I. Introduction to Natural Numbers

- A. The counting numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., N
- B. Positive integers and, sometimes, zero
- C. No negative numbers
- D. No fractions
 - 1. Some fractions are composed of natural numbers
 - 2. $\frac{N}{M}$ is a fraction, N and M are natural numbers
 - 3. If N and M are natural numbers then the fraction $\frac{N}{M}$ is known as a *rational number*.

E. Formal Definition

- 1. 1 is a natural number (sometimes the natural numbers start at 0)
- 2. If N is a natural number then N+1 is a natural number
- 3. Note: This is a *recursive* definition in which natural numbers are defined in terms of natural number.

F. Successor Operation

- 1. The successor operation applied to a natural number N generates the next natural number
- 2. S(N) = N + 1
- 3. The formal definition can now be stated as:
 - a. 1 is a natural number (0 is a natural number)
 - b. if N is a natural number then S(N) is a natural number
- G. The essence of the natural number concept is ... closure under the successor operation. Richard Dedekind(1888)

II. Defintion of the Natural Numbers: Peano's Postulates

- A. The set S of undefined elements called natural numbers has the following properties:
 - 1. S is nonempty.
 - 2. Associated with each natural number $N \in S$ there is a unique natural number $N' \in S$ called the successor of N.
 - 3. There is a natural number $N_0 \varepsilon S$ that is not the successor of any natural number.
 - 4. Distinct natural numbers have distinct successors; that is, if N_2 is the successor of N_1 , then there is no other N_i for which N_2 is the successor.
 - 5. The only subset of S that contains S and the successors of all its elements is S itself.
- B. The axioms 1 5 are known as Peano's postulates.
- C. Axiom 5 is the basis for the Principle of Mathematical Induction.
 - 1. The natural number N that is not the successor of any other natural number is 1 (0?).
 - 2. The set S of the natural numbers is, then, 1 and all of its successors.

III. Extended Definition of the Natural Number System

- A. 1 and 0 are natural numbers.
- B. Every natural number has a successor which is also a natural number
 - 1. the successor is the 'next' natural number
 - 2. if N is a natural number then N+1 is a natural number.
- C. Every natural number except zero has a predecessor, the 'previous' natural number.

- D. The definition of the natural numbers states that:
 - 1. **IF** a subset S of the natural numbers has the properties:
 - a. 0 and/or 1 are/is an element(s) of S
 - b. if N + 1 is an element of S whenever N is an element of S
 - 2. **THEN** S is equal to the set of natural numbers.

IV. Introduction to the Principle of Mathematical Induction

A. A simple statement embodying the essence of the principle:

If a flight of stairs is designed so that falling off any step inevitably leads to falling off the next, then falling off the top step is a sure way to end up at the bottom.

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If a flight of stairs is designed so that falling off any step inevitably leads to falling off the next, then falling off the lowest step is a sure way to end up at the bottom.

B. A more sophisticated statement:

If a statement P(N) is true for N=1 and the truth of P(N) implies the truth of the corresponding statement with N replaced by N+1, i.e., P(N+1), then the statement is true for all positive integers N.

C. Stated as a Rule of Inference:

$$(P(1) \land \forall k(P(k) \to P(k+1))) \to \forall n(P(n))$$

- D. The Principle of Mathematical Induction is, then:
 - 1. **Theorem:**

Let P(i) be propositions, one for each positive integer i such that:

- a. P(1) is true.
- b. For each positive integer $N, P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

Then P(N) is true for each positive integer N.

2. **Proof:** Let $X = \{N | N \in S \text{ and } P(N) \text{ is true}\}$

From (a): Since P(1) is true, 1 is an element of X, or $1 \in X$

From (b): N + 1 is an element of X whenever N is an element of X.

Therefore P(N+1) is true whenever P(N) is true.

or

 $N+1\in X$ whenever $N\in X$ and P(N+1) is true whenever P(N) is true.

Therefore: Since the only subset of S that contains S and the successors of all its elements is S itself and $X \in S$, $X \equiv S$ by Postulate V.

Hence, because (a) and (b) are true, P(N) is true for all N. QED

G. Another Justification of The Principle of Mathematical Induction is:

1. **Theorem:**

Let P(i) be propositions, one for each positive integer i such that:

a. P(1) is true.

b. For each positive integer $N, P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

2. **Proof By Contradiction:**

Assume:

a. P(1) is true.

b. For each positive integer $N, P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$ and

c. there exists at least one positive integer for which P(N) is false

Therefore the subset of $S' \subset S$ of positive integers for which P(N) is false is non-empty.

The well ordered property of the integers tells us that S' has a least element which we denote by M.

 $M \neq 1$ since P(1) is true by assumption.

Therefore: M > 1 so M - 1 is a positive integer.

M-1 is not an element of S' so P(M-1) must be true.

Because of our conditional assumption (b),

$$P(M-1) \Rightarrow P((M-1)+1) = P(M)$$

Therefore : Assuming P(M) to be false leads to

the conclusion that it is true.

Hence: The assumption that there exists M

such that P(M) is false is false. QED

- H. We can state the principle of mathematical induction in pseudo-code as follows:
 - 1. Consider the proposition P(N) which is purported to be true for all positive integers, i.e., $\forall N \ P(N)$
 - 2. if P(1) is false then P(N) is false since 1 is a positive integer
 - 3. else begin:
 - a. assume that P(k) is true for an arbitrary positive integer k.
 - b. if P(k+1) is false then P(N) is false.
 - c. else if P(k+1) is true then P(N) is true for all positive integers.

V. Example 1:

A. Theorem: Prove that if N is a positive integer:

$$1 + 2 + 3 + ... + (N - 2) + (N - 1) + N = \frac{N \times (N + 1)}{2}$$

or:
$$P(N) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{N} k = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2}$$

B. Proof:

Basis Step: For
$$N = 1$$
, $\sum_{k=1}^{1} k = 1 = \frac{1 \times (1+1)}{2}$

Inductive Step: If we assume that P(N) is true, or that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N} k = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2} ,$$

we have:
$$\sum_{k=1}^{N+1} k = \sum_{k=1}^{N} k + (N+1) = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2} + (N+1)$$

So:
$$\sum_{k=1}^{N+1} k = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2} + (N+1) = \frac{N \times (N+1) + 2 \times (N+1)}{2}$$

Then:
$$\sum_{k=1}^{N+1} k = \frac{N^2 + 3 \times N + 2}{2} = \frac{(N+1) \times (N+2)}{2}$$

so that:
$$\sum_{k=1}^{N+1} k = \frac{(N+1) \times [(N+1)+1]}{2} \equiv P(N+1)$$

Therefore: $P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

We have shown, then, that: P(1) is true

and

$$P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$$

Therefore, according to the Principle of Mathematical Induction, P(N) is true for all intergers N. QED

C. Explanation:

Since:

- 1. P(1) was shown to be true **and**
- 2. The assumption that P(N) was true was shown to lead to the conclusion that P(N+1) was true

Then:

3. P(N) has been proven to be true for all N according to the Principle of Mathematical Induction.

D. Crucial Point to Consider:

1. We did NOT assume that

$$P(N) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{N} k = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2}$$

was true for any particular values of N.

2. We demonstrated that **IF** we hypothesized that P(N) is true for some arbitrary and unspecified value of N the conclusion that P(N+1) must also be true followed.

E. A Bit of History

- 1. Anecdotal evidence records the nine year old Carl Friedrich Gauss solving this problem in a school classroom.
 - a. The instructor had assigned to the class the problem of computing the sum of the first 100 integers.
 - b. The teacher noted Gausss staring out a window and threatened to punish him for his misbehavior.
 - c. Gauss protested, stating that he had already solved the problem, and displayed the correct answer (5050).
 - d. In fact, according to this anecdote, he had solved the general problem of summing the first N integers.

- 2. Gauss's Method:
 - 1. The sum of the first N integers can be written:

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (N-2) + (N-1) + N = Sum$$

3. Since addition is commutative the order can be reversed and an equivalent expression for the sum is:

$$N + (N-1) + (N-2) + \dots + 3 + 2 + 1 = Sum$$

4. If we add these two expression term by term we get:

$$1 + 2 + \dots + (N-1) + N = Sum$$

$$\frac{N + (N-1) + \dots + 2 + 1 = Sum}{(N+1) + N+1) + \dots + (N+1) + (N+1) = 2 \times Sum}$$

5. Since each addend and the sum contain N terms the sum can be written as:

$$N \times (N+1) = 2 \times Sum$$

or

$$Sum = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2}$$

which is the result previously proven by mathematical induction.

