Homework and Grading
Physics 562: Statistical Mechanics
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Homeworks will be roughly every other week, staggered with Quantum II. By popular consensus last year, homeworks are due on Wednesdays. The first homework is due ONE WEEK and two days from now, Wednesday February 4. You are encouraged to work in groups for the homeworks, but write up your own answers. The homeworks are similar to homework and exam questions assigned last year: you are welcome to consult in moderation with people who took the classes last year, but we ask that you do not consult the answer keys! In moderation, getting stuck and working through things is the way we learn.

The final will be a take-home exams, with one week between when we hand them out and when we expect the completed exams turned in. The due date of the final will be determined later.

Work Schedule
February 4   Homework 1
February 18  Homework 2
March 3       Homework 3
March 17      Homework 4
              Spring Break
April 7       Homework 5
April 21      Homework 6
May 5         Homework 7

One third of your grade will be based on the homeworks, and two thirds on the final. They will be open book, but of course no collaboration with others is allowed for the exams.