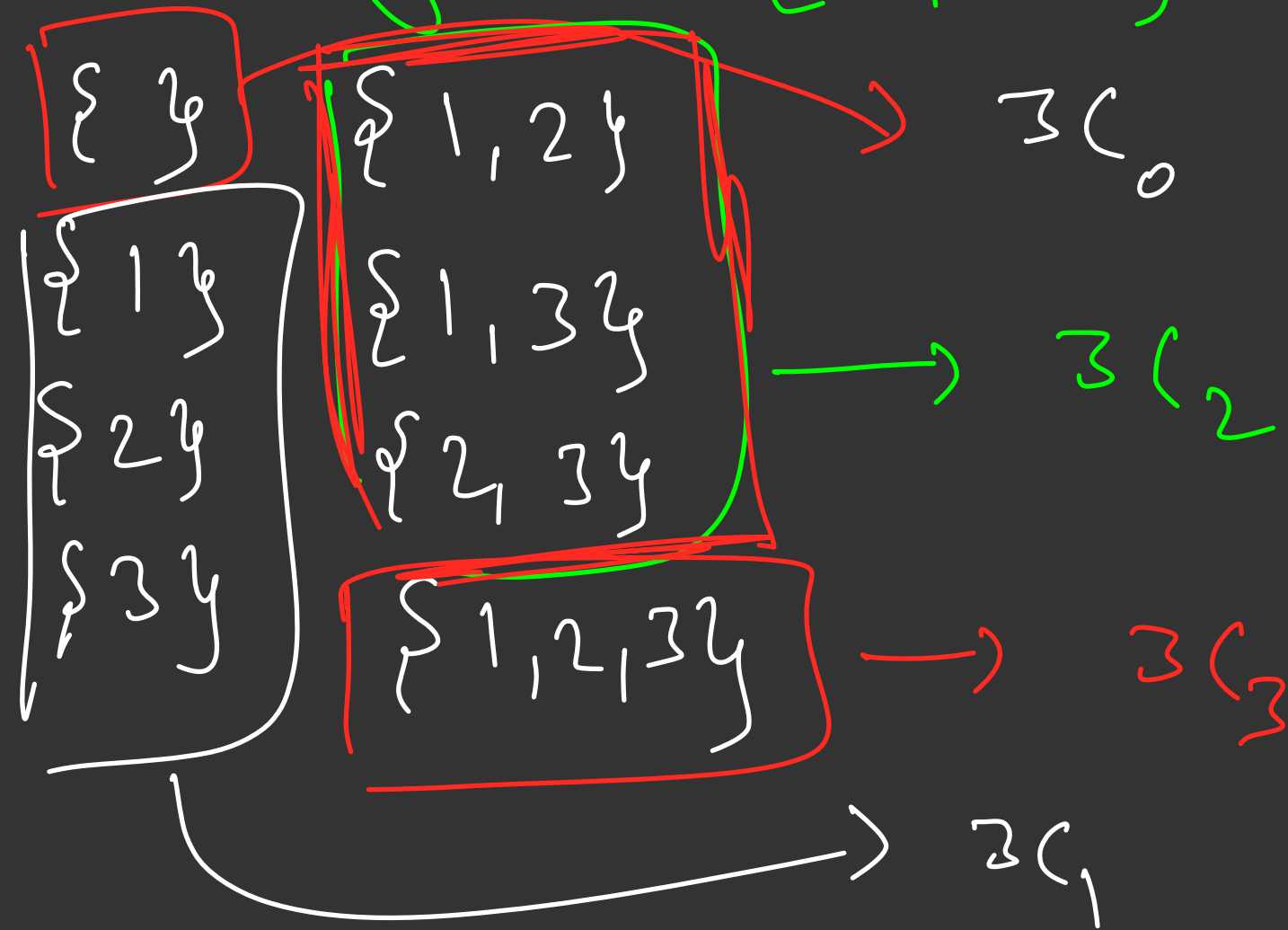
Choose 3 items from 6

Choose 3 items from 5

+

Choose 2 items from 5

Array = [1, 2, 3]



①

$$\underline{C(1000, 998)} \rightarrow \underline{C(1000, 2)}$$

$$0 \leq k \leq 10$$

$$\underline{C(10^9, 10^9 - k)} \rightarrow \underline{C(10^9, k)}$$

Important Binomial Results

- K items always included - $C(n - k, r - k)$
- K items are never included - $C(n - k, r)$
- Value of $C(n, r)$ is greatest when $r = n/2$

