

# In how many ways can we select $k$ objects from among $n$ given objects?

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Today we discuss  
how to fill in these  
four slots.

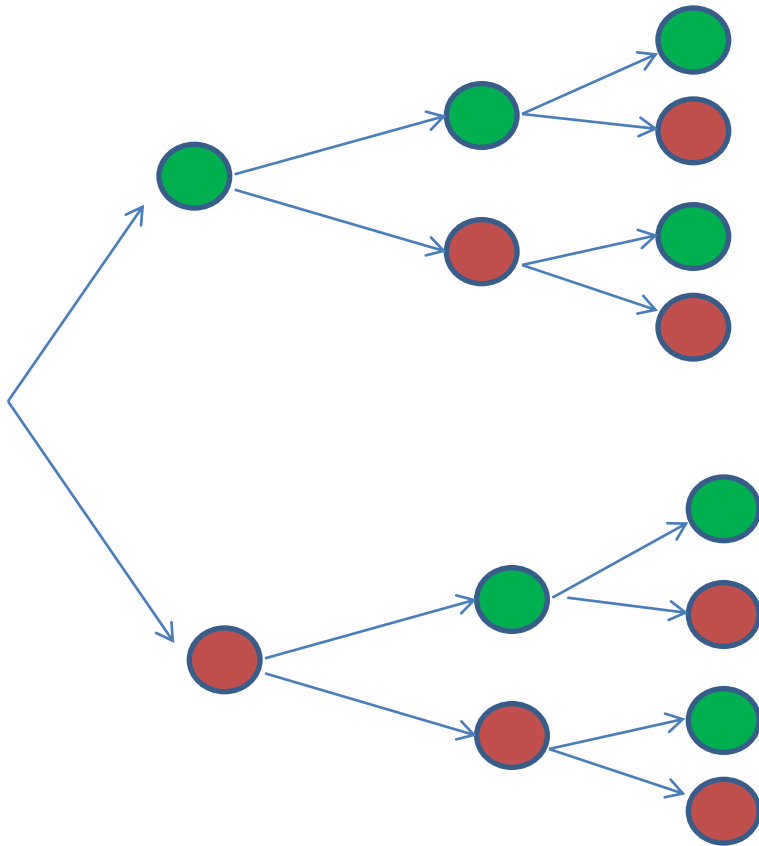


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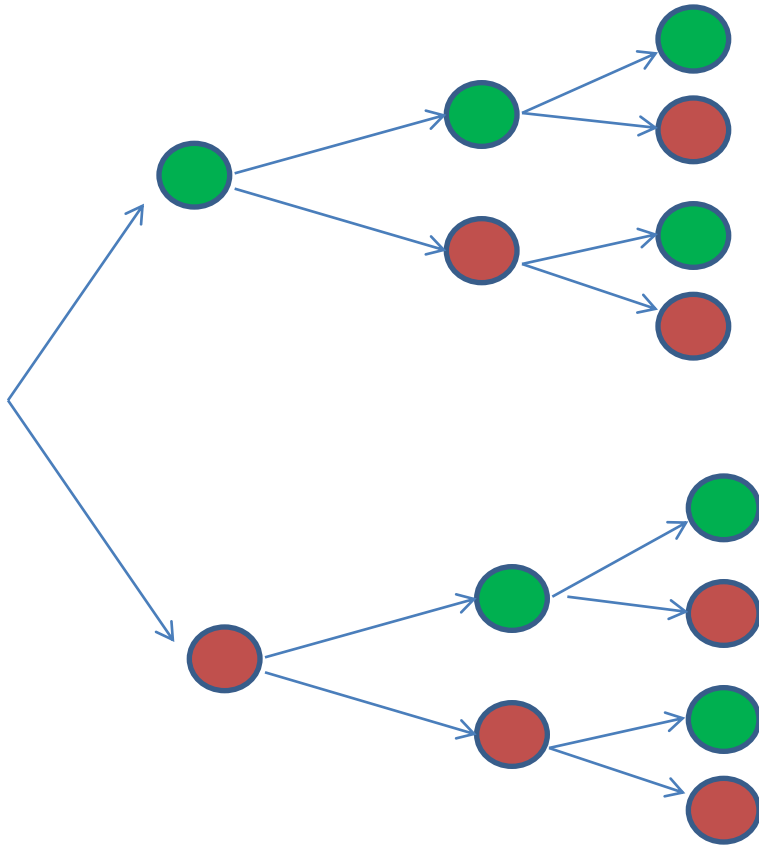
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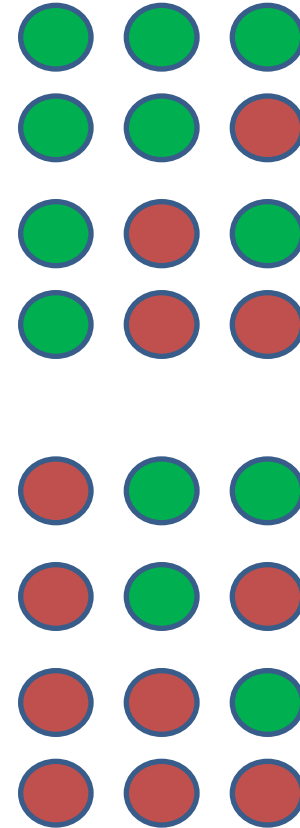
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$$= 2^3 = 8$$

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1.b) Codes of length 4 when these colours  
are available and repetitions are allowed?

