

Rules on homework in Math 19 Spring 2013

Basics. Homework will be due every day, except for exam days. Depending on the nature of the homework, between 5 and 20 questions (average around 10) will be assigned each time. **Homework will be graded**, on the following basis: A few questions will be graded in detail, and the rest will be checked off in a more cursory manner.

Style of homework. Please show all your work for every question. If no work is shown, you may not receive full credit.

Some homework questions in this class may be marked “**explain**”; that is, you’ll be asked not just to solve a problem or do a calculation, but also to explain what you’re doing. You won’t have to write a huge amount for each question, but you will have to write a sentence or two of explanation.

Doing homework in teams. Unless otherwise specified, in this class, you have the option of doing any homework in a team of 2 or 3, and submitting a single writeup for the team each time. If you want to do homework in a team, the following rules apply.

- Teams can have either 2 or 3 people.
- One writeup is turned in for the whole team, and is to be written up by **one person only**. This person should be clearly indicated at the beginning of the homework (e.g.: “Writeup: Jane Nguyen”), and the names of the rest of the team should also be written at the beginning of the homework.
- Everyone in the team gets the same grade for the homework.
- The person doing the writing must change each time. Teams that do not change writers on a regular basis will be disbanded.
- Anyone who does not contribute to the homework should not have their name listed at the beginning of the homework, and will receive a 0 for the homework. If there are extenuating circumstances, they must be cleared with me.

If you would like to be placed randomly in a team, please let me know, preferably by e-mail (hsu@math.sjsu.edu), and I’ll try to match you up appropriately.

Late homework. The basic rule is that **late homework will not be accepted**, unless 24 hours notice is given (for away games, etc.). However, to allow for personal problems (illness, etc.), your three lowest homework grades will be dropped.