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STAT 210 THEORY OF PROBABILITY

COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENTS

CHAPTER | COMBINATORIAL ANALYSIS

Basic Counting Principle:

If a process P_1 can occur in n_1 different ways and to each of these ways a process P_2 can occur in n_2 different ways, then P_1 and P_2 will occur in $n_1 \ge n_2$ different ways

• **Example** (1):

<u>Process</u> 1: going from Home to Transport station Let P_1 can occur in $n_1 = 3$ ways. <u>Process</u> 2: going from transport station to work Let P_2 can occur in $n_2 = 4$ ways.

 P_1 and P_2 can occur in $n_1 \times n_2 = 3 \times 4 = 12$ ways.

Generalized Counting Principle

If a process P_1 can occur in n_1 different ways and to each of these ways a process P_2 can occur in n_2 different ways, and so on ..., then Processes P_1 , P_2 , ..., and P_k will occur in $n_1 \times n_2 \times ... \times n_k$ different ways.

• <u>Example (2)</u>:

From a group of 10 American, 6 French, and 8 Russian of multi-national peace forces, a subgroup of 3 persons (1 from each nationality) is to be selected. How many such subcommittees can be formed?

Solution:

Required Number = 10 x 6 x 8

= 480 subcommittee

<u>Permutations</u>:

- A permutation of n different objects is an arrangement of these n objects.
- The number of permutations of n different objects, taken all at a time, is n!
- The number of permutations of n different objects, taken r (r ≤ n) at a time, is denoted and defined by

$${}^{n}P_{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}, 0 \le r \le n$$

<u>Remarks</u>:

(i)
$$^{n} P_{0} = 1$$

(ii) $^{n} P_{n} = n!$
(iii) $^{n} P_{1} = n$
(iv) $^{n} P_{r} = n (n - 1) (n - 2) ... (n - r + 1)$

• **Example** (3):

A group of 6 American, 5 French, and 4 Russian of multi-national peace forces, is to be ordered in a row. Determine the number of possible orderings if no additional restrictions are imposed.

Solution:

Required Number = (6 + 5 + 4)! = 15!

• **Example** (4):

A group of 6 American, 5 French, and 4 Russian of multi-national peace forces, is to be ordered in a row. Find the number of possible American – French – Russian orderings, if each nationality is to be ordered within itself. **Solution**:

Required Number = 6! X 5! X 4! = 2073600

• **Example** (5):

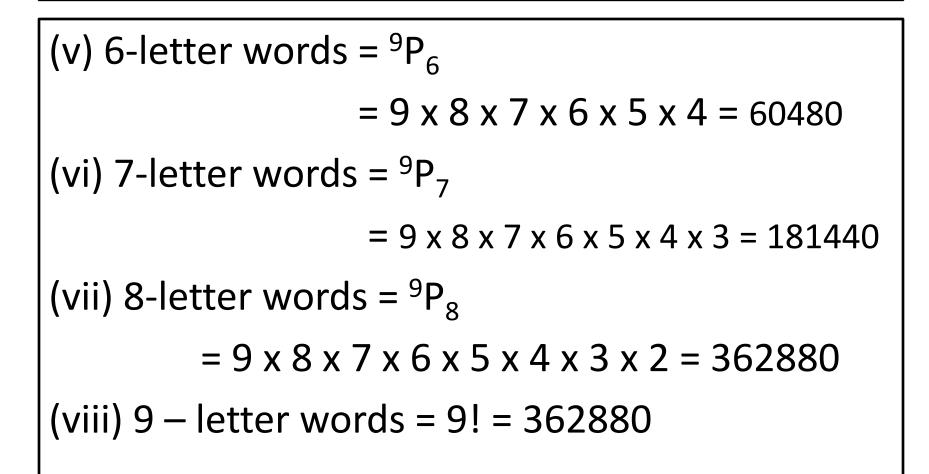
A group of 6 American, 5 French, and 4 Russian of multi-national peace forces, is to be ordered in a row. Find the number of possible orderings in any order, if each nationality is to be ordered within itself.

Solution:

Required Number = 3! x(6! x 5! x 4!)= 12441600

• **Example** (6):

By rearrangement of the letters of the word "PETROLIUM", the number of (i) 2-letter words = ${}^{9}P_{2} = 9 \times 8 = 72$ (ii) 3-letter words = ${}^{9}P_{3} = 9 \times 8 \times 7 = 504$ (iii) 4-letter words = ${}^{9}P_{4} = 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 = 3024$ (iv) 5-letter words = ${}^{9}P_{5} = 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 = 15120$



• <u>Combinations</u>:

The number of different groups of **r** objects, that could be formed of a total of **n** objects is denoted and defined by

$$\binom{n}{r} = {}^{n}C_{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}, r \le n$$

- <u>Remarks</u>:
 - (i) ${}^{n}C_{0} = 1$ (ii) ${}^{n}C_{1} = n$ (iii) ${}^{n}C_{n} = 1$ (iv) ${}^{n}C_{r} = {}^{n}C_{n-r}$

• <u>Example (6)</u>:

When tossing a coin 4 times, the number of (i) outcomes with no Heads = ${}^{4}C_{0} = 1$ (ii) outcomes with 1Head = ${}^{4}C_{1} = 4$ (iii) outcomes with 2 Heads = ${}^{4}C_{2} = 6$ (iv) outcomes with 3 Heads = ${}^{4}C_{3} = 4$ (v) outcomes with 4 Heads = ${}^{4}C_{4} = 1$

• Example (7):

Five persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men and 8 women. Find the number of selections with <u>3 men & 2 women</u>.

