

Get Ready for the Course

Welcome to MATH 2625 class! Please read the following to get ready for the course and complete your first assignment in CONNECT and Blackboard.

There are three web sites that you will use in this course. The web addresses for these three web sites are the followings: (Please bookmark them.)

- 1) <http://people.yzu.edu/~gchang/class/m2625/2625DL/> **The Main Course Page:** It contains most of the course information includes **syllabus**, week by week study schedule, project assignments [due on Blackboard] and their deadlines, and the links to other course related web pages. You will follow the weekly study schedule in this web site to learn the materials in this course and do the assignment. Please do not fall behind. You will also find lecture notes and videos in this page for you to study and learn the materials. For viewing the video lectures you must install RealPlayer. The web site to download this software is: <http://www.real.com/realplayer> please have it ready as soon as possible. (Please read the course syllabus right away.)
- 2) <https://ysu.blackboard.com/> **Blackboard:** It is for Blackboard assignments submissions, emails, discussion board. See some video instructions in the Course Web Page for registration and other functions in Blackboard. You need to register course **MAHT_2625_DE_Chang** on Blackboard. The **access code** for enrolling in this course is **andychangysu**.
- 3) <http://www.connectmath.com> **CONNECT MATH:** It is an online learning assignment system for Homework assignments, Self Study materials and **e-book**.) To create an account, please visit CONNECT web site: <http://www.connectmath.com>. **Please use your real name, first name and last name, and YSU email address in the registration process.** To create an account, in the CONNECT web site, please click on the link marked "Sign up now" under NEW USER, and supply the following code **FQMLP-9VJHE**. You will be asked to provide more information. Please sign up a CONNECT account right away and try the first assignment **Homework 0** and to get familiar with the system. All CONNECT homework assignments allow you to have 3 attempts for each question and will count the best scores.

Starting from Week 1, you can click on Week 1 link in the **Course Web Page** to start your lessons and doing assignments. If you see the "**Not Ready**" shown in a weekly course page, it means that particular page is not ready yet. Please be patient and do not use the information that is not ready.

Assignment 0 (10 points, due before 11PM on Monday of the 2nd week of the semester.)

(This extra credit assignment gives you extra points to add to the total 1000 points. This means that you may earn more than 1000 points in this course however the grading scale remains the same.)

Task 1 (5 points): Register in **MATH_2625_DE_Chang** to your Blackboard account. Post a message on Blackboard **Discussion Board** under the title "Introduce Yourself". You can do this by creating a Thread.

Task 2 (5 points): Register yourself in CONNECT and submit the **Homework 0** assignment before

Remarks:

In distance learning, communicating with your instructor is very important. **Do not hesitate to contact your instructor immediately whenever you have questions.** You may contact me through my YSU email gchang@ysu.edu or through **Blackboard** or gh.andychang@gmail.com or Skype (UserID: **andychangysu**) or Phone: 330-941-1818, or visit me at my office. If you have questions using any communication tools through Internet please contact me.