

UPDATED GENERAL INFORMATION — JUNE 11, 2015

Statistics for the final examination

There were 100 points possible (with 15 additional for extra credit), and the cutoff scores are as follows:

A — 75
B — 45

The median score was 70.

My general policy is that students are welcome to take and keep their final examinations, but I might be unavailable at various points throughout the summer. Students who want to retrieve their examinations should contact me by electronic mail so that arrangements can be made. Appeals and queries regarding grading may be submitted as for the midterms with no formal deadline.

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**.