

## **UNIT-I**

**COMBINATORICS:** Permutation and Combination, Repetition and Constrained Repetition, Binomial Coefficients, Binomial Theorem.

**PROBABILITY:** Definition of Probability, Conditional Probability, Baye's Theorem.

**[No. of Hrs: 11]**

## **UNIT – II**

**PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS:** Review of Mean & Standard Deviation, Mathematical Expectation, Moments, Moment Generating Functions, Binomial, Poisson and Normal Distributions.

**[No. of Hrs: 10]**

## **UNIT-III**

**INTERPOLATION:** Operators: Shift, Forward Difference, Backward Difference Operators and their Inter-relation, Interpolation Formulae-Newton's Forward, Backward and Divided Difference Formulae: Lagrange's Formula.

**SOLUTION OF NON LINEAR EQUATION:** Bisection Method, False Position Method, Newton – Raphson Method for Solving Equation Involving One Variable only.

**[No. of Hrs: 12]**

## **UNIT – IV**

**SOLUTION OF LINEAR SIMULTANEOUS EQUATIONS:** Gaussian Elimination Method with and without Row Interchange: LU Decomposition: Gauss - Jacobi and Gauss-Seidel Method; Gauss – Jordan Method and to find Inverse of a Matrix by this Method.

**NUMERICAL DIFFERENTIATION-** First and Second Order Derivatives at Tabular and Non-Tabular Points, Numerical Integration, Trapezoidal Rule, Simpsons 1/3 Rule: Error in Each Formula (without proof).

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# Factorial Notation

For any positive integer  $n$ ,  $n!$  means:

$$n! = n (n - 1) (n - 2) \cdot \cdot \cdot (3) (2) (1)$$

$0!$  will be defined as equal to **one**.

Examples:

$$4! = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 24$$

The factorial symbol only affects the number it follows unless grouping symbols are used.

$$3 \cdot 5! = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 360$$

$$(3 \cdot 5)! = 15! = \text{big number}$$

$$1! = 1$$

$$2! = 2.1! = 2.1$$

$$3! = 3.2! = 3.2.1! = 3.2.1 = 6$$

$$4! = 4.3! = 4.3.2! = 4.3.2.1! = 4.3.2.1 = 24$$

$$5! = 5.4! = 5.4.3! = 5.4.3.2! = 5.4.3.2.1 = 120$$

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$$n! = n.(n-1)! = n.(n-1).(n-2)! = \dots = n.(n-1).(n-2)\dots 3.2.1$$

$$\text{Suppose } \frac{15!}{12!} = \frac{15.14.13.12!}{12!} = 15.14.13 = 2730$$

# Permutation and Combination

## Fundamental Counting Principle

If there are  $m$  ways to choose a first item and  $n$  ways to choose a second item after the first item has been chosen, then there are  $m \cdot n$  ways to choose both items.

A lunch special includes one main item, one side, and one drink.

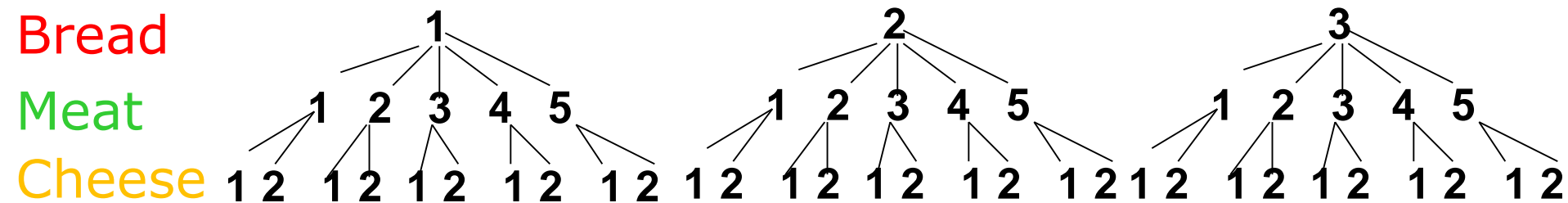
| Main Item | Side     | Drink |
|-----------|----------|-------|
| Hamburger | Chips    | Juice |
| Hot dog   | Apple    | Water |
| Pizza     | Crackers | Milk  |
| Salad     |          |       |

How many different meals can you choose if you pick one main item, one side, and one drink?

$$4 \times 3 \times 3 = 36$$

## Benefits of the Fundamental Counting Principle

A sandwich can be made with 3 different types of **bread**, 5 different **meats**, and 2 types of **cheese**. How many types of sandwiches can be made if each sandwich consists of one bread, one meat, and one cheese.



