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Now here goes my question. How many possible one-one functions can you think of from ABCD to 123456? Are there infinitely many? It doesn't look like it right? I mean it looks like you can compute the total number of one-one functions by simply exhausting all of them. Correct.

So as an example if you say let's have some  $x, y$  and 1, 2 like this the only possible one-one functions are this and  $x, y$  going to 2, 1. These are the only two possibilities.



$\{a, b, c, d\}$  to  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  ?

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So they are not infinitely many. They are finitely many but what are those for this example of ABCD going to 123456? How many possible one-one functions can you think of? Think about it.