Practice Counting

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$$\binom{52}{5} = \frac{52!}{5!47!} = \frac{52 \times 51 \times 50 \times 49 \times 48}{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} = 2\,598\,960$$

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$$\binom{13}{2}\binom{13}{3}=22\,308$$

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$$10^4 - 9^4 = 3439$$

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$$\binom{10}{4} = 210$$

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(0, 1, 3, 4)(0, 1, 3, 5)

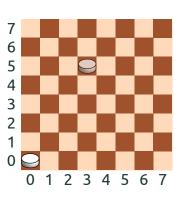
(0, 1, 3, 6)

(5.7.8.9)

(6, 7, 8, 9)

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Piece on a Chessboard



A piece can move one step up or one step to the right. What is the number of ways of getting from the cell [0,0] (bottom left corner) to the cell [5,3]?

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- Hence, the answer is $\binom{8}{3} = 56$

