Using WebAssign – MAT 131

You’ll be using WebAssign for your MAT 131 homework assignments. Here are some reminders and a short guide as to how to use WebAssign.

- If you are enrolled in MAT 131 class you already have a WebAssign account. You do not need a class key or any other code. If you haven’t purchased WebAssign with your textbook or separately you will be prompted to “pay-up” when you enter the program. How you enter WebAssign is explained below.
- The assignment will usually be posted on the weekend for the upcoming week. It would be best to wait until the work involved in the WebAssign homework has been discussed in lecture before starting the assignment.
- Generally the assignments are due early Monday morning (usually 8:00 am) at the end of the week that the assignment was given. This is to avoid a “traffic jam” that results when assignments are due at night. The due date appears on the same line as the assignment.
- Your best bet to enter WebAssign from Blackboard (Bb) as follows:

  1. Once you get into Bb select “Tools”
  2. Scroll up to “WebAssign” on the upper left.
3. You’re there!

- Click on the assignment you want.
- When you enter the assignment you’ll see places for your answers. In some cases you select the answer from a list, in others you have to use a built-in formula editor. Some “tutorial” questions take you through the process step by step and you have to answer each part before going on to the next.
- Once you submit your answer, you are told whether or not your answer is correct. If it’s wrong you have one more chance to get it right with no penalty. After that you have 3 more tries but each try reduces your score for that question by 20%. You have a total of 5 tries.