There are **30** possible types of sandwiches  
(cumbersome)

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$$3 \times 5 \times 2 = 30$$

There are **30** possible types of sandwiches.

# Examples

1. Suppose a questionnaire contains 5 questions in which 3 questions have 2 possible answers and the remaining 2 questions have 3 possible answers. Then in how many ways can questionnaire be answered?

Solution:

For 3 questions: since each of the three question can be answered in 2 ways  $\Rightarrow$  all 3 questions can be answered in  $2*2*2 = 8$  ways

Similarly, the rest 2 questions can be answered in  $3*3 = 9$  ways

Thus the total ways to answer the questionnaire =  $8*9 = 72$



# Examples

2. A computer program consist of one letter followed by three digits. In how many ways different label identifiers are possible if (i) repetition is not allowed (ii) repetition is allowed

Solution: Total letters = 26, total digits = 10

(i) Without repetition:

|    |    |   |   |         |
|----|----|---|---|---------|
| 26 | 10 | 9 | 8 | = 18720 |
|----|----|---|---|---------|

(i) With repetition:

|    |    |    |    |         |
|----|----|----|----|---------|
| 26 | 10 | 10 | 10 | = 26000 |
|----|----|----|----|---------|

# Example

How many 8-digit telephone numbers are possible, if (i) only even digits may be used? (ii) The number must be a multiple of 100?

Solution:

(i) Possible even digits : 2, 4, 6, 8

total possible numbers =  $4 \times 4 \times 4 \times \dots \times 4$  (8 times) =  $4^8$

(ii) Since we need multiple of 100  $\Rightarrow$  last two places should have digit 0

First place can be filled with digits between 1 – 9 = 9 ways

Rest 5 places can be filled with one of the 10 digits in  $10^5$  ways.

Total possible phone numbers =  $9 \times 10^5$

|       |   |    |    |    |    |    |      |      |
|-------|---|----|----|----|----|----|------|------|
| (1-9) | 9 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | (0)1 | (0)1 |
|-------|---|----|----|----|----|----|------|------|

# Definition

A combination is a grouping of outcomes in which the order does not matter.

A permutation is an arrangement of outcomes in which the order does matter.

# Introduction

- Let  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  be the three objects. How many selections are possible taking two objects at a time.

$\Rightarrow ab, ac, bc$

If all three have to be selected  $\Rightarrow abc$

How many possible arrangements are there taking two objects

$\Rightarrow ab, ba, ac, ca, bc, cb = 6$  arrangements

$\Rightarrow$  All three taken together  $\Rightarrow abc, acb, bac, bca, cab, cba = 3! = 3.2.1 = 6$

|   |   |                      |
|---|---|----------------------|
| 3 | 2 | $1=3.2.1=6$<br>$=3!$ |
|---|---|----------------------|

**There are  $n!$  ways to arrange  $n$  objects all together.**

# Permutation Rule.....

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

where n = total number of objects and r = how many you need.

