Math 316 Homework 6 Due Friday, April 1

Solutions must be written in ET_EX . You are encouraged to work with others on the assignment, but you should write up your own solutions independently. You should reference all of your sources, including your collaborators.

- 1. (Exercise 28, Chapter 5) Find a closed formula for S(n, n-3) for all $n \ge 3$.
- 2. Find a closed formula for S(n, 4) for all $n \ge 4$. (*Hint:* Look at the solution to Exercise 1 in Chapter 5.)
- 3. Let k and n be positive integers with $k \leq n$. Prove that $p_k(n) \leq (n-k+1)^{k-1}$.
- 4. Consider all permutations $p: [6] \to [6]$.
 - (a) Determine the number of such permutations for which p^2 is the identity permutation.
 - (b) Determine the number of such permutations for which p^3 is the identity permutation.
 - (c) Determine the number of such permutations for which p^6 is the identity permuation, but p^3 and p^2 are not the identity permutation.

Extra Credit

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n \geq 2$. Let F(n) be the number of all partitions of [n] with no singleton blocks. Prove that B(n) = F(n) + F(n+1).