Math 065 Fall 2025 Syllabus

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Schedule & Format

- **Professor:** George McNinch <george.mcninch@tufts.edu>
- There is no required textbook for the course.
- Course materials (notes, homework assignments) will be made available on the course website: https://gmcninch.math.tufts.edu/2025-Fa–Math065/
- I will use the course site at canvas.tufts.edu for announcements and grades.

Course Grading & Expectations

You should keep up with the posted material throughout the course!!

Your grade in the course will be based on *problem sets*, two *midterm exam* and a *final exam*.

Here are details on these course components:

- *weekly problem sets*,

  Problem sets will be collected weekly on *Monday*. You can find the planned collection schedule on the course website.

  A total of 10 problem sets will be collected.

  The problems will be posted on the course website, and your solutions will be submitted to Gradescope – see these remarks concerning use of gradescope.

- I plan to use the course-meetings on Mon and Wed for lecturing, and the meeting on Fri for more interactive discussions. Occasionally, I might have you solve a (short) problem during the Friday session whose solution I then collect and mark. This score will contribute to your "problem set" grade.
- 2 *midterms*. The midterms will be "in-class";
  - Midterm 1 - Oct 3 10:30-11:20
  - Midterm 2 - Nov 7 10:30-11:20
- 1 *final exam*
  - Dec 15, 12:00-14:00

Please refer to the course website for details on expectations concerning these course components.

Your score in the course will be determined from these grading components by the following (implicit) formula:

Table 1: **Grading**

grade component	percentage
problem sets	40%
midterm 1	20%
midterm 2	20%
final	20%

Your *letter grade* is then determined from this score using the scheme described here.

Student Resources

For a list of *student resources*, please see the *syllabus* section of the `Canvas` site for the course.