

Math 54, Fall 2009
Information Sheet for Sections 109 and 112

Course:

Lecture: TuTh 9:30-11:00, 2050 VLSB

Professor: Paul Vojta

Course website: <http://math.berkeley.edu/~vojta/54.html>

Discussion Sections:

Section 109: MWF 11:00-12:00, 70 Evans

Section 112: MWF 2:00-3:00, 30 Wheeler

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Enrollment questions: Please direct any enrollment questions to Barbara Peavy at peavy@math.berkeley.edu.

The plan for discussion section: The main purpose of section is to discuss examples that illustrate the concepts from lecture. We'll do problems on the board, as well as some individual/group practice problems. We'll also go over some of the more challenging homework problems. In general, I will not repeat material from lecture, except to occasionally provide a different perspective when I think it's warranted. Discussion section is supposed to be interactive, so please ask questions if something is unclear, and feel free to bring questions about things that have been puzzling you from lecture or homework.

Homework: Homework assignments listed on the syllabus are due in class on Wednesday of the following week (e.g. the homework for the week 1/20-1/23 is due 1/28). In general, late homework will not be accepted, with the following exceptions. I'll drop one homework grade at the end of the semester, and also accept one late homework. Your one late homework may be submitted any time before 10 AM Thursday (giving you an extra ~24 hours). Please submit late homework to me in my office by sliding it under the door. Your homework will

be graded for completion (i.e. check/no check), and it will comprise 10% of your final grade.

Quizzes: There will be quizzes approximately every two weeks. Quizzes will be in section on Fridays. Right now, the schedule for quizzes is during weeks 2, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, and 15, but that is subject to change. You will not be able to make up missed quizzes, but you may drop your lowest quiz grade at the end of the semester; please save this for unexpected circumstances. If you know in advance that you must miss a quiz, please let me know and I'll see if we can work something out (although there is no guarantee). Your quiz grades will comprise 15% of your final grade.