

# BIJUNCTIONS

$f: A \rightarrow B$  is bijection

whenever it has an inverse

$\nabla$  a function  $g: B \rightarrow A$

s.t.  $g \circ f = \text{id}_A$  &  $f \circ g = \text{id}_B$ .

NB: If  $f$  has an inverse then it is unique. For if  $g$  and  $h$  are both inverses of  $f$  then

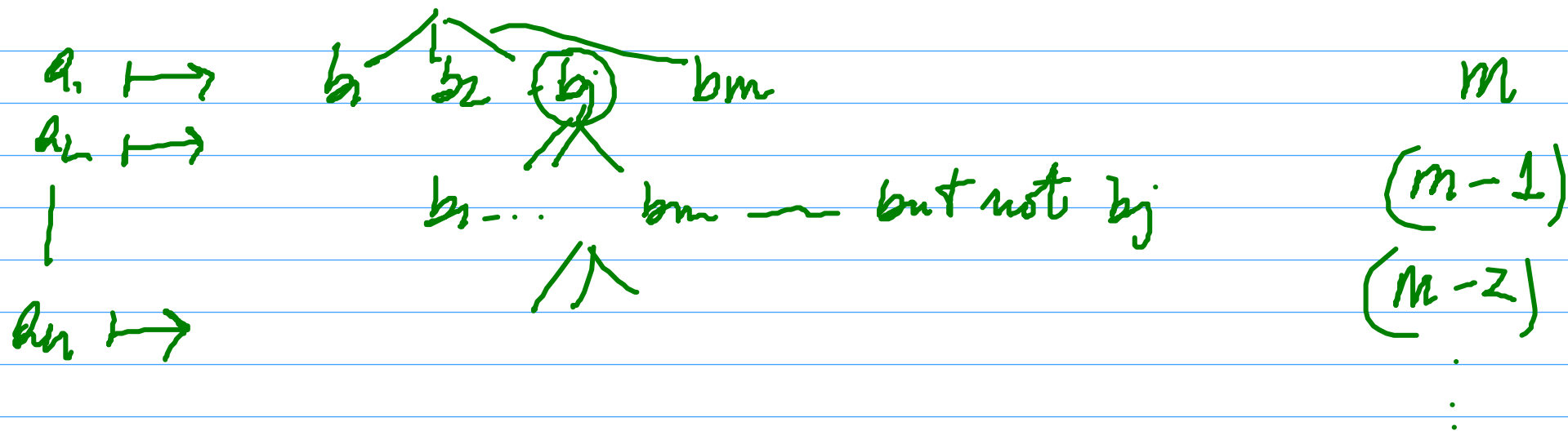
$$g = g \circ \text{id} = g \circ f \circ h = \text{id} \circ h = h$$

The notation for the inverse of  $f$ , whenever it exists, is  $f^{-1}$

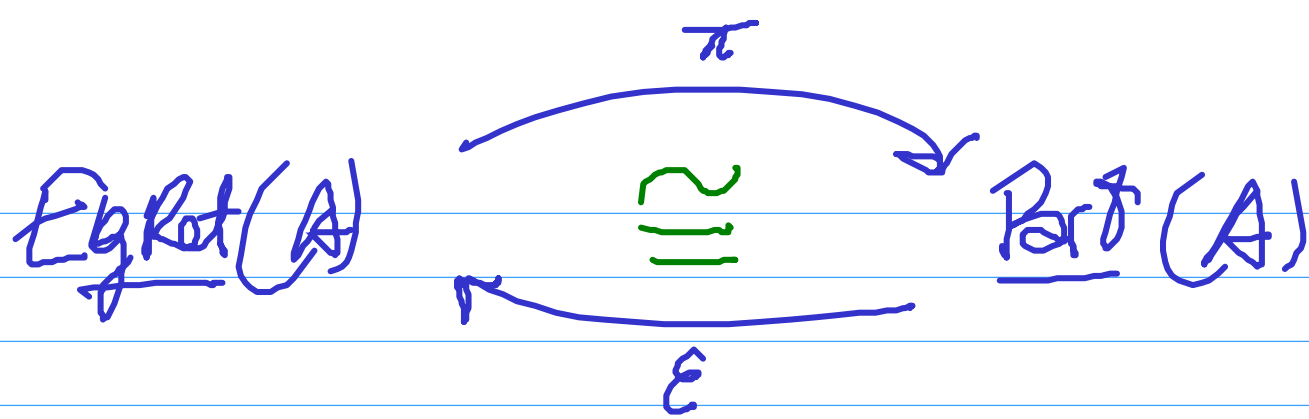
If  $\#A = n$  and  $\#B = m$ ,

$$\# \text{Bij}(A, B) = \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq m \\ n! & n = m \end{cases}$$

The set of all bijections from  $A$  to  $B$ ?