VI. Example 2 Th: For all positive integers N, $2N \ge N + 1$

Proof: $P(N) \equiv 2N \geq N+1$

Basis step: Let N = 1.

$$2N = 2*1 = 2$$
 and $N+1=2$

$$P(1) \equiv 2 \geq 2$$
 which is true by definition

Inductive step:
$$P(k)$$
 is: $2k > k+1$

Assume that P(k) is true for an arbitrary positive integer k.

$$P(k+1) \equiv 2(k+1) \ge (k+1) + 1$$

$$2(k+1) = 2k + 2 \ge k + 2 = (k+1) + 1$$

Therefore:
$$2(k+1) \ge (k+1) + 1$$

Therefore:
$$P(k+1)$$
 is true.

Therefore:
$$P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$$

Therefore: $2N \ge N+1$ for all positive integers \square

VII. Example 3: Th: For all positive integers
$$N$$
, $1+3+5+\ldots+(2N-1)=N^2$

Note: The sum on the left side of the equation is simply the sum of all odd integers from 1 to 2N-1

Proof:
$$P(N)$$
 is: $1 + 3 + 5 + ... + (2N - 1) = N^2$
Basis Step: Let $N = 1$. $N^2 = 1$

$$P(1)$$
 is: $1 = 1$ which is true by definition

Inductive Step: Assume:
$$P(k): 1 + 3 + 5 + ... + (2k - 1) = k^2$$

$$P(k+1)$$
: $1+3+5+\ldots+(2k-1)+(2(k+1)-1)=(k+1)^2$

$$1+3+5+\ldots+(2k-1) + (2(k+1)-1)$$

$$= k^2 + (2(k+1) - 1)$$
 from $P(k)$

$$= k^2 + 2k + 2 - 1 = k^2 + 2k + 1 = (k+1)^2$$

Therefore: P(k+1) is true

Therefore: $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$

Therefore: $1+3+5+\ldots+(2N-1)=N^2$ for all positive

integers N

VIII. Example 4: Th: For all non-negative integers N,

$$2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + ... + 2^N = 2^{N+1} - 1$$

Proof: P(N) is: $2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + ... + 2^N = 2^{N+1} - 1$

Basis Step: P(0) is: $2^0 = 2^1 - 1$ or: 1 = 1

P(1) is: $2^0 + 2^1 = 3 = 2^{1+1} - 1$ or: 3 = 3

Inductive Step:

$$P(k)$$
 is: $2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + \dots + 2^k = 2^{k+1} - 1$

Assume: P(k) is true P(k+1) is:

$$2^{0} + 2^{1} + 2^{2} + 2^{3} + \dots + 2^{k} + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+2} - 1$$

$$2^{0} + 2^{1} + 2^{2} + 2^{3} + \dots + 2^{k} + 2^{k+1} = 2^{k+1} - 1 + 2^{k+1}$$

= $2 \times 2^{k+1} - 1 = 2^{k+2} - 1$

Therefore: P(k+1) is true

Therefore: $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$

Therefore: $2^0 + 2^1 + 2^2 + 2^3 + ... + 2^N = 2^{N+1} - 1$

IX. Example 5: Th:
$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + N^2 = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$
 for all N .

So:
$$P(N) \equiv 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + N^2 = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$

Proof:

1. **Basis Step:**
$$P(1) \equiv 1^2 = \frac{1(1+1)(2\times 1+1)}{6} = \frac{1\times 2\times 3}{6} = 1$$

2. **Inductive Step:**

If we assume:

$$P(N) \equiv 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + N^2 = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$

we have:
$$P(N+1) \equiv 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + N^2 + (N+1)^2$$

$$= \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6} + (N+1)^2$$

$$= \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1) + 6 \times (N+1)^2}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(N^2+N)(2N+1) + 6N^2 + 12N + 6}{6}$$

$$= \frac{2N^3 + 2N^2 + N^2 + N + 6N^2 + 12N + 6}{6}$$

$$= \frac{2N^3 + 9N^2 + 13N + 6}{6} = \frac{(N+1)(2N^2 + 7N + 6)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(N+1)(N+2)(2N+3)}{6} = \frac{(N+1)[(N+1)+1][2(N+1)+1]}{6}$$

