

Math 2603
Section: 012

Discrete Mathematics
MTWThF 9:15 – 10:45 AM
SCEN 322

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Text: *Discrete Mathematics*, by Sandi Irani, zyBooks. To obtain the text, click on the zyBooks link in the course menu on Blackboard and subscribe. The cost is \$58. Do not go to the zyBooks website and create a new account.

Prerequisites: Math 2554 with a grade of C or better.

Learning Objectives:

- Construct and analyze elementary mathematical arguments involving induction and contradiction
- Understand basic set operations and employ these operations correctly
- Identify key properties of functions and relations
- Classify the time complexity of elementary algorithms
- Apply the appropriate counting strategy to solve elementary combinatorial problems
- Understand the role of graphs and trees in mathematics and in applications

Topics:

- Logic: logical operators, conditional statements, quantifiers, De Morgan's laws for logic
- Methods of proof: direct, contrapositive, contradiction, induction
- Sets: set operations, De Morgan's laws for sets, partitions
- Functions and relations: one-to-one functions, onto functions, bijections, sequences, equivalence relations
- Analysis of algorithms: big O notation, time complexity
- Recursion: linear homogeneous recurrence relations with constant coefficients of order at most two
- Number theory: divisibility relation, prime numbers, congruence, modular arithmetic, greatest common divisor, Euclidean algorithm
- Introduction to combinatorics: permutations, combinations, counting with repetition, inclusion-exclusion principle, binomial theorem, discrete probability
- Graphs: graph representations, isomorphism, Euler circuits, Hamiltonian cycles, planar graphs, Euler's formula

The course will cover the majority of Chapters 1 – 11 of the text.

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Special Accommodation: Students who are registered with the Center for Educational Access must notify the instructor in writing by the end of the first week of class, or within one week of registering with CEA.

Class Delivery: Classes will consist of in-person lectures which entail a discussion of course material and worked examples. Class lectures will not be recorded.

Online Assignments: There will be twice weekly assignments administered online through the text (called *participation* and *challenge activities* in the text). Each section contains some additional exercises at the end. It is assumed that you have attempted each of these additional exercises.

Homework assignments are very important to the learning process. Math is not a spectator sport, the only way to get better is to practice.

Quizzes: There will be roughly 9 take-home quizzes throughout the semester, approximately two per week. You must be present to receive and to submit a quiz. The lowest quiz score will be dropped.

Exams: There will be two exams during the semester and a final exam. These exams will take place in class unless other arrangements are made. A make-up for any exam will not be given without a compelling reason and the instructor’s *prior consent*. *You must inform the instructor before the exam* if you are to miss it due to illness, University related activity or religious holiday.

Calculators: Calculators are not permitted on any quiz or exam.

Course Grade:

- Online Assignments (zyBooks) - 24%
- Quizzes - 25%
- Exam 1 (Thursday, June 8) - 17%
- Exam 2 (Tuesday, June 20) - 17%
- Final (Friday, June 30, 9:15 AM – 10:45 PM) - 17%

Letter grades: *A* : 100 – 90; *B* : 89 – 80; *C* : 79 – 70; *D* : 69 – 60; *F* : 59 – 0

All scores posted on Blackboard will be deemed accurate unless a possible error is brought to the attention of the instructor before the scheduled final exam.

Important Dates

Tuesday, May 30	Classes Start
Thursday, June 1	Last day to drop without W
Thursday, June 8	In class exam 1 (17% of grade)
Tuesday, June 20	In class exam 2 (17% of grade)
Wednesday, June 21	Last day to drop with W
Friday, June 30	Last day of classes
Friday, June 30	Final Exam (9:15 AM – 10:45 PM) (17% of grade)

See <http://registrar.uark.edu> for the complete academic calendar.

Inclement Weather Policy: Class will be held if the University is officially open. Allowances will be made if you are unable to safely reach the campus, but, bravely, class will go on! Do not call the Math office for inclement weather information. Instead, you should call the following telephone number: 575-7000.

Disclaimer: Information on this syllabus is subject to change. Any change will be announced on Blackboard and during the regular meeting time.