“n objects taken r at a time”

Also denoted as P(n, r). If r = n, P(n, n) = n!

|   |       |       |       |           |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| 1 | 2     | 3     | ..... | r         |
| n | (n-1) | (n-2) |       | (n-(r-1)) |

n balls to be placed in r – boxes

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Total no. of ways} &= n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \dots (n-r+1) \\
 &= (n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \dots (n-r+1) \cdot (n-r) \cdot (n-r-1) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1) / ((n-r) \cdot (n-r-1) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1) \\
 &= n! / (n-r)! = P(n, r)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Examples

Evaluate:

(i)  $P(10, 2)$

(ii)  $P(50, 49)$

(iii)  $P(m+n, 2)$

(iv)  $P(6, 1) + P(9, 2)$

Solution:

$$(i) P(10, 2) = \frac{10!}{(10-2)!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8!}{8!} = 90$$

(ii)  $50!$

$$(iii) P(m+n, 2) = \frac{(m+n)!}{((m+n)-2)!} = \frac{(m+n) \cdot (m+n-1) \cdot (m+n-2)!}{(m+n-2)!} = (m+n) \cdot (m+n-1)$$

$$(iv) P(6, 1) = \frac{6!}{(6-1)!} = \frac{6!}{5!} = \frac{6 \cdot 5!}{5!} = 6, P(9, 2) = 72 \Rightarrow 6 + 72 = 78$$

# Examples

Find  $r$  if

$$(i) P(10, r) = 2.P(9, r) \quad (ii) 4.P(6, r) = P(6, r+1)$$

Solution:

$$(ii) 4 \cdot \left( \frac{6!}{(6-r)!} \right) = \left( \frac{6!}{(6-(r+1))!} \right) \Rightarrow 4 = \frac{(6-r)!}{(6-r-1)!} \Rightarrow 4 = \frac{(6-r).(6-r-1)!}{(6-r-1)!} \Rightarrow 4 = 6 - r \Rightarrow r = 6 - 4 = 2$$



# Examples

If  $2.P(5, 3) = P(n, 4)$ , find  $n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Sol.: } \frac{n!}{(n-4)!} &= 2. \left( \frac{5!}{(5-3)!} \right) = 5! \Rightarrow n(n-1).(n-2).(n-3) = \\ 5! &\Rightarrow n.(n-1).(n-2).(n-3) = 5.(5-1).(5-2).(5-3) \\ \text{On comparing both sides, } n &= 5\end{aligned}$$

If  $P(n-1, 3):P(n, 4) = 1:9$ , find  $n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}R = 9 \quad \frac{\frac{(n-1)!}{(n-4)!}}{\left( \frac{n!}{(n-4)!} \right)} &= \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)!}{n.(n-1)!} = \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{9} \Rightarrow n = 9\end{aligned}$$

# Examples

Prove that:

(i)  $P(n, n) = P(n, n-1) = n!$

(ii)  $P(n, n) = 2.P(n, n-2)$

# Examples

In how many ways can the letters of word EDUCATION be arranged such that

- (i) vowels should be only in odd places.
- (ii) Beginning and ending with vowels.
- (iii) Beginning and ending with consonants.

Solution:

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| C | L | L | L | L | L | L | L | C |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

Total number of letters = 9

Vowels = 5, consonants = 4

(i) There are 5 odd places and 5 vowels need to be placed there => total ways =  $5! = 120$

Remaining 4 places have to be filled by 4 consonants in  $4!$  Ways = 24

Total number of ways =  $120 * 24 = 2880$

(ii) The first and last place should be occupied with vowel. No. of ways =  $P(5, 2) = \frac{5!}{(5-2)!} = \frac{5!}{3!} = \frac{(5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3!)}{3!} = 20$

Remaining 7 places have to be filled with 7 letters in  $7!$  Ways

Total arrangements =  $7! * 20 = 5040 * 20 = 100800$

(iii) Total arrangements =  $P(4, 2) * 7! = 12 * 5040 = 60480$

# Examples

In how many ways can 5 boys be arranged in a queue such that

- (i) Two of them are always together.
- (ii) Two of them are never together.