① ② ③ ④ ... ①00

choose 10 elements from 100
elements such that

①, ④, ⑨6 are always
present

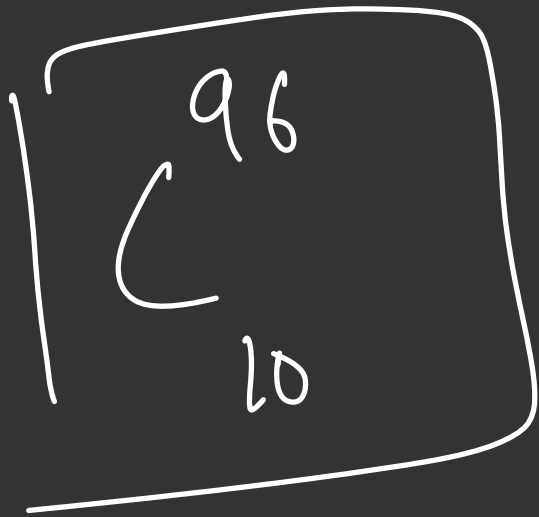
← remaining element
→ remaining to be chosen

${}^{97}C_7$

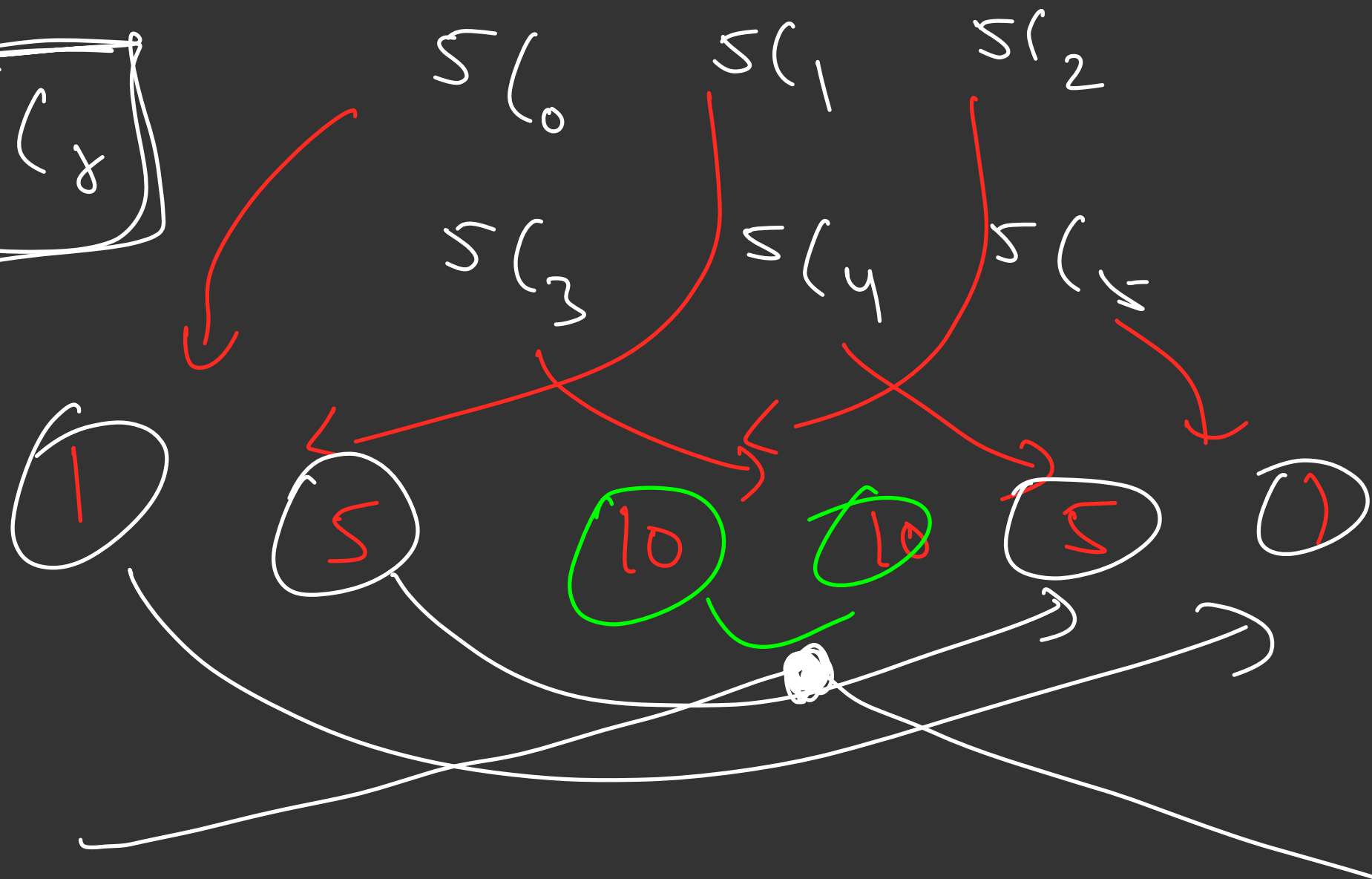
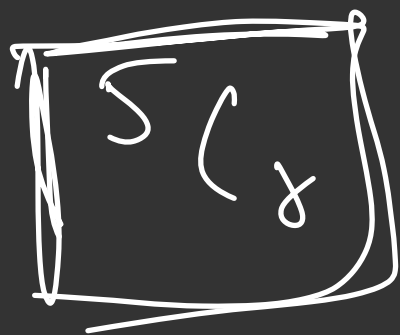
Choose 10 items from 100

