

AFM UNIT 5 – COMBINATORICS REVIEW

Name key

Determine whether each is a permutation (P) or Combination (C)

1. Arranging 7 different books on a shelf **P**
2. Assigning seats in a classroom **P**
3. Selecting a class committee of 4 students **C**
4. Choosing class officers (pres, VP, etc.) **P**
5. Getting a poker hand of 5 cards **C**
6. Seating 8 guests around a dinner table **P**

Determine if the following permutations are linear, circular, or reflective.

7. Nine people at a round table relative to a door **L**
8. 6 players in a huddle **C**
9. Charms on a necklace with no clasp **C, R**
10. Arranging digits of a 5 digit number **L**
11. Keys on a key ring **C, R**
12. flags strung on a flagpole **L, R**

Calculate the following using permutations, combinations, or the counting principle. SHOW YOUR WORK!

13. Seven different letters form a 4-letter pin code. If the letters can be repeated, how many different codes are possible?

$$\underline{7} \cdot \underline{7} \cdot \underline{7} \cdot \underline{7} = \underline{2401}$$

14. A restaurant serves 5 main dishes, 4 salads, and 8 desserts. How many different meals can be ordered if each has a main dish, a salad, and a dessert?

$$\underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \cdot \underline{8} = \underline{160}$$

15. In how many ways can 7 members of a family be seated side by side in a movie theater if Dad has to sit at the one and only aisle seat?

$$\underline{6} \cdot \underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot \underline{2} \cdot \underline{1} \text{ Dad } 6! = \underline{720}$$

16. There are 8 different Taylor Swift songs on iTunes. You have enough money to buy 4 of them. How many different selections are possible?

$$C(8, 4) = \frac{8!}{(4!4!)} = \underline{70}$$

17. An exam has 5 essay questions. You are required to answer 4 of them. How many different selections are possible?

$$C(5, 4) = \frac{5!}{(1!4!)} = \underline{5}$$

18. How many ways can you arrange 6 math books, 2 social studies books, and 2 science books on a shelf if the subjects must stay together?

$$\frac{\underline{6} \cdot \underline{5} \cdot \underline{4} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot \underline{2} \cdot \underline{1}}{3} \cdot \frac{\underline{2} \cdot \underline{1}}{2} \cdot \frac{\underline{2} \cdot \underline{1}}{1} \quad 6! \cdot 2! \cdot 2! \cdot 3! = \underline{17280}$$

19. Four boys and 4 girls are lining up for a photo. How many arrangements are possible if they want to alternate by gender?

anyone can sit down first

$$\underline{8} \cdot \underline{4} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot \underline{3} \cdot \underline{2} \cdot \underline{2} \cdot \underline{1} \cdot \underline{1} = \underline{1152}$$



20. How many ways can 6 keys be arranged on a key ring?  $\frac{(6-1)!}{2} = 60$   
 circular, reflective

21. Your school yearbook has an editor-in-chief position and an assistant editor-in-chief. There are 15 students on yearbook staff. How many ways can 2 students be chosen for these positions?

$\frac{15 \cdot 14}{1} = 210$  or  $P(15, 2) = \frac{15!}{13!} = 210$

22. How many ways can the word "HIPPOPOTAMUS" be arranged? 12 total

$\frac{12!}{(3! \cdot 2!)} = 39,916,800$   
 $P \rightarrow 3$   
 $O \rightarrow 2$

23. How many different committees can be formed from 6 teachers and 50 students if the committee must have 2 teachers and 3 students?

$C(6, 2) \cdot C(50, 3) = \frac{6!}{4!2!} \cdot \frac{50!}{47!3!} = 15 \cdot 19600 = 294,000$

24. Ms. Norris and her twin are taking a picture with 6 of their friends on their birthday. How many arrangements are possible if Ms. Norris and her twin have to be in the middle?

$6 \cdot \frac{5}{\text{Ms. Norris}} \cdot \frac{4}{\text{Twin}} \cdot \frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{1} = 6! \cdot 2! = 1440$

25. Expand  $(2x - 3)^4$  using the binomial expansion formula.

$C(4, 0)(2x)^4(-3)^0 + C(4, 1)(2x)^3(-3)^1 + C(4, 2)(2x)^2(-3)^2 + C(4, 3)(2x)^1(-3)^3 + C(4, 4)(2x)^0(-3)^4$   
 $1 \cdot 16x^4 + 4 \cdot 8x^3 \cdot -3 + 6 \cdot 4x^2 \cdot 9 + 4 \cdot 2x \cdot -27 + 1 \cdot 81$   
 $16x^4 - 96x^3 + 216x^2 - 216x + 81$

26. Find the 4th term of the expansion of  $(a - 2b)^7$ .

$C(7, 3) a^4 (-2b)^3 = 35 \cdot a^4 \cdot -8b^3 = -280a^4b^3$

27. Find the coefficient of the 5th term of the expansion of  $(x - 2)^8$ .

$C(8, 4) x^4 (-2)^4 = 70 \cdot x^4 \cdot 16$   
 coefficient: 1120

Solve the following for n:

28.  $\frac{n!}{(n-2)!} = 12$

$\frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \cancel{(n-2)!}}{(n-2)!} = 12$

$n^2 - n = 12$   
 $n^2 - n - 12 = 0$   
 $(n-4)(n+3) = 0$

Simplify the following:

31.  $\frac{8!}{5!3!} = 2$   
 $\frac{8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5!}{5! \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}$

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29.  $\frac{(n-3)!}{(n-5)!} = 42$

$\frac{(n-3)(n-4)(n-5)!}{(n-5)!} = 42$

$n^2 - 7n + 12 = 42$   
 $n^2 - 7n - 30 = 0$   
 $(n-10)(n+3) = 0$   
 $n = 10$   $n = -3$

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30.  $4!n! = 5!(n-1)!$

$4! \cdot n \cdot (n-1)! = 5!(n-1)!$

$4!n = \frac{5!(n-1)!}{(n-1)!}$

$4!n = 5!$   
 $n = \frac{5!}{4!}$

n = 5

33.  $(n+1)!(n+2)$

$(n+2)!$