

# Untitled

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**Question 3:** In a chess tournament of  $n$  players, each pair of players plays exactly one match against each other. There are no draws. Prove that the players can be arranged in an order  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  such that  $P_i$  defeats  $P_i + 1$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ .

**Question 4. Rewriting question.** for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we can write it as  $n = 2^{x_1} + 2^{x_2} + \dots + 2^{x_i}$  where  $x_0$  to  $x_i$  are elements of the set  $x \in P(\mathbb{N})$ .

(Base case) Showing 1 to 7 can be written as  $2^{x_1} + 2^{x_2} + \dots + 2^{x_i}$ .

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raise = function(x){
  sum(2^x)
}

# first few natural numbers
n = 0:2
# produce the power set of n
sets = powerSet(n, rev=TRUE)
# raise by 2 and sum each subset of n (in the powerset)
u = lapply(sets, raise)
# Just changing the data class to vector (from a list), and sorting them
u = unlist(u)
sort(u)
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Let  $X$  be the set  $\{x \in P(\mathbb{N}); 2^{x_1} + 2^{x_2} + \dots + 2^{x_i}\}$ . Suppose for the sake of argument that there is some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $n \notin X$ .

Let  $k$  be this number, and  $t$  be the greatest factor of two that is less than  $k$ , and  $\ell$  be the smallest factor of two greater than  $k$ . Such that  $t < k < \ell$  and  $2t = \ell$ .

Then  $k - t = m$  and  $k = m + t$  where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $m < t < k$ .

Since  $m < t < k$  and  $k$  is the smallest number not in  $X$ , it follows that  $t, m \in X$ .

Similarly, because  $t > m$ , then  $t + m \in X$ . Note, if it were the case where  $m > t$  then  $\ell$  would be the greatest factor of two that is less than  $k$ , not  $t$ .

So  $t + m = k$  and  $t + m \in X$  but  $k \notin X$ . This is a contradiction.

Therefore,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .