In a project report entitled *Improving Mathematics Education at the Central Department of Mathematics*, Professor Stephan Ruscheweyh, of Würzburg University Germany, made the following remarks:

In Mathematics, an independent but guided work on the matters taught is extremely important. In practice this means that students should do homework, which then must be graded by teachers (or assistants) and later discussed in tutorial classes. This part of teaching and understanding is almost unknown in the present teaching system. Everything focusses on lectures. Only in the Certificate and Bachelor levels some drill on basic techniques is done, which again leads away from the fundamental meaning of Mathematics, namely training of independent and abstract thinking. It is typical that on the question papers for the final examinations, one finds the statement: ‘Use your own words as far as practicable.’ This somewhat helplessly tries to force the students not to do what they usually do, namely memorize the wording of theorems, definitions, and whole proofs, only to reproduce them word for word in the examinations, without any understanding.

In a ‘normal’ environment, a teacher has the possibility to prepare the problems for a final examination on the basis of the specific contents of his/her lectures, and to use formulations that do not permit the student just to ‘copy’ the answer from a book, via memory. In the present system this fine-tuning is impossible, since the question papers are prepared on a country-wide basis. Nothing special is permitted, for the questions have to make sense to all students of the university at the same level and taking the same course.

This system makes it very difficult to update and adjust classical courses to modern knowledge, let alone introduce new subjects. This, on the long run, can only imply that mathematics education in Nepal further loses (and it visibly does) in the international context.

All this was said almost two decades ago, when Prof. Ruscheweyh was on his second visit to this university in connection with the oral examination of one of his PhD students. A project proposal specially for the Central Department of Mathematics was drawn up with the active participation of faculty members. It was pointed out at that time, that the implementation of the project would require some independence of the Department from the general system, as far as courses and examinations were concerned. Some of the basic components of the project were as follows:

1. Restructuring and modernizing the Master level courses, including the implementation of courses in Applied Mathematics. This could also mean an extension of the 2-years program to 5 or 6 semesters.

2. Introduction of tutorials and supervised homework for students.
3. Introduction of MPhil program to provide upgrading facilities for interested teachers, and as a provision for students at the Master’s level to upgrade and/or prepare for PhD work.

4. Provision to enable the faculty to work ‘full-time’ in the Department.

5. Provision of suitable teaching facilities (including computing facilities) and a basic library.

The project never came to fruition, mainly due to lack of fund and the rigid structure of the university.

Many years have passed, and to our pleasant surprise the case for the project appears brighter now as never before. Indeed, with the enactment of the ‘Autonomy Act’, our authorities actively promote autonomy for institutions. As for fund for the project, regular fees on a par with that of other science central departments would go some way in providing for suitable facilities for teaching and research, and extra remuneration of the faculty and support staff. And last but not the least, the Department enjoys considerable goodwill, trust, and support from all quarters, just about enough, we believe, to make this well-intentioned project a success.

It is interesting to note that what Prof. Ruscheweyh told us then about how mathematics should be taught has now become common knowledge. Web sites of mathematics departments of all standard universities, as also web sites of their faculty members are bursting with information on which courses are being taught, and on how they are being taught. Also the grading policies of individual instructors are available for all to see. They talk of weekly homework, quizzes, mid and end of semester examinations, and even oral examinations.

Another interesting fact to note is that, the Master Level Programme of the Institute of Engineering has already brought into practice most of the teaching and evaluation methods that we have been advocating for so long! It may be helpful to present some fragments of their curriculum. Here is what the curriculum of the Master of Science in Structural Engineering has to say under Instructional Methods:

Every course is co-ordinated by a member of the faculty of the Department which is offering the course in a given semester. This faculty member, called the Course Coordinator, has the full responsibility for conducting the course, co-ordinating the work of the other members of the faculty involved in that course, holding the tests and assignments, and awarding the marks. For any difficulty the student is encouraged to approach the Course Coordinator for advice and clarification. Apart from the lectures, through which the course is delivered, a certain number of assignments will be given in each course. Each assignment or a tutorial sheet consists of a number of problems that covers a particular section of the course. The problems are set in such a fashion that the student understands thoroughly the subject matters presented in the section after solving them. Generally, 4 to 8 assignments are given in each course. Tutorial contact hours, allotted in a course, are utilized for assignment discussions and augmentation of lectures. Practical classes in the form of laboratory works
or computations, are used to verify the concepts and to develop necessary technical and analytical skills. The program, in general, emphasizes on the process of self-learning.

