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## Quiz #1 5%

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1) (1.5%) Answer the following questions:

- In how many ways can the letters in **DATAGRAM** be arranged?
- For the arrangement of part (a), how many have all three A's together?
- In how many ways can the letters in **SOCIOLOGICAL** be arranged with all the vowels adjacent?

*Answer:*

- Since there are three A's, there are  $\frac{8!}{3!}$  arrangements*
- Consider three A's together as a symbol. Hence, we have six symbols D,T,G,R,M,(AAA). There are  $6!$  arrangements*
- Consider an example where all the vowels are adjacent: S,C,L,G,C,L,(OOOIIA). Seven symbols here can be arranged in  $\frac{7!}{2!2!}$  ways. (OOOIIA) can be arranged in  $\frac{6!}{3!2!}$  ways. Hence, there are  $\frac{7!}{2!2!} \times \frac{6!}{3!2!}$  arrangements where all the vowels are adjacent*

2) (1.5%) Determine the coefficient of  $w^2x^2y^2z^2$  in the expansion of

- $(w + x + y + z + 1)^2$
- $(2w - x + 3y + z - 2)^4$
- $(v + w - 2x + y + 5z + 3)^4$

*Answer:*

- 0
- $\binom{12}{2,2,2,2,4} (2)^2 (-1)^2 (3)^2 (1)^2 (-2)^4 = \frac{12!}{2!^4 4!} \times (2)^2 (3)^2 (2)^4$
- $\binom{12}{0,2,2,2,2,4} (1)^2 (-2)^2 (1)^2 (5)^2 (3)^4 = \frac{12!}{2!^4 4!} \times (2)^2 (5)^2 (3)^4$

3) (2%) Consider the strings made up of n bits – that is, a total of n 0's and 1's. In particular consider those strings with exactly four occurrences of 01. For  $n \geq 8$ , How many such

strings are there?

*Answer:*

*For  $n \geq 8$ , a string with this structure has  $x_1$  1's followed by  $x_2$  0's followed by  $x_3$  1's ... followed by  $x_{10}$  0's, where  $x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_{10} = n$ ,  $x_1, x_{10} \geq 0$ ,  $x_2, \dots, x_9 > 0$ .*

*The number of solutions to this equation equals to the number of solutions to  $y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{10} = n - 8$ . The number of this equation is  $\binom{10+(n-8)-1}{n-8} = \binom{n+1}{9}$*