

Dear all,

I am making an important change to the syllabus about how the homework is submitted and graded, as well as adding three extra credit homework assignments. All the information about this is in this announcement, so read it carefully and thoroughly.

The homework will now be submitted and graded on the website gradescope.com. You have all been added to the gradescope page for this class, and you should have received an email (to your ucsd.edu email account) telling you how to make a gradescope account and how to access the page for this class. If you did not receive an email please check your spam folder and if the email is not there, please contact me.

Each homework, starting with homework 3, should be submitted through gradescope and NOT turned in to your TAs box. I decided to make this change after discussing with the graders and weighing the pros and cons. I think the pros of you getting to keep a physical copy of your homework, no homework ever getting lost, you being able to submit your homework from your computer, and it being easier for you to see your graded homework outweigh the cons of the change.

About how to submit the homework through gradescope: Once you have access to the gradescope page you will be able to see the assignments for this class. As of right now I've added the next few assignments. To submit an assignment, you click the assignment and follow the instructions to either upload an image (a jpg file) of your homework or a pdf copy of your homework (more later on how to make an image or pdf copy of your assignment). When uploading the image(s) or pdf of your homework, it is important to tell gradescope which problems are on which pages. Then you are done.

About making a pdf copy or image of your homework assignment, there are two approaches I can think of. Approach one is to scan your homework using the scanners in the library and then to upload the pdf file that the scanner makes. Approach two is to take a picture with your phone of each page of your homework. Then email the pictures to yourself and download the images. Then you can upload the images directly to gradescope. If you use this approach, make sure to check that the pictures capture all of your work and that the work is readable. There are other approaches to making a pdf of your homework as well (you could use a "scanner" app on your phone, you could turn the images from your phone into pdfs and combine all the pdfs into one pdf, etc...).

The grading scheme for your homework has changed as well. For each homework three or four problems will be graded. If three problems are graded, then you'll get 70% on the homework for completion and each of the three problems will be graded for 10%. If four problems are graded, then you'll get 60% for completion and each of the four problems will

be graded to 10%. Completion means making a reasonable attempt to solve each problem on the homework. As always, if you do not show your work you will not receive any credit.

Finally, there are now three extra credit homework assignments. Each of the extra credit homework assignments are on a section that falls right before a midterm or the final. Because the section is right before the midterm or final, I'm not giving mandatory homework on that section because I do not want to cut into how you decide to use your study time for the midterm or final. On the other hand, it is important that you do problems from these sections in order to learn the material since you are tested on these sections on the midterms and finals. These three extra credit homework assignments will just be graded for completion and will each be worth a third of a regular homework assignment. The extra credit homework assignments can help you improve your homework score if you do not do well on some homework assignments or if you miss a homework assignment. When factoring the final grade, no one will receive above 20% for the homework percentage so if you do perfectly on all the homework assignments and do the extra credit homework assignments, the extra credit ones will not count for anything. The extra credit ones purely make up for missing points on other homework assignments.

All the homework assignments are now posted on the course webpage (<http://www.math.ucsd.edu/~jferrara/10awint20/>) and on canvas. The extra credit homeworks are only posted on the course webpage.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Joe