MATH 494 (MAST 699/MAST 833), Sec. C

Topics in Pure & Applied Mathematics
Modular Forms
Fall 2023

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Office Hours: By appointment, Zoom, or in person.

Class Schedule: Mondays & Wednesdays, 14:45-16:00.

No classes from Monday, October 9 to Sunday, October 15, for

Thanksgiving and mid-term break.

Textbook: Diamond & Shurman, A First Course in the Modular Forms, Springer

GTM 228 (not compulsory).

Moodle: Moodle will be used to communicate all the information about the

course, assignments, change of schedule, etc. Please check it very

frequently.

Topics: This course will be an introduction to the theory of modular forms

over the complex number. We shall cover the following topics, such as: the modular group and the upper half-plane, Eisenstein series, Hecke operators, L-functions, modular curves, geometric interpretation of modular forms. If time allows it, further topics (Galois representations or Eichler--Shimura relations) will be considered. Knowledge of complex analysis, Riemann surfaces, and sheaves is useful but not necessary. Further reading on p-adic or

Drinfeld modular forms will be available for motivated students.

Only assignments during the course, for Master and Undergraduate

students.

Evaluation:

Assignments during the course (75% of the final grade) and a

presentation (25% of final grade) for PhD students.

If the grading scheme for this course includes graded assignments, a reasonable and representative subset of each assignment may be graded. Students will not be told in advance which subset of the assigned problems will be marked and should therefore attempt all assigned problems.

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