

Class 56: Review for Final

Held: Friday, May 11, 2007

Summary: Today we discuss a variety of issues pertaining to grading and the final examination.

Related Pages:

- EBoard.

Notes:

- Grades have been distributed. I still have a few EC lists to go through, and some of you may be doing the extra homework, project, or final. Otherwise, the grade you received in the email is the grade I will record.
- Please let me know ASAP if you plan to take the final. Otherwise, no final will be available.
- Congratulations to the excellent responses on the assessment.

Overview:

- Grading.
- The Final.
- Preparing for the Final.

Grading

- You should have received grades in the mail.
- Here's my grading rubric for class participation. Let me know if you think I've failed to put you in the correct category. ("attended most classes" = "missed no more than three")
 - 95-100: Attended most classes, volunteered excellent answers. questions.
 - 90: Attended most classes, answered when called upon, volunteered the occasional answer
 - 80: Attended many but not most classes, answered when called upon, volunteered the occasional answer
 - 75: Attended many but not most classes, never volunteered

The Final

- As you know, our final is in class on Wednesday, 16 May 2007.
 - Closed book; closed computer; closed colleague; mostly-closed notes.
 - You may bring one page of *hand-written* notes to the exam.
- Four problems.
 - All four mostly correct: A
 - Three mostly correct: B

- Two mostly correct: C
- One mostly correct: D
- Showed up and tried: F
- I will show last year's final in class, but since I may copy problems for this year's final, I will not make it available to you.

Preparing for the Final

How should you study for this final?

- Go through each lab and exam and make sure that you can answer the questions.
 - See if you can rederive the procedures presented in each session.
 - Make notes on key ideas.
 - Write a few questions of your own and make sure that you can answer them.
 - Summarize your ideas on a review sheet.
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