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CS311

Proof of the number of levels in a perfect binary tree

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Submit a **hardcopy** at the beginning of lecture. Absolutely **NO late submissions will be accepted (anything submitted after lecture started)**. If you have to skip class or cannot come to class on time, you have to email it to me before the class starts (printing deduction -5%). No need to submit it to CC.

<Question>

Prove that the total number of levels in a perfect binary tree is $\log_2(n+1)$ where n is the total number of nodes. Use PMI (principal of mathematical induction).

Write out a formal proof like what you did in your discrete math class. Write a lot of explanations so readers can understand your work.