

Let $n \geq k$ be positive integers, and let \mathcal{F} be a family of finite sets with the following properties:

- (i) \mathcal{F} contains at least $\binom{n}{k} + 1$ distinct sets containing exactly k elements;
- (ii) for any two sets $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$, their union $A \cup B$ also belongs to \mathcal{F} .

Prove that \mathcal{F} contains at least three sets with at least n elements.