

## A Recollection of This Class

My friend: "How's CS?"

Me: "..."

Coming into this class, I had zero experience with coding. By zero, I mean ZERO. I had a lot to learn to say the least. At first, I thought things were going great because I was good at solving block mazes (Blockly!). Turns out, this assignment was just bait to get you to take the class because the next thing I knew, I was sitting in a cafe ready to pull my hair out because of Caesar and his cipher. Did I technically fail this assignment? Yes. But it's okay. I did just fine on the next one after screaming ten times. Safe to say, assignments were a pain.

APTs though? Loved them. I felt so smart every time I saw all green. The APTs made me want to be a CS major. The pure rage I felt with the assignments versus the bliss from the APTs perfectly sums up my experience with this course. It kind of felt like a toxic relationship because no matter how frustrated I would feel at a certain point, I kept coming back. I guess I'm just lovesick of CS.

Jokes aside, I enjoyed how this class made me think in different ways, and solving problems was honestly fun. Especially since I wasn't planning on taking any CS courses, I surprised myself and found a liking to this subject and will be taking 201 next semester. Thank you to Professor Rodger and Velasco, and thank you to all the TAs (especially mine) for helping in the most dire of circumstances.