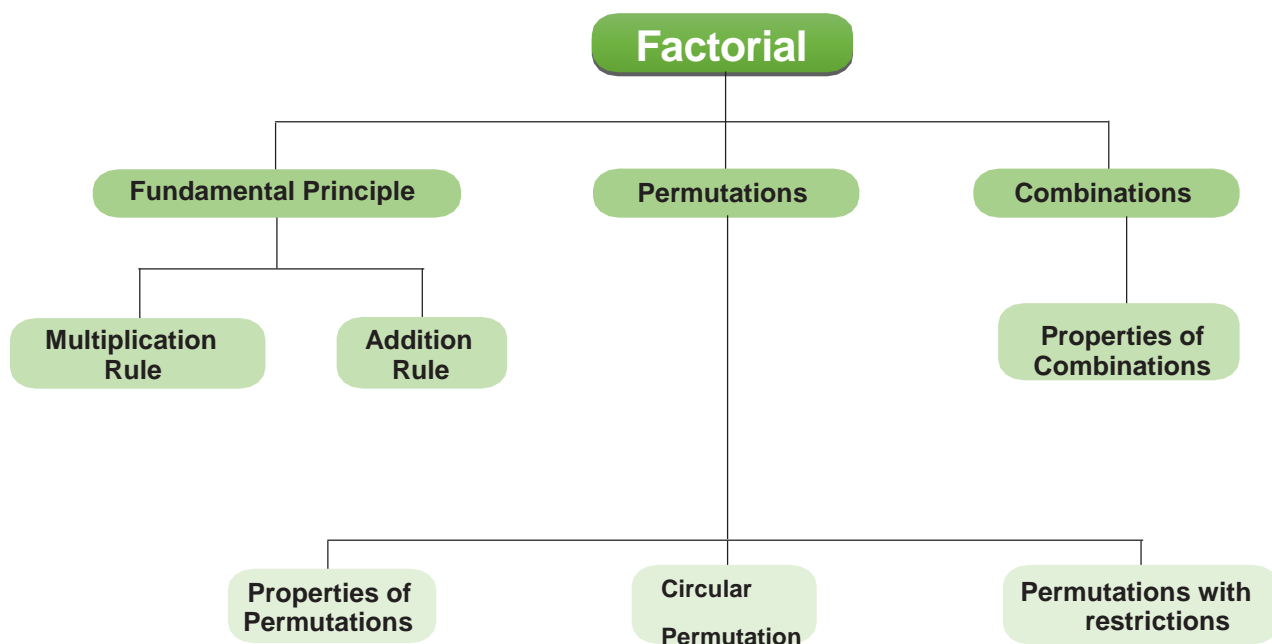


# CHAPTER - 5 BASIC CONCEPTS OF PERMUTATIONS AND COMBINATIONS



<b>Fundamental principles of counting</b>	<b>Multiplication Rule</b>	If certain thing may be done in ‘m’ different ways and when it has been done, a second thing can be done in ‘n’ different ways then total number of ways of doing both things simultaneously = $m \times n$ .
	<b>Addition Rule</b>	If there are two alternative jobs which can be done in ‘m’ ways and in ‘n’ ways respectively the neither of two jobs can be done in $(m+n)$ ways.
<b>Factorial</b>	The factorial n, written as $n!$ or $n$ , represents the product of all integers from 1 to n both inclusive. To make the notation meaningful, when $n=0$ , we define $0!$ or $0=1$ . Thus, $n! = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots \dots \dots 3.2.1$	
<b>Permutations</b>	The ways of arranging or selecting smaller or equal number of persons or objects from a group of persons or collection of objects with due regard being paid to the order of arrangement or selection, are called	

	<p>permutations.</p> <p>The number of permutations of <math>n</math> things chosen <math>r</math> at a time is given by</p> ${}^n P_r = n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-r+1)$ <p>Where the product has exactly <math>r</math> factors.</p>
<p><b>Circular Permutations</b></p>	<p>(a) <math>n</math> ordinary permutations equal one circular permutation.</p> <p>Hence there are <math>{}^n P_n / n</math> ways in which all the <math>n</math> things can be arranged in a circle. This equals <math>(n-1)!</math>.</p> <p>(b) The number of necklaces formed with <math>n</math> beads of different colors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of permutations of <math>n</math> distinct objects taken <math>r</math> at a time when a particular object is not taken in any arrangement is <math>{}^{n-1} P_r</math>.</li> <li>• Number of permutations of <math>r</math> objects out of <math>n</math> distinct objects when a particular object is always included in any arrangement</li> </ul>
<p><b>Combinations</b></p>	<p>The number of ways in which smaller or equal number of things are arranged or selected from a collection of things where the order of selection or arrangement is not important, are called combinations.</p> ${}^n C_r = n! / r!(n-r)!$ ${}^n C_r = {}^n C_{n-r}$ ${}^n C_0 = n! / \{0!(n-0)!\} = n! / n! = 1.$ ${}^n C_n = n! / \{n!(n-n)!\} = n! / n! \cdot 0! = 1.$ <p><math>{}^n C_r</math> has a meaning only when <math>r</math> and <math>n</math> are integers <math>0 \leq r \leq n</math> and <math>{}^n C_{n-r}</math> has a meaning only when <math>0 \leq n-r \leq n</math>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <math>{}^{n+1} C_r = {}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1}</math></li> <li>• <math>{}^n P_r = {}^{n-1} P_r + r {}^{n-1} P_{r-1}</math></li> </ul>
<p><b>Permutations</b></p>	<p>Permutations when some of the things are alike, taken all at a time</p> <p>Permutations when each thing may be repeated once, twice, up to <math>r</math> times in any arrangement <math>= n!</math>.</p> <p>The total number of ways in which it is possible to form groups by taking some or all of <math>n</math> things <math>(2^n - 1)</math>.</p> <p>The total number of ways in which it is possible to make groups by taking some or all out of <math>n</math> (<math>= n_1 + n_2 + n_3 + \dots</math>) things, where <math>n_1</math> things are alike of one kind and so on, is given by</p>

$$\{(n_1 + 1) (n_2 + 1) (n_3 + 1) \dots\} - 1$$

The combinations of selecting  $r_1$  things from a set having  $n_1$  objects and  $r_2$  things from a set having  $n_2$  objects where combination of  $r_1$  things,  $r_2$  things are independent



### Question 1

**An examination paper consists of 12 questions divided into parts A and B Part A contains 7 questions and part B contains 5 questions. A candidate is required to attempt 8 questions selecting at least 3 from each part. In how many maximum ways can the candidate select the question?**

- (a) 35 (b) 175  
(c) 210 (d) 420

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

The candidate can select 8 questions by selecting at last " three from each part in the following ways:

3 questions from part A and 5 questions from part B =  $7C_3 \times 5C_5 = 35$  ways

4 questions from part A and part B each

=  $7C_4 \times 5C_4 = 175$  Ways.

