END OF QUARTER INFORMATION — DECEMBER 23, 2020

Statistics for the final examination

There were 150 points possible (with up to 25 additional for extra credit), and the cutoff scores are as follows:

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&\text{A — 116} \\
&\text{B — }\ 85 \\
&\text{C — }\ 65 \\
&\text{D — }\ 30
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Individual scores are posted on iLearn and are also available upon request to me. The median score was **111**.

Students with questions about the grading of the final should contact me by electronic mail since there is currently no date for the reopening of the campus. Appeals and queries regarding grading may be submitted as for the midterms with no formal deadline aside from standard University regulations or waivers which might be granted due to the irregular situation. Solutions for the exam questions are posted in the course directory file `exams/exam2f20.pdf`.

Statement on final grade determination:

As noted previously, the course grade will be determined by a weighted average of the grades on the examinations and the quizzes. Quizzes count for 30 per cent, the midterm counts for 30 per cent, and the final examination counts for the remaining 40 per cent.

The cutoff points for A, B, C, D, F on the quizzes and examinations are determined individually for each each of these constituents, and for grading purposes the raw numerical scores will be normalized by linear interpolation as follows:

4.0 = nominal highest A, 3.0 = lowest A, 2.0 = lowest B, 1.0 = lowest C, 0.0 = lowest D, -1.0 = zero score. If the raw numerical score lies between two of these values, the normalized score will be determined by linear interpolation.

EXAMPLE. If the lowest A is 88, the lowest B is 72, and a student's raw numerical score is 76, then the raw score is 4 points above the lowest B, the difference between the lowest A and the lowest is 16, and therefore the grade is $\frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$ of the way from the lowest B to the lowest A; linear interpolation means that the normalized score on the examination is **2.25**.