Bijections are also called permutations or isomorphisms.



notation for bijections

$$\pi(R) = \{ [a]_R \mid a \in A \}$$

where  $[a]_R = \{ x \in A \mid x R a \}$

typically denoted

$A/R \sim$  The quotient of  $A$  under  $R$

$A = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N}$  defines  $(p, q) \equiv (p', q')$  is an equivalence relation

iff  $p \times q' = p' \times q$

Consider  $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N}) / \equiv \cong \mathbb{Q}$   
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Exercise.

$$\mathbb{Q} \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N}) / \equiv \quad (\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N}) / \equiv \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$$

$$p/q \xrightarrow{\text{def}} [(p, q)]_{\equiv} \quad [(p, q)]_{\equiv} \xrightarrow{\quad} p/q$$

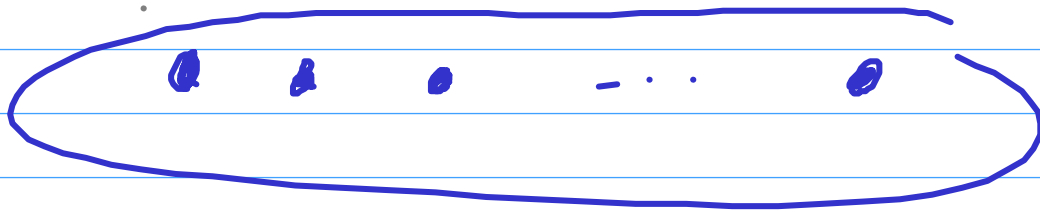
$$\#A = n$$

$$\# \text{Part}(A) = \sum_k S(n, k)$$

$$S(n, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq 0 \\ 1 & n = 0 \end{cases}$$

The number of partitions of  
an  $n$  element set into  $k$   
blocks.

$$S(n, 1) = 1$$



Stirling number of the second kind.

$$S(n+1, k+1)$$

$$= S(n, k) + S(n, k+1) \times (k+1)$$

1 2 3 ... n n+1

Case 1

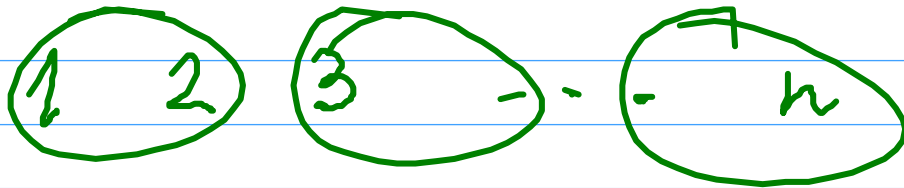
n+1 is in a block on its own



$$S(n, k)$$

Case 2

n+1 is not in a block of its own.



$$S(n, k+1) \times (k+1)$$

Terminology The image of  $f$   
**Surjective functions**  $f: A \rightarrow B$

$f(A) = \text{def } \{ f(a) \mid a \in A \} \subseteq B$

□ ? What can we say about the codomain of a bijective function?

For  $f$  surjective,  $f(A) = B$

Def  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is surjective if the following equivalent conditions hold:

- $f(A) = B$
- $\forall b \in B, \exists a \in A. f(a) = b.$

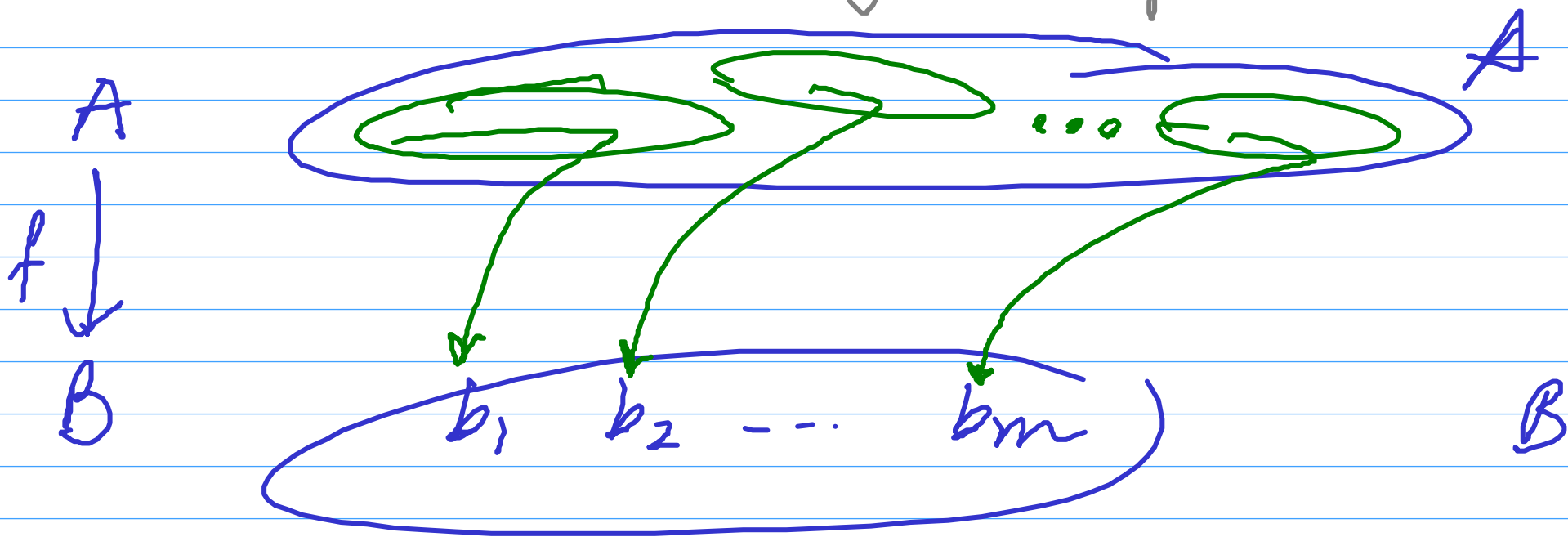
**Examples: ...**

Let  $R$  be an equivalence relation on  $A$ . Then the quotient function  $q: A \rightarrow A/R$  defined as  $q(a) = [a]_R$  is a surjection.

Let  $\underline{\text{Sur}}(A, B)$  be the set of surjection from  $A$  to  $B$ .

$\#A = n, \#B = m \quad \# \underline{\text{Sur}}(A, B) = \quad ?$

Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be surjective equivalently an ordered partition



$$\# \underline{\text{Sur}}(A, B) = S(n, m) \times m!$$



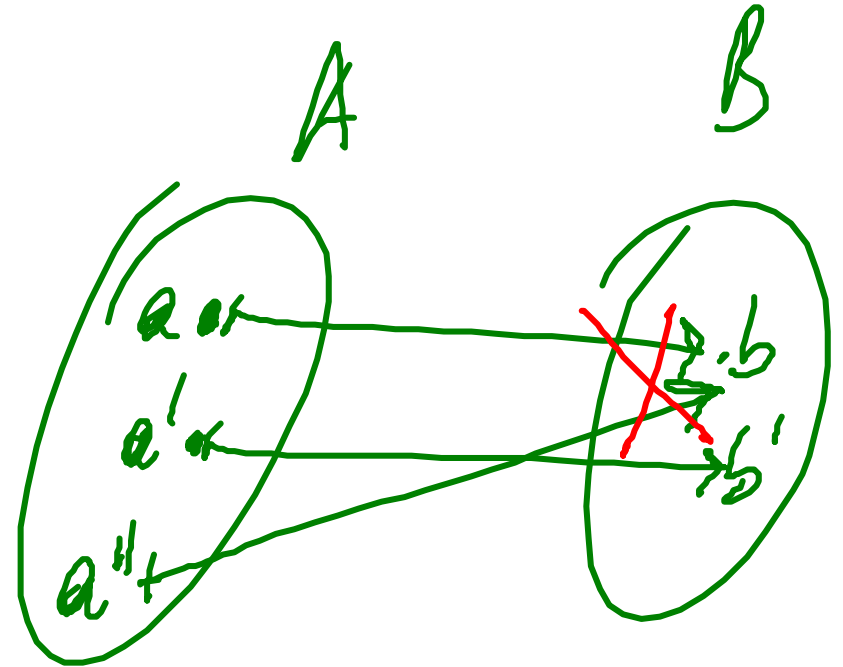
# Injective functions

when no two inputs produce the same output

Def  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is injective

iff  $\forall a, a' \in A. f(a) = f(a') \Rightarrow a = a'$ .

iff  $\forall a \neq a' \text{ in } A. f(a) \neq f(a')$ .