Questions from part A and 3 questions from part B =  $7C_5 \times 5C_3 = 210$  ways

Hence, the total number of ways in which the candidate can select the question will be =  $35 + 175 + 210 = 420$  ways

### Question 2

**Code word is to consist of two English alphabets followed by two distinct numbers between 1 and 9. How many such code words are there?**

- (a) 6,15,800 (b) 46,800  
(c) 7,19,500 (d) 4,10,800

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

The number of ways filling the first two places with English alphabets =  $26 \times 25 = 650$

The number of ways of filling the last two places with distinct numbers =  $9 \times 8 = 72$

The numbers of code words that can be formed are =  $650 \times 72$

= 46800

### Question 3

**A boy has 3 library tickets and 8 books of his interest in the library of these 8, he does not want to borrow Mathematics part – II unless Mathematics part – I is also borrowed? In how many ways can he choose the three books to be borrowed?**

- (a) 41 (b) 51  
(c) 61 (d) 71

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

There are two cases possible

CASE 1: When Mathematics Part – II is borrowed (i.e. it means Mathematics Part – I has also been borrowed

Numbers of ways =  $6C_1 = 6$  ways

CASE 2: When Mathematics part – II is not borrowed (i.e. 3 books are to be selected out of 7)

Number of ways =  $7C_3 = 35$  Ways

Therefore, total number ways

$35 + 6 = 41$  ways

#### **Question 4**

**Find 5!, 4! And 6!**

- (a) 720 (b) 120  
(c) 380 (d) 620

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

$5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$ ;  $4! = 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 24$ ;  $6! = 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 720$

#### **Question 5**

**Find  $\frac{9!}{6!}; \frac{10!}{7!}$**

- (a) 630,504 (b) 504,720  
(c) 920,630 (d) 121,720

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

$$\frac{9!}{6!} = \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6!}{6!} = \frac{9 \times 8 \times 7}{7!} = \frac{504}{7!}; \frac{10!}{7!} = \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7!}{7!} = 720$$

$$10 \times 9 \times 8 = 720$$

#### **Question 6**

**Find x if  $\frac{1}{9!} + \frac{1}{10!} = \frac{x}{11!}$**

- (a) 121 (b) 112  
(c) 211 (d) 111

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

We have,

$$\frac{1}{9!} + \frac{1}{10!} = \frac{x}{11!}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{9!} + \frac{1}{10 \times 9!} = \frac{x}{11 \times 10 \times 9!}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{9!} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{10} \right] = \left( \frac{x}{11 \times 10} \right) \times \frac{1}{9!}$$

$$\rightarrow 1 + \frac{1}{10} = \frac{x}{11 \times 10}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{11}{10} = \frac{x}{11 \times 10}$$

$$\rightarrow X = 11 \times 11 = 121$$

**Question 7**

Evaluate each of  $5P_3$ ,  $10P_2$ ,  $11P_5$

- (a) 540 (b) 55440  
(c) 5440 (d) 5540

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

$$5P_3 = 5 \times 4 \times (5-3+1) = 5 \times 4 \times 3 = 60.$$

$$10P_2 = 10 \times \dots \times (10-2+1) = 10 \times 9 = 90$$

$$11P_5 = \frac{11!}{(11-5)!} = 11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times \frac{6!}{6!} = 11 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 = 55440$$

**Question 8**

How many three letters words can be formed using the letters of the word SQUARE?

- (a) 110 (b) 12  
(c) 120 (d) 210

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

Since the word 'SQUARE' consists of 6 different letters, the number of permutations of choosing 3 letters out of six equals  $6P_3 = 6 \times 5 \times 4 = 120$

**Question 9**

In how many different ways can five persons stand a line for a group photograph?

- (a) 110 ways (b) 120 ways  
(c) 130 ways (d) 20 ways

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Here we know that the order is important, hence this is the number of permutation of five things taken all at a time. Therefore, this equals

$$5P_5 = 5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120 \text{ ways.}$$

**Question 10**

How many three letters words can be formed using the letters the word HEXAGON?

- (a) 110 (b) 12  
(c) 120 (d) 210

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

Since the word 'HEXAGON' contains 7 different letters, the number of permutations is  $7P_3 = 7 \times 6 \times 5 = 210$ .

**Question 11**

First, second and third are to be awarded at an engineering fair in which 13 exhibits have been entered. In how many different?

- (a) 1110 ways (b) 1320 ways  
(c) 1830 ways (d) 1716 ways

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

Here, order of selection is important and repetitions are not meaningful as no exhibit can receive more than one prize. Hence the answer is the number of permutations of 13 things taken three at a time. Therefore, we find  ${}_{13}P_3 = \frac{13!}{10!} = 13 \times 12 \times 11 = 1,716$  ways

### **Question 12**

**In how many different ways can 3 students be associated with 4 chartered accountants, assuming that each chartered accountant can take at most one student?**

- (a) 10 (b) 12  
(c) 20 (d) 24

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

This equals the number of permutations of choosing 3 persons out of 4, hence the answer is  ${}_{4}P_3 = 4 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$ .

### **Question 13**

**Compute the sum of 4 digit numbers which can be formed with the four digits 1, 3, 5, 7, if each digit is used only once in each arrangement.**

- (a) 1,06,656 (b) 1,46,800  
(c) 7,19,500 (d) 4,10,800

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

The number of arrangement of 4 different digits taken 4 at a time is given by  ${}_{4}P_4 = 4! = 24$ . All the four digits will occur equal number of times at each of the positions, namely ones, tens, hundreds, thousands.

Thus, each digit will occur  $\frac{24}{4} = 6$  times in each of the positions. The sum of digits in one's position will be  $6 \times (1+3+5+7) = 96$ . Similar is the case in ten's, hundred's and thousand's places. Therefore, the sum will be  $96 + 96 \times 100 + 96 \times 1000 = 106,656$ .

### **Question 14**

**In how many different ways can a club with 10 members select a President, Secretary and Treasurer, if no member can hold two offices and each member is eligible for any office?**

- (a) 720 (b) 780  
(c) 960 (d) 630

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

The answer is the number of permutations of 10 persons chosen three at a time. Therefore, it is  ${}_{10}P_3 = 10 \times 9 \times 8 = 720$

### **Question 15**

**When jiana arrives in New York, she has eight shops to see, but he has time only to visit six of them. In how many different ways can he arrange her schedule in New York?**

- (a) 20,160 (b) 2016  
(c) 26105 (d) 21560

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

She can arrange his schedule in  $8P_6 = 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 = 20,160$  ways

**Question 16**

**When Dr. Ramanujan arrives in his dispensary, he finds 12 patients waiting to see him. If he can see only one patient at a time. Find the number of ways; he can schedule his patients if they all want their turn.**

(a) 479001600

(b) 79833600

(c) 34879012

(d) 67800983

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

There are  $12-3 = 9$  patients. They can be seen  $12P_9 = 79,833,600$  ways.

**Question 17**

**How many arrangements can be made out of the letters of the word 'DRAUGHT' the vowels never beings separated?**

(a) 1440

(b) 720

(c) 740

(d) 750

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

The word 'DRAUGHT' consists of 7 letters of which 5 are consonants and two are vowels. In the arrangement we are to take all the 7 letters but the restriction is that the two vowels should not be separated.

We can view the two vowels as one letter. The two vowels A and U in this one letter can be arranged in  $2! = 2$  ways. (i) AU or (ii) UA. Further, we can arrange the six letters: 5 consonants and one letter consisting of two vowels. The total number of ways of arranging them is  $6P_6 = 6! = 720$  ways.

Hence, by the fundamental principle, the total number of arrangements of the letters of the word DRAUGHT, the vowels never being separated =  $2 \times 720 = 1440$  ways.

**Question 18**

**An examination paper with 10 questions consists of 6 questions in mathematics and 4 questions in statistic part. At least one question from each part is to be attempted in how many ways can this be done?**

(a) 1024

(b) 945

(c) 1000

(d) 1022

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Total question = 10

No. of Mathematics questions = 6 No. of statics questions = 4.