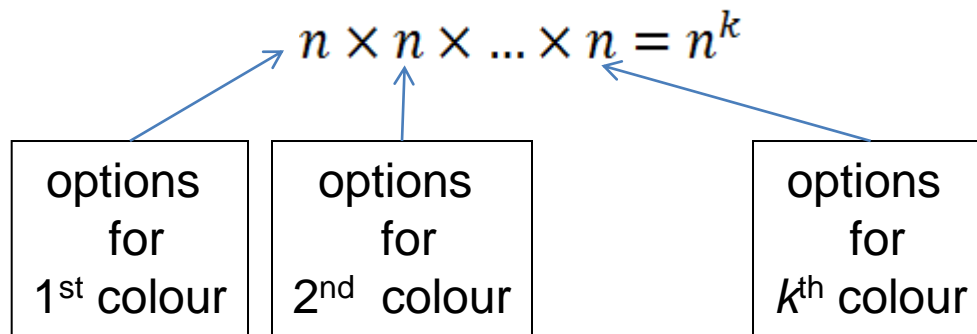


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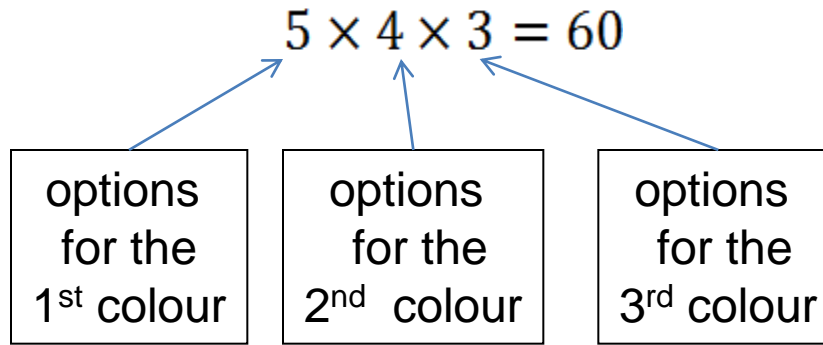
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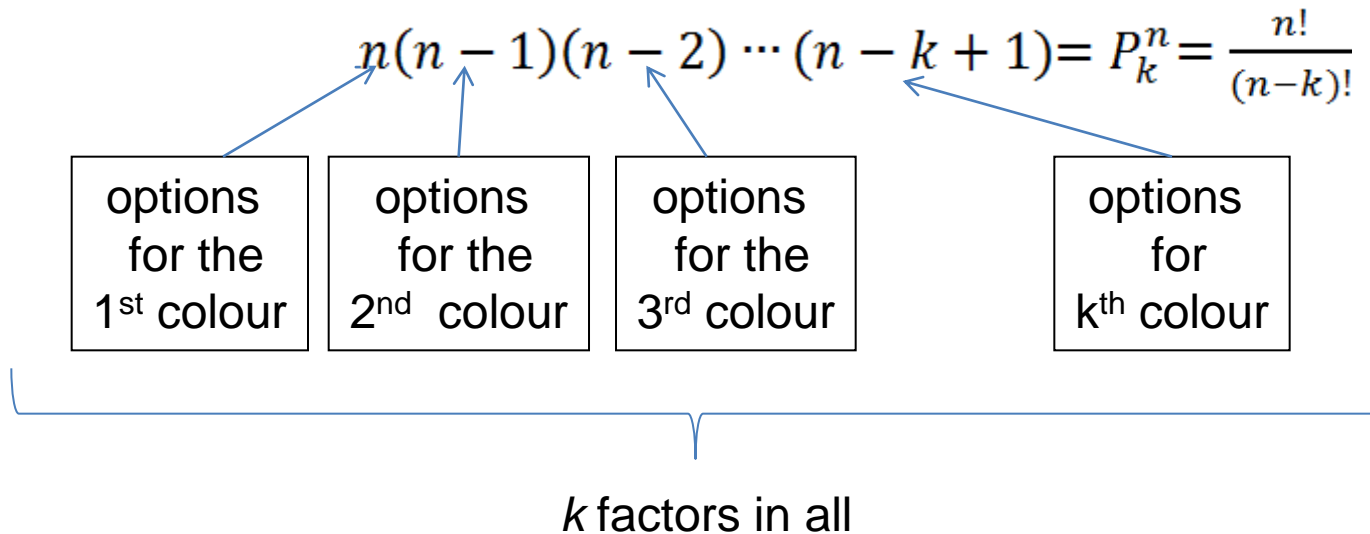


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2. c) Obtained by arranging all these colours:  
in all possible orders?