Solution:

- (i) Let A and B are always together. Consider them as one unit. Now 4 boys can be arranged in a queue in  $4!$  Ways. A and B can arrange themselves in  $2!$  Ways. Hence total queues =  $4! \times 2! = 48$
- (ii) Two of them are never together = Total ways – no. of ways in which two are together

Total ways of arranging 5 boys in a queue =  $5!$

When two of them are never together =  $5! - 48 = 120 - 48 = 72$

# Example

How many passwords with alphabets and numbers of length 6 can be made if

- (i) First three places are alphabets followed by numbers
- (ii) First and last places are to filled with alphabets
- (iii) Last two place will be filled with alphabets

Solution: Number of alphabets = 26, digits = 10 (including 0)

- (i) First 3 places will be filled by 3 alphabets in  $P(26, 3)$  ways and last 3 places to be filled with 3 digits in  $P(10, 3)$

$$\text{Total ways} = P(26, 3) * P(10, 3) = 26P3 * 10P3 = \left( \frac{26!}{(26-3)!} \right) *$$

$$\left( \frac{10!}{(10-3)!} \right) = (26.25.24) * (10.9.8)$$

- (ii) Total ways =  $26 * P(10, 4) * 25 = P(26, 2) * P(10, 4)$

- (iii) Same as 2nd

(i) No. of ways for having alpha at first and last place =  $P(26, 2)$

(ii) For middle 4 places

Case 1: all alpha, no digit  $\Rightarrow P(24, 4) * P(10, 0)$

Case 2: 3 alpha, 1 digit  $\Rightarrow P(24, 3) * P(10, 1)$

Case 3: 2 alpha, 2 digits  $\Rightarrow P(24, 2) * P(10, 2)$

Case 4: 1 alpha, 3 digits  $\Rightarrow P(24, 1) * P(10, 3)$

Case 5: no alpha, all digits  $\Rightarrow P(24, 0) * P(10, 4)$

Total ways = (i) \* [sum of all cases]

Short cut:

Remaining alpha = 24, digits = 10

Alpha numeric series of length 4  $\Rightarrow P(24+10, 4)$

Total passwords =  $P(26, 2) * P(34, 4)$

# Permutation rule when some things repeat.....

$${}_nP_r = \frac{n!}{k_1!k_2!k_3!...k_p!}$$

- It reads: the no. of permutations of n objects in which k<sub>1</sub> are alike, k<sub>2</sub> are alike, etc.
- $k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + ... + k_p = n$

- How many different words can be made out of letters of the word ALLAHABAD?
- Solution: Total 9 letters out of which 4 are alike (A), 2 are of second kind (L), 1 is of third kind (H), 1 is of fourth kind (B) and 1 is of fifth kind (D)  $\Rightarrow k_1 = 4, k_2 = 2, k_3 = k_4 = k_5 = 1$
- Total possible words =  $\frac{9!}{4! \cdot 2! \cdot 1! \cdot 1! \cdot 1!} = \frac{9!}{4! \cdot 2!} = 7560$



# Example

- In how many ways 3 red, 4 black and 2 yellow balls be arranged in a row?
- Solution:  $k_1 = 3$ ,  $k_2 = 4$ ,  $k_3 = 2$ , Total balls =  $k_1 + k_2 + k_3 = 3 + 4 + 2 = 9$
- Total permutations to arrange in a row =

$$\frac{9!}{3! \cdot 4! \cdot 2!} = \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4!}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 4! \cdot 2} = 9 \cdot 4 \cdot 7 \cdot 5 = 36 \cdot 35 = 1260$$

# Example

- There are 3 books of Maths, 4 of English and 4 of Science. (i) In how many ways these can be arranged in a row? (ii) In how many ways these can be arranged in a shelf of library?
- Solution: (i) Total ways =  $\frac{11!}{3!.4!.4!} = \frac{11.10.9.8.7.6.5}{6*24} = 11.10.3.7.5 = 11.1050 = 11550$
- (ii) For library
- 3 books of maths should be together and hence can be arranged in 3! Ways
- 4 books of English can be arranged in 4! Ways and 4 books of science can be arranged in 4! Ways.
- The three groups can arrange themselves in 3! ways
- Total possible arrangements =  $3!*(4!*4!*3!)$
- MES, MSE, EMS, ESM, SEM, SME = 3!

# Example

- Arrange the letters of the word MODIRAM so that D and I are always together.