such that (1) (9)

(8) (7) are also included



$nC_x \rightarrow$



$$nC_0 = nC_n$$

$$nC_1 = nC_{n-1}$$

$$6C_8$$

$$6C_0$$

$$6C_1$$

$$6C_2$$

$$6C_3$$

$$6C_4$$

$$6C_5$$

$$6C_6$$

$$1$$

$$6$$

$$15$$

$$20$$

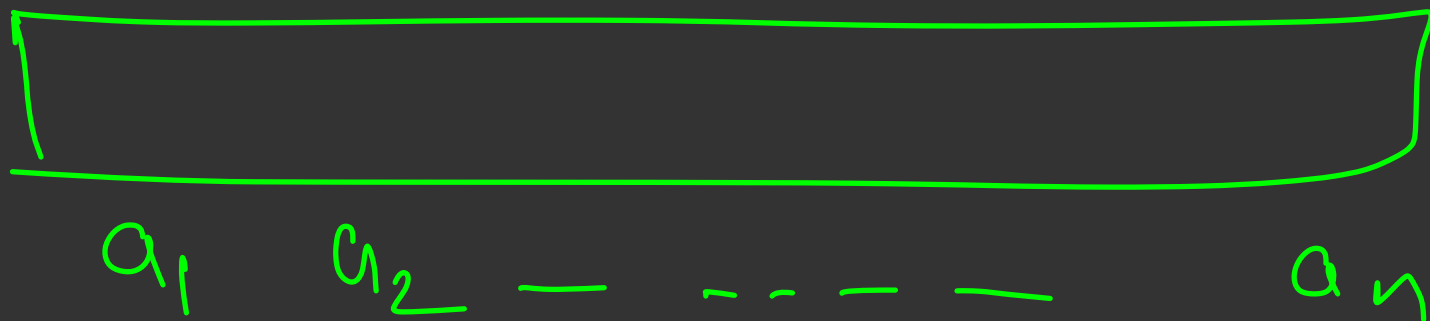
$$15$$

$$6$$

$$1$$

Q1 how many way are there to
choose equal no. of odd
element and even element
from an array of n element

$$1 \leq n \leq 10^6 \quad \text{mod } 10^9 + 7$$



1 3 2 5 1 6

(3, 2) ✓

(3, 6) ✓

(5, 2) ✓

(5, 6) ✓

(1, 2) ✓

(1, 6) ✓

$3C_1 = 3$, $2C_1 = 6$
 $3C_2 = 3$, $2C_2 = 1$
(3, 5, 2, 6)

(3, 1, 2, 6)

(5, 1, 2, 6)

$2(\min(\text{odd}, \text{even}))$

$\rightarrow 2^2 \rightarrow 4$

if I choose 1 odd

element even

odd — count

$C(\text{odd}, 1)$

even — count

$C(\text{even}, 1)$

$C(\text{odd}, 1) \times C(\text{even}, 1)$

odd = 0, even = 0

```
for (auto i : arr)
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    if (i % 2 == 0)
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        even++
```

```
    else
```

```
        odd++
```

