

This sheet summarizes information for the course CSC 236 F (“Introduction to the Theory of Computation”) during the Fall term of 2007 on the St. Mississauga campus at the University of Toronto.

Website

Website: <http://www.cs.utoronto.ca/~avner/teaching/236/index.html>

The website will always contain the most up-to-date information regarding the course. please check it at least weekly.

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Textbook

“Course notes for CSC B36H/236H/240: *Introduction to the Theory of Computation*”, by Vassos Hadzilacos, Copyright 1998–2006.

(Identical to last year’s version.)

Grading Scheme

- Three problem sets due on Oct 1, Nov 5, and Dec 3, worth 5% each. *To be completed individually; see the policy on academic offences below.*
- Two assignments due on Oct 15, Nov 19, worth 15% each. *To be completed in groups of at most 3 students* (details to be posted on website).
- One midterm test on Oct 26 worth 15%. *Closed-book.*
- One final exam, during exam period (Dec 10–21), worth 40%. *One aid sheet allowed.*
- Problem sets and assignments are due by 2pm (class start time) in the usual drop box in the South Building
- On tests and exam, answering “I don’t know” (and nothing else) is worth 20%, to encourage awareness of (and honesty about) your level of understanding. This does not apply to problem sets and assignments, where you have time to ask questions and learn.
- To pass this course, you must achieve a mark of 40% on the final exam.

Academic Offences

The work you hand in (problem sets, assignments, test, and exam) must not contain anyone else’s work or ideas without proper attribution. In particular, the actual writeup of your problem sets and assignments must be done in isolation from others (students for individual work, groups for group work) and without copying from notes or other sources. This ensures that your solution is truly your own, and that your grade reflects your own understanding of the course material. *To be safe, do not let others look at your solutions, even in draft form and even after the due date.* Please read the [Guidelines for Avoiding Plagiarism](#) page on the course website for full details.