Solution:

Since M is repeating twice,  $k_1 = 2$ . rest all letters are appearing once. Considering D and I as one unit, total letters = 6

$$\text{Total permutations} = \frac{6!}{2!} = 360$$

Since D and I can arrange themselves in  $2!$  Ways, so total no. of words in which D and I are together,  $= 360 * 2! = 720$

MODIRAM, MOIDRAM

# Dictionary Ranking

- The letters of the word MOHAN are written in all possible orders and these words are written out as in a dictionary. Find the rank of the word MOHAN.
- Solution: Total distinct letters = 5  $\Rightarrow$  total possible words =  $5! = 120$
- According to dictionary order,
- Count the words starting with A
- The first letter is A  $\Rightarrow$  First place is fixed for A. Rest 4 places can be filled with 4 letters in  $4!$  Ways  $\Rightarrow$  total words starting with A =  $4! = 24$
- Total Words starting with H  $\Rightarrow 24$
- Rank of MOHAN will lie between 48 and  $(120-48 = 72)$

# Count the words starting with M

First we will count the words starting with MA => first two positions are fixed for MA

Rest 3 position can be filled with 3 letters in  $3!$  Ways

No. of words starting with MA =  $3! = 6$

No. of words starting with MH =  $3! = 6$

No. of words starting with MN =  $3! = 6$

No. of words starting with MO =  $3! = 6$  out of which one word is MOHAN => rank of MOHAN lies between  $(48+18 = 66, 72)$

Words starting with MOA = (first three places fixed, rest 2 places can be filled in  $2!$  Ways) = 2

Words starting with MOH = 2 out of which one word is MOHAN

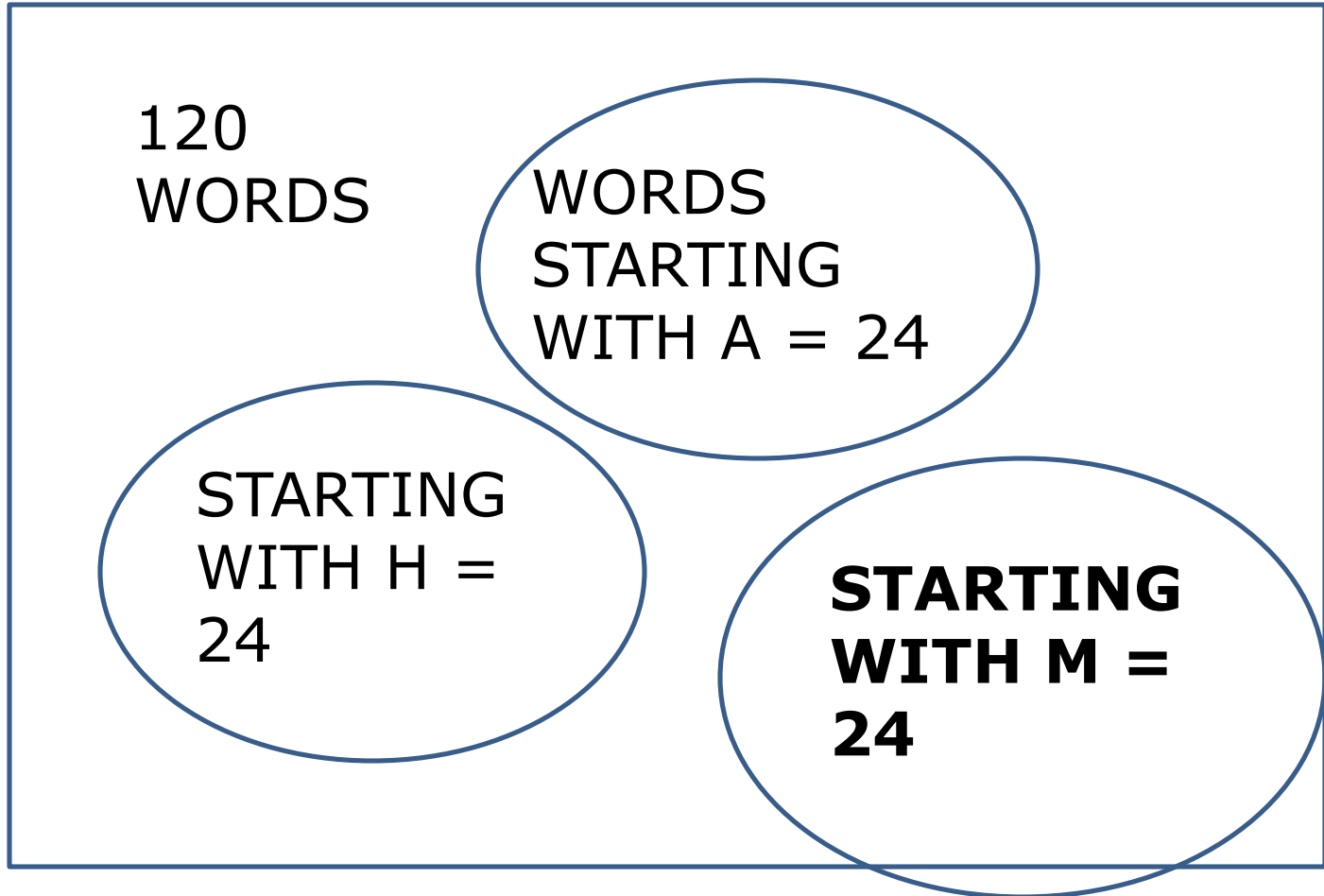
$\Rightarrow$  Rank of MOHAN will be between  $(66+2=68, 72)$

