

The best talk you will attend this year

Yours Truly

10 December 2025

So we begin

I suppose if we couldn't laugh at the things that don't make sense, we couldn't react to a lot of life.

Hobbes from Calvin & Hobbes

Remember the golden rule while giving presentations: your talk should contain a quote, a few jokes and plenty of pictures.

Albert Einstein
(not the one you're thinking of)

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At any point, feel free to shout out a caption or ask me to go back a few slides. There are 12 pictures (and 12 slide titles!), so I will pace myself appropriately. Now, sit back, relax and enjoy these pictures.

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You can find this graffiti on the side of the bridge near Ford hall.

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Figure: Shocked socket

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This squirrel was charged with destruction of property.

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Figure: A sparrow with a fry

What's one less?

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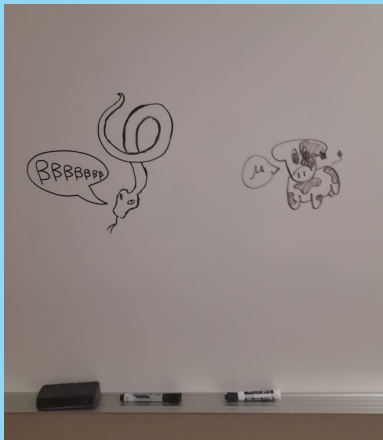


Figure: Unknown student, marker on whiteboard, second floor hallway c. 2023

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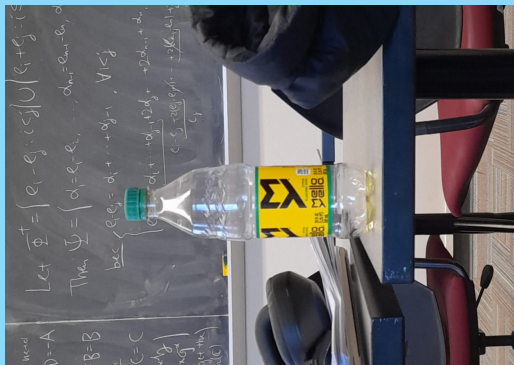
Figure: Treetop turkey

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Figure: Banana for scale

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The End