

COMBINATIONS AND PERMUTATIONS

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The number of r -permutations of n objects in

- 1. With no repetition: nP_r
- 2. With unlimited repetition : n^r
- 3. Permutation with restricted repetition: $\frac{n!}{m_1!m_2!\dots m_k!}$ if m_1 objects are of the first kind, m_2 are of the second kind, ..., m_k are of the k^{th} kind.

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- 2. With unlimited repetition : ${}^{n+r-1}C_r$

Distribution

Distributing r distinct objects to n distinct cells such that

- 1. Each cell has at most one object: nP_r
- 2. Each cell to hold any number of objects: n^r

When the r objects to be distributed are not all distinct (identical objects)

- 1. Such that each cell has at most one object: nC_r
- 2. If we allow each cell to hold any number of objects: ${}^{n+r-1}C_r$

Problems

Q1. Find the no of ways in which 3 exams can be scheduled in a 5 day period s.t(i) No two exams are scheduled on the same day?

(ii) There are no restrictions on number of exams conducted on a day?

Q2. Find the no of permutations of the word INSTITUTION?

(i) How many of them begin with I and end with N?

(ii) How many permutations are with 3 Ts not together? How many of these begin with I?

Q3. In how many ways 3 integers can be selected from $3n$ consecutive integers such that the sum is a multiple of 3?

Q4. If 5 men A,B,C,D,E intend to speak at a meeting, (i) in how many orders can they do so without B speaking before A?

(ii) how many orders are there in which A speaks immediately before B?

Q5. A new national flag has to be designed with 6 vertical strips in yellow, green, blue and red. In how many ways can this be done s.t no two adjacent strips have same color?

- Q6. In how many ways can 2 squares be selected one by one from 8×8 chess board such that they are not in the same row and same columns?
- Q7. Find the sum of all 4 digit numbers that can be obtained using the digits 1,2,3,4 once in each?
- Q8. How many positive integers less than one million can be formed using (i) 7's, 8's, 9's only? (ii) Using 0's, 8's, 9's only?
- Q9. 6 distinct symbols are transmitted through a communication channel. A total of 12 blanks are to be inserted between the symbols with at least two blank spaces between every pair of symbols. In how many ways can we arrange symbols and blanks?
- Q10. Three identical dice are rolled. How many outcomes can be recorded?
- Q11. In how many ways can an examiner assign 30 Marks to 8 questions such that no question receives less than 2 marks?
- Q12. In how many ways can two adjacent squares can be selected from an 8×8 chess board?
- Q13. Among all 7 digits numbers, how many of them contain exactly three 9s?

Q14. How many points of intersection are formed by n lines drawn in a plane if no two are parallel and no three concurrent? Into how many regions is the plane divided?

Q15. Suppose we print all FIVE-digit numbers on slips of paper with one number on each slip. However, since the digits 0, 1, 6, 8, and 9 become 0, 1, 9, 8, and 6 when they are read upside down, there are pairs of numbers that can share the same slip if the slips are read right side up or upside down. For example, we can make up one slip for the numbers 89166 and 99168. Then how many distinct slips will we have to make up for all five-digit numbers?

Q16. In how many ways can a lady wear five rings on the fingers (not the thumb) of her right hand?

Q17. If no three diagonals of a convex decagon meet at the same point inside the pentagon (or decagon), into how many line segments are the diagonals divided by their intersections?

Q18. In how many ways can 5 different messages be delivered by 3 messengers (A,B,C) if no messenger is left unemployed. The order in which a messenger delivers his messages is immaterial?

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$$(1 - x)^{-n} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} {}^{n+r-1}C_r x^r.$$

- $1 + x + x^2 + \dots = (1 - x)^{-1}.$
- $1 + x + x^2 + \dots + x^{r-1} = \frac{1-x^r}{1-x}$
- $(1 + x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^nC_r x^r$
- $(1 - x^m)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^nC_r (x^m)^r$ $(-1)^n$
- $(1 - x)^{-n} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} {}^{n+r-1}C_r x^r$
- If $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_rx^r + \dots$ and $g(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_rx^r + \dots$, then the product is given by $f(x)g(x) = \dots + (a_rb_0 + a_{r-1}b_1 + a_{r-2}b_2 + \dots + a_0b_r)x^r + \dots$

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 a_0b_n

19. How many ways are there to place an order of 12 scoops of ice cream if there are 5 types of flavors and at most 4 scoops of each flavour is allowed?

