## Grade 12 Pre-Calculus Mathematics Notebook

## Chapter 11

## Permutations, Combinations, and Binomial Theorem

## Outcomes: P1, P2, P3, P4

12P.P. 1 Apply the fundamental counting principle to solve problems.
12P.P.2. Determine the number of permutations of $n$ elements taken $r$ at a time to solve problems.
12P.P.3. Determine the number of combinations of $n$ different elements taken $r$ at a time to solve problems.
12P.P.4. Expand powers of a binomial in a variety of ways, including using the binomial theorem (restricted to exponents that are natural numbers).

## 1. The Fundamental Counting Principle

You can choose one of 3 salads - Greek, Caesar, and Pasta - and one of 3 entrees - curry, hamburger, or sushi from a menu. How many possible combo meals of one salad and one entree can you order?

We could make a complete list of all the possible meals...

But, this is a pain. What if there were 25 options for salad and 13 options for entree? What if there were also dessert options? We need a better method than making a list.

FUNDAMENTAL COUNTING PRINCIPLE: If one task can be performed in $\boldsymbol{a}$ ways and another task in $\boldsymbol{b}$ ways, then both tasks can be performed in $\boldsymbol{a} \times \boldsymbol{b}$ ways.

Example: If there are 7 possible salads, 9 possible entrees, and 5 possible desserts, there would be
$(7)(9)(5)=315$ possible meals. (Clearly, naming all 315 meals is impractical!)

## Your Turn:

1. How many license plates are possible in Manitoba? (you need three digits and three letters)

2. How many ways can a store manager hire for three positions given 12 candidates?

3. How many outfits can you order if you have 4 choices of pants, 5 shirts, and 6 pairs of socks?

4. How many 3 digit numbers can you make using the digits $1,2,3,4$, and 5 if:
(a) repetition is allowed
(b) repetition is NOT allowed


## 2. Factorial Notation!

6 people must be arranged in a row - how many different ways can this be done? $(6)(5)(4)(3)(2)(1)=720$ ways.
We can re-write this as:

$$
6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1=6!\quad \text { (We pronounce "6!" as "six factorial") }
$$

Find:

$$
4!=\frac{2 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{=24}
$$

In general, we define factorial notation, for $n \in \boldsymbol{N}$ as:

$$
n!=n \cdot(n-1) \cdot(n-2) \cdot \cdots \cdots \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1
$$

Oddly, we separately define $0!=1$. This is the definition - it is not based on a proof.

Your Turn:

1. Simplify:
a. $\frac{11!}{9!}=\frac{11 \cdot 10 \cdot 9!}{9!}$
c. $\frac{n!}{(n-2)!}$
$=\frac{n(n-1)(n-2)!}{(n-2)!}$
$=n^{2}-n$
b. $\frac{5!}{7!}=\frac{5!}{7 \cdot 6-5!}$
d. $\frac{(n+1)!}{n!}$

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=\frac{1}{42}
$$


2. Prove that $5!-3!=19(3!)$

| $120-6$ | $19(6)$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 114 | 114 |

3. Solve: $\frac{n!}{(n-2)!}=30$

4. Permutations

An arrangement of a set of objects in which the order of the objects is important is called a permutation. For example, "how many ways can you arrange 4 people sitting on a bench" is a permutation whereas "how many ways can you choose a group of 4 from the class?" is not.
a Example: If you have 12 basketball players and 7 must be arranged on the bench, how many ways can you arrange the players on the bench?

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12 \cdot 11 \cdot 10 \cdot 8 \cdot 6=
$$

0) all 12? 12! $=479001600$
c) Soda must be in middle.

$$
\text { must be } 119.10=332640
$$

d) Soda most be at end.
a) $4 \cdot 43=48$
b) greats there. 3

$$
\frac{2}{3 \times 4} \cdot 4 \cdot 3=24
$$

c) Even

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\begin{aligned}
& 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 1=12 \\
& 3 \cdot 32_{\text {end in } 0 \cdot 2,4}=\frac{18}{30}
\end{aligned}
$$

## 4. Permutations with Identical Objects

Imagine that the letters of the word BOOK are written on tiles. We want to re-arrange the tiles.
How many arrangements are possible?


Now that we've written them all out, we should notice that many of the arrangements are identical. For instance, КОВО* and КОВО look the same but live switched the O's. So, although we have 4! permutations of the tiles, the two O's means that there are two non-distinct versions of each permutation. So, how many distinct permutations do we have? Well... $4!/ 2!=12$.

