

EXERCISE 6D

PROBABILITY INVOLVING PERMUTATIONS AND COMBINATIONS

1. A bag contains 4 black balls and 3 white balls. Two balls are withdrawn without replacement. Find the probability of drawing 2 black balls.
2. The letters of the word TRIPLE are arranged randomly in a row. Find the probability that the P and the L are together in the six letter word thus formed.
3. Four girls and four boys arrange themselves in a row. What is the probability that the girls and boys occupy alternate positions ?
4. Your mathematics tutorial class consists of 16 students. You and one of your friends are in this class. Three students are selected at random to write on the blackboard.
 - (a) What is the probability that you will be selected ?
 - (b) What is the probability that you will be selected but your friend will not ?
5. Five cards are selected at random from a pack of 52 playing cards. What is the probability that they are all hearts ?
6. From a group of 7 pupils and 5 teachers, a random selection of 7 is made. What is the probability that it contains, at least, 4 pupils ?
7. A committee of 4 men and 3 women is chosen from 7 men and 6 women. What is the probability that it contains a particular man and a particular woman?
8. Eight people, of whom X and Y are two, are arranged, at random, in a straight line. What is the probability that
 - (a) X and Y are next to each other;
 - (b) X and Y occupy the end positions;
 - (c) There are, at least, 3 people between X and Y .
9. The letters of the word potato are arranged, at random, in a row. What is the probability that
 - (a) The two letters T are together;
 - (b) The two letters T occupy the end positions ?
10. The numbers 1,2,3,4,5 are used to form 5-digit numbers with no repetition of digits. What is the probability that the 2 and 3 will be next to each other ?

ANSWERS

1. $\frac{2}{7}$

2. $\frac{1}{3}$

3. $\frac{1}{35}$

4. (a) $\frac{3}{16}$ (b) $\frac{13}{80}$

5. $\frac{33}{66640}$

6. $\frac{149}{198}$

7. $\frac{2}{7}$

8. (a) $\frac{1}{4}$ (b) $\frac{1}{28}$ (c) $\frac{5}{14}$

9. (a) $\frac{1}{3}$ (b) $\frac{1}{15}$

10. $\frac{2}{5}$

Probability involving



m / Combs

1. 4 - Black 3 - W.

$$P(BB) = \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3}{6} = \frac{2}{7} \checkmark$$

2) - - - - - #

$$P(PL) = \frac{2! \times 5 \times 4!}{6!} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \checkmark$$

3. 4 girls, 4 boys.

a B a B - - - - -

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1) \times \overset{\text{Boys}}{2} \times \overset{\text{Ba}}{2}}{8!} \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{1}{35} \checkmark$$

4) 16

a) comb = $\frac{16C_3}{16} \checkmark$

b) P P > No. of ways we can be selected with friend.

$$1 - \frac{3C_2}{16C_3} = ?$$

$$\frac{1 \times C_2}{16C_3} = \frac{1 \times 13}{2 \times 1} \times \frac{5 \times 4 \times 1}{16 \times 5}$$

$$= \frac{13}{80}$$

$$5. \left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{12}{51} + \frac{11}{50} \times \frac{10}{49} + \frac{9}{48} \right) \times 5!$$

$$= \frac{33}{66640} \checkmark$$

$$\text{OR; } \frac{13C_5}{52C_5} = \frac{33}{66640}$$

6. 7 p, 5 t.

$$P(4) + P(5) + P(6) + P(7)$$

$$(7C_4 \times 5C_3) + (7C_5 \times 5C_2) + (7C_6 \times 5C_1) + (7C_7)$$

12C7

$$= \frac{149}{198} \checkmark$$

7 m ; 6 w.

7. 4 men. 3 women.

$$\frac{1 \times \overset{6}{C_3} \times 1 \times \overset{5}{C_2}}{7C_4 \times \overset{6}{C_3}}$$

$$= \frac{2 \times 2}{2 \times 1} + \frac{5 \times 4 \times 2 \times 1}{7 \times 2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{7}$$

a)

a) No. of ways X & Y can be arranged together:

$$\frac{2! \times 7 \times 6!}{8!} = \frac{1}{4} \checkmark$$

b) $\frac{X \quad \underline{6 \times 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1} \quad Y}{8!}$

$$\frac{2 \times 6!}{8!} = \frac{1}{28} \checkmark$$

c) $\left[P(2) P(1) + P(1) + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{\text{from a}} \right]$

~~$$\frac{X \quad Y}{1 \text{ six } 6 \text{ the } 7!} \quad \frac{X \quad Y}{?}$$

$$(2! \times 6 \times 5!) +$$

$$(2! \times 6 \times 5! \times 6) + (2! \cdot 6! \times 6)$$

$$7 + (2! \times 7 \times 6!)$$

$$= 25920.$$~~

c) P(< 3) between X & Y no one person

$X \quad Y \quad \underline{5} \quad + \quad \underline{XY} \quad \underline{\quad}$
 $2! \times 6 \times 5! = 1440$

2 persons

$X \quad \underline{\quad} \quad Y \quad \underline{4}$
 $= 2! \cdot 4 \times 4! = 720$

Total = 2160

$$P = \frac{2160}{8!} = \frac{3}{56}$$

(c) $X \quad \underline{\quad} \quad Y \quad \underline{\quad} = 2 \times {}^6C_3 \times 4 \times 3! \times 3!$
 $+ 2 \times {}^6C_4 \times 3 \times 4! \cdot 2!$
 $+ 2 \times {}^6C_5 \times 2 \times 5!$
 $+ 2 \times 6!$
 $\frac{14400 + 40320}{56} = \frac{5}{14}$

No. of ways T together:

$$\frac{2! \times 5 \times 4!}{6!} = \frac{2 \times 8!}{6 \times 5!} = \frac{1}{3} \checkmark$$

b) $\frac{T_1 \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \quad \underline{\quad} \quad T_2}{6!} = \frac{(2! \times 4!)}{6!} = \frac{1}{15} \checkmark$

10) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

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 $P(2,3) = \frac{2! \times 3! \times 5!}{5!} = 2 \times 4 \times 3! = 24$
 $\frac{24}{5!} = \frac{2}{5} \checkmark$