$69^{\text{th}}$  and  $70^{\text{th}}$  word starting with MOH

MOHAN, MOHNA (according to dictionary)

$\Rightarrow$  Rank of MOHAN =  $24+24+6+6+6=2+1 = 69$

TOTAL LENGTH OF WORD = 5



MOHAN

TOTAL WORDS = 24

MA =  $3! = 6$

MH = 6

MN = 6

**MO = 6 OUT OF WHICH  
ONE WORD IS MOHAN**

MOA =  $2! = 2$

**MOH = 2**

MOHAN = 1

RANK IS  $24 + 24$   
 $+6+6+6+2+1 = 69$

# Example

- Question: Find the rank of the word ZENITH, if arranged in a dictionary.

| 6   | 1  | 4  | 3  | 5  | 2     |
|-----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Z   | E  | N  | I  | T  | H     |
| 5   | 0  | 2  | 1  | 1  | 0     |
| 5!  | 4! | 3! | 2! | 1! | 0! =1 |
| 600 | 0  | 12 | 2  | 1  | 0     |

TOTAL = 615 ADD 1 TO GET RANK = 616

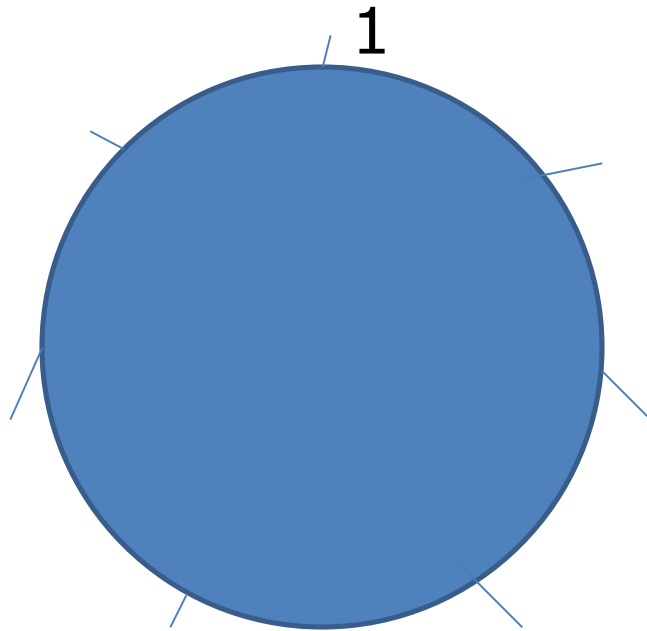


# Example

- How many 4 digit numbers can be formed using the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. How many of them are greater than 3400?