Under the heading *Evaluation System*, the curriculum says:

The evaluation of a student in any course will be based on his performance in 2 minor tests, a major test and assignments. A major test will be conducted at the end of the semester and will generally cover the contents of the entire course. Two minor tests will be conducted in between the semester; generally portions covered in the first minor test is not included in the second minor test. The relative weightages attached to the major test, minor tests and assignments depend on the nature of the course, and the distribution of weightage will be decided by the Course Coordinator. However, in general a weightage of about 20% is attached to the assignment component of the evaluation, another 40% weightage is given to the minor tests and the rest 40% weightage is attached to the major test. Where a course does not have significant assignments, the scheme of evaluation and relative weightage attached to each component may deviate from the general pattern as described above, and are decided by the Course Coordinator.

Having dwelt on some of the shortcomings of teaching higher mathematics, and having found that one has to look no further than a sister institute of Tribhuvan University for possible solutions, we turn now to a description of a new curriculum for the Master of Arts/Master of Science in Mathematics. This curriculum is to be viewed as an addendum or supplement to the existing curriculum.
M.A./M.Sc. Mathematics (Semester System)
Curriculum for the
Central Department of Mathematics

Introduction:
A new teaching programme is being introduced at the Central Department of Mathematics. This necessitates the introduction of a new curriculum. Also a switch over to the semester system is called for, in order to achieve the necessary flexibility in introducing new instruction and evaluation methods. There are no changes under the headings Objectives, Eligibility for Admission, and Admission Criteria in the new curriculum. However, there are major changes in course structure and evaluation methods.

Course Structure:
The new programme runs for two academic years, i.e., four semesters. The total aggregate of credit hours for the four semesters is at least 100. Most courses are of 5 credit hours and come bundled with 2 credit hour courses for problem solving. Some courses may have practical or laboratory component as well. Here is a table of the courses available so far.

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Course Duration:
The duration of the programme is two academic years, that is, four semesters.

Hours of Instruction:

a) Working days : 75 days in a semester
b) Class hour : A general course of 5 credit hours will usually have 5 contact hours per week.
c) Attendance : 70 percent attendance in the class is compulsory.

Examination:
There will be internal assessments and final examinations, although some courses may have no final examination. Unless prescribed otherwise under Course Details, a course will have 60% of marks allotted for final examination, and 40% for internal assessment.

Evaluation:
The final examination will be conducted by the department. The answer sheets will be returned to the students after they have been marked. If not specified otherwise under Course Details, a course will have a final examination of two hours’ duration. Students will have to pass the internal assessment and the final examination of a course separately. The minimum pass mark is 50 percent in both cases: in internal assessments, and in final examinations. A student who fails in the internal assessment of a course will not be allowed to appear in the final examination of that course.

A student who has successfully completed a programme of course work of at least 100 credit hours, that is, a programme of course work of at least 1000 marks, will be graded on the basis of his/her average mark as follows:

- 80 percent and above Distinction
- 70 percent and above First Division
- 60 percent and above Second Division
- 50 percent and above Third Division.

But a student is not required to pass a course offered on an extra optional (i.e., extra elective) basis. Nor will such a course contribute in any way in calculating the average mark.

Course Details:
The following pages contain the Course Details.
Topology I

Course Title: Topology I  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 551  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Some set theory and logic, topological spaces, continuous functions, product topology, metric topology, quotient topology, connected spaces, local connectedness, compact spaces, limit point compactness, local compactness, countability and separation axioms, Urysohn lemma, Urysohn metrization theorem, Tietze extension theorem.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Topology I

Course Title: Problems in Topology I  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 551a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 551, Topology I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks alloted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Course Title: Topology II
Course No.: Math 552
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:


Algebraic Topology: Homotopy and path homotopy, fundamental group, covering spaces, fundamental group of the circle, retractions and fixed points, fundamental theorem of algebra, deformation retracts and homotopy types, fundamental group of $S^n$, fundamental groups of some surfaces.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Topology II

Course Title: Problems in Topology II
Course No.: Math 552a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:

Problems in Math 552, Topology II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:

The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Measure Theory and Integration I

