

# CS 241 Homework 1

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## Instructions

- The learning objective for this assignment is to ensure that you understand the underlying material, and to provide you with practice in solving problems of this kind.
- Only a few of these problems will be graded. You do not know beforehand which ones these are; hence, you should provide solutions to all the problems.
- Make your solutions concise and formal.
- Please type the assignment if your handwriting is difficult to read. Otherwise scan to pdf
- You are encouraged to work on problems in groups. List the people you worked in groups with please. If you used an online resource i.e. Math-Stack Exchange, link the question asked or resource such that I can check you understand rather than brain-off copying
- Note that you must write your solutions by yourself, in your own words. Individual submissions
- **Remember that proving a statement is false counts as proving the statement. To prove a statement you do not need to prove it true**

## Problems

**Extra Credit:** All assignments must be uploaded to Canvas as a pdf. Should you type up your homework in Latex, I will give you +2 extra credit points (equivalent to 10%). Template file will be provided if you want

**Problem 1.1.** *On January 22nd 2020, I turned 22 years old. Prove that for any person, there is **exactly** one year in which they turn  $x$  years old on the  $x$  day of a month.*

**Problem 1.2.** *Clearly the following proof must be incorrect, where and what is the error?*

**Theorem 1.1.**  $1 = 2$

*Proof.* Let  $x$  be a positive integer

$$x^2 = \underbrace{x + x + x + \dots + x}_{x \text{ times}} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \underbrace{x + x + x + \dots + x}_{x \text{ times}} \right] \quad (2)$$

$$2x = \underbrace{1 + 1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_{x \text{ times}} \quad (3)$$

$$2x = x \quad (4)$$

$$2 = 1 \quad (5)$$

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