

UPDATED GENERAL INFORMATION — MARCH 21, 2016

Statistics for the final examination

There were 100 points possible, and the cutoff scores are as follows:

A	—	75
B	—	55
C	—	35
D	—	20

The median score was 61.

Appeals and queries regarding grading may be submitted in a timely manner as for the first in-class examination.

Statement on final grade determination:

As noted previously, the course grade will be determined by a weighted average of the grades on the examinations, the quizzes and the homework. The cutoff points for A, B, C, D, F will be determined individually for each each of these constituents, and for grading purposes the raw numerical scores will be normalized as follows:

4.0 = perfect score, 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**.

Retrieval of examinations

As noted in an earlier posting, my general policy is that students are welcome to take and keep their examinations. Students who want to retrieve their examinations should contact me by electronic mail next quarter so that arrangements can be made.