Tutorial V Discrete Structures (CS21001)

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- 1. A Fermat's number is of the form $F_n = 2^{2^n} + 1$.
 - (a) Prove $F_n = F_0 \cdot F_1 \cdots F_{n-1} + 2$.
 - (b) Using above recurrence show that no two Fermat's number share a common factor greater than 1.
- 2. A subset of a poset such that every two elements of this subset are comparable is a called a **chain**. Show that every maximal chain in a finite poset $((S, \preccurlyeq) \text{ contains a minimal element of } S$. (A maximal chain is a chain that is not a subset of a larger chain.)
- 3. Prove there are infinitely many primes.
- 4. If n is a positive integer such that $n \pmod{4}$ is 2 or 3, then n is not a perfect square.
- 5. Prove that the composition of two one-to-one functions is also one-to-one.