No. of ways at least one question of Mathematics

=  $(2^6 - 1) = (64 - 1) = 63$

No. of ways at least one question of statics

=  $(2^4 - 1) = (16 - 1) = 15$

Total no. of ways =  $63 \times 15 = 945$

**Questions 19**

**A student has three books on computer, three books on Economics and five books on Commerce. If these books are to be arranged subject wise, then these can be placed on a shelf in the number of ways:**

- (a) 25290 (b) 25092  
(c) 4320 (d) 25920

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{No. of ways} &= 3! 3! 5! 3! \\ &= 6 \times 6 \times 120 \times 6 \\ &= 216 \times 120 \\ &= 25,920 \end{aligned}$$

### **Questions 20**

**A person has ten friends of whom six are relatives. If h invites five guests 'SUCH' that three are his relatives, then the total number of ways in which he can invite then are:**

- (a) 30 (b) 60  
(c) 120 (d) 75

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

Total friend: 10

No. of Relative = 6

No. of friend = 4

No. of ways to invite five guests such that three of them are his relatives.

$$\begin{aligned} &= {}^6C_3 \times {}^4C_2 \\ &= \frac{6!}{3! \times 3!} \times \frac{4!}{2! \times 2!} \\ 20 \times 6 &= 120 \end{aligned}$$

### **Questions 24**

**Six seats of articulated clerks are vacant in a 'Chartered Accountant Firm'.**

**How many different batches of candidates can be chosen out of ten candidates?**

- (a) 216 (b) 210  
(c) 220 (d) 230

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

The number of ways in which 6 articulated clerks can be selected out of 10 candidates

$$= {}^{10}C_6 = 210 \text{ ways.}$$

### **Question 25**

**Six persons A, B, C, D, E and F are to be seated at a circular table. In how many ways can this be done, if A must always has either B or C on his right and B must always have either C or D on his right?**

- (a) 3 (b) 6  
(c) 12 (d) 18

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

Using the given restrictions, we must have AB or AC and AB or BD

Therefore, we have the following alternatives

ABC, D, E, F, which gives  $(4 - 1)!$  Or  $3!$  Ways.



ABC, D, E, F which gives  $(4 - 1)!$  Or  $3!$  Ways.

AC, BD, E, F, which gives  $(4 - 1)$  or  $3!$  Ways.

Hence, the total number of ways are

$$= 3! + 3! + 3!$$

$$= 6 + 6 + 6 = 18 \text{ ways}$$

### **Question 26**

**A fundamental principle of counting is:**

(a)  $m \times n, m - n$

(b)  $m \times n, m + n$

(c)  $m + n, m \div n$

(d)  $m \div n, m - n$

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Fundamental principles of counting

- Multiplications Rule:  $m \times n$
- Addition Rule:  $m + n$

### **Question 27**

**If  $n_{C_r} = n_{C_{r-1}}$  and  $n_{P_r}$  and  $n_{P_{r+1}}$ , then the value of  $n$  is 27.**

(a) 3

(b) 4

(c) 2

(d) 5

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

The conditions provided that  $n - r = r - 1$  or  $r = \frac{n+1}{2}$  so if

We put  $n = 3$ , then  $r = 2$  satisfies the conditions

### **Question 28**

$$n_{P_r} \div n_{C_r} =$$

(a)  $n!$

(b)  $(n - r)!$

(c) 48

(d)  $r!$

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

### **Question 29**

**The number of ordered triplets of positive integers which are solutions of the equation**

**$x+y+z = 100$  is**

(a) 6005

(b) 4851

(c) 5081

(d) none of these

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

The number of triplets of positive integers which are solutions of

$$X + y + z = 100 = \text{coefficient of } x^{100} \text{ in } (x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots)^3$$

$$= \text{coefficient of } x^{100} \text{ in } x^3(1 - x)^{-3} = \text{coefficient of } x^{100} \text{ in}$$

$$X^3 \left( 1 + 3x + 6x^2 + \dots + \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{2}x^n + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{(97+1)(97+2)}{2} = 49 \times 99 = 4851$$

### **Question 30**

**The number of way to sit 3 men and 2 women in a bus such that total number of sitted men and women on each side is 3**

- (a)  $5!$  (b)  $6_{C_5} \times 5!$   
 (c)  $6! \times 6_{P_5}$  (d)  $5! + 6_{C_5}$

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

3 men and 2 women equal to 5. A group of 5 members make  $5!$  Permutations with each other. The number of ways to sit 5 members =  $5!$  6 places are filled by 5 members by  $6_{C_5}$  ways. The total number of ways to sit 5 members on 6 seats of a bus =  $6_{C_5} \times 5!$

**Question 31**

**If  $P(n, r) = 1680$  and  $C(n, r) = 70$ , then  $69n + r! =$**

- (a) 128 (b) 576  
 (c) 256 (d) 625

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

$$P(n, r) = 1680 \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} = 1680? \dots \text{ (i) } C(n, r) = 70$$

$$\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = 70? \text{ (ii) } \frac{1680}{r!} = 70. \text{ [From (i) and (ii)]}$$

$$r! = \frac{1680}{70} = 24 \rho r = 4 \therefore P(n, 4) = 1680 \therefore$$

$$n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3) = 1680 \rho n = 8 \therefore$$

$$8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 = 1680 + r! = 69 \times 8 + 4! = 552 + 24 = 576$$

**Question 32**

**Number of divisors of  $n = 38808$  except 1 and  $n$  is**

- (a) 70 (b) 68  
 (c) 72 (d) 74

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

$$\text{Since } 38808 = 8 \times 4851$$

$$8 \times 9 \times 539 = 8 \times 9 \times 7 \times 7 \times 11 = 2^3 \times 3^2 \times 7^2 \times 11$$

Number of divisors =  $(3 + 1)(2 + 1)(2 + 1)(1 + 1) = 72$ . This includes two divisors 1 and 38808. Hence the required number off divisors =  $72 - 2 = 70$

**Question 33**

**If eleven members of a committee sit at a round table so that the president and secretary always sit together, then the number of arrangement is**

- (a)  $10! \times 2$  (b)  $10!$   
 (c)  $9! \times 2$  (d) None of these

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

Required number of ways  $9! \times 2$  (by fundamental property of Circular permutation).

**Question 34**

**In how many ways can 5 keys be put in a ring?**

- (a)  $\frac{1}{2} 4!$  (b)  $\frac{1}{2} 5!$   
 (c)  $4!$  (d)  $5!$

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

Mark the keys as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Assume the ring as a circle with 5 positions.

First position can be taken by any one of them.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> positions has 4 possibility, 3<sup>rd</sup> has 3, 4<sup>th</sup> has 2, 5<sup>th</sup> has 1

Totally  $4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 24$ .

**Question 35**

**A question paper is divided into two parts A and B and each part contains 5 questions. The number of ways in which a candidate can answer 6 questions selecting at least two questions from each part is**

- (a) 80
- (b) 810
- (c) 200
- (d) None of these

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

The number of ways that the candidate may select 2 questions from A and 4 from B =  $5C_2 \times 5C_3$   
 4 questions from A and 2 from B =  $5C_4 \times 5C_2$ . Hence total numbers of ways are 200.