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2. c) In particular there are  $k! = k(k - 1)(k - 2) \cdots 1$

ways to arrange  $k$  colours in a row.

You may also think of it this way: you have  $k$  empty spaces for your  $k$  colours:

— — — — ... —

Choose a place for the 1<sup>st</sup> colour:  $k$  options.

Choose a place for the 2<sup>nd</sup> colour:  $(k - 1)$  options.

Choose a place for the 3<sup>rd</sup> colour:  $(k - 2)$  options.

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Choose a place for the  $k^{\text{th}}$  colour: 1 option.

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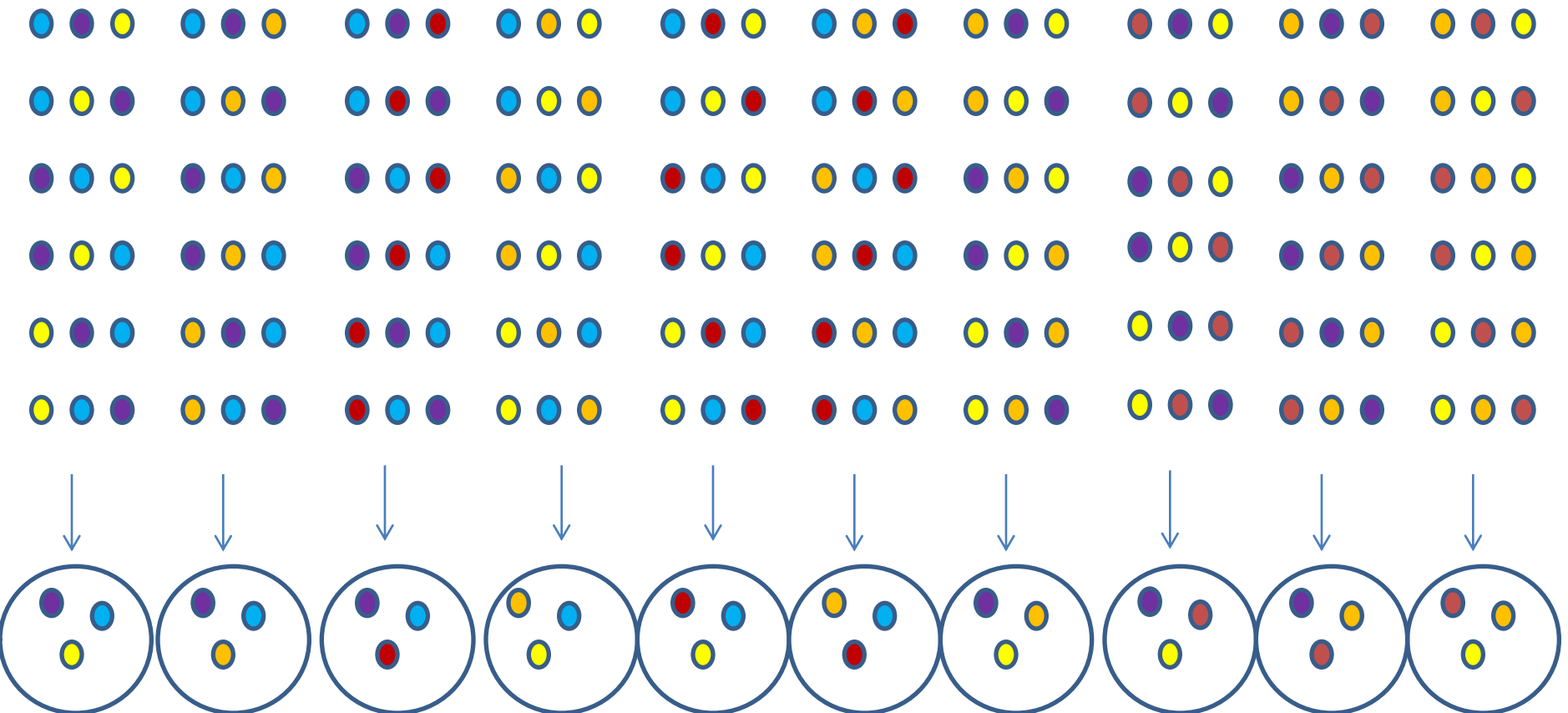
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3. b) How many sets of  $k$  objects selected from among  $n$  objects:

$$\binom{n}{k} = C_k^n = \frac{n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots (n-k+1)}{k(k-1)(k-2) \cdots 1}$$
$$C_k^n = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

The top (numerator) represents all the ways in which you can choose your objects in order.

