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Fundamental principal of counting:-

1. Product Rule:

If there are 'm' ways of doing a first thing & for each of them there is 'n' ways of doing a second thing, then total number of ways of doing both the thing together is $m \times n$

Eg: - In how many different ways can 3 travelers stay in 4 hotels, when each one should stay in different hotel?

Solution: For first traveler there are 4 choices, for second traveler there are 3 choices, for third traveler there are only 2 choices
Therefore total ways = $4 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$ ways

2. Addition Rule:

Eg- If there are 4 different ways from Surat to Ahmedabad, & 3 different ways from Surat to Mumbai, then in how many ways can a person can go to Ahmedabad or Mumbai from Surat?

As From Surat a person can go either Mumbai or Ahmedabad. When we have OR it is two different cases hence the number of ways is $4 + 3 = 7$

Note: Addition Rule & Product Rule signifies the cases of "OR" & "AND"

Permutation:

Each of the different arrangements which can be made by taking some or all of a number of things is called permutation.

Eg- Suppose Amy, Brian, and Charles are to sit side by side. Then there are 6 different orders in which they can arrange themselves.

ABC, ACB, BAC, BCA, CAB, CBA – each of these permutation is different from the others.

Results:

a. Number of permutation of 'n' dissimilar things taken r at time = ${}^n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$.

⇒ In above case repetition is not allowed, ie if you fill the first place in 'n' ways, then second place will be filled by (n-1) ways, third by (n-2) ways.....&rth by (n-r +1) ways

⇒ Now if repetition is allowed, in this case each place is filled by n ways. Hence by fundamental theorem of counting all r places can be filled in n^r ways.

b. Number of permutation of 'n' dissimilar things taken all at a time = ${}^n P_n = n!$

c. If out of 'n' things 'p' are exactly alike of one kind, 'q' exactly alike of second kind, & 'r' exactly alike of third kind & rest are different, then the number of permutation of 'n' things taken all at a time

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n!}{p!+q!+r!}$$

d. Number of circular permutation of 'n' different things taken all at a times

$$\Rightarrow (n-1)!$$

⇒ Particular case: Necklace

Number of arrangement of 'n' beads all different to form a necklace or on a circular wire will be $\frac{1}{2} (n-1)!$

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- e. Number of permutation of 'n' dissimilar things taken 'r' at a time when 'p' particular things always occur
 $\Rightarrow {}^{n-p}C_{r-p} \cdot r!$
- f. Number of permutation of 'n' dissimilar things taken 'r' at a time when 'p' particular things never occur
 $\Rightarrow {}^{n-p}C_r \cdot r!$

Combinations:

Each of different groups or selection which can be made by taking some or all of a numbers of things (irrespective of order) is called combinations.

Eg-Suppose we wish to know how many color combinations can be made from four different colored marbles if we use only three marbles at a time. The marbles are colored red, green, white, and yellow

Sol. We list the possible combinations as follows:RGW RGY RWY GWY

- i. If we rearrange the groups, for example RGW, to form GWR or RWG, we still have the same color combination within each group; therefore, order is not important.

Results:

- a. Number of combination of 'n' dissimilar things taken 'r' at a time
 $\Rightarrow {}^nC_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$
- b. Number of combination of 'n' dissimilar things taken 'r' at a time
 $\Rightarrow {}^nC_n = 1$
- c. Number of combinations of 'n' dissimilar things taken 'r' at a time, when 'p' particular things always occur
 $\Rightarrow {}^{n-p}C_{r-p}$
- d. Number of combinations of 'n' dissimilar things taken 'r' at a time, when 'p' particular things always occur
 $\Rightarrow {}^{n-p}C_r$

Special cases:

a. Division Into Groups:-

- i. The number of way in which (m + n) things can be divided into two groups containing 'm' & 'n' things respectively

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(m+n)!}{m! n!}$$

- ii. If n = m, the group are equal, & in this case the number of different ways of subdivision

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2m!}{m! m! 2!}$$

- iii. If 2m things are to be divided equally between two persons, then the number of division

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 m!}{m! m!}$$

- iv. The number of division of m+n+p things into group of m, n, & p things respectively

