

# Pure Math 763, Winter 2017

## COURSE OUTLINE

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### Grade Distribution (UNOFFICIAL)

Homework assignments = 50 %  
Final exam = 50 %

There will be about 5 homework assignments throughout the term.

### Syllabus

The general linear group and its closed subgroups (~6 weeks)

- basic properties
- exponential map, one-parameter subgroups
- the Lie algebra of a matrix Lie group
- properties of Lie algebras: nilpotence, solvability, semisimplicity
- integration on manifolds, Haar integrals

Representation theory of compact groups (~2 weeks)

- unitary representations, unitarizability, irreducible representations
- matrix coefficient functions, Schur orthogonality relations
- Peter-Weyl Theorem
- characters and central functions
- Fourier series

Representation theory of a specific example class: probably  $U(n)$  and  $SU(n)$  (~3 weeks)

- highest weight theorem
- Weyl formulae, characters, dimension formula
- other topics (polynomial representations of complexifications, tensor products) as time permits

### Texts

Primary: *Analysis on Lie Groups, An Introduction*, J. Faraut, Cambridge, 2008.

Secondary: *Lie Groups, An Introduction Through Linear Groups*, W. Rossmann, Oxford, 2002.

You will be responsible only for material covered in the lectures here, thus the book is not mandatory.

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