The bottom (denominator) represents all the ways in which the chosen objects can be ordered.

There are  $k$  factors at the numerator and  $k$  at the denominator



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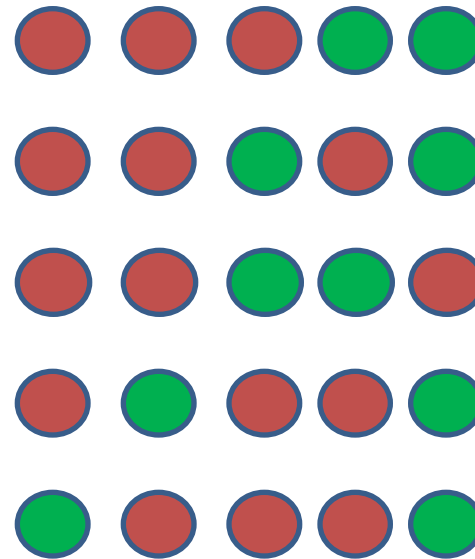
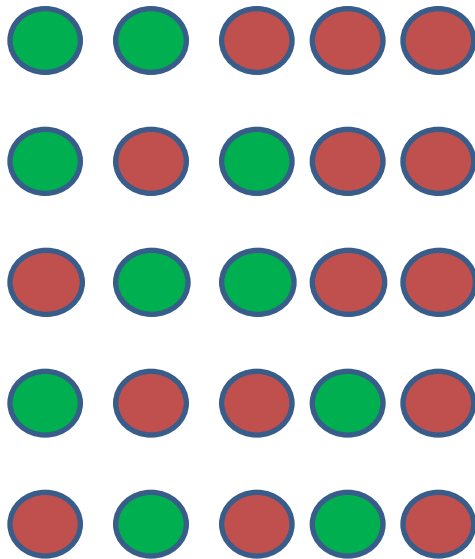
Imagine 5 empty spaces: \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_

and choose 3 of them where to place your Reds. Then the Greens will go in the remaining places

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Codes of length 5 with exactly 3 Reds and 2 Greens:

$$\frac{5 \times 4 \times 3}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = \frac{60}{6} = 10$$



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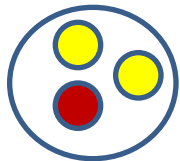
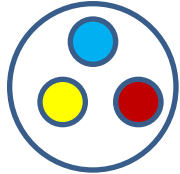


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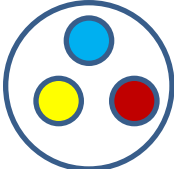
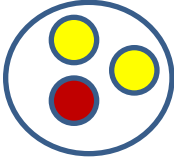

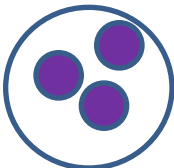


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4. Can you recover the multisets from the notations on the right?



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$$C_k^{k+n-1} = \binom{k+n-1}{k}$$

We count codes of

$k$	★	$-s$
$n-1$		$-s$



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Repetition is not allowed	$P_k^n = n(n-1) \cdots (n-k+1)$ $= \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$	$C_k^n = \frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-k+1)}{k(k-1) \cdots 1}$ $= \frac{n!}{k! (n-k)!}$

