



# CS201 DISCRETE MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE

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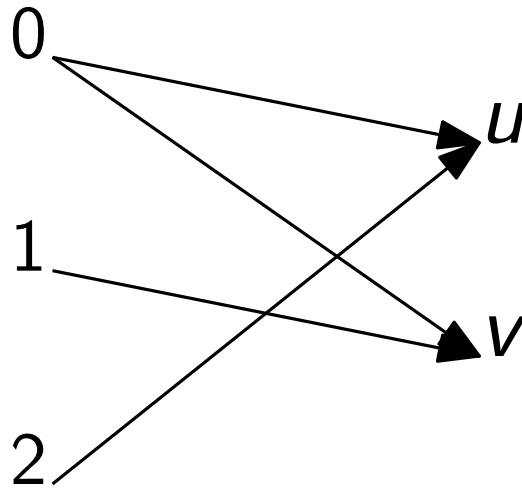
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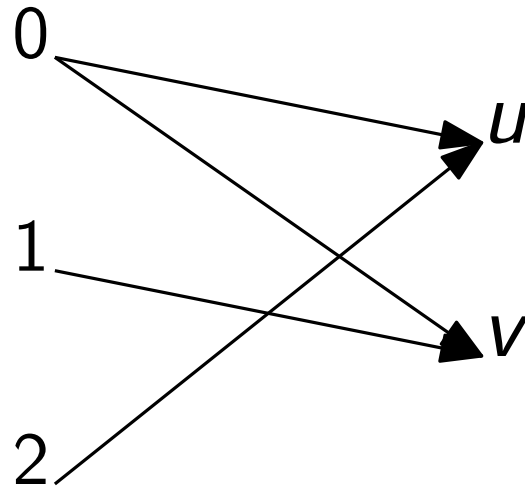
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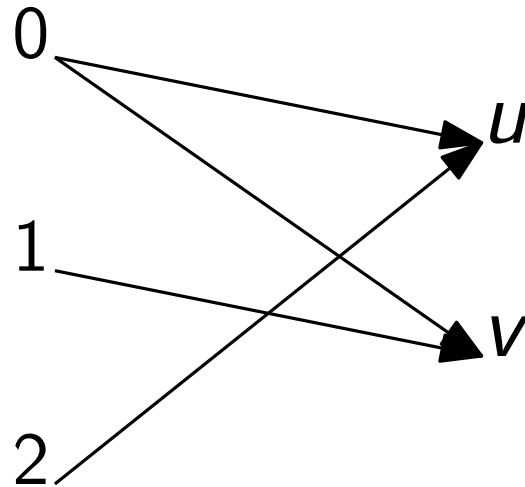
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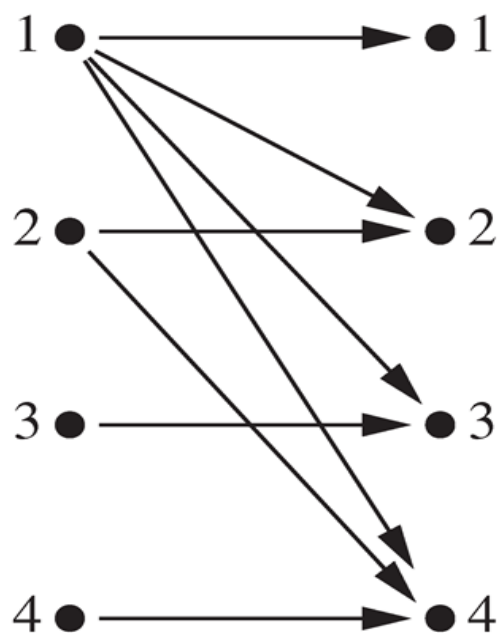


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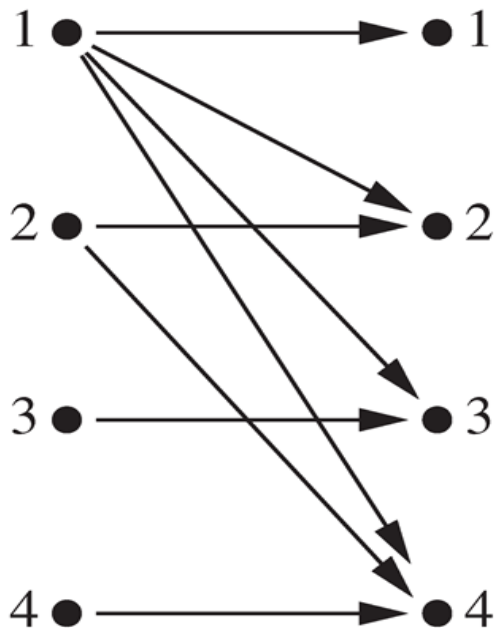