**Question 36**

**How many number lying between 10 and 1000 can be formed from the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 (repetition is allowed)**

- (a) 1024
- (b) 810
- (c) 2346
- (d) None of these

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

The total number between 10 and 1000 are 989 but we have to form the numbers by using numerals 1, 2,.....9, i.e. 0 is not occurring so the numbers containing any 0? would be excluded i.e., Required number of ways

$$= 989 - \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 20, 30, 40, \dots \dots \dots 100 = 9 \\ 101, 102, \dots \dots \dots 300 = 19 \\ 201, \dots \dots \dots 300 = 19 \\ \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \\ 901, \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots 990 = 18 \end{array} \right\}$$

$= 989 - (9 + 18 + 19 \times 8) = 810$ . Alter: Between 10 and 1000, the numbers are of 2 digits And 3 digits. Since repetition is allowed, so each digit can be filled in 9 ways. Therefore number of 2 digit numbers =  $9 \times 9 = 81$  and number of 3 digit numbers  $9 \times 9 \times 9 = 729$ . Hence total ways =  $81 + 729 = 810$

**Question 37**

**The number of ways in which the letters of the word TRIANGLE can be arranged such that two vowels do not occur together is**

- (a) 1200
- (b) 2400
- (c) 14400
- (d) None of these

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

T.R.N.G.L Three vowels can be arrange at 6 places in  $6P_3 = 120$  ways. Hence the required number of arrangements =  $120 \times 5! = 14400$

**Question 38**

There are four balls of different colours and four boxes of colours same as those of the balls. The number of ways in which the balls one in each box, could be such that a ball does not go to box of its own colour is

- (a) 8 (b) 7  
(c) 9 (d) None of these

**Answer: c****Explanation:**

Since the number of derangements in such a problems is given by

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

$$\therefore \text{Number of derangements are} = 4! \left\{ \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} \right\}$$

$$= 12 - 4 + 1 = 9$$

**Question 39**

If  $56P_{r+6} : 54P_{r+3} = 30800:1$ , then  $r =$

- (a) 31 (b) 41  
(c) 51 (d) none of these

**Answer: b****Explanation:**

$$\frac{56!}{(50-r)!} \times \frac{(51-r)!}{54!}$$

$$\frac{30800}{1} = 56 \times 55 \times (51-r) = 30800$$

$$r = 41$$

**Question 40**

The number of ways of dividing 52 cards amongst four players so that three players have 17 cards each and the fourth player just one card, is

- (a)  $\frac{52!}{(17!)^3}$  (b)  $\frac{52!}{(17!)^2}$   
(c) 52! (d) none

**Answer: a****Explanation:**

For the first set number of ways  $52C_{17}$ . Now out of 35 cards left 17 cards can be put for second in  $35C_{17}$  ways similarly for 3<sup>rd</sup> in  $18C_{17}$ . One card for the last set can be put in only one way.

Therefore the required number of ways for the proper distribution =  $\frac{52!}{35!17!} \times \frac{35!}{18!17!} \times \frac{18!}{17!1!} \times$

$$1! = \frac{52!}{(17!)^3}$$

**Question 41**

$m$  men and  $n$  women are to be seated in a row so that no two women sit together. If  $m > n$ , then then the number of ways in which can be seated is

- (a)  $\frac{m!(m+1)!}{(m-n+1)!}$  (b)  $\frac{m!(m-1)!}{(m-n+1)!}$   
(c)  $\frac{(m-1)!(m+1)!}{(m-n+1)!}$  (d) none

**Answer: a****Explanation:**

First arrange  $m$  men, in a row in  $m!$  Ways. Since  $n < m$  and no two women can sit together, in any one of the  $m!$  Arrangement, there are places in which  $n$  women can be arranged in  $m + 1P_n$

$$= \frac{m!(m+1)!}{[(m+1)-n)!} = \frac{m!(m+1)!}{(m-n+1)!}$$
**Question 42**

**The number of times the digit 3 will be written when listing the integers from 1 to 1000 is:**

- (a) 369 (b) 300  
(c) 271 (d) 302

**Answer: b****Explanation:**

To find number of times 3 occurs in listing the integer from 1 to 999. (Since 3 does not occur in 1000). Any number between 1 to 999 is a 3 digit number  $xyz$  where the digit  $x, y, z$  are any digits from 0 to 9. Now, we first count the numbers in which 3 occurs once only. Since 3 can occur at one place in  $3C_1$  ways. There are  $3C_1 \cdot (9 \times 9) + 3 \times 1 = 300$

**Question 43**

**Ten persons, amongst whom are A, B, and c to speak at a function. The number of ways in which it can be done. If A wants to speak before B and B wants to speak before C is**

- (a)  $\frac{10!}{6}$  (b)  $\frac{3!}{7!}$   
(c)  $10P_3 \cdot 7!$  (d) None of these

**Answer: a****Explanation:**

For A, B, C, to speak in order of alphabets 3 places out of 10 may be chosen first in 1.  $3C_2 = 3$  ways. The remaining 7 persons can speak in  $7!$  Ways. Hence, the number of ways in which all the 10 person can speak is  $10C_3 \cdot 7! = \frac{10!}{3!} = \frac{10!}{6}$

**Question 44**

**How many words can be made out from the letters of the word INDEPENDENCE, in which vowels always come together?**

- (a) 16800 (b) 16630  
(c) 1663200 (d) None of these

**Answer: a****Explanation:**

Required numbers of ways are  $\frac{8!}{2!3!} \times \frac{5!}{4!} = 16800$ . {Since IEEEEENDPNDNC = 8 letters}.

**Question 45**

**The exponent of 3 in 100! Is**

- (a) 33 (b) 44  
(c) 48 (d) 52

**Answer: c****Explanation:**

Let  $E(n)$  denote the exponent of 3 in  $n$ . the greatest integer less than 100 divisible by 3 is 99. We have  
 $E(100!) = E(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \dots 99 \cdot 100)$

$= E(3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9 \dots 99)$   
 $= E[(3 \cdot 1)(3 \cdot 2)(3 \cdot 3) \dots (3 \cdot 33)]$   
 $= 33 + E(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots 33)$  Now  
 $E(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots 33) = E(3 \cdot 6 \cdot 9 \dots 33)$   
 $= E[(3 \cdot 1)(3 \cdot 2)(3 \cdot 3) \dots (3 \cdot 11)]$   
 $= 11 + E(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots 11)$  And  
 $E(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \dots 11) = E[(3 \cdot 1)(3 \cdot 2)(3 \cdot 3)]$   
 $3 + E(1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3) = 3 + 1 = 4$  Thus  
 $E(100!) = 33 + 11 + 4 = 48$

**Question 46**

A dictionary is printed consisting of 7 lettered words only that can be made with a letter of the word CRICKET. If the words are printed at the alphabetical order, as in an ordinary dictionary, then the number of word before the word CRICKET is

- (a) 530 (b) 480  
(c) 531 (d) 481

**Answer: a****Explanation:**

The number of words before the word CRICKET is  $4 \times 5! + 2 \times 4! + 2! = 530$

**Question 47**

The number of positive integral solutions of  $abc = 30$  is

- (a) 30 (b) 27  
(c) 8 (d) none of these

**Answer: b****Explanation:**

We have,  $30 = 2 \times 3 \times 5$ . So, 2 can be assigned to either a or b or c i.e. 2 can be assigned in 3 ways. Similarly, each of 3 and 5 can be assigned in 3 ways. Thus the no. of solutions is  $3 \times 3 \times 3 = 27$ .

**Question 48**

The number of different words that can be formed out of the letters of the word 'MORADABAD' taken four at a time is

- (a) 500 (b) 600  
(c) 620 (d) 626

**Answer: d****Explanation:**

In MORADABAD, we have 6 different types of letters 3A's, 2D's and rest four different. We have to form words of 4 letters. (i) All letters  ${}^6P_4 = 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 = 360$ . (ii) Two different two a like  ${}^2C_1 \times {}^5C_2 \times \frac{4!}{2!} = 240$  (iii) 3 alike 1 different  ${}^1C_1 \times {}^5C_1 \times \frac{4!}{2!} = 20$  (iv) 2 alike of one type and 2 alike of other type  ${}^2C_2 \times \frac{4!}{3!} = 6$  Therefore total number of words  
 $= 360 + 240 + 20 + 6 = 626$

**PREPARE FOR WORST****Question 1**

How many 3 letter words with or without meaning can be formed out of the letters of the word MONDAY when repetition of words is allowed?

- (a) 125 (b) 216  
(c) 120 (d) 320

**Question 2**

In how many ways the letters in the word TOOTH can be arranged?