Course Title: Measure Theory and Integration I
Course No.: Math 553
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Systems of sets, measures on semirings, outer measures, measurable functions, simple and step functions, Lebesgue measure, convergence in measure, abstract measurability, upper functions, integrable functions, Riemann integral as a Lebesgue integral, applications of Lebesgue integral, approximating integrable functions, product measures, iterated integrals, $L_p$-spaces, signed measures, Radon-Nikodym theorem.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Measure Theory and Integration I

Course Title: Problems in Measure Theory and Integration I
Course No.: Math 553a
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 553, Measure Theory and Integration I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Functional Analysis I

Course Title: Functional Analysis I
Course No.: Math 554
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Metric spaces, complete metric spaces, Banach fixed point theorem and its application to differential and integral equations; normed spaces, Banach spaces, finite dimensional normed spaces, subspaces and quotient spaces, completions, compactness and finite dimension; linear operators, bounded linear operators, linear operators and functionals on finite dimensional spaces, spaces of operators, duals; Zorn’s lemma, Hahn-Banach theorem, Baire category theorem, open-mapping theorem, closed-graph theorem, uniform boundedness principle.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Functional Analysis I

Course Title: Problems in Functional Analysis I
Course No.: Math 554a
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 554, Functional Analysis I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Complex Analysis and Applications I

Course Title: Complex Analysis and Applications I  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 555   Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Complex numbers, analytic functions, elementary functions, integrals, series, residues and poles.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Complex Analysis and Applications I

Course Title: Problems in Complex Analysis and Applications I  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 555a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 555, Complex Analysis and Applications I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Differential Equations

Course Title: Differential Equations
Course No.: Math 556
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Introduction, second order linear equations, power series solutions and special functions, matrix methods, Laplace transforms, Fourier series, introduction to partial differential equations, numerical methods, systems of first order equations, nonlinear theory.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Differential Equations

Course Title: Problems in Differential Equations
Course No.: Math 556a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 556, Differential Equations, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Theory of Functions I

Course Title: Theory of Functions I  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 557  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Power Series, analytic functions, analytic functions as mappings, Mobius transformation, R-S integrals, power series representation of analytic functions, zeros of analytic functions, index of closed curve, Cauchy’s theorem and integral formula, homotopic version of Cauchy’s theorem, simple connectivity, counting zeros, open mapping theorem, Goursat’s theorem, classification of singularities, residues, argument principle, maximum modulus theorem, Phragmen-Lindelöf theorem.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Theory of Functions I

Course Title: Problems in Theory of Functions I  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 557a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 557, Theory of Functions I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Theory of Functions II

Course Title: Theory of Functions II  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 558  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Space of continuous functions, spaces of analytic functions, spaces of meromorphic functions, Riemann mapping theorem, Weierstrass factorization theorem, factorization of sine function, Runge’s theorem, simple connectedness, Mittag-Leffler’s theorem, Schwarz reflection principle, analytic continuation along a path, monodromy theorem, basic properties of harmonic functions, harmonic functions on a disk, Jensen’s formula, genus and order of an entire function.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Theory of Functions II

Course Title: Problems in Theory of Functions II  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 558a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 558, Theory of Functions II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Differential Geometry

Course Title: Differential Geometry
Course No.: Math 559
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Theory of space curves, local intrinsic properties of a surface, geodesics, second fundamental form, local non-intrinsic properties of a surface, envelopes and developables, fundamental equation of surface theory.

Textbooks/Reference Books:
1. Weatherburn, C.E., *Differential Geometry*, ELBS.

Problems in Differential Geometry

Course Title: Problems in Differential Geometry
Course No.: Math 559a
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 559, Differential Geometry, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
**Combinatorial Optimization**

Course Title: Combinatorial Optimization  
Course No.: Math 560  
Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25  
Nature of the Course: Theory

**Course Contents:**
Simplex algorithm for linear programming, integer programming, network flow problems, complexity status, solution techniques of combinatorial optimization problems.