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The number of subsets of a set with  $k$  elements is  $2^k$



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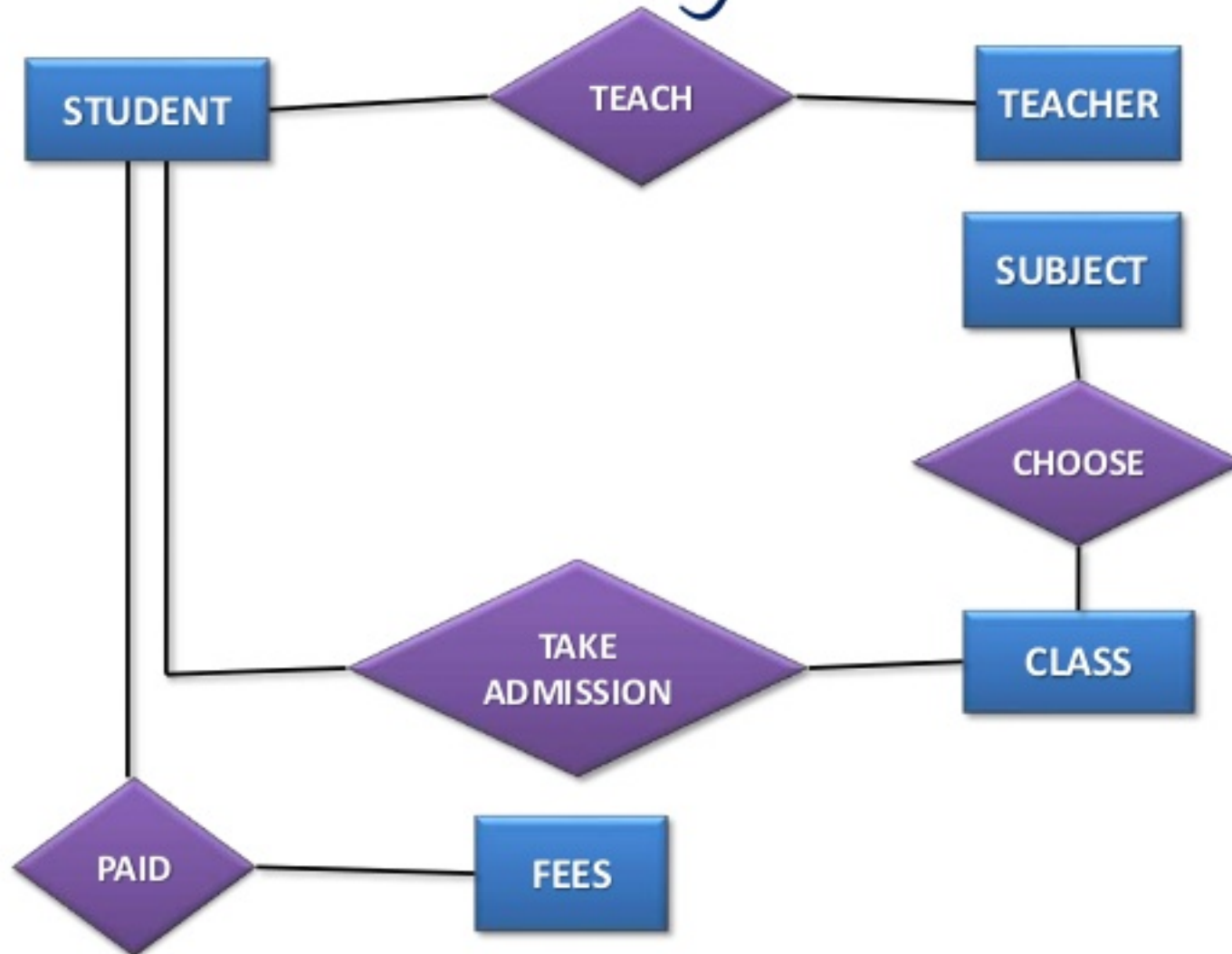
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# Next Lecture

- relation II ...