# End of Lesson

## Combinatorics 1

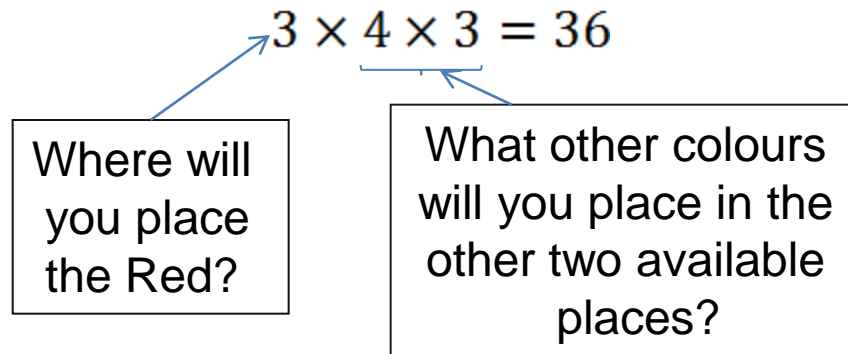
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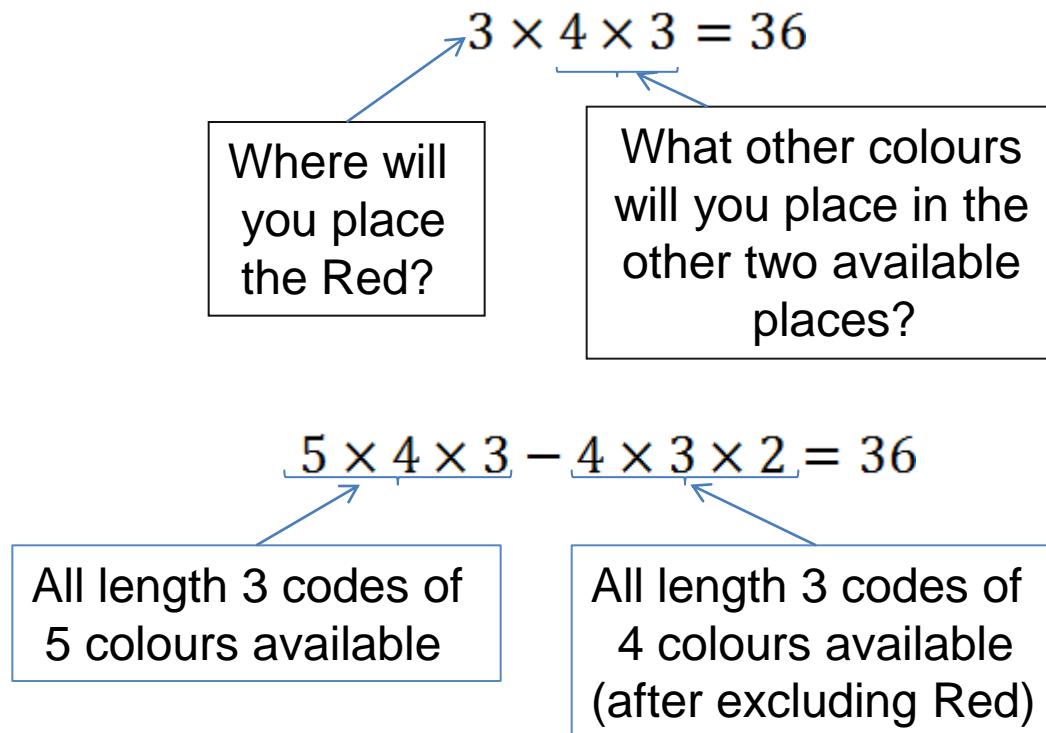
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$$P_k^n - P_k^{n-1} = k n(n-1) \cdots (n-k)$$

