

**Problem 1.** Suppose that  $S$  is a set with  $n$  elements and  $a$  and  $b$  are positive integers such that  $a + b = n$ . Prove that the number of partitions of  $S$  into two parts of sizes  $a$  and  $b$  is

$$\begin{aligned} & \binom{n}{a} && \text{if } a \neq b, \text{ and} \\ & \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{a} && \text{if } a = b. \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2.** Suppose that  $S$  is a set with  $n$  elements and  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  are positive integers with  $a + b + c = n$ . Find a formula for the numbers of partitions of  $S$  into three parts of sizes  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ . Give some justification for your formula; it does not have to be a fully rigorous proof.