Math 341/002 – Spring 2015
MWF 7:45-8:35 AM, Van Vleck B223

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Grading Scheme:
- midterm exam (Friday, March 13) 30%
- final exam (Wednesday, May 13) 35%
- homework 20%
- quizzes 10%
- participation 5%

Grades will be posted on our course moodle page: https://ay14-15.moodle.wisc.edu


Homework: Written homework will be collected roughly every week, and is due at the beginning of class on each due date. Homework assignments and due dates will be announced in class and posted on the course webpage. Homework is a big part of the course. I expect you to spend a significant amount of time working on it, because this is how you learn to write proofs (one of the main goals of the course). I expect homework to be neatly written (or typed, if you know how to use LaTeX) and stapled. You are encouraged to work with your classmates on homework, but don’t take advantage of them – it should be a collaboration. Everyone will turn in their own assignment.

Quizzes: We will have quizzes periodically. These will be announced ahead of time, and the problems will closely resemble homework problems.

Participation: I won’t take attendance, but I will quickly learn all of your names, and I will know if you rarely come to class. On a regular basis (every three or four classes) we will devote class time to group work instead of lecture. I will assign you problems to work on and present during class. Your participation grade will be based on the effort you put in during this time.

Honest intellectual work - on examinations, and on written assignments - is essential to the success of every student in this course. Using classmates’ responses to answer homework, quiz, or exam questions or disguising words written by others as your own undermines the trust and respect on which our course depends. The work in this course is challenging and will demand a good deal of each of you. You can succeed in this course, and doing your own work is a necessary part of your success and your success in future courses. That said, working on homework with classmates is a good idea, as long as your classmates aren’t doing the work for you.

Accomodations: Any student with a McBurney visa should contact me as soon as possible so that can discuss arrangements to fit your needs.