We have shown, then, that: a.
$$P(1)$$
 is $true$
b. $P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

Therefore:

$$P(N) \equiv 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + N^2 = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$

is true for all integers N. \square

X. Example in Problem Definition:

A. In the previous examples the expression to be proven was given, e.g., as:

$$P(N) \equiv 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + N^2 = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$
 or
$$P(N) \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{N} k = \frac{N \times (N+1)}{2}$$

B. In many cases the problem is stated as:

Find a formula for: $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^N}$ and prove it to be correct.

- C. In these cases, in addition to proving P(N), one must devise the expression for P(N).
- D. To find an expression for the sum $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^N}$ consider the following trials:

1.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N=2} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2^2 - 1}{2^2} = \frac{2^N - 1}{2^N}$$

2.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N=3} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{4}{8} + \frac{2}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$
$$= \frac{2^3 - 1}{2^3} = \frac{2^N - 1}{2^N}$$

In general, then, it would seem that:

$$P(N) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{2^{i}} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{N}} = \frac{2^{N} - 1}{2^{N}}$$

Proof:

Basis step: N = 1 $\frac{1}{2^N} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2^1 - 1}{2^1}$

Inductive Step:

For P(N+1) we have:

$$P(N+1) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^N} + \frac{1}{2^{N+1}}$$

If we assume the truth of P(N) we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N+1} \frac{1}{2^i} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^N} + \frac{1}{2^{N+1}}$$

$$= \frac{2^N - 1}{2^N} + \frac{1}{2^{N+1}} = \frac{2 \times (2^N - 1) + 1}{2^{N+1}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{N+1} - 2 + 1}{2^{N+1}} = \frac{2^{N+1} - 1}{2^{N+1}}$$

So: $P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

Therefore: $P(1) \wedge P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

XI. The Use of The Principle of Mathematical Induction With a Subset of the Natural Numbers

A. Consider the problem stated below:

Use the Principle of Mathematical Induction to prove that a set with N elements has $\frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{6}$ subsets containing exactly three elements whenever N is an integer greater than or equal to three.

- B. The set of numbers involved in this proof, i.e.: $S' = \{3, 4, 5, ...\}$ does not constitute the entire set of natural numbers: $S = \{1, 2, 3, ...\}$
- C. We note that: $S' \subset S$ or S' is a subset of S

- D. We note further that all of Peano's Postulates hold for S', i.e.:
 - I. S' is nonempty.
 - II. Associated with each natural number $N \varepsilon S'$ there is a unique natural number N' called the successor of N.
 - III. There is a natural number N_0 that is not the successor of any natural number in S'.
 - IV. Distinct natural numbers have distinct successors; that is, if N_2 is the successor of N_1 , then there is no other N_i for which N_2 is the successor.
 - V. The only subset of S' that contains S' and the successors of all its elements is S' itself.
- E. Consequently, the Principle of Mathematical Induction applies to $S' = \{3, 4, 5, ...\}$ just as it did to $S = \{1, 2, 3, ...\}$
- F. Consequently:
 - 1. Basis Step(s):

a.
$$S = \{a, b, c\}$$
 $|S| = 3$

Subsets:
$$S_0 = \emptyset$$
 $S_1 = \{a, b, c\}$

Not counting the empty set we have one subset for |S| = 3.

$$\frac{n(N-1)(N-2)}{6} = \frac{3 \times (3-1) \times (3-2)}{6} = \frac{6}{6} = 1$$

b.
$$S = \{a, b, c, d\}$$
 $|S| = 4$

Subsets:
$$S_1 = \{a, b, c\}$$
 $S_2 = \{a, b, d\}$
 $S_3 = \{a, c, d\}$ $S_4 = \{b, c, d\}$

$$\frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{6} = \frac{4 \times (4-1) \times (4-2)}{6} = \frac{24}{6} = 4$$

2. Inductive Step:

We assume P(N) or that the number of ways three subsets of exactly three elements can be chosen from a set of N elements is $\frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{6}$.

