

Department of Mathematics
Math 2020
Algebra 1, Winter 2016.

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This website contains all the information on this sheet, but will also contain any notes, assignments, etc.

Textbooks: The course will follow the book *Abstract Algebra: Theory and Applications* by Thomas W. Judson, which is available for free online at this address:

<http://abstract.ups.edu/download/aata-20150812.pdf>.

Course plan (approximate):

Week 1: Chapter 1—Introduction to proofs, basic set theory, functions, equivalence relations.

Week 2: Chapter 2—The integers, including induction, divisibility, GCD, LCM, and unique factorization.

Week 3: Chapter 3—Modular arithmetic and symmetry groups, definitions and examples of groups and subgroups.

Week 4: Chapter 4—Cyclic groups, cyclic subgroups and the lattice of subgroups, complex numbers as an example of a group and roots of unity as a subgroup.

Week 5: Chapter 5—Permutation groups, dihedral groups.

Week 6: Chapter 6—Cosets and Lagrange's theorem, Fermat's and Euler's Theorems if time allows.

Week 7: Chapter 9—Isomorphisms of groups, direct products of groups, beginning of normal subgroups.

Week 8: Chapter 10—Normal subgroups and quotients, simplicity of the alternating group.

Week 9: Chapter 11—Homomorphisms of groups, and introduction to rings (definitions).

Week 10: Chapter 16—Rings and subrings, integral domains and fields, examples.

Week 11: Chapter 16 continued—More supplementary examples, matrix groups, groups of linear operators, ideals and quotient rings.

Week 12: Chapter 17—Polynomial rings, the division algorithm, ideals.

Week 13: Chapter 18—Integral domains, field of fractions.

Marking:

Midterm 1: 25%

Midterm 2: 25%

Final exam: 50%

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