Soln

5 flavours \rightarrow select 12 scoops

1st $\therefore (1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)$

$$f = f(x) = (1+x+x^2+x^3+x^4)^5$$

coeff of x^{12}

$$f(x) = (1 + x + \dots + x^4)^5$$

$$= \left(\frac{1 - x^5}{1 - x} \right)^5 = (1 - x^5)^5 (1 - x)^{-5}$$

$$= \sum 5C_r (-x^5)^r \sum 5+r-1C_r x^r$$

$$= \sum (-1)^r 5C_r x^{5r} \sum 5+r-1C_r x^r$$

coeff of x^{12}

$$f(x) = \sum (-1)^n {}^5C_n x^{5n} \sum {}^{5+n-1}C_r x^r$$

$$a_{12}b_0 + a_{11}b_1 + \dots + a_0b_{12} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} a_i \rightarrow \text{coeff} \\ \text{of } x^i \end{array} \right.$$

$$\underbrace{a_0}_{n=0} \underbrace{b_{12}}_{\downarrow n=12} +$$

$$\underbrace{a_5}_{n=1} \underbrace{b_7}_{\downarrow n=7} +$$

$$\underbrace{a_{10}}_{n=2} \underbrace{b_2}_{\downarrow n=2}$$

$$\underline{a_0 b_{12}} + a_5 b_7 + a_{10} b_2$$

$${}^5C_0 {}^{5+12-1}C_{12} + {}^5C_1 (-1)^7 {}^{7+5-1}C_7 \\ + {}^5C_2 (-1)^2 {}^{5+2-1}C_2$$

$${}^5C_0 {}^{16}C_{12} - {}^5C_1 {}^{11}C_7 + {}^5C_2 {}^6C_2$$

20. Find the no of ways to select 10 balls from a large pile of red, white and blue balls if the selection has

(1) at least two balls of each color?

(2) at most two red balls?

Soln

:- select 10 ball from

red + blue + white

coeff of x^{10}

(1) red $\rightarrow (x^2 + x^3 + \dots)$

$$1) f(x) = (x^2 + x^3 + \dots)^3$$

coeff of x^{10}

$$f(x) = (x^2)^3 (1 + x + x^2 + \dots)^3$$

$$= x^6 (1 - x)^{-3}$$

$$= x^6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \binom{3+n-1}{n} x^n$$

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coeff of x^4

$$\therefore \text{coeff is } \Rightarrow 3+4-1 C_4 = \underline{\underline{6 C_4}}$$

(2) at most 2 red balls
 \times blue & white

$$f(x) = (1 + x + x^2)(1 + x + x^2 + \dots)^2$$

$$= (1 + x + x^2)(1 - x)^{-2}$$

$$= (1+x+x^2)(1-x)^{-2}$$

$$= (1-x)^{-2} + x(1-x)^{-2} + x^2(1-x)^{-2}$$

$$= \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \binom{2+r-1}{r} x^r + x \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \binom{2+r-1}{r} x^r$$

$$+ x^2 \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \binom{2+r-1}{r} x^r$$

coeff of x^{10}

$$\binom{2+10-1}{10} + \binom{2+9-1}{9} + \binom{2+8-1}{8}$$

enumerator \Rightarrow coeff x^n
 a_n

exponential
gf \Rightarrow coeff of $\frac{x^n}{n!}$
 a_n

Exponential generating function for permutation with no repetition

We know that

$$(1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^nC_r x^r \quad (\text{gf of } {}^nC_r)$$
$$= \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{{}^nP_r}{r!} x^r \quad {}^nC_r = \frac{{}^nP_r}{r!}$$

Co efficient of $\frac{x^r}{r!}$ is nP_r

$$\frac{x}{1!} = {}^nP_1 \quad \bigg/ \quad \frac{x^2}{2!} \Rightarrow {}^nP_2$$

Thus $(1+x)^n$ is the exponential gf for nP_r , permutation with repetition

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Exponential generating function for permutation without repetition

If repetition is allowed, the factor corresponding to one object is

$$\left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots\right) = e^x$$

$$n \text{ objects} \Rightarrow (e^x)^n$$

$$e^{nx} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^n}{n!}$$

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Thus e^{nx} is the exponential gf n^r , permutation with repetition

Generating functions for Combinations (Enumerators)

- Without repetition: $(1+x)^n$ $\rightarrow (1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n {}^nC_r x^r$
- With repetition: $(1-x)^{-n}$ $\rightarrow (1-x)^{-n} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} {}^{n+r-1}C_r x^r$

Generating functions for Permutations (Exponential gf)

- Without repetition: $\rightarrow (1+x)^n$ $\rightarrow (1+x)^n = \sum_{r=0}^n \frac{{}^nP_r}{r!} x^r$
 - With repetition: e^{nx} $\rightarrow e^{nx} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^r}{r!}$
- $$e^{nx} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{(nx)^r}{r!}$$

Q21. Find how many r -digit ternary sequences (3 digit sequences made of 0, 1 and 2) are there with (i). Even n of 0s?
 (ii). Even no of 0s and even no of 1s?

