

COSC 290 Discrete Structures

Lecture 0: Half-day introduction

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Plan for today

1. What is this course about?
2. Nuts & Bolts

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Math
(of computer science)

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Writing

(of proofs)

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Coding

(in lab)

(in Java)

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Nuts & Bolts

Course Work & Lab Work

- Active participation (*via polling + discussions*)
- Reading (*before class*)
- Problem sets (*roughly weekly*)
- Exams: 2 midterms (in-class), 1 final (all closed book)
- Lab (*graded separately*)
- Peer-led team-based learning sessions (*details TBD*)

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Required Textbook.
(Prelim edition is probably fine.)

Recommendation: find resources on Java + Data Structures (e.g.,
COSC 102 textbook)

No lab this week.

Complete problem set 0.