Course Rules

• The final grade is based on the grades obtained with the homeworks, the midterm exam and the final exam. The weighting is as follows:
  
  – Homeworks: 10% of the grade
  – Midterm: 40% of the grade
  – Final: 50% of the grade

• Homeworks can be handed in only before the end of the exercise session on the date specified on the course website. Absolutely no delays will be tolerated, whatever the justification is. If you do not hand in a homework in time, you will get a score of 0 for that homework. There are several homework assignments throughout the semester and the total homework grade is only 10%.

• If in some homeworks you have to hand in digital documents, send them by email to the address specified on the homework. We will only accept documents sent in before the deadlines specified above. We consider that a document is handed in at the time it arrives in our mailbox (you can cc the email to yourself to make sure that we received it). If for any reason we do not receive the email in time, we will not take it into account for the grading, i.e., you will not get any points for this part of the homework.

• It is imperative that you solve the homework problems by yourself. Homeworks only count for a very small percentage of the final grade and should help you to make progress. You are strongly encouraged to do all the homework problems since they constitute a crucial component of the course. We will randomly choose two problems in every homework to grade.

• If for any reason you cannot be present during the midterm and/or the final exam, contact the “service académique” (SAC) directly. Whatever the justification of your absence is, we will not allow you to repass an exam unless the SAC takes this decision. Please do NOT contact any of us.

• Both the midterm and the final exam are closed book exams i.e., you are not allowed anything except a pen and a handwritten summary (no photocopies). For the midterm exam the size of the summary is limited to 1 A4 sheet (both sides), while for the final exam it is limited to 2 A4 sheets (both sides). Calculators of any kind are not allowed.

• All lectures are given in English. All documents are in English. Your answers to the homework question must be written in English.

• For any other issues you might have, EPFL rules apply. No exceptions will be made to the rules stated above.