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f is a bijection because

f is one-to-one

if $(i, j, k) \neq (i', j', k') \Rightarrow f((i, j, k)) \neq f((i', j', k'))$

f is onto

if γ is a 3-element subset then it can be written as $\gamma = \{i, j, k\}$
where $i < j < k$ so $f((i, j, k)) = \gamma$.

Inclusion-Exclusion Principle Recall

- This can be used to determine the number of onto functions

A, B are two sets with $|A| = m$ and $|B| = n$.

(a) How many onto functions are there from A to B ?

(b) How many functions are there from A to B that map nothing to at least one element of B ?

$$\#(a) + \#(b) = n^m$$

Set E_i – set of functions that map nothing to element i of B

$$\#(b) = \left| \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i \right|$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k+1} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n} |E_{i_1} \cap E_{i_2} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_k}|$$

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Note that the case of $k = n$ is special;

An **n -element permutation** of a **set N** of size $|N| = n$ is what we earlier simply called a **permutation**.



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Note: This type of "dictionary" ordering of tuples (assuming that we treat numbers the same as letters) is called a lexicographic ordering and is used quite often.



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$$P(n, 3) = 3! \cdot C(n, 3)$$



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- **Theorem** For integers n and k with $0 \leq k \leq n$, the number of k -element subsets of an n -element set is

$$\binom{n}{k} = C(n, k) = \frac{P(n, k)}{k!} = \frac{n!}{k!(n - k)!}.$$

This is the number of k -combinations of a set with n elements.



Some Properties of Binomial Coefficients

- $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ is the number of k -element subsets of an n -element set.

$$\binom{n}{0} = 1 \text{ only one set of size } 0.$$

$$\binom{n}{n} = 1 \text{ only one set of size } n.$$

$\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n}{n-k}$ Obvious from equation. Can you think of a simple bijection that explains this?



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Ex: $n = 5$

$$f(10101) = \{1, 3, 5\}, \quad f(11101) = \{1, 2, 3, 5\}, \quad f(00000) = \emptyset$$

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Sum of items on n -th row is 2^n



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and shift each row slightly
so that middle element is
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What is the next row in the table?



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