Math 3340: Abstract Algebra

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This is an introductory class to computational algebra for undergraduates.

1 Textbook

We will be using

• Abstract Algebra, Fourth Edition, Beachy and Balir

2 Course Website

https://pi.math.cornell.edu/~karola/3340/class3340-2020.html

3 Grading

Problem sets: 15%.

(Almost-)Weekly Quizzes: 15%

Prelim 1 15%. (tentative date March 11, in class) Prelim 2 15%. (tentative date April 24, in class)

Final May 15, 2-4:30pm. 40%.

Homework is due on gradescope on most Wednesdays.

Instructions on how to hand in homework:

https://gradescope-static-assets.s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/help/submitting_hw_guide.pdf

(Almost-)Weekly Quizzes will happen on almost every Monday at the beginning of the class and will last about 5-10 minutes. The quiz will have one problem to solve, which will be a problem or practice problem from the homework you handed in the previous week or a lemma/proposition/theorem proof we saw in class the previous week. There is no make-up for the quiz, but we will drop your two lowest scores.

The classroom is a technology-free zone. If you feel you have a serious reason to use some gadget, please discuss this with me in advance.