**Textbooks/Reference Books:**

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**Problems in Combinatorial Optimization**

Course Title: Problems in Combinatorial Optimization  
Course No.: Math 560a  
Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10  
Nature of the Course: Theory

**Course Contents:**
Problems in Math 560, Combinatorial Optimization, form the contents of this problem solving course.

**Examination:**
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Mathematical Programming

Course Title: Mathematical Programming
Course No.: Math 561
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Linear programming (briefly), analytical and numerical approach to convex and nonlinear optimization problems, modeling and application of optimization techniques to real-life problems.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Mathematical Programming

Course Title: Problems in Mathematical Programming
Course No.: Math 561a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 561, Mathematical Programming, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Mathematical Analysis I

Course Title: Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 562 Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
To be fixed later.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Mathematical Analysis I

Course Title: Problems in Mathematical Analysis I Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 562a Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 562, Mathematical Analysis I, normally form the contents of this problem solving course. However, this course may be offered independent of Math 562, and even when Math 562 itself is not offered. In this case, it will be based on some topics in analysis selected by the department and/or the instructor and may vary from one semester to another.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks alloted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Course Title: Elementary Harmonic Analysis
Course No.: Math 564
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Definition, examples and elementary properties of commutative Banach algebra, maximal ideals and multiplicative linear functional, *-algebras, symmetric *-algebra, $C^\ast$-algebras, commutative $C^\ast$-algebras and functional calculus in $C^\ast$-algebras, definition and examples of topological group, subgroups, quotient groups, connected groups and homogeneous space, Haar integral, left and right translate, left and right invariant Haar measure and examples on Haar measures and integrals, some simple matrix groups, modular function, convolution with special emphasis on $L^1(\mathbb{R})$, $L^1(\mathbb{T})$, and $L^1(\mathbb{Z})$; approximate identity, character of a group and dual group, characters and dual of $\mathbb{R}$, $\mathbb{T}$, and $\mathbb{Z}$.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Elementary Harmonic Analysis I

Course Title: Problems in Elementary Harmonic Analysis I
Course No.: Math 564a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 564, Elementary Harmonic Analysis I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Algebra I

Course Title: Algebra I  
Course No.: Math 565  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Review of group, subgroup, cyclic group, permutation group, cosets, normal subgroup, quotient group, centre, homomorphism, isomorphism, normalizer, Cayley’s theorem, conjugacy, alternating group, quaternion group, Klein’s four group, dihedral group, commutator group, action of a group on a set, class equation, Cauchy’s Theorem, Sylow’s Theorems, application of Sylow’s Theorems; free group, free abelian group, finitely generated abelian group; review of basic concept of rings, subring and ideal, polynomial ring, primitive polynomial, Gauss lemma, Eisenstein criterion, polynomial rings over commutative rings, rings of quotient and localization, Chinese remainder theorem; modules, submodules, quotient modules, homomorphism and exact sequence of module homomorphism, short exact sequence, split exact sequence.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Algebra I

Course Title: Problems in Algebra I  
Course No.: Math 565a  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 565, Algebra I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Algebra II

Course Title: Algebra II
Course No.: Math 566
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Nilpotent and solvable groups, subnormal series, Zassenhaus lemma, ascending chain condition, Noetherian rings, descending chain condition, Artinian rings, free modules, projective and injective modules, field extensions, minimal polynomial, fundamental theorem of Galois theory, splitting field, algebraic closure and normality, Galois group of polynomials, finite fields, separability, cyclic extension, spectral theorem, unitary operators, Jordan normal form, tensor product, isomorphism of tensor products, alternating product.

Textbooks/Reference Books:
3. Lang, S., Linear Algebra, Addison-Wesley Publishing Company.

Problems in Algebra II

Course Title: Problems in Algebra II
Course No.: Math 566a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 566, Algebra II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Linear Algebra

Course Title: Linear Algebra  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 567  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Vector spaces, subspaces, basis and dimension, direct sum, Gauss elimination, pivots, block matrices, linear transformations and matrices, similarity, dual spaces, annihilation, elementary row operations, determinants, diagonalization, T-invariant subspaces, T-cyclic subspaces, inner product and positive definite matrices, minimal polynomial, nilpotent operators, Jordan and rational canonical forms, primary decomposition theorem.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Linear Algebra

Course Title: Problems in Linear Algebra  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 567a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 567, Linear Algebra, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Theory of Numbers I

Course Title: Theory of Numbers I  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 570  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Divisibility, primes, congruences, solutions of congruences, the Chinese remainder theorem, quadratic reciprocity and quadratic forms, quadratic residues, quadratic reciprocity, Jacobi symbol, some functions of number theory, greatest integer function, arithmetic functions, Mobius inversion functions, some Diophantine equations, the equation \( ax + by = c \), simultaneous linear equations, simple continued fractions, the Euclidean algorithm, uniqueness, infinite continued fractions, irrational numbers, approximations to irrational numbers, best possible approximations.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Theory of Numbers I

Course Title: Problems in Theory of Numbers I  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 570a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 570, Theory of Numbers I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Mechanics

Course Title: Mechanics  
Course No.: Math 571  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Statics
*Forces in three dimensions*: Systems of forces in three dimensions, principle of virtual work in three dimensions, Poinsot’s central axis and wrenches.