$O(n)$

ans = 0

```
for (int i = 1; i <= min(odd, even);
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    i++)
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$$\{ \quad dws + \Rightarrow \underline{c(\text{odd}, i)} \times \underline{c(\text{even}, i)}$$

$$\underline{O(n)}$$

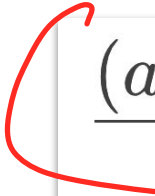
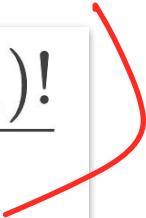
$$\rightarrow \underline{O(n)}$$

Arrangement

- Arranging distinct elements

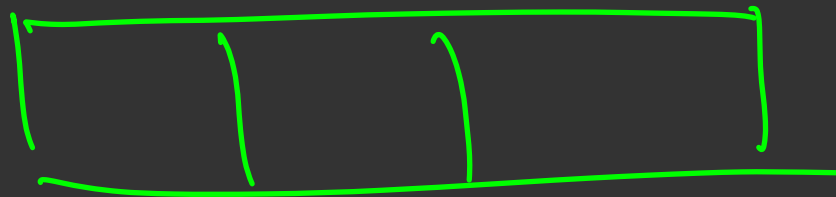
$$n!$$


- Arranging similar elements


$$\frac{(a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n)!}{a_1! \cdot a_2! \cdot \dots \cdot a_n!}$$


A B C

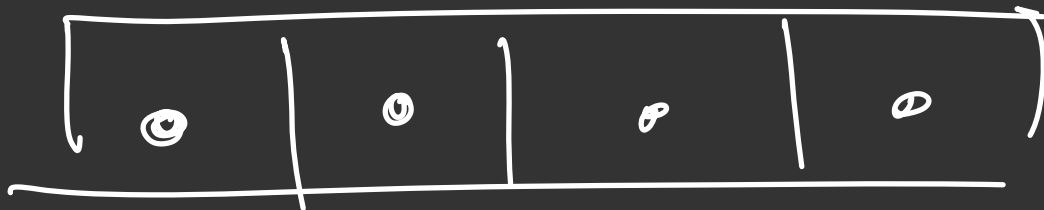
6 \rightarrow 3!



\rightarrow 3!

3 2 1

A B C D



\rightarrow 4!

4 3 2 1

A A B B B C C C C

A A B₁ C B₂ B C C C

A A B₂ C B₁ B C C C

A B C D E E E E

1 2 3 4

A B (E) C (E) D (E) (E)

4!

8!

4!

Assume all ϵ_s are different

permute all of them

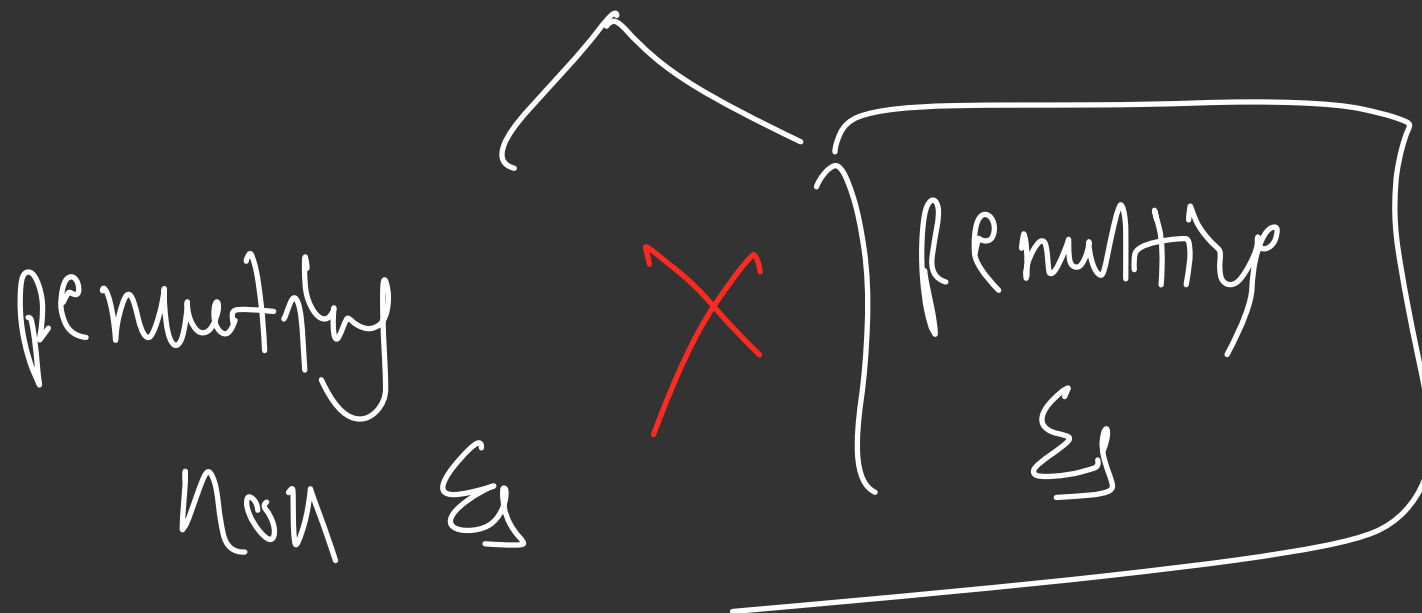
$$(n)$$

$$\epsilon_s$$

$$\boxed{n!}$$