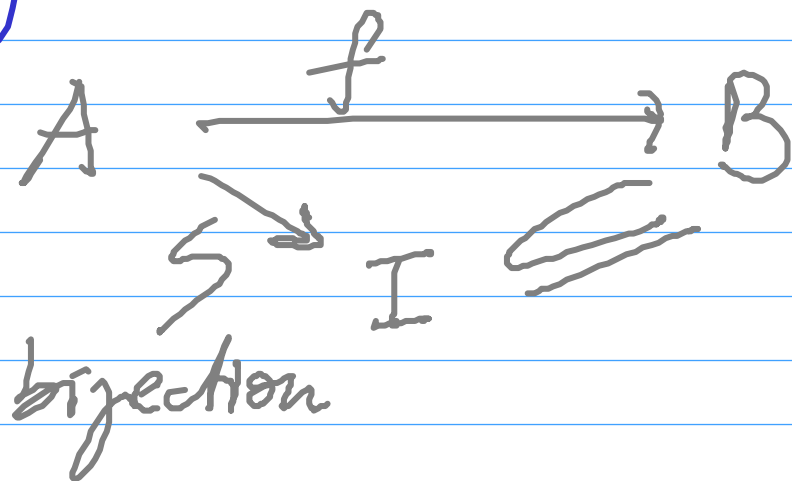


**Examples: ...**

(1) Every bijection is an injection

(2) Every inclusion is an injection: for  $A \subseteq B$  the function  $i: A \rightarrow B$  given by  $i(a) = a$  is an injection.

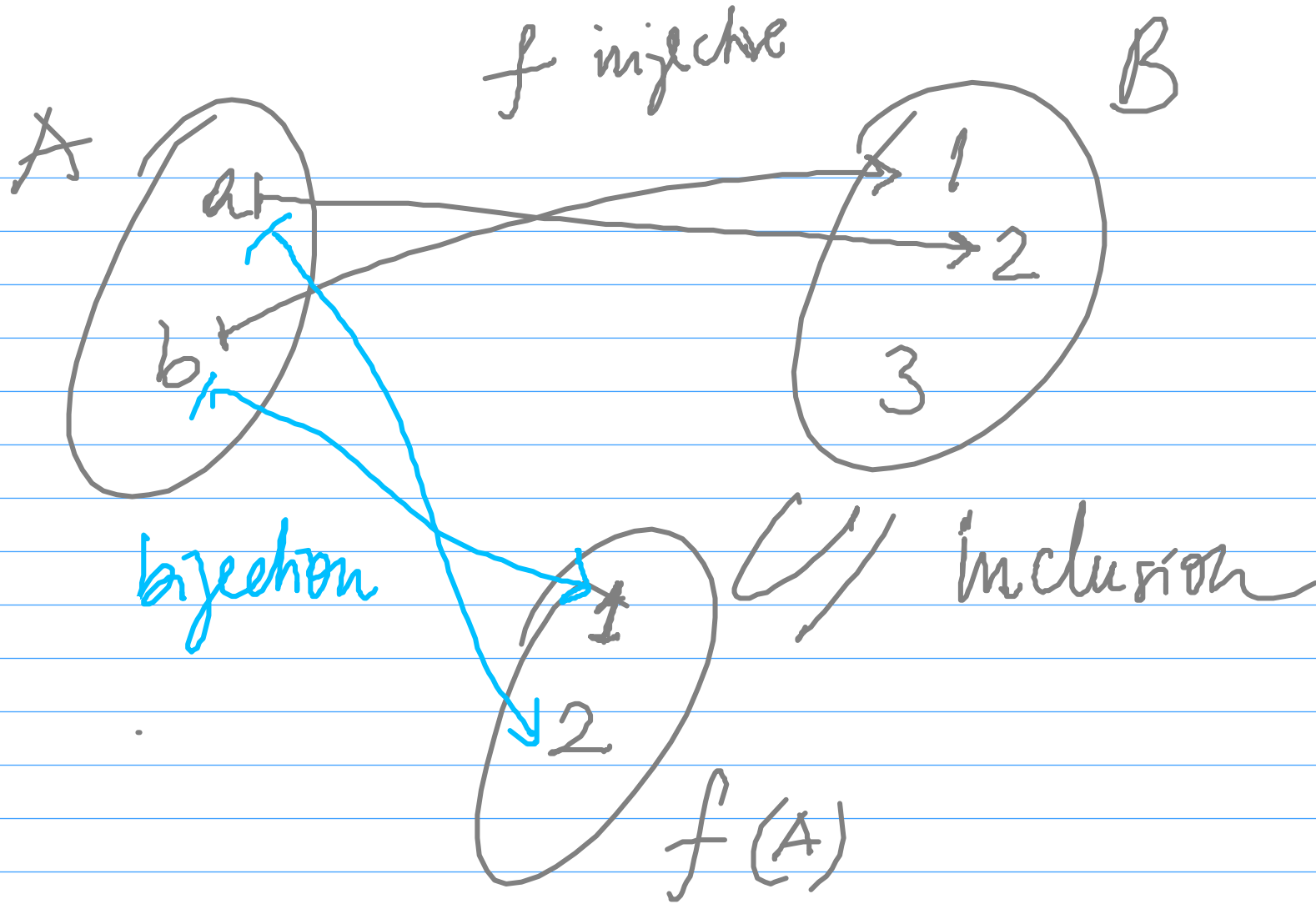
Claim Every injective function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  decomposes as the composition of a bijection followed by an inclusion



