## Proof Practice take 3 **TCSS 321**

Extra Credit

Prove or disprove the following:

- 1. Whenever n is a positive integer, 3 divides  $n^3 + 2n$ .
- 2. Let n be a positive integer greater than or equal to two. If n people stand in a line with the first person in line a woman and the last person in line a man, then somewhere in the line there is a woman directly in front of a man.
- 3. Consider an arithmetic progression a + (a+d) + (a+2d) + ... + (a+nd). For all positive integers *n* we have,  $\sum_{i=0}^{n} (a+id) = \frac{(n+1)(2a+nd)}{2}$ .

4. Suppose that  $a_j \equiv b_j \pmod{m}$  for j = 1, 2, ...n, then  $\sum_{j=1}^n a_j \equiv \sum_{j=1}^n b_j \pmod{m}$ .

- 5. The algorithm to the right evaluates all strings of length n as "True" if they are palindromes and false otherwise.
- 6. Let n be a positive integer and xbe a real number. There is no recursive algorithm that can compute  $x^n$ .
- 7. Let s be a string with n characters. There is no recursive algorithm that can reverse the characters in the string s.

def Recurse(x): #x is a list type if len(x)<2:</pre> return True else: if x[0]==x[len(x)-1]: del x[len(x)-1] del x[0] return Recurse(x) else: return False x = [1, 2, 1]Recurse(x) True v = [1, 2, 3, 4]Recurse(y) False

- 8. 64 divides  $3^{2n+2} + 56n + 55$  for every positive integers n.
- 9. For all positive integers, a b is a factor of  $a^n b^n$ .
- 10. There is no recursive algorithm for computing the greatest common divisor of two positive integers.