
Meeting Minutes

Present: Johanna England, Sofie Holtestaul and Marius Thaule

Absent:

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Regarding: TMA4190 Introduction to Topology – reference group meeting

Time: 14.15 – 14.45, 14.2.2020 Place: Room 1248, Sentralbygg 2

Signatur: Marius Thaule

Lectures

The reference group indicated that most students are content with the lectures. They also reported that the accompanying notes written by the lecturer are well-received.

There was a discussion regarding the class attendance (there are 81 students registered for the class, but only about 40 or so show up for class). According to the reference group the Friday lecture clashes with other lectures that many students like to attend. That combined with the fact that the lecture starts at 8.15 might explain why the Friday lecture is, in general, less attended than the Wednesday lecture. Some students are also taking classes that includes project work that takes a lot of time.

The lecturer informed the reference group that he intends to use parts of one of the last lectures to inform about future studies in topology.

Exercises

The reference group indicated that several students would like there to be written solutions in addition to the solutions presented in class. The problems were not perceived as being too difficult (or too easy).

The lecturer will prioritize writing notes over writing solutions, but if time permits, he might write solutions to the exercises as well. It was also suggested that the lecturer announced in class (in addition to announcements on the course website) when he was doing exercises next time so that students could prepare ahead of time.

Exam

The lecturer informed the reference group that he intends to prepare three exams at once; one for the actual exam, one for the re-sit and one as a trial exam. The lecturer will then present the solutions of the trial exam in one of the final lectures.

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