Consider  $I$  to be the image of  $f$ ; that is

$$I = f(A) = \{ f(a) \mid a \in A \} \subseteq B$$

Example



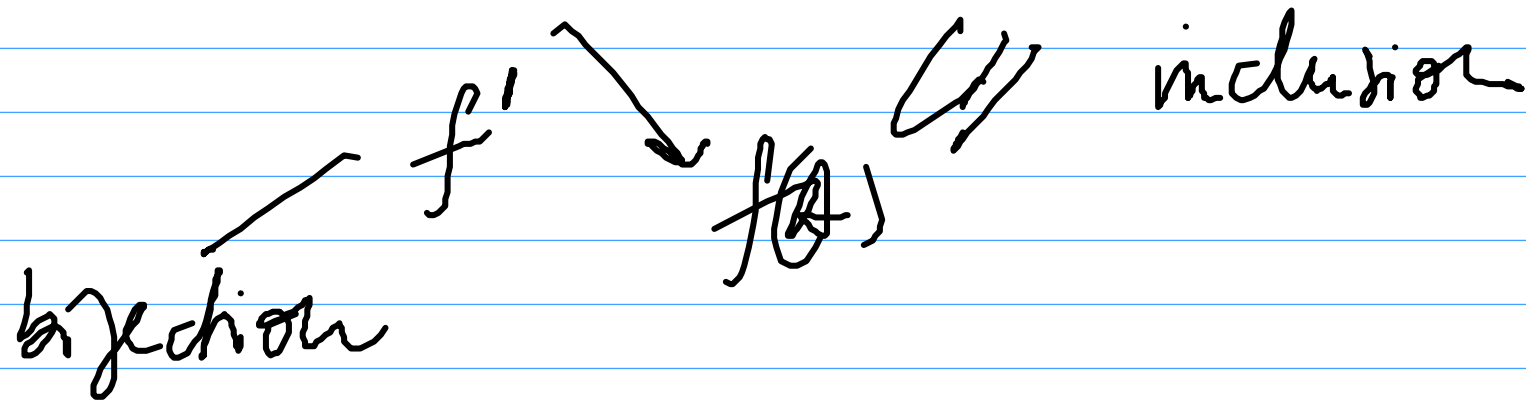
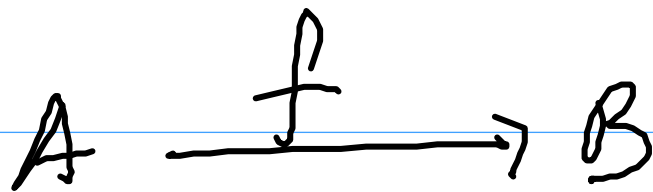
Def:

$$f' : A \longrightarrow f(A)$$

$$f'(a) = \text{def } f(a)$$

This is bijective because  $f$  is injective

And



$$\# \text{ Inj}(A, B) = n! \cdot \binom{m}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \#A &= n \\ \#B &= m \end{aligned}$$

$$= m \times (m-1) \times \dots \times (m-n+1)$$

notation  
 $=$

$$m \underline{n}$$



The  $n^{\text{th}}$  FALLING  
POWER of  $m$