



Combinations

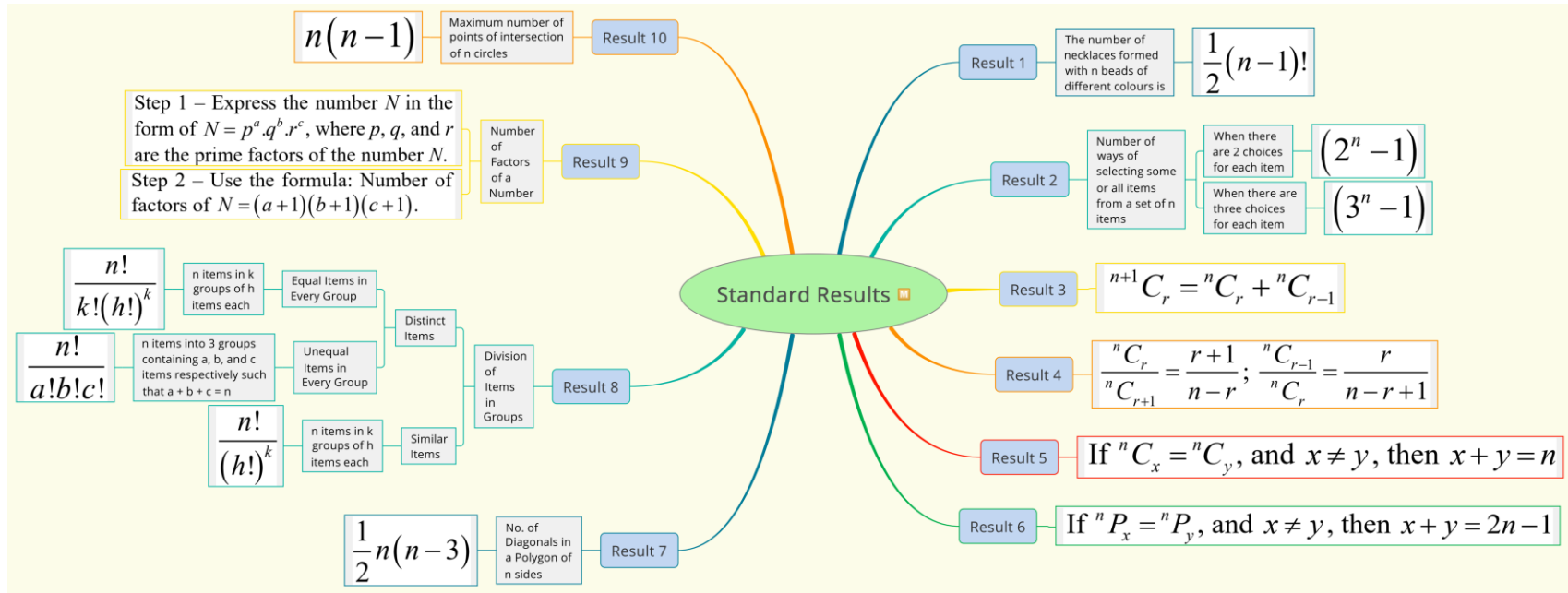
Meaning

Selections

Formula

nC_r

Selection of r items out of n items





Question 6

In ${}^n P_r = n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-r+1)$, the number of factors is:

- (a) n (b) $r-1$ (c) $n-r$ (d) r



Question 22

There are 6 books on Economics, 3 on Mathematics and 2 on Accountancy. In how many ways can these be placed on a shelf if the books on the same subject are to be together?

- (a) 1,440 (b) 51,840 (c) 52,740 (d) None



Question 26

The number of permutations of 10 different things taken 4 at a time in which one particular thing never occurs is:

- (a) 3,020 (b) 3,025 (c) 3,024 (d) None

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Question 44

The number of parallelograms that can be formed from a set of four parallel lines intersecting another set of three parallel lines is:

- (a) 6 (b) 18 (c) 12 (d) 9



Question 45

The Supreme Court has given a 6 to 3 decision upholding a lower court; the number of ways it can give a majority decision reversing the lower court is:

- (a) 256 (b) 276 (c) 245 (d) 226

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Question 51

A committee of 3 ladies and 4 gents is to be formed out of 8 ladies and 7 gents. Mrs. X refuses to serve in a committee in which Mr. Y is a member. The number of such committees is:

- (a) 1530 (b) 1500 (c) 1520 (d) 1540

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Question 58

5 persons are sitting in a round table in such way that Tallest Person is always on the right-side of the shortest person; the number of such arrangements is:

- (a) 6 (b) 8 (c) 24 (d) None

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Question 74

If ${}^nP_r = {}^nP_{r+1}$, and ${}^nC_r = {}^nC_{r-1}$, then find the value of n .

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

Solution

(a)

We know that if ${}^nP_x = {}^nP_y$, and $x \neq y$, then $x + y = 2n - 1$. Therefore, $r + r + 1 = 2n - 1$.

$$\Rightarrow 2r + 1 = 2n - 1 \Rightarrow 2r = 2n - 2 \Rightarrow r = \frac{2n - 2}{2} \Rightarrow r = n - 1.$$



Question 76

If a polygon has 44 diagonals, then the number of sides are:

- (a) 6 (b) 7 (c) 8 (d) 11

Solution

(d)

The number of diagonals in a polygon of n sides is $\frac{1}{2}n(n-3)$.

$$\frac{1}{2}n(n-3) = 44$$



Question 78

The number of ways in which 9 things can be divided into three groups containing 2, 3, and 4 things respectively is:

- (a) 1250 (b) 1260 (c) 1200 (d) None

Solution

(b)

The number of ways to divide n items into 3 groups $\rightarrow$ one containing a items, the second containing b items, and the third containing c items, such that $a + b + c = n$, is given by

$$\frac{n!}{a!b!c!}.$$

Therefore, $\frac{n!}{(h!)^k} = \frac{15!}{(5!)^3} = 7,56,756.$



Question 80

The number of different factors of the number 75,600 has is:

- (a) 120 (b) 121 (c) 119 (d) None

Solution

(c)

$$75,600 = 2^4 \cdot 3^3 \cdot 5^2 \cdot 7$$

Therefore, total number of factors of 75,600 = $(4+1)(3+1)(2+1)(1+1) = 120$



Question 81

The maximum number of points of intersection of 10 circles will be _____.

- (a) 90 (b) 100 (c) 110 (d) 120

Solution

The maximum number of points of intersection of n circles will be $n(n-1)$.

Therefore, $10(10-1) = 10 \times 9 = 90$.