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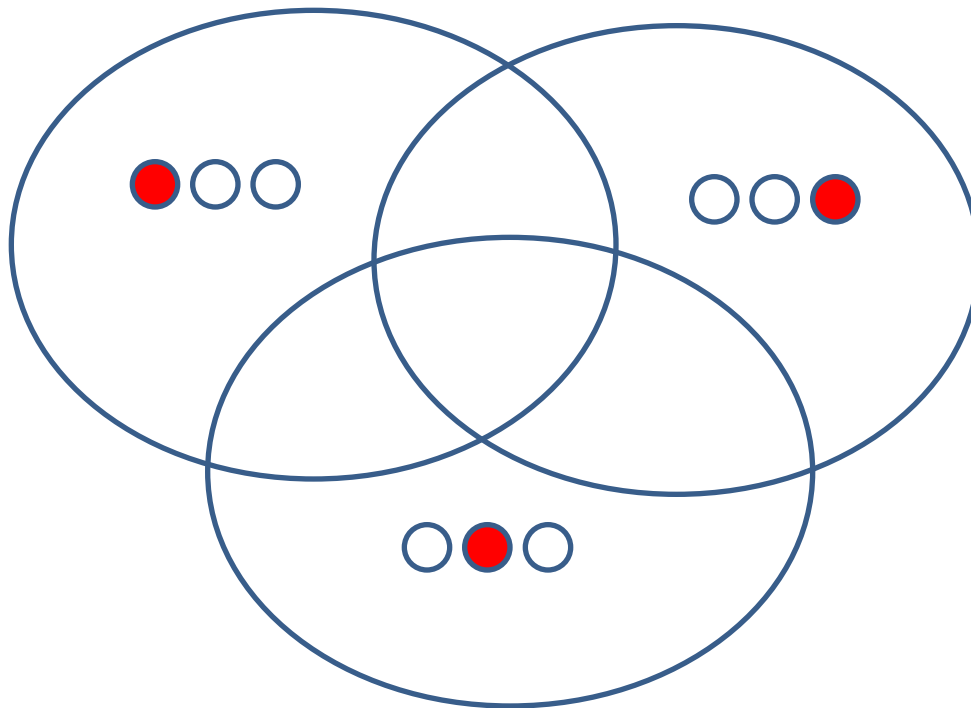
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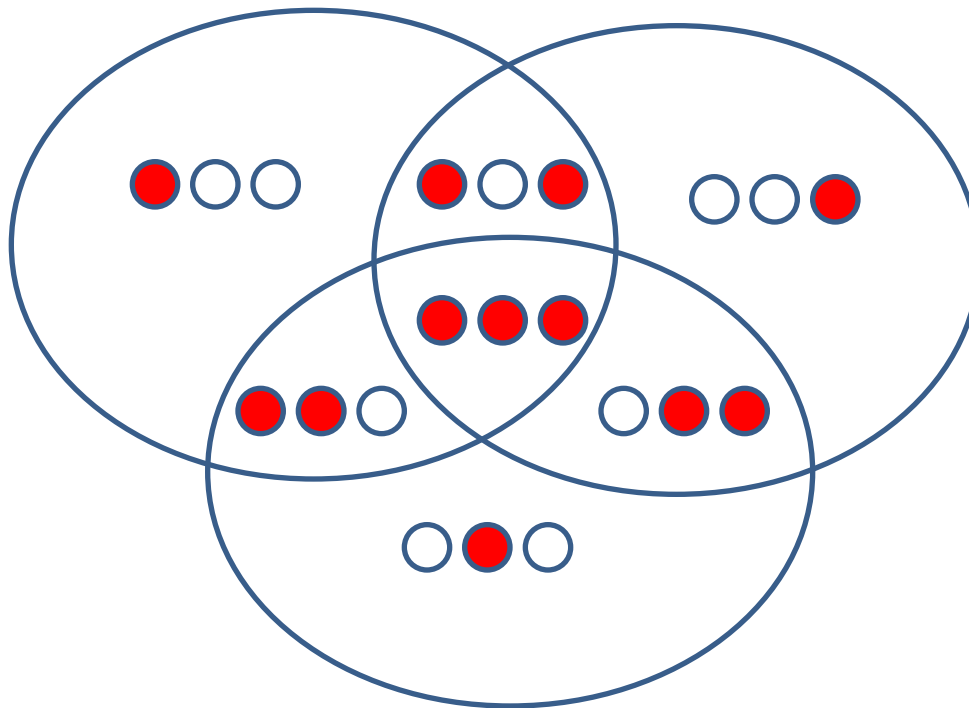
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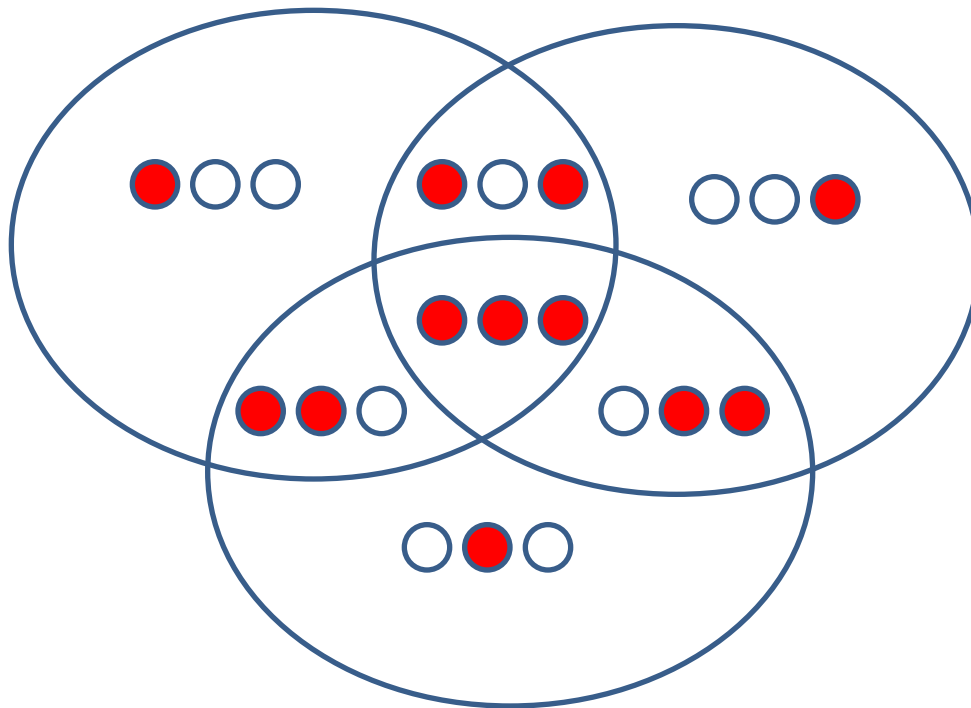
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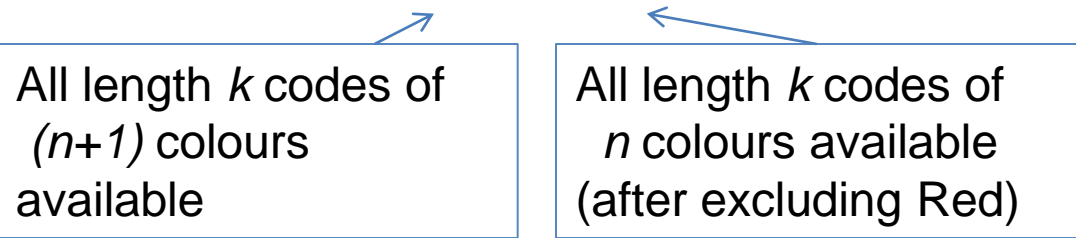
$$(4 + 1)^3 - 4^3 = 3 \times 4^2 + 3 \times 4 + 1$$