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{(m+n+p)!}{m! n! p!}$$

b. Selection out of identical things:-

- i. If there be 'n' identical things out of which we have to draw r things, then the number of combinations or selection will be 1
 \Rightarrow But if there be 'n' different things, then the number of selection of 'r' things will be nC_r
- ii. If there be 'n' identical things & we have to make a selection of any number, it would mean that we may select none, one, two, or three.....or n things. Thus the number of selection will be n+1.
 \Rightarrow But for **non- empty selection** it will be 'n' only, and the case of none will be excluded
 \Rightarrow But if there be 'n' different things, then the number of selection of any number r (r may be 0, 1, 2,n) will be $= 2^n$.
 \Rightarrow But for non-empty selection $= (2^n - 1)$

Points to remember:

- a. ${}^nC_r = {}^nC_{n-r}$
- b. ${}^nC_{r_1} = {}^nC_{r_2} \Rightarrow r_1 = r_2$ or $r_1 + r_2 = n$
- c. ${}^nC_r + {}^nC_{r-1} = {}^{n+1}C_r$
- d. Selection of **at least one lady**, from the committee out of gents & ladies = total – (no lady) = selection of committees with at least one.
 \Rightarrow Similarly at least two ladies = Total – (No lady + one lady)

Probability:-

Probability is the measure of the likelihood of occurrence of an event.

Probability of an event = $\frac{\text{number of favourable outcome}}{\text{Number of all possible outcome}}$

- a. If an event E is sure to occur, we say that the probability of the event E is equal to 1 & we write $P(E) = 1$, Such events are known as certain events.
- b. If an event E is sure not to occur, we say that the probability of the event E is equal to 0 & we write $P(E) = 0$, Such events are known as impossible events.

Therefore, for any event E, $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$

For example, if we toss a coin, it is more likely for a 'head' or a 'tail' to come up? If the coin is unbiased, we find that there is an equal chance for a 'head' or a 'tail' to come up. Thus the chance for a 'head' (or a 'tail') to come up is $\frac{1}{2}$.

Notes:

- a. If the outcome of an operation can occur in 'n' equally likely ways, & if 'm' of these ways are favorable to an event E, then the probability of E, denoted by P(E), is given by $P(E) = \frac{m}{n}$

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- b. As $0 \leq m \leq n$, therefore for any event E, we have $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$
- c. The probability of E not occurring, denoted by $P(\text{not } E)$, is given by $P(\text{not } E)$
Or $P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E)$
- d. Odds in Favour = $\frac{\text{Number of favourable cases}}{\text{Number of unfavourable cases}}$
- e. Odds against = $\frac{\text{Number of unfavourable cases}}{\text{Number of favourable cases}}$

Mutually exclusive events:-

If two events are said to be mutually exclusive then if one happens, the other cannot happen & vice versa. In other words events have no simultaneous occurrence.

Eg- In rolling a die;

- a. E : The event that the number is odd
- b. F: The event that the number is even
- c. G: The number that the number is a multiple of three

In drawing a card from a pack of 52 cards:

- a. E: The event that it is a spade.
- b. F: The event that it is a club
- c. G: The event that it is a King

In the above 2 cases event E & F are mutually exclusive but the events E & G mutually exclusive or disjoint since they may have common outcomes.

Additional law of Probability:-

If E & F are two mutually exclusive events, then the probability that either event E or event F will occur in a single trial is given by: **$P(E \text{ or } F) = p(E) + P(F)$**

If the events are not mutually exclusive, then **$P(E \text{ or } F) = p(E) + P(F) - P(E \text{ \& } F \text{ together})$**

Independent Events:

Two events are independent if the occurrence of one has no effect on the occurrence of the other.

Eg-

1. On rolling a die & tossing a coin together:
E: The event that number 6 turn up
F: The event that head turns up
2. In shooting a target:
E: event that the first trial is missed
F: Event that the second trail is missed

In both these cases events E & F are independent.

Multiplication Law of Probability:-

If the event E & F are independent, then **$P(E \text{ \& } F) = P(E) \times P(F)$**

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Conditional Probability:-

Let A & B are two dependent events, then probability of occurrence of events A when B has already occurred is given by $P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$

Bayes' theorem.

Let A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n be a set of mutually exclusive events that together form the sample space S. Let B be any event from the same sample space, such that $P(B) > 0$. Then,

$$P(A_k | B) = \frac{P(A_k \cap B)}{P(A_1 \cap B) + P(A_2 \cap B) + \dots + P(A_n \cap B)}$$