

# Lab00-Proof

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1. Prove that for any integer  $n > 2$ , there is a prime  $p$  satisfying  $n < p < n!$ . (Hint: consider a prime factor  $p$  of  $n! - 1$  and prove by contradiction)
2. Use the minimal counterexample principle to prove that for any integer  $n > 17$ , there exist integers  $i_n \geq 0$  and  $j_n \geq 0$ , such that  $n = i_n \times 4 + j_n \times 7$ .
3. Let  $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots\}$  the set of all primes. Suppose that  $\{p_i\}$  is monotonically increasing, i.e.,  $p_1 = 2, p_2 = 3, p_3 = 5, \dots$ . Please prove:  $p_n < 2^{2^n}$ . (Hint:  $p_i \nmid (1 + \prod_{j=1}^n p_j), i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .)
4. Prove that a plane divided by  $n$  lines can be colored with only 2 colors, and the adjacent regions have different colors.

**Remark:** You need to include your .pdf and .tex files in your uploaded .rar or .zip file.