total ways



$A_1 A_2 B$

$A A B$

$A B A$

$B A A$

$A_1 A_2 B$

$A_2 A_1 B$

$A_1 B A_2$

$A_2 B A_1$

$B A_1 A_2$

$B A_2 A_1$

A A $\boxed{B B B}$ $\boxed{C C C C}$
 \vdots \vdots \vdots \vdots \vdots \vdots \vdots \vdots

$9!$
 \circ

\longrightarrow

$2!$ $3!$ $4!$
 \circ \circ \circ

Let's solve some problems

- Creating Strings 2 - [Link](#)
- Kth String in Dictionary
- Unique Paths - [Link](#)
- Arrange N different items such that K of them always come together

A A B C D D A X Y

length lexicographically min string

ABBC

$$\frac{4!}{2!} = \frac{4 \times 3 \times 2!}{2!} = \underline{\underline{12}}$$

8th str

A|BBC

A



$$\begin{array}{r} 3! \\ 2! \end{array}$$

=

3

ABC

9

B



$$3!$$

=

6

(ABC)

BC

2!

B

A

A B B C

A → A B B C

A B C B

A C B B

$$\frac{3!}{2!}$$

OTH

SM

A B C → 3!

(B) →

B A B C

B A C B

B (B) A C

B (B) C A

X

X

A B C

B C, A B

3rd string
1st string

$$\underline{\underline{n!}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{O(n^2)}}$$