- (a) 120 (b) 40  
(c) 20 (d) 30

**Type - 2****Question 1**

How many five letters words with or without meaning, can be formed from the word 'COMPLEXIFY', if repetition of letters is not allowed?

- (a) 43200 (b) 30240  
(c) 12032 (d) 36000

**Question 2**

In how many different ways can the letters of the word 'LOGARITHMS' be arranged so that the vowels always come together?

- (a) 6720 (b) 241920  
(c) 40320 (d) 360344

**Question 3**

How many three digit numbers can be formed from the digits 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9. Also, the number formed should be divisible by 5 and no repetition is allowed?

- (a) 20 (b) 24  
(c) 25 (d)

**Type 3****Question 1**

An ice cream seller sells 5 different ice-creams. John wants to buy 15 ice creams for his friends. In how many ways can he buy the ice-cream?

- (a) 1450 (b) 3768  
(c) 3879 (d) 1540

**Question 2**

There are 5 types of soda flavor available in a shop. In how many ways can 10 soda flavors be selected?

- (a) 1454 (b) 1001  
(c) 1211 (d) 1540

**Type - 4****Question 1**

A wooden box contains 2 grey balls, 3 pink balls and 4 green balls. Find out in how many ways 3 balls can be drawn from the wooden box. Make sure that at least one pink ball is included in the draw?

- (a) 64 (b) 46  
(c) 56 (d) 65

**Question 2**

**There are 5 boys and 10 girls in a classroom. In how many ways teacher can select 2 boys and 3 girls to make a dance group?**

- (a) 720 (b) 1200  
(c) 240 (d) 840

**Question 3**

**There are 10 consonants and 5 vowels. Out of which how many words of 5 consonants and 2 vowels can be made?**

- (a) 2520 (b) 1200  
(c) 210 (d) 720

**Question 4**

**A committee of 5 persons is to be formed from 6 men and 4 women. In how many ways can this be done when at least 2 women are included?**

- (a) 196 (b) 186  
(c) 190 (d) 200

**Question 5**

**If the letters of the word SACHIN are arranged in all possible ways and these words are written out as in dictionary, then the word 'SACHIN' appears at serial number:**

- (a) 601 (b) 600  
(c) 603 (d) 602

**Question 6**

**A college has 10 basketball players. A 5-member team and a captain will be selected out of these 10 players. How many different selections can be made?**

- (a) 1260 (b) 1400  
(c) 1250 (d) 1600

**Question 7**

**When four fair dice are rolled simultaneously, in how many outcomes will at least one of the dice show 3?**

- (a) 620 (b) 671  
(c) 625 (d) 567

**Question 8**

**A letter lock consists of three rings each marked with six different letters. The number of distinct unsuccessful attempts to open the lock is at the most?**

- (a) 215 (b) 268  
(c) 254 (d) 216

**Question 9**

**In how many ways can the letters of the word EDUCATION be rearranged so that the relative position of the vowels and consonants remain the same as in the word EDUCATION?**

- (a)  $4! \times 4!$  (b)  $5! \times 5!$   
(c)  $4! \times 5!$  (d)  $3! \times 4!$

**Question 10**



In a Plane there are 37 straight lines, of which 13 pass through the point A and 11 pass through the point B. Besides, no three lines pass through one point, no lines passes through both points A and B , and no two are parallel. Find the number of points of intersection of the straight lines.

- (a) 525 (b) 535  
(c) 545 (d) 555

### Question 11

How many different four letter words can be formed (the words need not be meaningful using the letters of the word "MEDITERRANEAN" such that the first letter is E and the last letter is R?

- (a) 59 (b) 56  
(c) 64 (d) 55

### Question 12

In how many ways can 5 different toys be packed in 3 identical boxes such that no box is empty, if any of the boxes may hold all of the toys?

- (a) 36 (b) 25  
(c) 24 (d) 72

### Question 13

In a box, there are 5 black pens, 3 white pens and 4 red pens. In how many ways can 2 black pens, 2 white pens and 2 red pens can be chosen?

- (a) 180 (b) 220  
(c) 240 (d) 160

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## PAST EXAMINATION QUESTIONS:

MAY 2018

### Question 1

The number of triangle that can be formed by choosing the vertices from a set of 12 points, seven of which lie on the same straight line, is:

- (a) 185 (b) 175  
(c) 115 (d) 105

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

Here  $n = 12$ ,  $k = 7$

No. of triangle are formed from 'n' point

In which (k) points are collinear =  $nC_3 - kC_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 12C_3 - 7C_3 \\
 &= \frac{12 \times 11 \times 10}{3 \times 2 \times 1} - \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5}{3 \times 2 \times 1} \\
 &= 220 - 35 \\
 &= 185
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 2**

If  $1000C_{98} - 999C_{97} + xC_{901}$ , find x:

- (a) 999 (b) 998  
(c) 997 (d) 1000

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

$$\text{If } 1000C_{98} - 999C_{97} + xC_{901}$$

$$\therefore nC_r + nC_{r-1} = n + 1C_r$$

$$\text{Then } x = 999[999C_{901} + 999C_{98}]$$

**NOV 2018****Question 1**

A bag contains 4 red, 3 black, and 2 white balls. In how many ways 3 balls can be drawn from his bag so that they include at least one black ball?

- (a) 64 (b) 46  
(c) 85 (d) None

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

No. of total balls = 4 Red + 3 Black + 2 white = 9 balls

Total number of ways

$$= 3C3 + (3C2 \times 6C1) + (3C1 \times 6C2) \text{ [because 6 are non black]}$$

$$= 1 + [3 \times 6] + [3 \times (6 \times 5 \times 2 \times 1)] = 1 + 18 + 45 = 64$$

**Question 2**

The number of words from the letter word BHARAT, in which B and H will never come together, is

- (a) 360 (b) 240  
(c) 120 (d) None

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Given word

'B H A R A T'

1 2 3 4 5 6

$$\text{Total No. of ways arrange the letter word} = \frac{6!}{2!} = \frac{720}{2} = 360$$

If Letter 'B' and 'H' are never taken together

$$= 360 - 120$$

$$= 240$$

**Question 3**

The value of N in  $= \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{1}{8!} + \frac{N}{9!}$  is

- (a) 81 (b) 78  
(c) 89 (d) 64

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{1}{8!} &= \frac{N}{9!} \\ \frac{9 \times 8 \times 1}{9 \times 8 \times 7!} + \frac{9 \times 1}{9 \times 8!} &= \frac{N}{9!} \\ \frac{9!}{72 \times 9} + \frac{N}{9!} &= \frac{N}{9!} \\ \frac{9!}{72} + \frac{N}{9!} &= \frac{N}{9!} \\ \frac{9!}{72} &= \frac{N}{9!} \\ N &= 81 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4**

If  $n_{P_r} = 720$ ,  $n_{P_r} = 120$ , then r is

- (a) 3 (b) 4  
(c) 5 (d) 6

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

Given  $n_{P_r} = 720$ ,  $n_{C_r} = 120$

We know that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n_{C_r}}{n_{C_r}} &= \frac{1}{r} \\ \frac{120}{720} &= \frac{1}{r} \\ \frac{1}{6} &= \frac{1}{r} \\ R &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

## MAY 2019

**Question 1**

If  $11C_x = 11C_{2x-4}$  and  $x \neq 4$  then the value of  $7C_x =$

- (a) 20 (b) 21  
(c) 22 (d) 23

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Equate bases of LHS and RHS

So  $x=4$

Therefore, LHS = RHS

$$11-x = 2x-4$$

$$x=5$$

$$7C_3 = 7C_2 = 21$$

**Question 2**

Which of the following is not a correct statement?