Dynamics
*D’Alembert’s principle and motion in two dimensions*: D’Alembert’s principle and equation of motion, motion in two dimensions under finite forces including sliding and rolling friction.

Hydrodynamics
*Kinematics of fluid*: Lagrangian and Eulerian methods, equation of continuity, boundary surfaces, stream lines and velocity potential.
*Equation of motion*: Equation of motion for ideal fluid and their integrals.
*Motion in two dimensions*: Irrotational motion in two dimensions, sources, sinks, doublets, images in two dimensions.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Mechanics

Course Title: Problems in Mechanics  
Course No.: Math 571a  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 571, Mechanics, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Functional analysis II

Course Title: Functional analysis II  
Credit Hours: 5  
Course No.: Math 572  
Full Marks: 50  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Functional Analysis II

Course Title: Problems in Functional Analysis II  
Credit Hour: 2  
Course No.: Math 572a  
Full Marks: 20  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 572, Functional Analysis II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Harmonic Analysis

Course Title: Harmonic Analysis
Course No.: Math 573
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Fourier series and integrals, Fejer’s kernel, Poisson’s kernel, homogeneous space for $T$, Riemann Lebesgue lemma, inequality of Hausdorff and Young, Fourier transform and its properties; Introduction to representation theory, star representation, unitary representation, positive functional, extendable positive functional, conjugation on Hilbert space, positive definite functions; Complex Borel measure on $G$, Fourier transform on $M(G)$, involution in $(C_0(G))^*$, weak and weak* topology, Krein-Millman theorem, left regular representation, Gelfond-Raikov theorem, $L_2$ and $L_p$ transforms.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Harmonic Analysis

Course Title: Problems in Harmonic Analysis
Course No.: Math 573a
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 573, Harmonic Analysis, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Special Functions I

Course Title: Special Functions I
Course No.: Math 574
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:

Gamma and Beta Functions: Euler’s product, integral representation, difference equation, factorial functions, Legendre’s duplication formula, Beta function, various properties and relations, asymptotic series and its relations.


Generalized Hypergeometric Function and Confluent Hypergeometric Function: Generalized hypergeometric function, contiguous function relations, confluent hypergeometric functions and relations, Kummer’s first and second formulae.

Bessel Function: Bessel function, recurrence relations, generating functions, Bessel integral, modified Bessel function, Neumann polynomial and series.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Special Functions I

Course Title: Problems in Special Functions I
Course No.: Math 574a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:

Problems in Math 574, Special Functions I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Special Functions II

Course Title: Special Functions II
Course No.: Math 575
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Concept of Generating Functions and Legendre Polynomials: Generating functions of the form \( G(2xt - t^2), e^{xt} \psi(xt), A(t) \exp \left( \pm \frac{xt}{1-t} \right) \) and orthogonality, Legendre polynomials, recurrence and differential equation, Rodrigues formula, hypergeometric form, Laplace integral form and generating functions, orthogonal properties.

Hermite Polynomials: Hermite polynomials, recurrence relations, Rodrigues formula, orthogonal property, generating functions.

Laguerre Polynomials: Laguerre polynomials, Rodrigues formula, orthogonality, recurrence relations, generating functions.

Jacobi, Ultraspherical, and Gegenbauer Polynomials: Jacobi polynomial, Rodrigues formula, recurrence relation, orthogonal property, ultraspherical and Gegenbauer polynomials, properties and relations.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Special Functions II

Course Title: Problems in Special Functions II
Course No.: Math 575a
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 575, Special Functions II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Partial Differential Equations I

Course Title: Partial Differential Equations I  
Course No.: Math 576  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Dimensional analysis, scaling, asymptotics, regular perturbation method, singular perturbation method, introduction to partial differential equations (PDEs), method of solving PDEs, classification of second order PDEs, parabolic equations, diffusion type problem, hyperbolic equations, wave propagation in continuous systems, method of characteristic for linear and nonlinear waves, quasi-linear equations, derivation of Laplace equation, Dirichlet problem for a rectangle, Neumann problem for a rectangle, Laplace equation, sum solving PDEs by Laplace and Fourier transform method.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Partial Differential Equations I

