

Math 370 Assignment Question (1a)

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Instructions: *Please explain your solutions carefully.*
Due Date: *22 September 2016.*

- (i) Suppose $f(x)$ is (i) continuously differentiable for all $x \in \mathfrak{R}$, and (ii) the function f satisfies Cauchy's functional equation $f(x + y) = f(x) + f(y)$. Prove that $f(x) = f(1)x$.
- (ii) Now solve Cauchy's equation under the weaker assumption that $f(x)$ is continuous. HINT: first solve for fractions, then recall that $x_n \rightarrow x \Rightarrow f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x)$.