<u>Solution</u>:

Required Number = ${}^{6}C_{3} \times {}^{8}C_{2} = 20 \times 28 = 560$

<u>**Remark</u>**: The selection of persons is <u>logically</u> without replacement.</u>

• Example (8):

Seven persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men, 8 women, and 4 children. Find the number of selections with <u>3 men, 2</u> women and 2 children.

<u>Solution</u>:

Required Number = ${}^{6}C_{3} \times {}^{8}C_{2} \times {}^{4}C_{2}$ = 20 x 28 x 6 = 3360

• Example (9):

Four persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men, 8 women, and 4 children. Find the number of selections with <u>equal</u> <u>number of men and women</u>

• <u>Solution</u>:

Req. =
$${}^{6}C_{0} \times {}^{8}C_{0} \times {}^{4}C_{4} + {}^{6}C_{1} \times {}^{8}C_{1} \times {}^{4}C_{2} + {}^{6}C_{2} \times {}^{8}C_{2} \times {}^{4}C_{0} = 709$$

• **Example (10)**:

Five persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men, 8 women, and 4 children. Find the number of selections with <u>2 men and</u> at least 1 woman.

<u>Solution</u>:

Required =
$${}^{6}C_{2} \times {}^{8}C_{1} \times {}^{4}C_{2} + {}^{6}C_{2} \times {}^{8}C_{2} \times {}^{4}C_{1}$$

+ ${}^{6}C_{2} \times {}^{8}C_{3} \times {}^{4}C_{0} = 3240$

• **Example (11)**:

Four persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men, 8 women, and 4 children. Find the number of selections in which <u>all</u> <u>persons have the same gender</u>

<u>Solution</u>:

Required Number = ${}^{6}C_{4} + {}^{8}C_{4} + {}^{4}C_{4}$

= 86

• Example (12):

Four persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men, 8 women, and 4 children. Find the number of selections in which "<u>all selected</u> <u>persons are not of the same gender</u>".

<u>Solution</u>:

Required = N(S) - N(all of the same gender) = ${}^{18}C_4 - [{}^{6}C_4 + {}^{8}C_4 + {}^{4}C_4]$ = 3060 - 86 = 2974

• Example (13):

Four persons are selected at random from a group of 6 men, 8 women, and 4 children. Find the number of selections in which "<u>all genders</u> <u>are present</u>" in the selected sample.

<u>Solution</u>:

Required = ${}^{6}C_{2} {}^{8}C_{1} {}^{4}C_{1} + {}^{6}C_{1} {}^{8}C_{2} {}^{4}C_{1} + {}^{6}C_{1} {}^{8}C_{1} {}^{4}C_{2}$ = 480 + 672 + 288 = 1440

$$\frac{\text{Binomial Expansion}}{(n \text{ positive integer})}$$
$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k y^k x^{n-k} = {}^nC_0 x^n y^0 + {}^nC_1 x^{n-1} y^1 + \dots + {}^nC_n x^0 y^n$$
$$(x + y)^n = x^n + n x^{n-1} y^1 + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^{n-2} y^2 + \dots + y^n$$

Example (14):

$$(x + y)^{4} = \sum_{k=0}^{4} {}^{4}C_{k} y^{k} x^{4-} = {}^{4}C_{0} x^{4} + {}^{4}C_{1} x^{3} y^{1} + \dots + {}^{4}C_{4} y^{4}$$

$$(x + y)^{4} = x^{4} + 4x^{3}y^{1} + 6x^{2}y^{2} + 4x^{3}y^{3} + y^{4}$$

The expansion contains 5 terms

• The coefficients in the binomial expansion can be determined from Pascal's triangle:

Example (15):

 In the expansion of (x + y)⁵ the coefficients are respectively: 1, 5, 10, 10, 5, 1.

$$(x + y)^{5} = x^{5} + 5x^{4}y^{1} + 10x^{3}y^{2} + 10x^{2}y^{3} + 5xy^{4} + y^{5}$$

Multinomial coefficients:

The number of permutations of n objects that contains k_1 of type 1, k_2 of type 2, ..., k_r of type r is denoted and defined by:

$$\binom{n}{k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r} = \frac{n!}{k_1! k_2! \dots k_r!}, k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_r = n$$

• **Example (16)**:

Determine the number of words that can be formed by rearranging the letters of the word "STATISTICS".

<u>Solution</u>. We have 10 letters containing : 3 "S", 3 "T", 2 "I", 1 "A", and 1 "C".

Required Number = $10! / [3! \times 3! \times 2! \times 1! \times 1!]$ = 50400