# Circular Permutation

- If  $n$  objects are to be arranged around a circular table, then possible number of ways are  $(n-1)!$



1 person is arranged to start the order, remaining  $(n-1)$  can be arranged in  $(n-1)$  places in  $(n-1)!$  ways

- If  $n$  pearls are to be arranged in a necklace, total ways are  $(n-1)!/2$
- Example:

In how many ways 5 boys be arranged in a circle?

Solution:  $(5-1)! = 4! = 24$

In how many ways 8 different beads can be arranged to form a necklace?

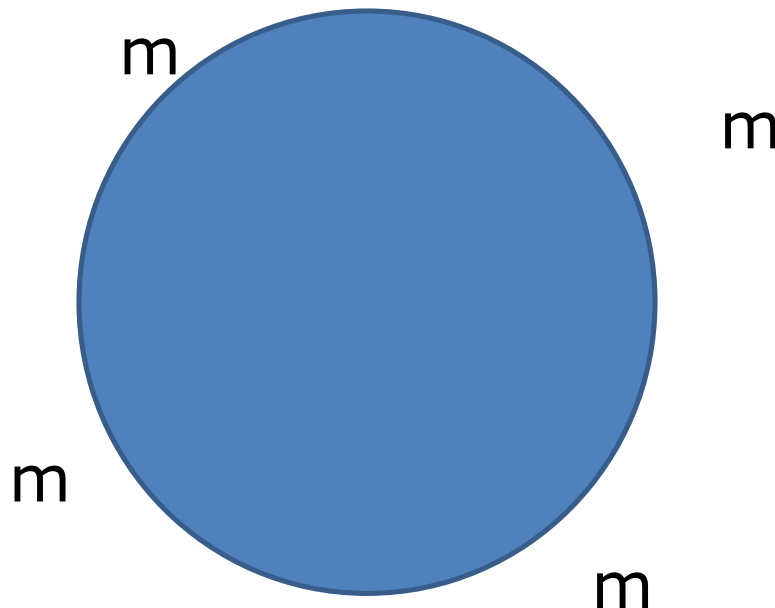
Sol.:  $(8-1)!/2 = 7!/2 = 2520$  ways

In how many ways can a party of 4 men and 4 women be seated at a circular table?

Sol.: Total persons = 8, ways =  $(8-1)! = 7!$

- In how many ways can a party of 4 men and 4 women be seated at a circular table such that no two men want to sit together?

4 men can be arranged around a circle in  $3!$  Ways.  
Creating 4 spaces in between.  
Now 4 women can arrange themselves in 4 places in  $4!$  Ways  
Total ways to sit =  $3! * 4! = 24 * 6 = 144$



$$(4-1)! = 3!$$

# Examples

- In how many ways can 5 girls and 5 boys be arranged in a queue so that no two girls sit together?
- Solution: Arrange 5 boys in  $5!$  ways. This will create 6 gaps in between. So 5 girls can be arranged in 6 gaps by  $6P5$  ways.
- Total ways =  $5! * (6! / (6-5)!) = 5! * 6!$



# Combination Rule.....

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

- Read: “n” objects taken “r” at a time.

# Combination

- $C(n, 0) = n!/(n-0)! \cdot 0! = n!/n! = 1$
- $C(n, 1) = n!/(n-1)! \cdot 1! = n!/(n-1)! = n \cdot (n-1)!/(n-1)! = n$
- $C(n, n) = n!/((n-n)! \cdot n!) = n!/n! = 1 = C(n, 0)$
- In general
- $C(n, r) = C(n, n-r)$

# Identities to Prove

$$(i) \ C(n, r) = C(n - 1, r) + C(n - 1, r - 1)$$

$$Sol.: LHS \Rightarrow C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{(n - r)! \cdot r!} \dots \dots (i)$$

$$RHS \Rightarrow C(n - 1, r) = \frac{(n - 1)!}{(n - 1 - r)! \cdot r!} \dots \dots (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} C(n - 1, r - 1) &= \frac{(n - 1)!}{((n - 1) - (r - 1))! \cdot (r - 1)!} \\ &= \frac{(n - 1)!}{(n - r)! \cdot (r - 1)!} \dots \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

