Class participation

There will be three graded participation activities.

Reading assignments:

At least once a week I will assign certain sections of the book to be read. You will be able to access them through the platform https://perusall.com (access code: HELEODORO-52J2E). Please register on the website, it is very simple and fast and you just need to include the course code to get access to the readings.

Each week I will ask all students to make at least 1 or 2 comments on the material assigned to read. A comment consists of either: 1) a question about a concept, 2) a different example, 3) a remark about something the book said, 4) a reference to a further discuss of a topic or different explanation, etc. If you make the required number of comments you will get the full grade for the reading assignment, if you don't make those comments until the deadline this will affect your grade.

The Perusall space is also very practical to conduct discussions on the text. I and the grader assigned for the course will try to respond to the comments, but keep in mind that we are only two people and there are over 50 students in the course. Finally, you are strongly encouraged to reply to your peers' comments and questions. Learning mathematics is a highly collaborative process and I hope this interface can facilitate that for all of us.

Worksheets:

Roughly once a week we will have a worksheet that students should work on in groups. I will try to make it available at least a day in advance. The idea is to together address problems and concepts that we covered in class and practice some active learning. Some of those may be used to determine your grade, I will let you know in advance which ones will count towards your grade.

Presentations:

Some times during the semester I will assign a problem to a group of students and they will have a couple of days to get together and work on it and then present the solution in class. The days when we present those solutions all groups should be present and their interaction with the group that is presenting will be considered into their grades as well.