Soln

i) even no of 0s & 1, 2 have no restⁿ

$$f(x) = \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots\right) \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots\right)^2$$

co eff of $\frac{x^n}{n!}$

$$f(x) = \left/ \begin{array}{l} 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \dots \\ 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots = e^x \end{array} \right.$$

$$f(x) = \left(\frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} \right) (e^x)^2 = \frac{e^{2x}}{2} [e^x + e^{-x}]$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} [e^{3x} + e^x]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sum \frac{(3x)^n}{n!} + \sum \frac{x^n}{n!} \right]$$

coeff $\frac{x^n}{n!}$

$$e^x = \sum \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

$$\text{Ans} = \frac{1}{2} [3^n + 1]$$

ii) Even no of 0's , even no of 1's

$$f(x) = \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots\right)^2 \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2}\right)^2 e^x$$

$$= \frac{e^x}{4} \left[(e^x)^2 + (e^{-x})^2 + 2e^x e^{-x} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[e^{3x} + e^{-x} + 2e^x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[\sum \frac{(3x)^n}{n!} + \sum \frac{(-x)^n}{n!} + 2 \sum \frac{(x)^n}{n!} \right]$$

co eff of $\frac{x^n}{n!}$

$$\text{Ans} = \frac{1}{4} \left[3^n + (-1)^n + 2 \right]$$

22. How many 10 letter words are there with each of the letters e, n, r, s
 occur (i). at most once
 (ii). at least once

Soln

$$i) \underbrace{(1+x)^4}_{\text{at most once}} \left(1+x+\frac{x^2}{2!}+\frac{x^3}{3!}+\dots\right)^{22}$$

$$(1+x)^2(1+x)^2(e^x)^{22}$$

$$(1+x^2+2x)(1+x^2+2x)e^{22x}$$

$$= (x^4 + 4x^3 + 6x^2 + 4x + 1) \sum \frac{(22x)^n}{n!}$$

coeff of $\frac{x^{10}}{10!}$

$$\frac{22^6}{6!} \times 10! + 4 \frac{(22)^7}{7!} \times 10!$$

$$+ 6 \frac{(22)^8}{8!} \times 10! + 4 \frac{(22)^9}{9!} \times 10! + (22)^{10}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{cc} x^4 \sum \frac{(22x)^n}{n!} \\ \underbrace{\quad} & \underbrace{\quad} \\ x^4 & \text{coeff } \frac{x^6}{10!} \end{array} \right|$$

$$\downarrow \\ \frac{(22)^6}{6!} \times 10!$$

'ii) at least once

$$\left(x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \right)^4 \left(1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots \right)^{22}$$

$$(e^x - 1)^4 e^{22x}$$

$$e^{22x} \left[(e^x - 1)^4 (e^x - 1)^2 \right]$$

$$f(x) = e^{22x} [e^{4x} + 6e^{2x} - 4e^{3x} - 4e^x + 1]$$

$$= e^{26x} + 6e^{24x} - 4e^{25x} - 4e^{23x} + e^{22x}$$

coeff of $\frac{x^{10}}{10!}$

$$= \sum \frac{(26x)^n}{n!} + 6 \sum \frac{(24x)^n}{n!} - 4 \sum \frac{(25x)^n}{n!} - 4 \sum \frac{(23x)^n}{n!} + \sum \frac{(22x)^n}{n!}$$

Ans =

$$(26)^{10} + 6(24)^{10} - 4(25)^{10}$$

$$\underline{\underline{-4(23)^{10} + (22)^{10}}}$$

23. How many ways are there to select 25 toys from 7 types of toys with between 2 and 6 of each type?

25 items from Large pile
7 types

Is it:- $(x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6)$

$$g(x) = (x^2 + x^3 + x^4 + x^5 + x^6)^7$$

$$g(x) = (x^2)^7 \underbrace{(1+x+\dots+x^4)^7}_{}$$

$$= x^{14} \left\{ \frac{(1-x^5)}{1-x} \right\}^7$$

$$= \underbrace{x^{14}}_{\text{coeff } x^{11}} (1-x^5)^7 (1-x)^{-7}$$

$$= x^{14} \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^7 {}^7C_n (-x)^{5n} \sum_{r=0}^{7+n-1} {}^{7+n-1}C_r x^r}_{\text{coeff } x^{11}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 b_{11} + a_1 b_{10} + \dots + a_{11} b_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{a_0}_{\downarrow r=0} \underbrace{b_{11}}_{r=11} + \underbrace{a_5}_{\downarrow r=1} \underbrace{b_6}_{r=6} + \underbrace{a_{10}}_{\downarrow r=2} \underbrace{b_1}_{r=1}$$

Ans \Rightarrow

$${}^7 C_0 {}^{7+11-1} C_{11} - {}^7 C_1 {}^{7+6-1} C_6 + {}^7 C_2 {}^{7+1-1} C_1$$

Quiz1

Permutatⁿ &
Combⁿ

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24. In how many ways can 4 letters of the word ENGINE be arranged?

25. Find the number of ways to collect 15 dollars from 20 distinct people if each of the first 19 people can give one dollar or nothing and 20th person can give 1 dollar or 5 dollar or nothing

THANK YOU