# CS311H Discrete Math for CS: Honors

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• Show that there is no rational number r for which  $r^3 + r + 1 = 0$ 



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- (Tricky problem) The number 100...01 (with 3n 1 zeros where n is positive integer) is not a prime. (Hint: using identity  $x^3 + 1 = (x + 1)(x^2 x + 1)$ .



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