Course Title: Problems in Partial Differential Equations I  
Course No.: Math 576a  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 576, Partial Differential Equations I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Integral Transforms I

Course Title: Integral Transforms I
Course No.: Math 577
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Introduction of integral transform, Fourier kernel, Fourier integral theorem, Fourier transform and its properties, convolution, Fourier sine and cosine transform and their properties, related problems; introduction of Mellin transform and its properties, Weyl fractional integral of Mellin transform, inversion theorem for Mellin transform and related problems; introduction of Hankel transform and its elementary properties, inversion theorem and Parseval relation for Hankel transform and related problems; introduction of Laplace transform, region of convergence, absolute and uniform convergence, complex inversion formula for Laplace transform, summability of divergent integral and related problems; Abelian theorems and Tauberian theorems for Laplace transform, iteration of Laplace transform and related problems. Introduction of Z-transform and its properties, convolution, Parseval’s relation, differentiation property, initial and final value theorems and related problems; introduction of wavelet transform, continuous wavelet, Parseval’s relation for wavelet transform, inversion formula and related problems.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Integral Transforms I

Course Title: Problems in Integral Transforms I
Course No.: Math 577a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 577, Integral Transforms I, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Measure Theory and Integration II

Course Title: Measure Theory and Integration II
Course No.: Math 578
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Differentiation and Integration: Differentiation of monotone functions, functions of bounded variation, differentiation of integral.
General Measure Spaces: Measure and measurable sets, the Hahn and Jordan decomposition, the Caratheodory measure induced by outer measure, the construction of outer measure, the Caratheodory-Hahn theorem.
Integration over General Measure Spaces: Integration of general measurable functions, the Radon-Nikodym theorem, the Nikodym metric space.
General $L^p$ Spaces: Completeness, duality, and weak convergence, the completeness of $L^p(X,\mu)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, the Riesz representation theorem, the Kantorovitch representation theorem for the dual of $L^\infty (X,\mu)$, weak sequential compactness, the Dunford-Pettis theorem.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Measure Theory and Integration II

Course Title: Problems in Measure Theory and Integration II
Course No.: Math 578a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 578, Measure Theory and Integration II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Scheduling Theory

Course Title: Scheduling Theory  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 579  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Problem classification, complexity status, disjunctive graph and block matrices models, single machine, parallel machine and shop scheduling problems. The course covers the mathematical modeling, solution techniques and complexity analysis of deterministic dedicated and parallel processors easy and hard scheduling problems.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Scheduling Theory

Course Title: Problems in Scheduling Theory  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 579a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 579, Scheduling Theory, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Course Title: Integer Programming
Course No.: Math 580
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Problem formulations, duality and relaxations in integer programming, cutting plane algorithms, well-solved problems, exact, heuristic and approximation methods, algebraic geometric method and geometry in integer programming. The course covers the mathematical modeling, solution techniques and complexity analysis of selected optimization problems over integers.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

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Course Title: Problems in Integer Programming
Course No.: Math 580a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 580, Integer Programming, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Network Optimization

Course Title: Network Optimization  
Course No.: Math 581  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Static and dynamic networking designs, algorithms and their efficiency in flow, matching, transportation, assignment, spanning tree, routing, and location. The course covers the exact and approximation algorithms, solution techniques, and applicability of selected network flow optimization problems.

Textbooks/Reference Books:


Problems in Network Optimization

Course Title: Problems in Network Optimization  
Course No.: Math 581a  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 581, Network Optimization, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Graph Theory

Course Title: Graph Theory  
Course No.: Math 582  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
This course aims to build graph theoretical foundations, design and analysis of algorithms and applicability of graphs in solving real-life problems. It includes classes of graphs, connectivity, paths and cycles, Hamiltonian properties, graph colorings, flows in networks, algebraic properties, recognition problems and comparability graphs.

Textbooks/Reference Books:
2. Golumbic, M.C., Algorithmic Graph Theory and Perfect Graphs, Elsevier.

