

Math 491 - Mathematical Writing

Writing Assignment #2

Due: By 4:00pm on Friday, February 1st

**Instructions:**

- Select a section from a mathematics textbook of your own choosing. The textbook you select **must** be at a calculus level (or higher).
- Read your selected textbook section, focusing on the quality of its mathematical exposition. You should note what is especially good, what is poor, and what could be improved (and how).
- Make sure to also comment on the examples and exercises in the section the number, clarity, breadth, and difficulty level.
- Pay attention to (and comment on the quality of) the transitions from one topic to another (if these exist in your selection).
- Take note of any errors you find in your selected section.
- Avoid merely summarizing content from the section. Your focus should be on **how** and **how well** the content is presented.
- Your grade on this assignment will be based mainly on the *thoroughness* and *aptness* of your comments.
- You **must** also submit a copy of your selected textbook section you with your completed assignment.

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