## **Chapter 17: Probability Models**

## **Key Vocabulary:**

- Bernoulli trials
- Geometric model
- Binomial model



## **Calculator Skills:**

- geometpdf(
- geometcdf(

- binompdf(
- binomcdf()

- 1. List three characteristics of Bernoulli trials.
- 2. What is the variable of interest in a *geometric model*?
- 3. How do you find the expected value and standard deviation of a geometric random variable?
- 4. In the *geometic distribution*, what does the parameter *p* represent?
- 5. If *X* has a *geometric distribution*, what does  $(1-p)^{n-1}p$  represent?
- 6. What is the difference between a *probability distribution function* (pdf) and a *cumulative distribution function* (cdf)?
- 7. What is the variable of interest in a binomial model?

8. Explain the difference between the binomial setting and the geometric setting.



- 9. How do you find the expected value and standard deviation of a binomial random variable?
- 10. In the *binomial distribution*, what do parameters *n* and *p* represent?
- 11. What is meant by B(n, p)?
- 12. In the formula  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-1)!}$ , what does *n* represent? What does *k* represent?

What does the value of 
$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-1)!}$$
 represent?

13. Complete the following table of values:

1!	1	1
2!	2 x 1	2
3!	3 x 2 x 1	6
4!	4 x 3 x 2 x 1	24

5!	5 x 4 x 3 x 2 x 1	
6!		
7!		
n!		

14. What is the value of  $\frac{n!}{(n-1)!}$ ?