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3.4: Permutation/Combination

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- 1. The school board has seven members.
- a) The board must have three officers: a president, vice-president, and secretary. How many different sets of these officers can be formed from this board?
- b) How many three-person committees can be formed from this board?
- c) Is part (a) asking for a number of permutations or combinations? What about part (b)?
- d) How are the answers to part (a) and (b) related?
- 2. Ralph Simpson has room for three plants on a windowsill.
- a) In how many different ways can three plants be arranged on his windowsill?
- b) Was (a) a permutation or combination? Explain.
- c) Suppose Ralph has six plants. How many groups of three plants can be put on his windowsill?
- d) Was (c) a permutation or combination? Explain.
- e) Suppose Ralph has nine plants. How many ways can three of these plants be arranged on his windowsill?
- f) Was (e) a permutation or combination? Explain.
- 3. To open your locker, you must dial a sequence of three numbers, in a specific order, to open the lock. Is this a permutation or a combination? Explain.
- 4. Suppose fifteen people quality for a cheerleading squad, six men and nine women.
- a) How many six-member squads can be selected?
- b) Suppose that exactly two members of the six-member squad must be male. How many six-member squads can be selected?
- 5. Ten band directors at a summer camp are planning to give a performance. One of the pieces they want to play calls for a flute, an oboe, a clarinet, and a violin. Each of the band directors can play all four instruments. How many different quartets can they have?
- 6. You have a new CD playing in your car that contains 13 songs on it. If you hit 'random play' to play the songs in a random order, how many different ways can the songs play?

In Exercises 7–12, classify the statement as an example of classical probability, empirical probability, or subjective probability.

- 7. On the basis of prior counts, a quality control officer says there is a 0.05 probability that a randomly chosen part is defective.
- 8. The probability of randomly selecting five cards of the same suit (a flush) from a standard deck is about 0.0005.
- 9. The chance that Corporation A's stock price will fall today is 75%.
- 10. The probability of a person from the United States being left-handed is 11%.
- 11. The probability of rolling 2 six-sided dice and getting a sum greater than nine is $\frac{1}{6}$.
- 12. The chance that a randomly selected person in the United States is between 15 and 24 years old is about 14%. (Source: U.S. Census Bureau)

13. Expand using the Binomial Theorem + Pascal's A. (2x-3)4