We now create a set S' by adding one additional element x to the original set S, so:

$$S' = S \cup \{x\}$$
 and $|S'| = N + 1$.

We can now pick the first element of a subset in N+1 different ways.

Since we have N elements left we can choose the second element in N different ways, leaving N-1 different elements from which to choose our third value.

There are, then, $(N+1) \times N \times (N-1)$ different sequences in which we can pick three elements from the N+1 elements of S'.

The elements chosen may be ordered in 3! = 6 different ways, as shown below for the three elements a, b, and c:

- 1. $\{a, b, c\}$
- 2. $\{a, c, b\}$
- 3. $\{b, a, c\}$
- 4. $\{b, c, a\}$
- 5. $\{c, a, b\}$
- 6. $\{c, b, a\}$

(A general proof for N elements is given as Example XIV on page 196)

Order is irrelevant to subset construction since a set is defined only by the elements that it contains regardless of order. There are, then, six ways to choose three distinct elements from the set S to create a subset of three elements, so we must divide the number of choices by six to get for the number of possible subsets of three elements that can be chosen from N+1 elements.

Then:
$$\frac{(N+1)\times N\times (N-1)}{6}=\frac{(N+1)\times \left[(N+1)-1\right]\times \left[(N+1)-2\right]}{6}$$
 which is $P(N+1)$

3. Therefore we have shown that P(3) is true and $P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$

XII. Example 7: Th: For all integers N such that $N \ge 3$, $2N + 1 \le N^2$ Proof: P(N) is: $2N + 1 \le N^2$

Basis Step: In this case we are only concerned with the integers that are greater than or equal to three. Our basis step, then, is a proof of P(3).

$$2*3 + 1 = 7$$
 $3^2 = 9$
 $P(3)$ is: $7 \le 9$ which is true by definition.

Inductive step: P(k) is: $2k+1 \le k^2$

Assume that P(k) is true for arbitrary $k \geq 3$

$$P(k+1)$$
 is: $2(k+1)+1 \le (k+1)^2$

$$2(k+1) + 1 = 2k + 3 \le k^2 + 3$$
 from $P(k)$
 $< k^2 + 2k + 1 = (k+1)^2$

Therefore: $2(k+1) + 1 \le (k+1)^2$

Therefore: P(k+1) is true. Therefore: $P(k) \Rightarrow P(k+1)$

Therefore: $2N+1 \le N^2$ for all $N \ge 3$

XI. Example 8

- A. Problem: Suppose that m and n are positive integers such that:
 - 1. m > n
 - 2. $S_m = \{1, 2, 3, ..., m\}$
 - 3. $S_n = \{1, 2, 3, ..., n\}$
 - 4. $f: S_m \to S_n$.

Prove that f cannot one-to-one.

- B. Theorem: P(n): $f: S_m \to S_n$ cannot be one-to-one for m > n
- C. Basis Step: Let n = 1.
 - 1. Therefore $S_n = \{1\}$ and $S_m = \{1, 2, 3, ..., m\}$
 - 2. Therefore, for $x \in S_m$ and $y \in S_m$, $x \neq y$, we must have f(x) = f(y)
 - 3. Therefore $f: S_m \to S_n$ is not one-to-one by definition.
- D. Inductive Assumption:

 $f:S_m\to S_n$ cannot be a one-to-one function for m>n

E. Let $f: S_m \to S_n$ be a function from $S_m = \{1, 2, 3, ..., m\}$ to $S_n = \{1, 2, 3, ..., n, n + 1\}$

where m > n+1

- 1. Case 1: If x = n + 1 and $f(x) \notin S_n$ then:
 - a. f is not a function from $S_m \to S_n$.
 - b. Therefore $f:S_m\to S_n$ is not a one-to-one function from $S_m\to S_n$
- 2. Case 2: $f: S_m \to S_n$ is a function from $S_m \to S_n$
 - a. We have, for some $x \in S_m$ and $y \in S_m$, $x \neq y$, f(x) = f(y)
 - b. Therefore $f: S_m \to S_n$ is not one-to-one.