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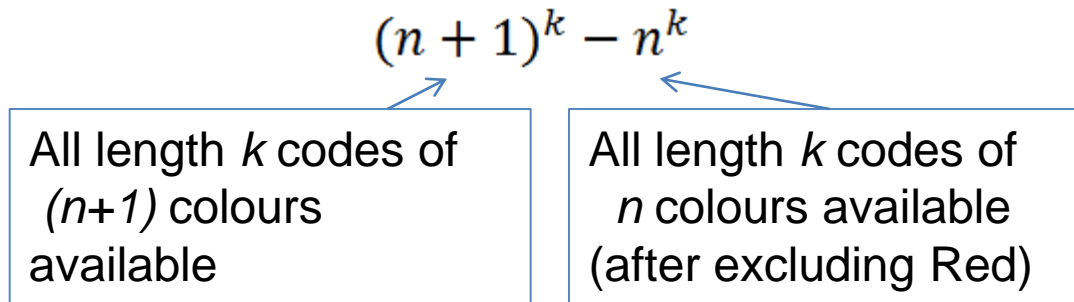


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Choose 3 places  
out of the 5 available.  
That's where your dark  
colours will go.







For each of the 3  
chosen places,  
choose one of the  
dark colours.

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remaining places,  
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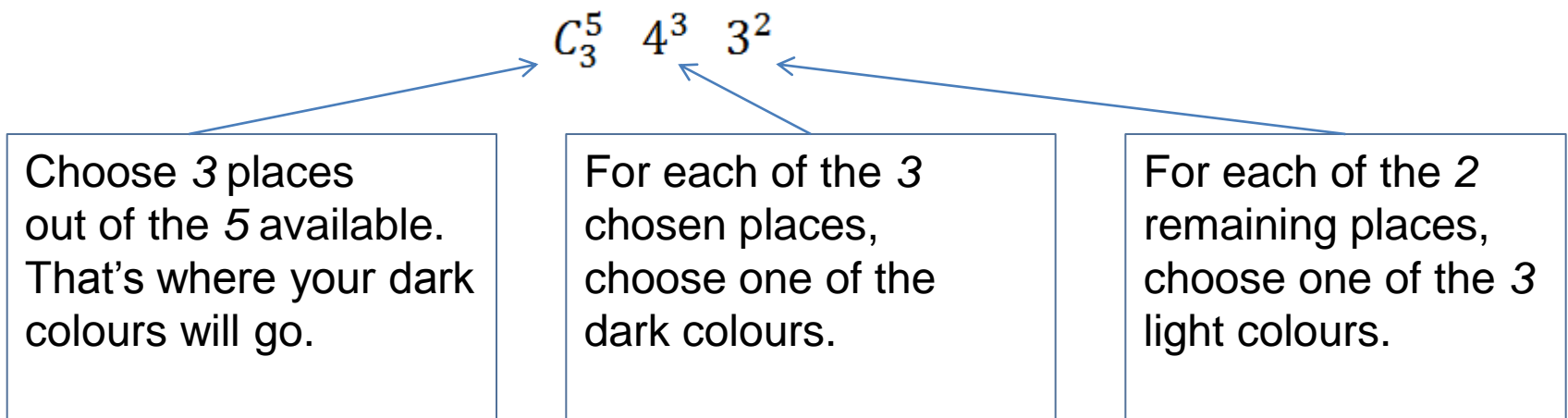


