

# Permutations & combinations

Multiplication theorem  
(fundamental principle of counting)



If one event can be performed in 'm' ways & another event can be performed in 'n' ways

Then Total ways of doing two events one by one =  $m \times n$

g Maths Books =  $m_1, m_2, m_3$

Accounts Books =  $a_1, a_2$

one book of maths & one of Accounts can be selected in  $3 \times 2 = 6$  ways

# # Factorial (!)

$n!$  = product of first 'n' natural numbers

g  $4! = 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 24$

g  $8! = 8 \times 7 \times \dots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 40320$

$$0! = 1$$

$$n! = n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$(2n)! = 2n(2n-1)(2n-2) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

$$(n+2)! = (n+2)(n+1)n(n-1) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

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$$1(1!) + 2(2!) + 3(3!) + \dots + n(n!) \\ = (n+1)! - 1$$

$$\& 1(1!) + 2(2!) + 3(3!) = 4! - 1$$

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## Permutations

Arrangement of elements where order of elements is important

& elements : 1, 2, 3

Permutations : 123, 132, 213  
231, 312, 321

# Total permutations of 'n' elements when 'r' elements are used at a time

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

where  $0 \leq r \leq n$

$$\text{eg } {}^8 P_3 = \frac{8!}{(8-3)!} = \frac{8!}{5!} = \frac{8 \times 7 \times 6 \times \cancel{5!}}{\cancel{5!}}$$

$${}^8 P_3 = 8 \times 7 \times 6$$

3 factors

$$\text{eg } {}^{10}P_4 = \frac{10!}{6!} = \underbrace{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}_{4 \text{ factors}}$$

# when some elements repeat  
with frequencies  $f_1, f_2$  &  $f_3$

$$\text{Then Total Permutations} = \frac{n!}{f_1! f_2! f_3!}$$

eg ALLAHA BAD

Total elements = 9

$A \rightarrow 4, L \rightarrow 2$

$$\text{Total Permutations} = \frac{9!}{4! 2!}$$

# # Circular Permutations

→ Total circular permutations of 'n' elements =  $(n-1)!$

→ Total circular permutations when in each permutation have different neighbors are necklace formation

$$= \frac{(n-1)!}{2}$$

→ Sum of all permutations when some digits are given

$$= \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Sum of} \\ \text{given} \\ \text{digits} \end{array} \right] \times \frac{n!}{n} \times 1111 \dots n \text{ times}$$

Q Digits : 1, 3, 5 & 8  
Sum of all 4 digit numbers  
which can be made without

$$\text{repetition} = 17 \times \frac{4!}{4} \times 1111$$

$$= 1, 13, 322$$

# # Combinations

Selection of elements where order of selection is not important.

g Elements : a, b, c  
selection of 2 elements  
a b, a c & b c

$$\# \quad {}^n C_r = \frac{{}^n P_r}{r!}$$

$$\text{or} \quad {}^n C_r = \frac{n!}{r! (n-r)!}$$

$$\text{eg } {}^8C_2 = \frac{8!}{2!6!} = \frac{8 \times 7}{2} = 28$$

$$\# \quad {}^nC_0 = 1$$

$$\# \quad {}^nC_n = 1$$

$$\# \quad {}^nC_1 = n$$

$$\# \quad {}^nC_2 = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$\# \quad {}^nC_r = {}^nC_{n-r}$$

$$\# \quad {}^nC_r + {}^nC_{r+1} = {}^{n+1}C_{r+1}$$

$$\# \text{ If } {}^n C_a = {}^n C_b$$

$$\text{Then } a = b \text{ or } a + b = n$$

$$\# {}^n C_0 + {}^n C_1 + {}^n C_2 + \dots + {}^n C_n = (2)^n$$

$$\# {}^n C_1 + {}^n C_2 + {}^n C_3 + \dots + {}^n C_n = (2)^n - 1$$

# Total handshakes

$$\text{in a group of } n \text{ person} = {}^n C_2$$

# Total Diagonals in

$$\text{a polygon with } n \text{ sides} = {}^n C_2 - n$$

$$= \frac{n(n-3)}{2}$$

# when 'n' non collinear points are given

$$\text{Then Total lines} = {}^n C_2$$

$$\text{Total Triangles} = {}^n C_3$$

# when 'n' points are given out of which 'm' points are collinear then

$$\text{Total lines} = {}^n C_2 - {}^m C_2 + 1$$

$$\text{Total triangles} = {}^n C_3 - {}^m C_3$$