



206 Discrete Structures II

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Preview...

k distinct pirates want to divide up n identical, indivisible bars of gold. How many ways to divide the loot when each must get at least r bars?



Preview...

How many integer solutions
to the following equation?

$$x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_k = n$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \geq 0$$

So Far

- ~~Proofs/Induction~~
- ~~Sum Rule~~
- ~~Partition Method~~
- ~~Difference Method~~
- ~~Bijection Method~~
- ~~Product Rule~~
- ~~Generalized product rule~~
- **Permutation/Combinations**
- Inclusion-Exclusion / Pigeonhole Principle
- Combinatorial Proofs and Binomial Coefficients

Last Class

- Permutations
- Combinations

Today

- Nothing

Permutations Formula

- **Distinctly ordered sets** are called permutations (arrangements). The number of permutations of n objects taken k at a time is given by:

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

N = number of objects

K = number of positions

Combinations Formula


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

- If we have n objects and we want to choose k of them, we can find the total number of combinations by using the formula on the left

Permutations - Recap

- Permutations

- Permute r out of n distinct objects – without repetitions
- Permute r out of n distinct objects – with repetitions

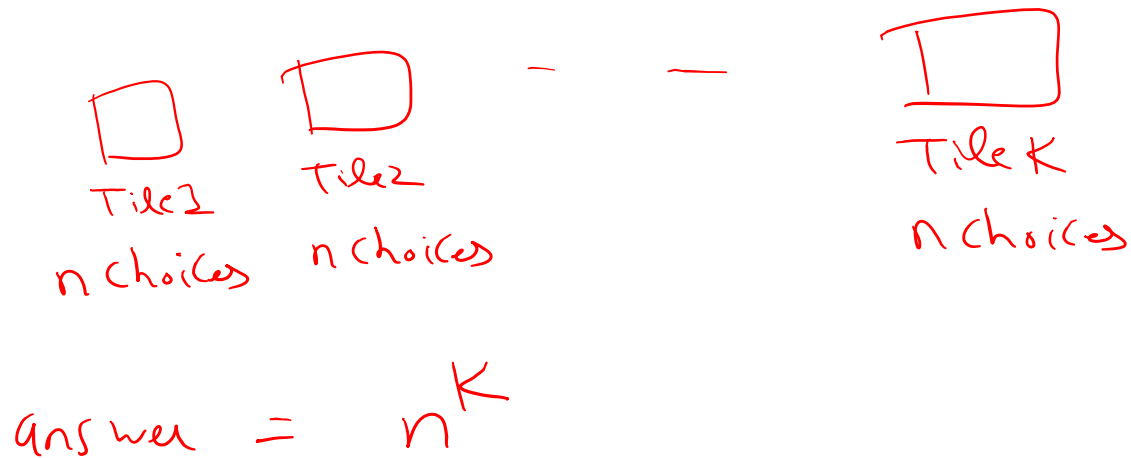

$$\rightarrow nP_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

$$\rightarrow n^r$$

What is the question we are asking here?

Permutations with Repetitions

- Have n colors. Want to paint k tiles. How many ways?
 - Can reuse colors any number of times.



Permutations without Repetitions

- If 10 horses race, how many orderings of the top 3 finishers are there?

$$\frac{10!}{7!} = {}^{10}P_3$$



Permutations

A maths debating team consists of 4 speakers.

- In how many ways can all 4 speakers be arranged in a row for a photo?

Solution : $4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 4!$ or 4P_4

- How many ways can the captain and vice-captain be chosen?

Solution : $4 \times 3 = 12$ or 4P_2



Permutations

A flutter on the horses

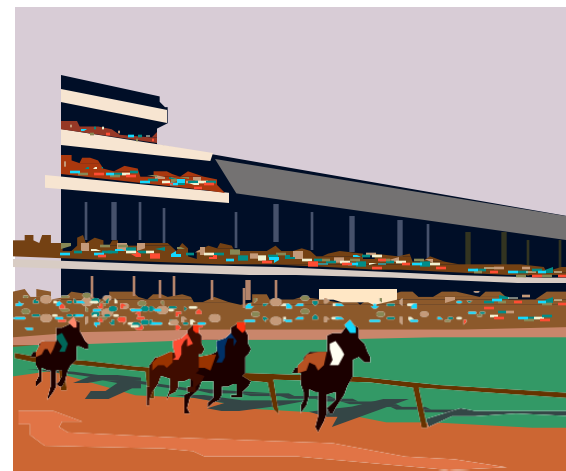
There are 7 horses in a race.

- In how many different orders can the horses finish?

Solution : $7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 7! \text{ or } {}^7P_7$

- How many trifectas (1st, 2nd and 3rd) are possible?

Solution : $7 \times 6 \times 5 = 210 \text{ or } {}^7P_3$



Permutations with Restrictions

In how many ways can 5 boys and 4 girls be arranged on a bench if

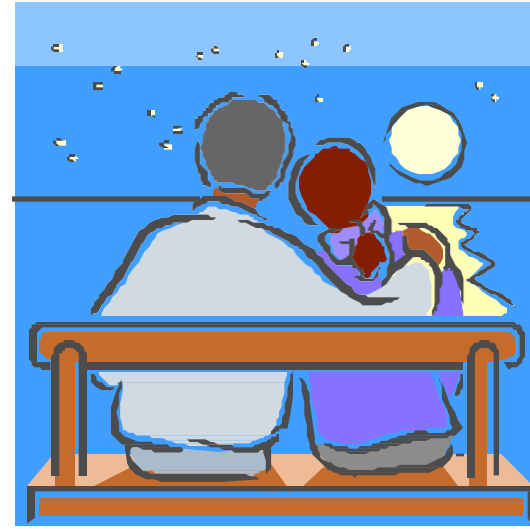
- there are no restrictions?