- (a)  $n_{P_n} = n_{P_{n-1}}$  (b)  $n_{P_n} = 2 \cdot n_{P_{n-2}}$

(c)  $n_{P_n} = 3 \cdot n_{P_{n-3}}$

(d)  $n_{P_n} = n \cdot n \cdot (n-1)_{P_{n-1}}$

**Answer: d****Explanation:**LHS  $\neq$  RHS

In case of d option

**Question 3****How many words can be formed with the letter of the word "PARALLEL". So that all L's do not come together?**

(a) 2000

(b) 3000

(c) 4000

(d) None of these

**Answer: b****Explanation:**

There are  $8!$  ways of arranging the eight letters of "PARALLEL", but since there are three "L"s and two "A"s, we must divide through by  $3! \times 2!$  to get a total of  $\frac{8!}{3! \times 2!}$  permutations.

Okay, so how many of these have all three "L"s together?

$$\frac{8!}{3! \times 2!} - 6 \times \frac{5!}{2!} = 3000$$

**Question 4****The Indian cricket team consists of 16 players. It includes 2 wicket keepers and 5 bowlers. In how many ways can a cricket eleven be selected if we have to select 1 wicket keeper and at least 4 bowlers?**

(a) 1024

(b) 1900

(c) 2000

(d) 1092

**Answer: d****Explanation:**

We are to choose 11 players including 1 wicket keeper and 4 bowlers or, 1 wicket keeper and 5 bowlers.

Number of ways of selecting 1 wicket keeper, 4 bowlers and 6 other player's in

$${}^2C_1 \times {}^5C_4 \times {}^9C_6 = 840$$

Number of ways of selecting 1 wicket keeper, 5 bowlers and 5 other players in  ${}^2C_1 \times {}^5C_4 \times {}^9C_5 = 252$

Total number of ways of selecting the term =  $840 + 252 = 1092$ .

**NOV 2019****Question 1****Three girls and five boys are to be seated in a row so that no two girls sit together. Total no. of ways of this arrangement are:**

(a) 14,400

(b) 120

(c)  $5P_3$

(d)  $3! \times 5!$

**Answer: a****Explanation:**

(a) Required arrangement

X B<sub>1</sub> X B<sub>2</sub> X B<sub>3</sub> X B<sub>4</sub> X B<sub>5</sub> X

No. of ways of arranging 3 girls in 6 places

$$= {}^6P_3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total ways} &= {}^6P_3 \times {}^5P_5 \\ &= \frac{6!}{(6-3)!} \times 5! \\ &= \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3!}{3!} \times 120 = \text{Rs. } 14,400 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 2**

How many numbers can be formed with the help of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1 which is not divisible by 5, given that it is a five-digit no. and not repeating?

- (a) 600 (b) 400  
(c) 1200 (d) 1400

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

(a) No's 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1.

A no. is divisible by 5 when it ends with 0 or 5

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No. of ways of filling one's digit = 5 (all except 5)

No. of ways of filling ten's digit = 5

No. of ways of filling thousand place = 4

No. of ways of filling ten thousand place = 3

No. of ways of filling hundred's place = 2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total ways} &= 5 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \\ &= 600 \text{ ways} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3**

How many different groups of 3 people can be formed from a group of 5 people?

- (a) 5 (b) 6  
(c) 10 (d) 9

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

(c) We know,

No. of ways to choose r objects out of n objects is  ${}^nC_r$

Using the formula,

Choosing 3 distinct objects (groups) from

$$\begin{aligned} 5 &= {}^5C_3 = \frac{5!}{(5-3)! \times 3!} \\ &= \frac{5!}{2! \times 3!} \\ &= \frac{5 \times 4 \times 3!}{2 \times 3!} \\ &= 10 \text{ ways} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4**

In how many ways can 4 people be selected at random from 6 boys and 4 girls if there are exactly 2 girls?

- (a) 90 (b) 360  
(c) 92 (d) 480

**Answer: a**

**Explanation**

(a) Boys (6) Girls (4)

2 2

No. of ways of selecting 2 boys out of 6 =  ${}^6C_2$

No. of ways of selecting 2 girls out of 4 =  ${}^4C_2$

Total ways =  ${}^6C_2 \times {}^4C_2$

$$= \frac{6!}{(6-2)! \times 2!} \times \frac{4!}{2! \times (4-2)!}$$

$$= \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4! \times 2} \times \frac{4 \times 3 \times 2!}{2! \times 2}$$

$$= 15 \times 6 = 90 \text{ ways.}$$

### Question 5

${}^n P_3 : {}^n P_2 = 2 : 1$

(a) 4

(b) 7/2

(c) 5

(d) 2/7

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

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

$${}^n P_3 : {}^n P_2 = 2 : 1$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-3)!} : \frac{n!}{(n-2)!} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\frac{n!}{(n-3)!} \times \frac{(n-2)!}{n!} = \frac{2}{1}$$

## DEC 2020

### Question 15

If  $n P_4 = 20 n P_2 =$  where P denotes the number of permutations n = \_\_\_\_\_

(a) 4

(b) 2

(c) 5

(d) 7

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

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

Here,

$$n P_4 = 20 n P_2$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(n-4)!} = 20 = \frac{n!}{(n-2)!}$$

$$(n-2)! = 20(n-4)!$$

$$(n-2)(n-3)(n-4)! = 20(n-4)!$$

$$(n-2)(n-3) = 20$$

$$n^2 - 5n + 6 = 20$$

$$n^2 - 5n - 14 = 0$$

$$n^2 - 7n + 2n - 14 = 0$$

$$n(n-7) + 2(n-7) = 0$$

$$(n+2)(n-7) = 0$$

$$\text{If } n+2 = 0 \Rightarrow n = -2 \text{ (Not possible)}$$

$$\text{If } n-7 = 0 \Rightarrow n = 7$$

Thus, the value of n is 7.

**Question 16**

**A fruit basket contains 7 apples, 6 bananas and 4 mangoes. How many selections of 3 fruits can be made so that all 3 are apples?**

- (a) 120 ways (b) 35 ways  
(c) 168 ways (d) 70 ways

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Given:

Number of Bananas = 6

Number of Apples = 7

Number of Mangoes = 4

To find: Number of ways can a person make a selection of fruits from the basket.

Number of ways to select zero or more bananas =  $6 + 1 = 7$  ways

Number of ways to select zero or more apples =  $7 + 1 = 8$  ways

Number of ways to select zero or more mangoes in  $4 + 1 = 5$  ways

So, Total number of ways =  $5 \times 8 \times 7 = 280$

We included a case of 0 Banana, 0 apple and 0 mangoes, so we have to subtract this from total number of ways,

$\Rightarrow$  Number of ways =  $280 - 1 = 279$  ways

Therefore, A person can make a selection of fruits from the basket is 279 ways.

$\therefore$  3 fruits can be made so that all 3 are apples is 35

**Question 17**

**Out of 7 boys and 4 girls a team of a debate club of 5 is to be chosen. The number of teams such that each team includes at least one girl is\_\_**

- (a) 429 (b) 439  
(c) 419 (d) 441

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

The Team Consist of 4 girls +1 boy

Number of selections  $4C_3 \times 7C_1 = 1 \times 7 = 7$

Hence, the total number of teams that can be formed =  $140+210+84+7= 441$

**Question 18**

**From a group of 8 men and 4 women, 4 persons are to be selected to form a committee so that at least 2 women are there on the committee. In how many ways can it be done?**

- (a) 201 (b) 168  
(c) 202 (d) 220

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

Total number of men = 8

Total number of women = 4

Committee = 4 persons  $\rightarrow$  at least 2 women

Case 1  $\rightarrow$  2 Women + 2 men  $\rightarrow 4C_2 \times 8C_2 = 168$

Case 2  $\rightarrow$  3 women + 1 men  $\rightarrow 4C_3 \times 8C_1 = 32$

Case 3  $\rightarrow$  4 women + 0 men  $\rightarrow 4C_4 = 1$

**Total**                      **201**

## IAN 2021

### Question 1

Eight chairs are numbered from 1 to 8. Two women and three men are to be seated by allowing one chair for each. First, the women choose the chairs from the chairs numbered 1 to 4 and then men select the chairs from the remaining. The number of possible arrangements is:

- (a) 120 (b) 288  
(c) 32 (d) 1440

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

1440

**Step-by-step explanation:**

First women can take any of the chairs marked 1 to 4 in 4 different way.

