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, of 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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