

Solution: the committee contains is one of the same gender

$$\textcircled{1} C_4^{10} + C_4^6 = \frac{10!}{4!(10-4)!} + \frac{6!}{4!(6-4)!}$$

$$\textcircled{2} C_1^{10} C_3^6 + C_2^{10} C_2^6 + C_3^{10} C_1^6 + C_4^{10} C_0^6$$
$$= 185 \text{ ways}$$

$$\textcircled{3} C_2^{10} C_2^6 + C_1^{10} C_3^6 + C_0^{10} C_4^6$$
$$= 890 \text{ ways}$$

④ Excluding one of the women, then the number of women becomes 5

$$C_3^5 C_1^{10} = \frac{5!}{3!(5-3)!} \cdot \frac{10!}{1!(10-1)!}$$

⑤ Excluding one man, then the number of men becomes 9

$$C_2^9 C_2^6 = \frac{9!}{2!(9-2)!} \cdot \frac{6!}{2!(6-2)!}$$

$$= 540 \text{ way}$$

Find

$$P_3^6, P_8^{10}, P_7^{15}$$

Solution

$$P_3^6 = \frac{6!}{(6-3)!} = \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times \cancel{3!}}{\cancel{3!}} = 120$$

$$P_8^{10} = \frac{10!}{(10-8)!} = \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{2!} = 1814400$$

$$P_7^{15} = \frac{15!}{(15-7)!}$$

If $P_2^n = 72$
Find n

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

$$72 = \frac{n!}{(n-2)!}$$

$$72 = \frac{n(n-1)(\cancel{n-2})!}{(\cancel{n-2})!}$$

$$72 = n^2 - n$$

$$n^2 - n - 72 = 0$$

$$(n-9)(n+8) = 0$$

$$n = 9$$

$$n = -8 \text{ neglected.}$$

Find ①

$$\frac{1}{210} [P_3^7 + P_4^7] = \frac{1}{210} \left[\frac{7!}{(7-3)!} + \frac{7!}{(7-4)!} \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{210} \left[\frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{4!} + \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3!}{3!} \right]$$

② Find n if $C_{20}^n = C_{35}^n$

Since $C_r^n = C_{n-r}^n$

$$\therefore r = 20$$

$$n - r = 35$$

$$n - 20 = 35$$

$$\therefore n = 20 + 35$$
$$= 55$$

Example: If the number of questions of an exam are 10. we must choose 4 from the first five

Solution

$$C_4^5 C_3^5 = \frac{5!}{4!(5-4)!} \cdot \frac{5!}{3!(5-3)!}$$

$$= 50 \text{ way}$$

7

Example: Find the value of n if

$$2 \binom{n}{2} = \binom{n+1}{3}$$

Solution

$$2 C_2^n = \frac{n!}{2!(n-2)!}$$

$$C_3^{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)!}{3!(n+1-3)!}$$

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

$$\frac{n!}{(n-2)!} = \frac{(n+1)!}{6(n-2)!}$$

$$n! = \frac{(n+1)(n+1-1)!}{6}$$

$$6 \cdot n! = n!(n+1) \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$6 = n+1$$

$$n = 5$$

Example: If a student has to answer 8 questions out of 10,
Find

- ① The number of ways a student can answer the questions
- ② the number of ways a student can answer the question if the first and second are compulsory
- ③ The number of ways that can be answered in order

Solution

① C_8^{10}

② $C_6^8 = \frac{8!}{6!(8-6)!} = 7 \times 4 = 28$

③ $3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 \times 7 \times 8 \times 9 \times 10$

Example: Find the value of n if

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

$$\frac{n(n-1)\cancel{(n-2)!}}{\cancel{(n-2)!}} = 6$$

$$n^2 - n = 6$$

$$n^2 - n - 6 = 0$$

$$(n-3)(n+2) = 0 \Rightarrow n = 3$$