$(n-r)! = (n-r) \cdot (n-r-1)!$  Put this in (2)

And  $r! = r \cdot (r-1)!$  Put in (1)



# Identity

*Prove that:  $C(n, r) + C(n, r - 1) = C(n + 1, r)$*

**Solution: LHS**

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{n!}{(n-r)! \cdot r!} + \frac{n!}{(n-(r-1))! \cdot (r-1)!} \\
 &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)! \cdot r \cdot (r-1)!} + \frac{n!}{(n-r+1)! \cdot (r-1)!} \\
 &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)! \cdot r(r-1)!} + \frac{n!}{(n-r+1) \cdot (n-r)! \cdot (r-1)!} \\
 &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)! \cdot (r-1)!} \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{n-r+1} \right] = \frac{n!}{(n-r)! \cdot (r-1)!} \cdot \left[ \frac{n-r+1+r}{r \cdot (n-r+1)} \right] \\
 &= \frac{(n+1) \cdot n!}{(n-r+1) \cdot (n-r)! \cdot r \cdot (r-1)!} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1-r)! \cdot (r!)} = C(n+1, r)
 \end{aligned}$$

# Example

- If  $C(2n, 3) = C(2n, 2)$  Find  $n$ .

Solution:

$$2n!/((2n-3)! \cdot 3!) = 2n!/((2n-2)! \cdot 2!)$$

$$= (2n-2) \cdot (2n-3)! \cdot 2 = (2n-3)! \cdot 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(2n-2) = 6 \Rightarrow 4n - 4 = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 4n = 10 \Rightarrow n = 10/4 = 5/2$$

**Note:** If  $C(n, x) = C(n, y)$  then either  $x = y$  or  $x+y = n$

Clearly here,  $x = 3$  is not equal to  $y = 2$  so  $x+y = n$ ,  $\Rightarrow 3+2 = 2n \Rightarrow n = 5/2$

## Question 1

**An English test contains five different essay questions labeled A, B, C, D, and E. You are supposed to choose 2 to answer. How many different ways are there to do this?**

The order of outcomes **is not** important, so this situation involves **combinations**.

$${}^5C_2 = 10$$

## Question 2

**A voicemail system password is 1 letter followed by a 3-digit number less than 600. How many different voicemail passwords are possible if all digits are allowed?**

The order of outcomes **is** important, so this situation involves **permutations**.

$$26 \times 6 \times 10 \times 10 = 15600$$

### Question 3

**A family of 3 plans to sit in the same row at a movie theater. How many ways can the family be seated in 3 seats?**

The order of outcomes **is** important, so this situation involves **permutations**.

ABC

BAC

CAB

ACB

BCA

CBA

$$3 \times 2 \times 1 = 6$$

## Question 4

**Ingrid is stringing 3 different types of beads on a bracelet. How many ways can she string the next three beads if they must include one bead of each type?**

The order of outcomes **is** important, so this situation involves **permutations**.

$$3 \times 2 \times 1 = 6$$

## **Question 5**

**Nathan wants to order a sandwich with two of the following ingredients: mushroom, eggplant, tomato, and avocado. How many different sandwiches can Nathan choose?**

The order of outcomes **is not** important, so this situation involves **combinations**.

$${}^4C_2 = 6$$

## **Question 6**

**A group of 8 swimmers are swimming in a race. Prizes are given for first, second, and third place. How many different outcomes can there be?**

The order of outcomes **is** important, so this situation involves **permutations**.

$$8 \times 7 \times 6 = 336$$



## Question 7

**How many different ways can 9 people line up for a picture?**

The order of outcomes **is** important, so this situation involves **permutations**.

$$9! = 362,880$$

## **Question 8**

**Four people need to be selected from a class of 15 to help clean up the campus. How many different ways can the 4 people be chosen?**

The order of outcomes **is not** important, so this situation involves **combinations**.

$$15 \text{ Choose } 4 = 1365$$