

let  $n$  be a positive integer then,  $n$  can be odd or even.

(i) If  $n$  is odd, it is not divisible by 2.

Therefore,  $n$  can be written as  $= 1 \times n = 2^0 \times n = \text{product of a non-negative power of 2 and an odd number.}$

(ii) If  $n$  is even, it is divisible by 2.

Then  $m = n/2$  is an integer.

If  $m$  is odd, it cannot be divided by 2.

Because of  $m = n/2 \Rightarrow n = 2m = 2^1 \times m = \text{product of a non-negative power of 2 and an odd number.}$

If  $m$  is even, it is divisible by 2.

Then  $p = m/2$  is an integer.

If  $p$  is odd, it cannot be divided by 2.

Because  $p = m/2$  and  $m = n/2$ , we obtain  $p = n/4$

$\Rightarrow n = 4p = 2^2 \times p = \text{product of a non-negative power of 2 and an odd number.}$