Second women can take any of the remaining 3 chairs from those marked 1 to 4 in 3 different ways.

So, total no of ways in which women can take seat =  $4 \times 3$

$\Rightarrow 4P_2$

$4P_2 = 4!(4-2)!$

$= 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 2 \times 1 = 12$

After two women are seated 6 chairs remains

First man take seat in any of the 6 chairs in 6 different ways, second man can take seat in any of the remaining 5 chairs in 5 different ways

Third man can take seat in any of the remaining 4 chairs in 4 different ways.

So, total no of ways in which men can take seat =  $6 \times 5 \times 4$

$\Rightarrow 6P_3$

$6P_3 = 6!(6-3)!$

$\Rightarrow 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$

$\Rightarrow 120$

Hence total number of ways in which men and women can be seated =  $120 \times 12$

$\Rightarrow 1440$

### Question 2

'n' locks and 'n' corresponding keys are available but the actual combination is not known. The maximum number of trials that are needed to assigns the keys to the corresponding locks is.

- (a)  $(n-1) C_2$  (b)  $(n+1) C_2$   
(c)  $\sum_{k=2}^n (k-1)$  (d)  $\sum_{k=2}^n K$

**Answer: d**

### Question 3

The harmonic mean of the roots of the equation

$(5 + \sqrt{2})x^2 - (4 + \sqrt{5})x + 8 + 2\sqrt{5} = 0$ , is

- (a) 2 (b) 4  
(c) 6 (d) 8

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

let the 2 roots be  $\alpha, \beta$



$$\text{H.M.} = \frac{2\alpha\beta}{\alpha+\beta} = \frac{2 \times \frac{8+2\sqrt{5}}{5+\sqrt{2}}}{\frac{4+\sqrt{5}}{6+\sqrt{2}}} = \frac{2 \times 2 (4+\sqrt{5})}{(4+\sqrt{5})} = 4$$

**Question 4**

There are ten flights operating between city A and city B. The number of ways in which a person can travel from city A to city B and return by different flight, is

- (a) 90 (b) 95  
(c) 80 (d) 78

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

To go from A to B = 10 Flight  
& to go from B to A = 9 flights  
(as cannot complaining in some flight)  
 $10 \times 9 = 90$  ways

**Question 5**

How many odd numbers of four digits can be formed with digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8?

- (a) 150 (b) 180  
(c) 120 (d) 210

**NOTE:** The correct Ans is: 300

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

$5 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 = 300$   
(0 cannot be here & 1 used in last cannot be here)  
(1,3,7) can be on last place as it should be odd

**Question 6**

In how many different ways, can the letters of the word 'DETAIL' be arranged in such a way that the vowels occupy only the odd numbered position?

- (a) 32 (b) 36  
(c) 48 (d) 60

**Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

Since detail has 6 letters, there are 3 odd positions, the 1st, 3rd, and 5th spots. Let's determine how many ways the word can be arranged when the vowels occupy the odd positions.

**1st spot:** 3 options (any of the 3 vowels)

**2nd spot:** 3 options (any of the 3 consonants)

**3rd spot:** 2 options (any of the 2 remaining vowels)

**4th spot:** 2 options (any of the 2 remaining consonants)

**5th spot:** 1 option (the last remaining vowel)

**6th spot:** 1 option (the last remaining consonant)

So, the word can be arranged in  $3 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 1 \times 1 = 36$  ways.

**Question 7**

${}^n C_p + 2 {}^n C_{p-1} + {}^n C_{p-2}?$

- (a)  ${}^{n+1} C_p$  (b)  ${}^{n+2} C_p$   
(c)  ${}^{n+1} C_{p+1}$  (d)  ${}^{n+2} C_{p-1}$

**Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

Direct Formula

for refer another origin formula

$${}^n C_r + {}^n C_{r-1} = {}^{n+1} C_r$$

**Question 8**

A business house wishes to simultaneously elevate two of its six branch heads. In how many ways these elevations can take place?

- (a) 12 (b) 3  
(c) 6 (d) 15

**Answer: d****Explanation:**

$${}^6 C_2 = \frac{6 \times 5}{2} = 15$$

**JULY 2021****Question 1**

If  ${}^n P_6 = 20 {}^n P_4$  then the value of n is given by

- (a) n = 5 (b) n = 3  
(c) n = 9 (d) n = 8

**Answer: Options (c)****Explanation:**

By option Method

Taking n = 9

$${}^4 P_6 = 20 {}^9 P_4$$

$$6040 = 20 \times 3024$$

$$60480 = 60480$$

**Question 2**

How many number of seven digit numbers which can be formed for the digits 3,4,5,6,7,8,9 no digits being repeated are not divisible by 5?

- (a) 4320 (b) 4690  
(c) 3900 (d) 3890

**Answer: Options (a)**

If no should not  $\div 5$  then 5 not on last place (3,4,5,6,7,8,9)

$$= 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 6$$

$$= 4320$$

**Question 3**

A person can go from place 'A' to 'B' by 11 different modes of transport but is allowed to return back to "A" by any mode other than the one earlier. The number of different ways, the entire journey can be complete is\_

- (a) 110 (b)  $10^{10}$   
(c)  $9^5$  (d)  $10^9$

**Answer: Options (a)**

If a person has 11 ways of going and cannot come from same place 10 ways of coming  $11 \times 10 = 110$

**Question 4**

**The number of ways 5 boys and 5 girls can be seated at a round table, so no two boys are adjacent is\_\_**

- (a) 2550 (b) 2880  
(c) 625 (d) 2476

**Answer: Options (b)**

**Explanation:**

5 boys can sit around the circular table in  $(5-1)! = 4!$  Ways

For boys and girls to occupy alternate positions, 5 girls has to sit in the gap between the 5 boys.

The girls can be arranged in these gaps in  $5!$  ways

Therefore, total number of seating arrangements =  $4! * 5! = 24 * 120 = 2880$

## DEC 2021

### Question 1

**The number of four letter words can be formed using the letters of the word DECTIONARY is**

- (a) 5040 (b) 720  
(c) 30240 (d) 90

**Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

There are 10 letters in the word DECTIONARY. 4 letters can be selected and arranged out of these 10 letters in  ${}^{10}C_4 \times 4!$  ways.

Therefore,

$${}^{10}C_4 \times 4! = \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}{1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4} \times 4! = 5,040$$

### Question 2

**The number of words that can be formed using the letters of the "PETROL" such that the words do not have "P" in the first position, is**

- (a) 720 (b) 120  
(c) 600 (d) 540

**Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

We have 6 places to fill:

The first place can be filled either with E, T, R, O, or L, i.e., in 5 ways.

Suppose you fill the first place with T. Now, the second place can be filled either with P, E, R, O, or L, i.e., in 5 ways.

Suppose you fill the second place with P. Now, the third place can be filled either with E, R, O, or L, i.e., in 4 ways.

Suppose you fill the third place with E. Now, the fourth. be filled either with R, O, or L, i.e., in 3 ways.