Problems in Graph Theory

Course Title: Problems in Graph Theory  
Course No.: Math 582a  
Nature of the Course: Theory

Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 582, Graph Theory, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Numerical Analysis

Course Title: Numerical Analysis  
Course No.: Math 583  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Binary numbers, error analysis, solutions of equations in one variable, interpolation and polynomial approximation, numerical differentiation and integration, one-step methods for solving ODE’s IVP, solving linear systems, curve fitting, iterative techniques in matrix algebra, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, numerical solutions of nonlinear systems of equations, boundary value problems.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Numerical Analysis

Course Title: Problems in Numerical Analysis  
Course No.: Math 583a  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 583, Numerical Analysis, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks alloted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Course Title: Partial Differential Equations II  
Credit Hours: 5  
Course No.: Math 587  
Full Marks: 50  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Pass Mark: 25  

Course Contents:  

Textbooks/Reference Books:  

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Problems in Partial Differential Equations II  

Course Title: Problems in Partial Differential Equations II  
Credit Hour: 2  
Course No.: Math 587a  
Full Marks: 20  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Pass Mark: 10  

Course Contents:  
Problems in Math 587, Partial Differential Equations II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:  
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Introduction to C Programming

Course Title: Introduction to C Programming  
Credit Hours: 3
Course No.: Math 588  
Full Marks: 30
Nature of the Course: Theory and Practical  
Pass Mark: 15

Course Contents:
Types, operators, expressions, control flow, functions, program structure.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Seminar

Course Title: Seminar
Course No.: Math 589
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Up to two seminars on different topics and with a maximum of four credit hours may be offered. So Math 589 can be repeated just once for credit.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
**Integral Transforms II**

Course Title: Integral Transforms II  
Course No.: Math 591  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Credit Hours: 5  
Full Marks: 50  
Pass Mark: 25

**Course Contents:**

**Bilateral Laplace Transform:** Normalized function $\alpha(t)$, region of convergence, integration by parts, abscissa of convergence, inversion formulas, uniqueness formula and related problems.

**Stieltjes Transform:** Elementary properties, relation with Laplace transform, a singular integral, inversion operator formula for Stieltjes transform, application of Stieltjes transform to PDE and ODE.

**Finite Fourier Transform:** Finite Fourier sine and cosine transforms and their inversion formula, convolution theorem for finite Fourier sine and cosine transform, application of finite Fourier sine and cosine transform to PDE and ODE.

**Wavelet Transform:** Continuous wavelet, continuous-time wavelet, inversion theorem for continuous wavelet transform and related problems.

**Textbooks/Reference Books:**


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**Problems in Integral Transforms II**

Course Title: Problems in Integral Transforms II  
Course No.: Math 591a  
Nature of the Course: Theory  
Credit Hour: 2  
Full Marks: 20  
Pass Mark: 10

**Course Contents:**

Problems in Math 591, Integral Transforms II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

**Examination:**

The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Complex Analysis and Applications II

Course Title: Complex Analysis and Applications II  Credit Hours: 5
Course No.: Math 592  Full Marks: 50
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Mapping by elementary functions, preservation of angles, harmonic conjugates, transformation of harmonic functions, mapping the real axis onto a polygon, The Schwarz-Christoffel transformation, triangles and rectangles and degenerate polygons, Poisson and Schwarz integral formula, Dirichlet and Neumann problem for disk and a half plane, related boundary value problems, analytical continuation, principle of reflection, removable and essential singularities, argument principle, Riemann surface for log \( z \), a surface of \( \sqrt{z} \), surface for related functions

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Complex Analysis and Applications II

Course Title: Problems in Complex Analysis and Applications II  Credit Hour: 2
Course No.: Math 592a  Full Marks: 20
Nature of the Course: Theory  Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 592, Complex Analysis and Applications II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.
Course Title: Theory of Numbers II
Course No.: Math 593
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hours: 5
Full Marks: 50
Pass Mark: 25

Course Contents:
Farey fraction and irrational numbers, the Euclidean algorithm, uniqueness, infinite continued fractions, approximation to irrational numbers, best possible approximation, periodic continued fractions, Pell’s equations, elementary prime number estimates, Dirichlet series, algebraic numbers, quadratic fields, units and primes in quadratic fields, unique factorization and primes in quadratic fields having the factorizations properties.

Textbooks/Reference Books:

Problems in Theory of Numbers II

Course Title: Problems in Theory of Numbers II
Course No.: Math 593a
Nature of the Course: Theory
Credit Hour: 2
Full Marks: 20
Pass Mark: 10

Course Contents:
Problems in Math 593, Theory of Numbers II, form the contents of this problem solving course.

Examination:
The course will have 100% of marks allotted for internal assessments. There will be no final examination.