- 3. Case 3: f(x) = n + 1 for exactly one element $x \in S_m$ a. Let $S'_m = S_m - \{x\}$
 - b. Then $|S_m^{'}| = n$ and we can consider $f': S_m^{'} \to S_n$
 - c. But, but by the inductive hypothesis $f': S_m \to S_n$ cannot be a one-to-one function for m > n
 - d. Therefore $f: S_m \to S_n$ is not one-to-one.
- E. $f: S_m \to S_n$ cannot be one-to-one for m > n

XII. Applications of Mathematical Induction

- A. For our work we will use, primarily, the principle of strong induction.
- B. Note that the theory of mathematical induction works ONLY for the natural numbers, i.e., the counting numbers and 0.
 - 1. It does not apply to the reals.
 - 2. Many Computer Science problems involve only the natural numbers
 - a. The number of bytes of memory of a computer is an integer
 - b. The number of times that a given loop is executed is an integer
 - c. The pattern of bits held in any word of RAM/data memory can be interpreted as an integer.
- C. Example:
 - 1. Consider the code:

$$int \quad Sum = 0, i, N;$$

$$for(i = 1; i < = N; i + +) Sum = Sum + i;$$
 which performs N additions.

2. The same result could be, from Theorem I, obtained by the code: $int \quad Sum = 0, i, N;$ Sum = (N/2)*(N+1);

which performs one addition, one division, and one multiplication.

XIII Th: There are N! Permutations of a List S of N Distinct Elements

- I. $P(N) \equiv N!$ permutations can be constructed from a list S of N elements.
- II. Basis Step(s):

A.
$$N = 1$$
 $S_1 = [a]$ Number of permutations $= 1 = N!$

$$N=2$$
 $S_1=[a,\,b]$ Number of permutations $=2=N!$ $S_2=[b,\,a]$

$$N=3$$
 $S_1=[a,\,b,\,c]$ Number of permutations = 6 $S_2=[a,\,c,\,b]$ $6=N!$ $S_3=[b,\,a,\,c]$ $S_4=[b,\,c,\,a]$ $S_5=[c,\,a,\,b]$ $S_6=[c,\,b,\,a]$

- B. Inductive Step:
 - 1. Assume that a list S with N distinct elements has N! permutations.
 - 2. We insert a new element x, which is distinguishable from any of the existing elements of S, in one of the N! permutations of of S.
 - 3. x can be inserted:
 - a. As the first element, i.e., before any existing element of S, creating one new list.
 - b. After the last element of S creating one more new list.
 - c. Between any two existing elements of S, creating N-1 new lists.
 - 4. For each of the existing permutations of S the addition of a new element has created

$$1+1+(N-1)=N+1$$
 new permutations.

- 5. The total number of permutations of a list S with N+1 elements is, then: $(N+1) \times N! = (N+1)!$
- C. So: P(1) is true and $P(N) \Rightarrow P(N+1)$ Therefore P(N) is true for all N.

XIV: Th: DeMorgan's Law: $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n} A_j} = \bigcap_{j=1}^{n} \overline{A_j}$

A. Basis step: $n = 2\overline{A_1 \cup A_2} = \overline{A_1} \cap \overline{A_2}$ DeMorgan's Law for two sets.

Recall: $x \in A_1 \cup A_2 \rightarrow x \in A_1 \lor x \in A_2$

Therefore: $x \in \overline{A_1 \cup A_2} \to \neg \left(x \in A_1 \lor x \in A_2 \right)$ $\equiv x \notin A_1 \land x \notin A_2$ $\equiv x \in \overline{A_1} \cap \overline{A_2}$

B. Inductive step:

Assume: $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n} A_j} = \bigcap_{j=1}^{n} \overline{A_j}$

Then: $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+1} A_j} = \overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j \cup A_{n+1}}$ by the definition of union

So: $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+1} A_j} = \overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j} \cap \overline{A_{n+1}} \quad \text{by DeMorgan's} \\ \text{law for two sets.}$

Here, one set is $\bigcup_{j=1}^{n} A_j$ and the other is A_{n+1}

Then: $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+1} A_j} = \bigcap_{j=1}^n \overline{A_j} \cap \overline{A_{n+1}} \quad \text{according to our inductive assumption.}$

and: $\overline{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n+1}A_j}=\bigcap_{j=1}^{n+1}\overline{A_j} \qquad \qquad \text{by the associative} \\ \text{law for disjunction} \\ \square$