Suppose you fill the fourth place with R. Now, the Can fifth be filled either with O, or L, i.e., in 2 ways.

Suppose you fill the fifth place with O. Now, the sixth place cab be filled either with L, i.e., in 1 way.

Therefore, the number of words that can be formed =  $5 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 600$

### Question 3

**If  ${}^nP_2 = 12$ , then the value of n is**

- (a) 2 (b) 3

(c) 4

(d) 6

**Answer: c****Explanation:**

Try the options.

Option (a) – 2

$${}^2P_2 = 2$$

Option (b) – 3

$${}^3P_2 = 3 \times 2 = 6$$

Option (c) – 3

$${}^4P_2 = 4 \times 3 = 12$$

**Question 4**

**The number of different ways the letters of the word "DETAIL" can be arranged in such a way that the vowels can occupy only the odd position is**

(a) 32

(b) 36

(c) 48

(d) 60

**Answer:****Explanation:**

Vowels: E, A I

Consonants: D, T, L

These are six places to be filled:

1 2 3 4 5 6

There are three odd positions, i.e., 1, 3 and 5. Also, there are three vowels. Therefore, three vowels can be arranged in 3 places in  $3!$  Ways.

Similarly, the 3 consonants can be arranged in the positions 2, 4, and 6 in  $3!$  Ways.

Therefore, total number of ways =  $3! \times 3! = 6 \times 6 = 36$ .

**Question 5**

**Six boys and five girls are to be seated for a photograph in a row such that no two girls sit together and no two boys sit together. Find the number of ways in which this can be done.**

(a) 74,200

(b) 96,900

(c) 45,990

(d) 86,400

**Answer:****Explanation:**

No. of Boys = 6

No. of Girls = 5

$$B_1 \times B_2 \times B_3 \times B_4 \times B_5 \times B_6$$

$$\text{No. of ways} = {}^5P_4 = 6!$$

$$= 5! \times 6!$$

$$= 120 \times 720$$

$$= 86,400$$

**JUNE 2022****Question 1**

**If a man travels from place A to B in 10 ways then by hoe many ways can become back by another train?**

- (a) 94 (b) 110  
(c) 90 (d) 99

**Answer: Options (c)**

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{No. of ways} &= 10 \times 9 \\ &= 90\end{aligned}$$

### Question 2

**If four words are taken with or without meaning from the word 'Logarithm' without repetition. How many words will be formed?**

- (a) 5040 (b) 2520  
(c) 120 (d) 40320

**Answer: Options (a)**

**Explanation:**

'Logarithm'

Here  $n = 10$  and  $r = 4$

No. of ways =  ${}^n P_r$

$$\begin{aligned}&= {}^{10} P_4 \\ &= \frac{{}^L 10}{{}^L 10 - 4}} = \frac{{}^L 10}{{}^L 6}} \\ &= \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7}{{}^L 6}} \\ &= 5040\end{aligned}$$

### Question 3

**If  $\frac{n!}{10} = \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-n+3)!}$ , find 'n'.**

- (a) 4 (b) 5  
(c) 6 (d) 7

**Answer: Options (b)**

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{If } \frac{n!}{10} &= \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-n+3)!} \\ \frac{n(n-1)!}{10} &= \frac{(n-1)!}{2!} \\ \frac{n}{10} &= \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow 2n = 10 \\ n &= 5\end{aligned}$$

### Question 4

**7 boys and 4 girls from which a team of 5 is to be selected, each team should have atleast one girl is:**

- (a) 429 (b) 439  
(c) 419 (d) 441

**Answer: Options (d)**

**Explanation:**

Boys	Girls
7	4

If at least one girl is selected then it may be following cases:

- (a) 1 Girls and 4 Boys =  ${}^4 C_1 \times {}^7 C_4 = 4 \times 35 = 140$   
(b) 2 Girls and 3 Boys =  ${}^4 C_2 \times {}^7 C_3 = 6 \times 35 = 210$

- (c) 3 Girls and 2 Boys =  ${}^4C_3 \times {}^7C_2 = 4 \times 21 = 84$   
 (d) 4 Girls and 1 Boys =  ${}^4C_4 \times {}^7C_1 = 1 \times 7 = 7$   
 Total No of ways =  $140 + 210 + 84 + 7$   
 = 441

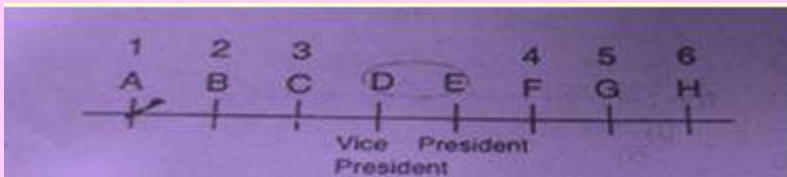
**Question 5**

8 people are seated in a row in a meeting among them the president and vice president are to be seated always in the centre. What is the arrangement?

- (a)  $7!2!$  (b)  $6!2!$   
 (c)  $6!$  (d)  $1!$

**Answer: Options (b)**

**Explanation:**



No. of ways =  $6! \times 2!$

**Question 6**

There are 5 questions each have four options. Then in how many different ways can we answer the question?

- (a) 20 (b) 120  
 (c) 1024 (d) 60

**Answer: Options (c)**

**Explanation:**

No. of ways =  $n^r$

Here  $n = 4, r = 5$

$$= 4^5$$

$$= 1024$$

**Question 7**

If there are 6 points in a line and 4 points in another line. Find the number of parallelogram formed?

- (a) 80 (b) 70  
 (c) 90 (d) 100

**Answer: Options (c)**

**Explanation:**

No. of Parallelogram =  ${}^mC_2 \times {}^nC_2$

Here,  $m = 6, n = 4$

$$= {}^6C_2 \times {}^4C_2$$

$$= 15 \times 6$$

$$= 90$$

**Question 8**

If  ${}^{11}C_x = {}^{11}C_{2x-4}$  and  $x \neq 4$ , then value of  ${}^7C_x$

- (a) 20 (b) 21

(c) 22

(d) 23

**Answer: Options (b)****Explanation:**If  ${}^{11}C_x = {}^{11}C_{2x-4}$  [ $\therefore$  if  ${}^nC_x = {}^nC_y$ , then  $n = n + y$ ]then,  $x + 2n - 4 = 11$  $3n = 15$ 

$$n = \frac{15}{3} = 5$$

$${}^7C_n = {}^7C_5 = {}^7C_2 = \frac{7 \times 6}{2 \times 1} = 21$$

## DEC 2022

### Question 1

**There are 20 points in a plane area. How many triangles can be formed by these points if 5 points are collinear?**

a) 550

b) 560

c) 1130

d) 1140

**Answer: Options (d)****Explanation:**

To get a triangle, three points must be connected. Hence, we have to select 3 points from 20 points.

Therefore,

$${}^{20}C_3 = \frac{20!}{17! \times 3!} = \frac{20 \times 19 \times 18}{3 \times 2} = 1140$$

### Question 2

**The number of ways 4 boys and 3 girls can be seated in a row so that they are alternate is:**

a) 12

b) 288

c) 144

d) 256

**Answer: Options (c)****Explanation:**

B G B G B G B

4 boys take their seats in 4! ways 3 girls take their seats in 3! ways Required number = 4! x 3!

= 24 x 6

= 144

### Question 3

**If  $n_{Pr} = 3024$  and  $n_{Cr} = 126$ , then find n and r**

a) 9, 4

b) 10, 3

c) 12, 4

d) 11, 4

**Answer: Options (a)****Explanation:**

$$n_{Pr} = 3024 = 72 \times 42 = 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 = \frac{9!}{(9-4)!} = {}_9P_4$$

Hence  $(n, r) = (9, 4)$