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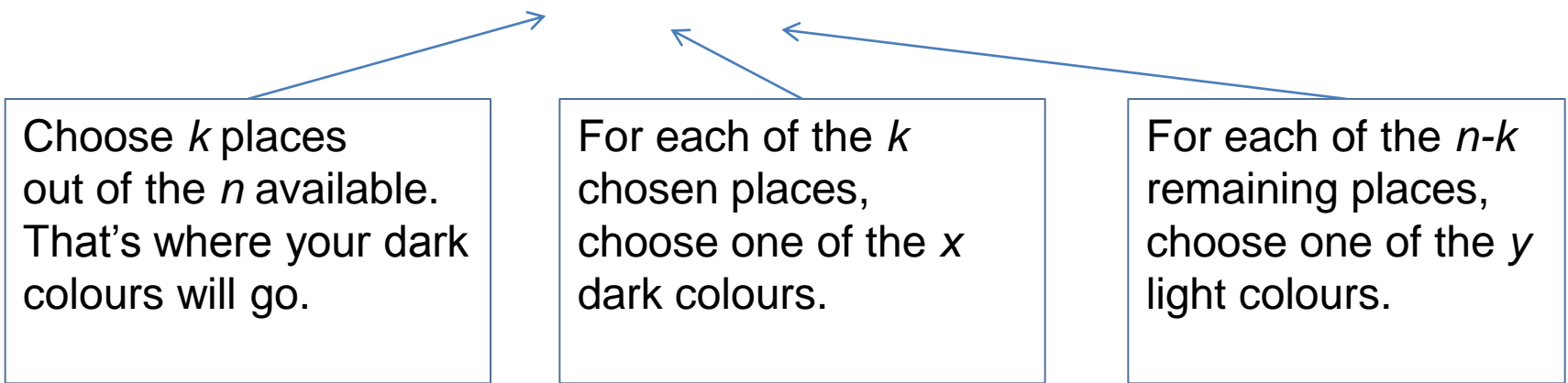
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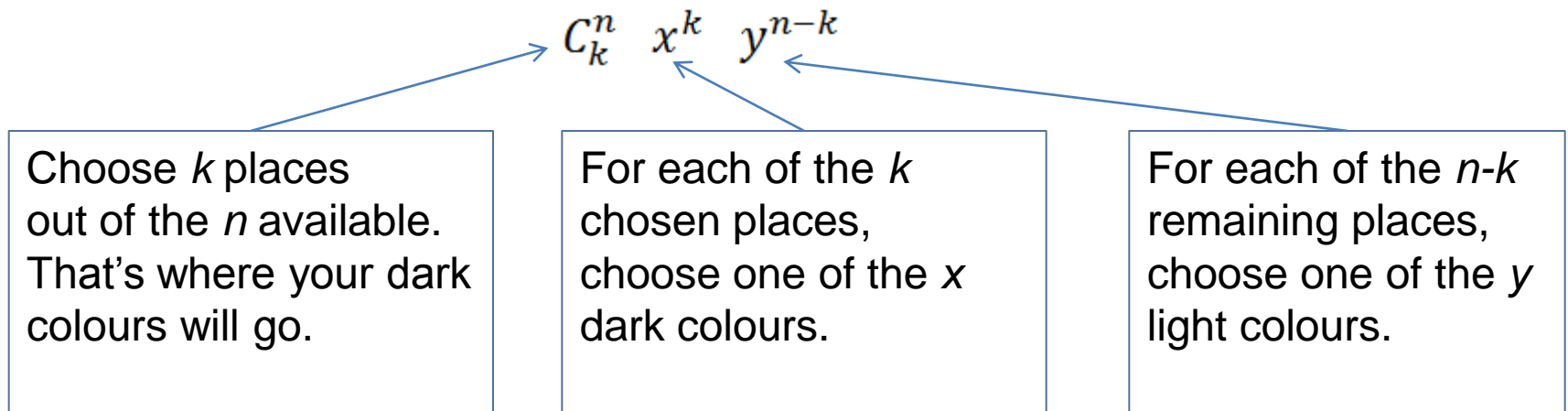
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6. c) Codes of length  $n$  with  $x+y$  colours ( $x$  dark colours and  $y$  light colours) if repetitions are allowed:

$$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n C_k^n x^k y^{n-k}$$
$$= C_0^n x^0 y^n + C_1^n x^1 y^{n-1} + C_2^n x^2 y^{n-2} + \dots$$

Codes with no  
light colours

Codes with 1  
light colour

Codes with 2  
light colours

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Codes of length  $n=0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ , or  $5$ , with  $x$  light colours and  $y$  dark colours available, repetitions allowed.

$$(x+y)^0 =$$

1

$$(x+y)^1 =$$

1x + 1y

$$(x+y)^2 =$$

1x<sup>2</sup> + 2x<sup>1</sup>y<sup>1</sup> + 1y<sup>2</sup>

$$(x+y)^3 =$$

1x<sup>3</sup> + 3x<sup>2</sup>y<sup>1</sup> + 3x<sup>1</sup>y<sup>2</sup> + 1y<sup>3</sup>

$$(x+y)^4 =$$

1x<sup>4</sup> + 4x<sup>3</sup>y<sup>1</sup> + 6x<sup>2</sup>y<sup>2</sup> + 4x<sup>1</sup>y<sup>3</sup> + 1y<sup>4</sup>

$$(x+y)^5 = 1x^5 + 5x^4y^1 + 10x^3y^2 + 10x^2y^3 + 5x^1y^4 + 1y^5$$