

# Burnside's Lemma (Counting Theorem)

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How many ways can you place blue and gold placemats around a 10 seat round table?

How many ways can you color the faces of a cube using 3 colors?

$G = \text{symmetries of a cube}$

$$= \{ \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{e_0}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{r_1}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{r_2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{r_3}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{p_1}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{p_2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{p_3}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{\varphi_1}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{\varphi_2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{\varphi_3}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_1}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_1^2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_2^2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_3}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_3^2}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_4}, \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{fix } e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6}}{d_4^2}, e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6 \}$$

$r_i$  = rotation fixing front/back.

$p_i$  = fix top/bottom

$\varphi_i$  = fix left/right

$d_i$  = fix top right front corner

$$K = \frac{1}{24} \left( \underset{e_0}{3^6} + \underset{\substack{r_1, r_2, r_3 \\ \varphi_1, \varphi_2}}{6 \cdot \underset{\substack{p_1, p_2 \\ \varphi_3}}{3^3}} + \underset{d_i^2}{3 \cdot \underset{\varphi_i}{3^4}} + 8 \cdot \underset{d_i}{3^2} + 6 \cdot \underset{d_i}{3^3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1368}{24} = 57$$



