Announcement on Quizzes

Three quizzes (5 questions in each quiz; each question worth 2 marks) will be given in the remainder of this term, using our usual Sapling platform. Together they will make up Test 3, which will be marked out of 30 marks.

You have a window of 24 hours (9:00 am Day 1 – 8:59 am of Day 2) to complete each quiz. This window is chosen to take account of problems with connections to Saplings as well as other individual accommodations. You should take the quiz as soon as you are ready and not wait until the last minute.

The quizzes will be available in Saplings on March 27, March 30, and April 1 respectively, starting at 9:00 am. All course material will be presented by then; i.e., the last lecture of the course will be on March 25. Please make sure that you have set aside time during these days for completing the quizzes. They will involve the material in sections 14.4, 14.5, and 14.6 respectively of the textbook. If you have understood the material in those sections, the actual quiz should not take more than 1 hour and 15 minutes. You will have to be careful, because this time you will be given only one try to answer each question.

Announcement about the Modified Evaluation Scheme

Your final grade will be computed as follows:

Homework Assignments (up to and including section 12.6):   20%

Best Two out of Three of the Tests: 40 % each

Note that Tests 1 and 2 are the in-class midterm tests that have been completed, and Test 3 is the totality of the 3 quizzes given between March 27 and April 1.

To calculate your homework assignment mark, we will add up your scores from each section after adjusting for the number of questions in each assignment, and express the total as a fraction of 90% of the theoretical maximum score. (So if the theoretical maximum score is 80, the assignments will be counted out of 72.) That fraction will then be converted to the corresponding percentage out of 20%.

This marking scheme will replace the one announced in the course outline. If you used the MSAF for one of the tests, it means that the other in-class test and Test 3 will count equally towards your final grade.

Announcement on Lectures, Practice Problems and Office Hours

Starting 17 March, lectures will be given in video form at the usual meeting times of the course, and can be viewed using the Echo360 Podcast format in the Avenue-To-Learn page for this course, after the end of each lecture (unfortunately, it is not possible to watch podcasts in real time). Lecture notes (i.e., what is written on screen during a podcast) will also be available in pdf at

https://ms.mcmaster.ca/lovric/1XX3.html.

We will cover sections 14.1 – 14.6 and (circumstances permitting) section 15.1. Although you will not be tested on 15.1 in this course, this section is important, as it is an introduction to double integrals which will be discussed in Math 2X3.

Practice problems for these sections will continue to be assigned. Please check the Saplings webpage for them. Remember to work on these problems and use the virtual office hours of your TAs to clarify questions you may have. These sections will be important for second year calculus courses that you may take in the future. Details about virtual office hours will be posted in Avenue-To-Learn.