



## Permutations and Combinations:

1. Should I use permutations or combinations to determine the probability of a particular poker hand?
2. Should I use permutations or combinations to determine how many “combinations” are possible for a lock on a safe?
3. Pizza Place offers the choice of white or wheat crust. They also offer the following toppings: cheese, pepperoni, ham, mushrooms, sausage, and onions. How many different types of pizza can they claim to offer?
4. Two students are arguing during a game of poker over whether a flush (5 cards of the same suit) beats a straight (5 sequential cards). The rarer hand should be the winner. If they are using a standard deck of 52 cards, how can you determine which hand is better?

**Homework:** Due Wednesday, Nov 5.

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I will be sending out emails about individual projects. I am still checking with my supervisor about how credit for these projects should be handled. They may be an optional assignment that can replace a low quiz score, or they may be a required assignment that will count towards part of the third midterm’s grade. Either way, presentations will occur after the third exam, but you should decide on a project soon. My email will contain suggestions based on feedback you gave me earlier, but I’m open to any having the project be about something not on my list of suggestions.