

Syllabus: Graduate course Algebra II (winter term, 2013)

Kazuya Kato

Office Eckhart 413

e-mail kkato@math.uchicago.edu

Office hour: Wednesday 12:30-13:30. Please feel free to contact me via email anytime.

The class:

MWF, 11:30-12:20, E-206.

The first meeting : January 7 (Monday).

Graders:

Thatte Vaidehee (MS014) and Sundeep Balaji (WL5)

Homework and Exam.

Home assignments are due each Friday. The problems appear in the Chalk site. The first set of problems appears on January 11 (or 10) and they should be studied by January 18 (Friday). The next set appears on January 18 (or 17) and they should be studied by January 25

I follow the principle about the homework and Exam written by Prof. Peter May. I copy his sentences here:

While later problems will be accepted, they may not receive full credit. Problems are meant to help learn how to write: do not give pages of pointless detail, but do be convincing. Use your judgement.

I'm assuming that the problem sets do not have to be printed out for you.

There are no exams. No R's will be given to people who do most of the homework and get most of it right in a reasonably timely fashion. C's will be given if there is serious lack of understanding or if a significant portion of the homework is not done or is often done late. Late packets of homework are unfair to the graders. As a rough guideline, I expect people to complete, accurately, at least 75% of the homework problems. The more the better. I do look over the homeworks myself. But the problems are intended to be fun: do what you can, and don't agonize over them. Work together, but write up the problem yourself.