

ONLINE LECTURES IN ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY II

I hope you are having a good break and are staying out of troubles. When the class starts again on March 23, the lectures and office hours will be given online. I will use BigBlueButton in Canvas. Since our class is small, I expect that it will be possible to turn everybody's microphones on, so that we can all hear each other. The lectures will be held at the usual times, Monday and Thursday 12:00-1:20 PM. Office hours are Wednesdays at 3 PM, or by appointment (send me an email to setup a different time).

To participate in lectures and office hours, go to <https://canvas.rutgers.edu> and login using you NetID. We recommend using Firefox or Chrome. (If you are using your phone, do not use the Canvas App; it does not run BigBlueButton; instead use the browser in your phone.) Click on courses on the bar at the left, and go to our course, "ALGEBRAIC GEOMET II". In the bar at the left, click on "Conferences". I will use the same conference "Online lectures" for all lectures and office hours. The individual sessions will be recorded so that you can look at them later. During lectures, you will be able to ask questions by speaking up as usual. If your microphone fails to work, then you can also type your questions in the chat feature. (It may work best if each of you mute your microphone when you do not wish to say anything, and unmute when you have questions. Please do this!)

I encourage you to login to canvas now to familiarize yourself with the technology. The "Online lectures" conference is already there, so I expect you will be able to "Join" this conference. There is also one video recording that you can look at (click on "Online lectures" to show the list of recordings). For more detailed instructions on the tools and websites noted here, see the links below:

- Introduction to Canvas:
<https://canvas.rutgers.edu/students/getting-started-in-canvas-students/>
- Introduction to conferences:
<https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10503-4212627661>
- Using the conferences interface (BigBlueButton):
<https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10547-4212119672>
- 24/7 Canvas Technical Support:
<https://canvas.rutgers.edu/canvas-help/>

Conferences are best accessed on a computer with reliable internet and head-phones. If you do not have access to a computer, you can access conferences on your phone by navigating to <https://canvas.rutgers.edu> on your mobile internet browser, but NOT if you have the Canvas app installed on your phone. You are encouraged to look at the recorded video mentioned above in advance, to make sure that the board is readable from your device. Please let me know if you are unable to access Canvas in an acceptable way.