

PERMUTATIONS AND COMBINATIONS

MULTIPLICATION RULE

- If one event can occur in x ways, a second event in y ways, and a third event in z , then the three events can occur in xyz ways

- Example:

Erza has 5 tops, 6 skirts and 4 hats to choose an outfit. In how many ways can she choose her outfit?

$$5 \times 6 \times 4 = 120 \text{ ways}$$

REPETITION OF AN EVENT

- If one event with n outcomes occurs r times with repetition allowed, then the number of ordered arrangement is n^r

- Example:

A car plate has 3 letters and ³~~4~~ numbers. How many car plates are there:

a) If there's no restrictions?

$$\text{Letters (a-z)} = 26$$

$$\text{Numbers (0-9)} = 10$$

$$26^3 \times 10^3 = 17576000$$

b) That begin with ABC?

$$1^3 \times 10^3 = 1000$$

FACTORIAL REPRESENTATION

- $n! = n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots$

↳ Example: $5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$

- $0! = 1$

- Example:

In how many ways can 6 people arrange in a row?

$$6! = 720$$

PERMUTATIONS

- ARRANGEMENT = Orders matter

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

n = number of objects

r = number of positions

- Example:

i) How many ways can 5 boys and 4 girls arrange on a bench if:

a) There's no restrictions?

$${}^9 P_9 = 362880$$

b) Boys and girls alternate?

$${}^5 P_5 \times {}^4 P_4 = 2880$$

c) Boys and girls sit in 2 groups?

$${}^5 P_5 \times {}^4 P_4 \times 2! = 5760$$

d) A couple wants to sit together?

$${}^2P_2 \times 8! = 80640$$

2) There are 7 horses in a race. How many ways can the horses finish, and how many ways can the placement be?

$$7! = 5040$$

$${}^7P_3 = 210$$

PERMUTATIONS WITH REPETITIONS

- If there's n element, with x of one kind, y of another kind and z of another another kind, then:

$$\frac{n!}{x! y! z!}$$

- Example:

How many different arrangement of PARRAMATTA are possible?

4 A's, 2 R's, 2 T's

$$\frac{10!}{4! 2! 2!} = 37800$$

CIRCULAR PERMUTATIONS

- Objects are arranged in a circle
- To calculate the number of ways n objects can be arranged in a circle, we fix the position of one object
↳ Number of arrangement = $(n-1)!$

- Example :

There are 12 people at a dinner party. In how many ways can they sit if :

a) There's no restrictions ?

$$(12-1)! = 11! = 39916800$$

b) A couple wants to sit together ?

$$2! \times (11-1)! = 2! \times 10! = 7257600$$

c) Neither A or B wants to sit with C ?

The 2 seats beside C

$${}^9P_2 = 72$$

The remaining seats

$$(10-1)! = 9! = 362880$$

$$72 \times 362880 = 26127360$$

COMBINATIONS

- UNORDERED = Orders don't matter

$${}^n C_r = \frac{{}^n P_r}{r!} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

- Example:

A committee of 5 people is chosen from 5 men and 4 women.
How many ways can the committee be chosen if:

a) There's no restrictions?

$${}^9 C_5 = 126$$

b) There's majority of women?

4 women 1 man

$${}^4 C_4 \times {}^5 C_1 = 5$$

3 women 2 man

$${}^4 C_3 \times {}^5 C_2 = 40$$

$$5 + 40 = 45$$

c) A particular person must be included?

$$1 \times {}^8 C_4 = 70$$

d) Two people are excluded?

$${}^7 C_3 = 21$$

FURTHER PERMUTATIONS AND COMBINATIONS

- Example :

i) There are 4 Maths books selected from 6 Maths books, and 3 English books from 5 English books, how many ways can the 7 books be arranged on a shelf if :

a) Maths and English books alternate ?

$${}^6P_4 \times {}^5P_3 = 21600$$

b) The 4 Maths books remain together ?

$${}^6P_4 \times {}^5C_3 \times 4! = 86400$$

c) A Maths book at the beginning and an English book in middle ?

$${}^6P_1 \times {}^5P_1 \times {}^5C_3 \times {}^4C_2 \times 5! = 216000$$

2) How many different 8 letter words can be made from SYLLABAS :

a) There's no restriction ?

b) Begin and end with L ?

2 A's, 2 L's

2 A's

$$\frac{8!}{2!2!} = 10080$$

$$\frac{6!}{2!} = 360$$