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Conclusion: If *n* people go to a party and the hats are passed back randomly, the probability that no one gets his or her hat back at the party is  $D_n/n!$ , which is approximately  $1/e \approx 37\%$ .

## Combinatorial proof involving $D_n$

Recall: The combinatorial interpretation of  $D_n$  is: "The number of ways to return n hats to n people so no one gets his/her own hat back"

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