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## BASIC COUNTING RULE

If we are asked to choose one item from each of two separate categories where there are m items in the first category and n items in the second category, then the total number of available choices is  $\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{n}$ .

This is sometimes called the **multiplication rule for probabilities**.

**Example** Suppose you have 5 different colored shirts (red, blue, green, yellow, and black) and 4 different colored pants (orange, purple, gray, and brown) in your wardrobe.

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Let's consider a scenario where you're organizing a sports event with different activities and teams.

Suppose you have the following options:

3 types of activities (football, basketball, volleyball)4 teams (Team A, Team B, Team C, Team D)2 time slots (morning, afternoon)

Total number of different combinations: #(options for activities) × #(options for teams) × #(options for time slots)

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total number of combinations =  $6 \cdot 6 \cdot 6 = 216$ 

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## How many combinations are there of a four digit numeric code?

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You draw a card from a standard deck of 52 cards 2 times, with replacement.

## You spin a spinner with 8 equal sections 5 times. How many possible outcomes are there in total?



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1	2	3	4	5
1	2	3	5	4
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31245	41235	51234
31254	41253	51231
3 1 4 2 5	4 1 3 2 5	51245
3 1 4 5 2	4 1 3 5 2	51324
3 1 5 2 4	4 1 5 2 3	51342
3 1 5 4 2	4 1 5 3 2	51423
32145	42135	51432
32154	42153	52134
32134 32115	42135	52143
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3 2 5 4 1	4 2 5 3 1	52431
3 4 1 2 5	4 3 1 2 5	53124
3 4 1 5 2	43152	53142
3 4 2 1 5	43215	53214
3 4 2 5 1	43251	53214
3 4 5 1 2	4 3 5 1 2	5241
3 4 5 2 1	4 3 5 2 1	55412
35124	45123	53421
35142	45132	54123
35214	45213	54132
3 5 2 4 1	4 5 2 3 1	54213
35412	45312	54231
35421	45321	54312
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## FACTORIAL

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

Suppose there are 5 different tasks (A, B, C, D, E) to be assigned to 5 employees (Alice, Bob, Charlie, David, Emma) in a company.

How many ways can the tasks be assigned to the employees?



library.

How many ways can the books be arranged on the shelves?

### Suppose there are 7 different books to be placed on 7 different shelves in a



# Suppose there are 5 different seats in a row, and 5 friends need to sit in those seats.

How many ways can the friends be seated?

Suppose there are 6 different colored balls (red, blue, green, yellow, purple, orange) to be placed into 6 distinct boxes.

How many ways can the balls be placed in the boxes?



### question

In a deck of 52 playing cards, how many different ways can you draw three cards in a specific order without replacement?

# $nPr=n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdots (n-r+1)$ We say that there are **nPr permutations** of size r that may be selected from among n choices without replacement when order matters. It turns out that we can express this result

more simply using factorials.





# How many different ways can 3 students be chosen and arranged from a group of 5 students?

# 2! (5-3)!

# $5! = 5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$ $2 \times 1$





A restaurant has 7 different types of desserts, and the chef wants to create a special dessert platter with 3 different desserts. How many different ways can the chef arrange these desserts?

A music festival features 9 different bands, and the organizer wants to schedule 4 of these bands to perform in a specific order. How many different ways can the organizer arrange these 4 bands?



I have twelve different types of plants, and I want to arrange only five of them in a row on my garden bed. How many different ways could I do this?



# COMBINATIONS

# nCr=

# 

# (n-r)! r!

How many ways can I choose socks?

### How many ways can I choose 3 socks from a drawer containing 23



# committee of 3 students to represent the class?

In a group of 10 students, how many different ways can we choose a

## A pizza restaurant offers 10 different toppings. How many different combinations of 5 toppings can a customer choose for their pizza?

# coach choose the players?

A sports team has 15 players, and the coach needs to select 4 players to represent the team in a tournament. How many different ways can the



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# Expected Value

procedure is repeated many times.

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- Expected Value is the average gain or loss of an event if the
- We can compute the expected value by multiplying each outcome by the probability of that outcome, then adding



# Expected Value

## $E(X) = x_1 \cdot P(x_1) + x_2 \cdot P(x_2) + \cdots + x_n \cdot P(x_n) = \sum x \cdot P(x)$

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$$X_1 = \$1000 - 50 = \$950$$
  
 $X_2 = \$600 - 50 = \$550$   
 $X_3 = \$300 - 50 = \$250$   
 $X_4 = -\$50$ 

 $E(X) = X_1 \cdot P$ = 950.

$$P_{1} = \frac{1}{50}$$

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$$P_{4} = \frac{47}{50}$$

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$$E(X) = P_{success} \cdot X_{success} + P_{failure} \cdot X_{failure} = 0.6 \cdot 500,000 - 0.4 \cdot 20$$
  
= \$220,000

 $P_{\text{failure}} = 0.4$ 

 $X_{success} = $500,000$  $X_{failure} = -$200,000$ 



