

## 24.118 – Paradox and Infinity

### Problem Set 5: Vagueness

This problem set is very different from previous ones. You may also find it more difficult.

You will be graded on the basis of three criteria: (a) whether your answer reveals an adequate understanding of the assigned reading, (b) whether your answer demonstrates that you have thought seriously about the issue at hand, and (c) whether your ideas are expressed clearly.

Answers consisting of more than 350 words will not be given credit. Use your words wisely. If you waste some of your words on a passage that doesn't get to the heart of the matter (or on an unclear passage), you may not have enough words left to earn a good grade.

Please include a word-count with your submission.

#### **Problem:**

In 'Language Mastery and the Sorites Paradox', Wright argues that the governing view leads to trouble. Explain what a conception of language not based on the governing view would look like.

(Keep in mind that the question is *not* 'How do you think the Sorites Paradox should be solved?')