

Hyperbolic geometry (Math 145), Spring 2001
Millikan 211, MW 1:15–2:30

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Course web page: <http://www.cs.pomona.edu/timhsu/courses/145/>. This page will always contain a list of all homework and reading assigned to date, as well as downloadable versions of the homework.

Required text: S. Stahl, *The Poincaré Half-Plane*. Supplementary class notes will also be handed out in class.

Homework: Weekly problem sets will be assigned. You may discuss the homework with others in the class; however, all writeups must be done separately.

Exams: There will be two midterm exams, which will probably be take-home exams. There will be no final exam; instead, we will have a final project of some kind, which will be due either on **Wed May 02**, for seniors, or on **Sat May 12**, for everyone else.

Grading: Your final course grade consists of:

Homework:	30%
Exam I:	20%
Exam II:	20%
Final project:	30%

Syllabus:

All chapter numbers are from Stahl. Notes will be handed out as necessary.

Topic	Reading
The Euclidean and hyperbolic planes	
Isometries of the Euclidean plane	Ch. 2, notes
The hyperbolic plane	Ch. 3–4, notes
Hyperbolic isometries	Ch. 4–5
Exam I (take-home?)	
Structure of isometries	
Hyperbolic triangles and area	Ch. 6–8
Conjugacy	Notes
Conjugacy of Euclidean isometries	Notes
Complex numbers	Notes
Hyperbolic isometries and complex numbers	Ch. 9
Conjugacy of hyperbolic isometries	Notes
Exam II (take-home?)	
Surfaces	
Basics of surfaces	Notes
Surfaces from patterns	Notes
The Euler characteristic	Notes
The classification of surfaces	Notes
The Gauss-Bonnet theorem	Notes
Final project	