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- The exam is CLOSED BOOK, but you may have a page of notes.
- Calculators are NOT allowed.
- **You must show your work to receive credit.**

1. (20 pts.) Consider the three-digit numbers that do not begin with zero and also have all digits distinct. For example, 342, 901, and 123 are allowed but 034, 122 and 474 are not allowed.

- (a) How many are there?  
 (b) How many of them are odd?

*Hint:* Consider cases depending on which digits are odd and which are even.

2. (20 pts.) Consider the strictly decreasing functions from  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, 99\}$  ordered lexicographically. (This is the usual ordering.)

- (a) What is the rank of the function whose one-line form is 7,3,1?  
 (b) Which function has rank 17?

$$\binom{2}{1} = 2 \quad \binom{3}{1} = \binom{3}{2} = 3 \quad \binom{4}{1} = \binom{4}{3} = 4 \quad \binom{4}{2} = 6$$

$$\binom{5}{1} = 5 \quad \binom{5}{2} = \binom{5}{3} = 10 \quad \binom{6}{1} = 6 \quad \binom{6}{2} = 15 \quad \binom{6}{3} = 20$$

3. (10 pts.) Let  $L(n, k)$  be the number of (ordered)  $k$ -element lists that can be formed from the set  $S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  with the restriction that **no element of  $S$  can appear more than twice in a list**. (If I'd said "more than once", it would have been lists without repeats.)

By considering where  $n$  appears in a list obtain a recursion of the form

$$L(n, k) = aL(n-1, k) + bL(n-1, k-1) + cL(n-1, k-2)$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  may be constants or simple functions of  $k$ .