Solution : $9!$ or 9P_9

- boys and girls alternate? —

Solution : A boy will be on each end

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BGBGBGBGB} &= 5 \times 4 \times 4 \times 3 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 1 \times 1 \\ &= 5! \times 4! \text{ or } {}^5P_5 \times {}^4P_4 \end{aligned}$$



Permutations with Restrictions

In how many ways can 5 boys and 4 girls be arranged on a bench if

- boys and girls are in separate groups?

Solution : Boys & Girls or Girls & Boys

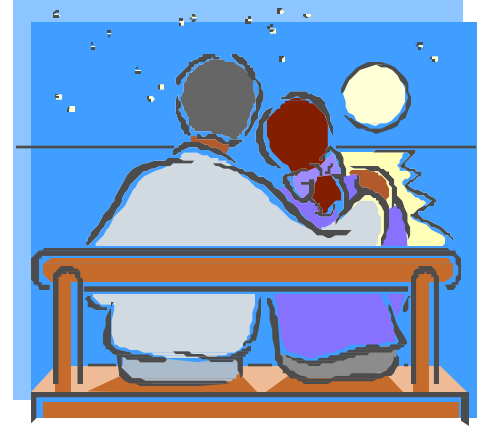
$$= 5! \times 4! + 4! \times 5! = 5! \times 4! \times 2$$

$$\text{or } {}^5P_5 \times {}^4P_4 \times 2$$

- d) Anne and Jim wish to stay together?

Solution : (AJ) _ _ _ _ _

$$= 2 \times 8! \text{ or } 2 \times {}^8P_8$$



Permutations with Repetitions

If we have **n** elements of which **x** are alike of one kind, **y** are alike of another kind, **z** are alike of another kind, then the number of ordered selections or permutations is given by:

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

Permutations with Repetitions

How many permutations of the word **PARRAMATTA** are possible?

Solution :

P

A A A A

R R

M

T T

**10 letters but note repetition
(4 A's, 2 R's, 2 T's)**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{No. of} \\ \text{arrangements} &= \frac{10!}{4! 2! 2!} \\ &= 37\,800\end{aligned}$$



Permutations with Restrictions

How many arrangements of the letters of REMAND are possible if:

- there are no restrictions?

Solution : ${}^6P_6 = 720$ or $6!$

- they begin with RE?

Solution : RE _ _ _ _ = ${}^4P_4 = 24$ or $4!$

- they do **not** begin with RE?

Solution : **Total** – (b) = $6! - 4! = 696$

Permutations with Restrictions

How many arrangements of the letters of REMAND are possible if:

- they have RE together in order?

Solution : **(RE)** _ _ _ _ = ${}^5P_5 = 120$ or $5!$

- they have REM together in any order?

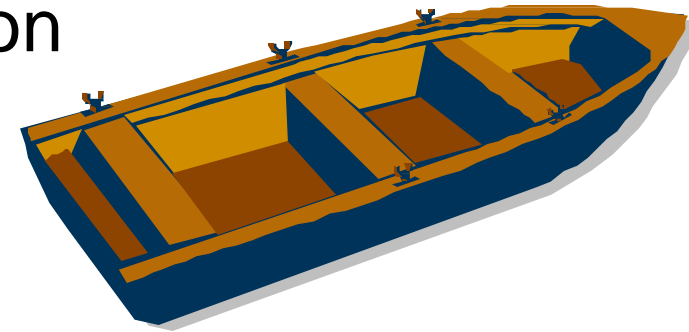
Solution : **(REM)** _ _ _ = ${}^3P_3 \times {}^4P_4 = 144$

- R, E and M are not to be together?

Solution : **Total – (e) = $6! - 144 = 576$**

Permutations with Restrictions

There are 6 boys who enter a boat with 8 seats, 4 on each side. In how many ways can



- they sit anywhere?
- two boys A and B sit on the port side and another boy W sit on the starboard side?

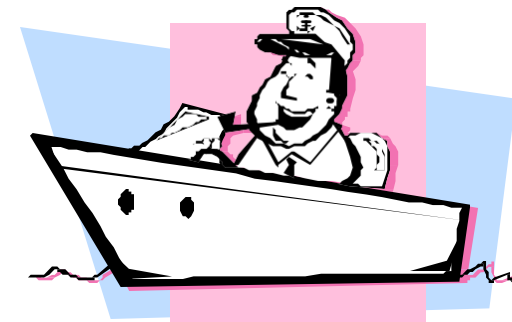
Solution : 8P_6

Solution : $A \ \& \ B = {}^4P_2$

$W = {}^4P_1$

$\text{Others} = {}^5P_3$

Total $= {}^4P_2 \times {}^4P_1 \times {}^5P_3$



Permutations with Restrictions

From the digits 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

- how many numbers greater than 4,000 can be formed?

Solution : 5 digits (any) = 5P_5

4 digits (must start with digit ≥ 4) = ${}^3P_1 \times {}^4P_3$

Total = ${}^5P_5 + {}^3P_1 \times {}^4P_3$

- how many 4 digit numbers would be even?

Even (ends with 2, 4 or 6) = $_ _ _ {}^3P_1$

= ${}^4P_3 \times {}^3P_1$