In general, a set of $\boldsymbol{n}$ objects with $\boldsymbol{a}$ objects that are identical can be arranged: $\frac{n!}{a!}$
In general, a set of $\boldsymbol{n}$ objects with $\boldsymbol{a}$ objects that are identical, $\boldsymbol{b}$ other identical objects and $\boldsymbol{c}$ other identical objects can be arranged:

$$
\frac{n!}{a!b!c!} \text { ways }
$$

## Your Turn:

1. How many different arrangements can you make using all the letters in MÁNITOBA?

2. How many different arrangements of all the numbers of 81818 can you make?

3. How many different paths can you follow from $A$ to $B$ if you can only move up or right?


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[^0]* deal with retractions host


## 5. Permutations with Objects Together

Example (From Textbook Page 522, Example 4):
Five people ( $A, B, C, D$, and $E$ ) are seated on a bench. In how many ways can they be arranged if:
(a) E is seated in the middle?

(b) A and B must sit together?

(c) A and B must NOT sit together?


Your Turn:
You have to arrange 3 different calculus books, 5 different biology books, and 4 different economics books on a shelf.
(a) How many ways can you arrange the books if not restricted?

(b) How many ways can you arrange the books if they must be arranged by subject area?

(c) How many ways can you arrange the books if all the Calculus books must go on the right end of the shelf?

7. Combinations

A combination is a selection of objects where order doesn't matter.
Example: Form a group of three from students $A, B, C$, and $D$. The only combinations are $A B C, A B D, A C D$ and $B C D$. Note that $A B C$ is the same as $A C B$ or $B C A$ or $B A C$ or $C A B$ or $C B A$ - those permutations all the same combination or group.

If you have $\boldsymbol{n}$ distinct items and $\boldsymbol{r}$ items are taken BUT NOT ARRANGED, then the number of combinations is:

$$
{ }_{n} C_{r}=\frac{{ }_{n} P_{r}}{r!}=\frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}
$$

Note: ${ }_{n} C_{r}$ is also written as $\binom{n}{r}$
Example 1: There are 14 females and 8 males in math class. You want to form a group of 5.
(a) How many groups can be formed?

$$
22_{5}^{C_{5}}=26334
$$

(b) How many groups can be formed with 2 females and 3 males?

$$
{ }_{14} C_{2} \cdot{ }_{8} C_{3}=91.56=5096
$$

(c) How many groups can be made with Joseph, one other male, and 3 females?

Your Turn:

1. How many ways can a store manager hire for three identical positions given 12 candidates?

$$
{ }_{12} C_{3}=220
$$

2. The chess club has 9 grade 10 's, 5 grade 11 's, and 14 grade $12^{\prime}$ s. The club's coach must select a team of 2 students from every grade to compete in a tournament. How many possible teams could she select?

$$
9^{c_{2}} \cdot 5^{c_{2}} \cdot 14 c_{2}
$$

$=36.10 .91$
9. More Combinations

Example 2: On a test, you must answer 3 of the 5 short answer questions and 2 of the 6 essay questions. How many combinations of questions are possible?

$$
{ }_{5} C_{3} \cdot{ }_{6} C_{2}
$$

Example 3: On a test, you must answer at least 4 of the 5 short answer questions and exactly 2 of the 6 essay questions. How many combinations of questions are possible?


Your Turn:
A bag contains 6 red hockey pucks and 8 black hockey pucks. Assuming the pucks are distinguishable, draw 5 pucks from the bag. How many possible ways are there to have at least 3 red pucks?


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we orly need 5!
8. Combination Arithmetic

Simplify: $\frac{{ }_{n} C_{5}}{{ }_{n-1} C_{3}}=\frac{\frac{n!}{(n-5)!5!}}{\frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-3)!3!}}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{n!}{(n-5)!5!} \cdot \frac{(n-4)!3!}{3 \hbar(n-1)!} \\
& =\frac{n(n-1)(n-4)(n-5)!3!}{(n-5)!(5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3!(n-1)!} \\
& =
\end{aligned}
$$Solve: $2\left({ }_{n} C_{2}\right)=n+1 C_{3}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\not 2\left(\frac{n!}{(n-2)!(2)}\right) & =\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1-3)!3!} \\
\frac{3!n x(n-2)!}{(n-2)!} & =\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} \\
6 & =n+1 \\
5 & =n
\end{aligned}
$$

## 10. Permutation Arithmetic

If you have $\boldsymbol{n}$ distinct items and $\boldsymbol{r}$ items are taken and arranged, then the number of permutations is:

$$
{ }_{n} P_{r}=\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}
$$

For example, if you want to arrange 3 books in a display case and have 7 books to choose from, you can arrange the books:

$$
{ }_{7} P_{3}=\frac{7!}{(7-3)!}=\frac{7!}{4!}=\frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4!}{4!}=7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5=210 \text { ways }
$$

Your Turn:



[^0]:    * Have you ever noticed the КОВО is just a permutation of BOOK? Clever marketing!