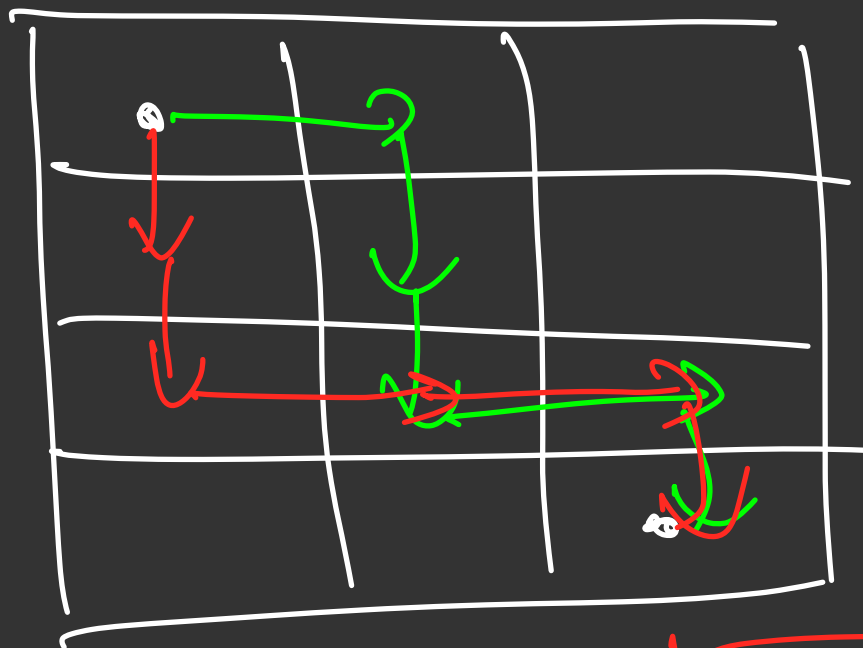
(A)

$$\underline{\underline{O(n)}}$$

$$\frac{(n-1)!}{a! \cdot b! \cdot c! \cdot \dots \cdot z!}$$

$$\underline{\underline{O(2^k)}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{O(n \cdot 2^k)}}$$



DDDR

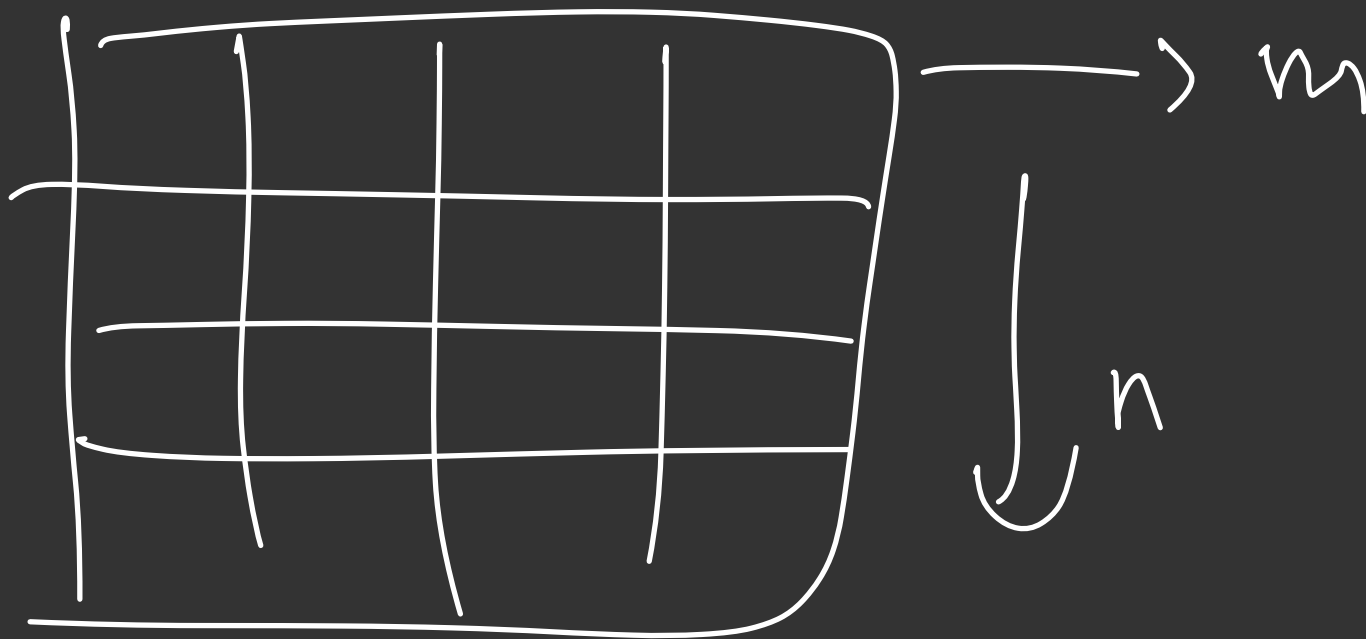
RDDRD

DDRRD

(RR)

DDD

DLDRD



$(m-1)$

\longrightarrow

$(n-1)$

\downarrow

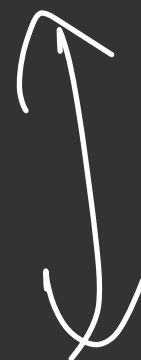
$$\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \hline \end{array} \right\} C(n-1+m-1, m-1)$$

$$(m-1)!$$

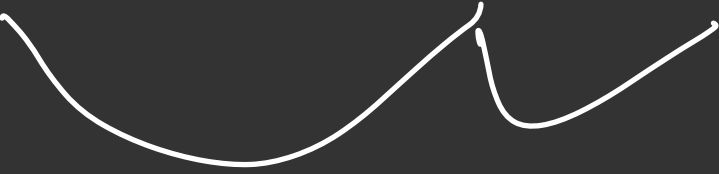
$$(n-1)!$$

$$(n+m-2)$$

$$(n-1)! (m-1)!$$



① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦



1 2 3 5 6 4 7

✓ 1 3 6 5 4 7 2
✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

1 6 5 3 4 7 2

① ② ③ ④ 3 5 6

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

$$\boxed{5!} \times \boxed{3!} \rightarrow$$

A A B B < D E F F F

No of ways to arrange such that

As and Bs come together

and Es and Fs come together

$$\binom{4!}{2!2!} \times \binom{4!}{3!1!}$$