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GENERAL INFORMATION FOR
MATH1231 SUMMER SESSION 2012-2013

Important
If you did not do MATH1231 MATHEMATICS 1B in Semester 2 then you should strongly consider buying the MATH1231/MATH1241 Course Pack 2012. These packs are available at the UNSW Bookshop.

The Course Pack was prepared for use in Semester 2. To adapt it for use in the Summer Session you should:

1. DISCARD THE INFORMATION BOOKLET from the Course Pack and replace it with this booklet. This booklet is available at the Mathematics School Office, via the web from the School web-site and from the MATH1231 module in Blackboard.

2. DELETE ALL SCHEDULES for lectures, problems and tests in the Algebra Notes and the Calculus Notes. The schedules for problems and tests are different in the Summer Session and they are given in this Booklet.

Prerequisites
MATH1231, Mathematics 1B, is a first year 6UOC course offered by the School of Mathematics and Statistics in semester 2 and Summer Session. It develops the Calculus and Linear Algebra introduced in MATH1131, Mathematics 1A. MATH1241, Higher Mathematics 1B, is the higher version of MATH1231 and covers the topics of MATH1231, but in greater depth. Both courses contain an introduction to Probability and Statistics.

The prerequisite for MATH1231 Mathematics 1B is a conceded pass or better in either MATH1131, MATH1141 or MATH1151. The exclusions for MATH1231 are:

MATH1021, MATH1031, MATH1241, MATH1251, ECON1202 and ECON2291.

Aims
The aim of MATH1231 is that by the time you finish the course you should understand the concepts and techniques covered by the syllabus and have developed skills in applying those concepts and techniques to the solution of appropriate problems. Students who achieve good competence in this course should be well equipped both technically and psychologically to cope with the mathematics that they will meet later in their program. It is expected that students will be able to use the symbolic computing package Maple as an aid to solve problems that were generally inaccessible just a generation ago.

Contacting the Student Services Office
The School of Mathematics and Statistics web-site

http://www.maths.unsw.edu.au
contains many pages of useful information on mathematics courses, school policies and how to obtain help, both academic and administrative. If you cannot find the answer to your queries on the web pages you are welcome to contact the Student Services Office directly.

The student administration officer in the Student Services Office of the School of Mathematics and Statistics is Ms F. Fan (Francy). All administrative enquiries concerning first year Mathematics courses should be sent to Ms Fan, either:

- by email to fy.MathsStats@unsw.edu.au
- by phone to 9385 7011
- or in person in room RC-3090 (between 9am to 12 noon or 2pm to 4pm)

Change of tutorials, due to timetable clashes or work commitments, permission to take class tests outside your scheduled tutorial, advice on course selection and other administrative matters are handled in the Student Services Office. Constructive comments on course improvement may also be emailed to the Student Services Office. Should we need to contact you, we will use your official UNSW email address of zSTUDENTNO@student.unsw.edu.au in the first instance. **It is your responsibility to regularly check your university email account. Please state your student number in all emails to the Student Services Office.**

**Lectures**

Classes in MATH1231 Summer Session are held on Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon.

**NOTE CAREFULLY** the following dates:

Summer Session Commences on Monday 26th November and continues until Tuesday 18th December. This consists of Weeks 1-4. Summer Session resumes on THURSDAY 3rd January. (This will be counted as part of Week 4 which is is the week before Christmas). Week 5 will begin the week starting 7th January. Summer Session will conclude on Thursday 31st January.

Class tests will generally be held on Thursdays as listed later in this document, EXCEPT the Algebra Test 1 which will be on TUESDAY of Week 4.

All lectures are to be given in the Physics Theatre:

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*In week 1 only*, the Monday Calculus lecture will be held from 2-3pm, and the Tuesday Algebra lecture will be held from 10-11am. The lecturers for MATH1231 are:

**Algebra** Dr Dennis Trenerry  
**Calculus** Dr Bill Ellis  

The course authority for MATH1231 is the Director of First Year Studies, Peter Brown, who can be contacted via email, or directly in RC-3073.

The lecturer in charge of computing is Dr Jonathan Kress, Room 4102 in the Red Centre.

Important announcements and handouts may be given out in lectures, so missing lectures (or even arriving late) may cause significant difficulties for you.
Tutorials

All students will be assigned to a single tutorial in each of the 2 hour blocks between lectures, which means that all students will have one free hour between lectures. Specifically, students will be assigned to a tutorial that either meets at the times

Monday 2-3pm, Tuesday 10-11am, Thursday 2-3pm

or at the times

Monday 3-4pm, Tuesday 11-12noon, Thursday 3-4pm.

You will have the same tutor for all tutorials and there is not a fixed division into Algebra and Calculus tutorials.

The first tutorial will be on Thursday 29th November. All tutorial information is available via myUNSW and you should check this site regularly as we may need to amalgamate or stream the tutorials. You will receive an email to your student account if we change your tutorial room or time.

Attendance at tutorials is compulsory and the roll will be called at all tutorial classes.

The main purpose of tutorials is to provide you with an opportunity to get help with any problems which you find difficult and any parts of the lectures or textbook which you don’t understand. In order to get real benefit from tutorials you should

- Study your lecture notes and attempt relevant problems before the tutorial so that you can find out the areas in which you have difficulties.

- Make sure that your tutor is aware of the areas in which you need help.

- Be as specific as possible in describing your difficulties — don’t just say “could you explain about series”.

- Be an active participant in tutorials, asking and answering questions rather than just sitting and watching.

All the class tests which you submit (except formal examination scripts) will be marked by your tutor and returned through tutorials. In the rare event that your tutor has not arrived at your tutorial by 10 minutes past the hour a student in the tutorial class should contact the Student Services Office, by phone if the class is not in the Red Centre, so that a replacement tutor can be arranged.

Learning Outcomes

A student should be able to:

- state definitions as specified in the syllabus,

- state and prove appropriate theorems,

- explain how a theorem relates to specific examples,

- apply the concepts and techniques of the syllabus to solve appropriate problems,

- prove specific and general results given specified assumptions,
- use mathematical and other terminology appropriately to communicate information and understanding,

- use the symbolic computing package Maple as an aid to solve appropriate problems.

**Advice to students**

Students are advised to take particular note of the detailed syllabus and notes provided later in this document.

The level of depth of understanding required in this course is best understood by working through the exercises, the sample class tests and the past examination papers that are included in the MATH1231 course pack.

**Teaching Strategies**

MATH1231 is taught through carefully planned lectures that logically develop the concepts and techniques specified in the course. Examples are emphasised as they provide the underlying motivation for the course, and because students best understand the general theory when it is developed from simple, and then more complex, examples.

Small group tutorials allow students to apply the material introduced in the lectures. These tutorials provide the opportunity for individual assistance. Students are expected to work conscientiously at understanding the solutions to the exercises.

Self-paced online modules develop independent learning skills, introduce basic computing skills using a symbolic computing package and provide an opportunity to extend and enhance understanding of mathematical concepts by using computing power to enable attempts at more complex problems. Students are expected to work through the modules systematically in accordance with the published schedule. Consultants are available should assistance be required.

Students are encouraged to give constructive feedback to the teaching staff during the teaching semester. They are also encouraged to work collaboratively with other students in the course to develop their understanding and their problem solving skills.

**Statement on Assessment**

The School of Mathematics and Statistics has responded to student and staff concerns about plagiarism in assignments. Consequently, all First Year Mathematics courses are assessed by randomly generated online tests, short class tests and a written examination. The online tests and short class tests provide regular feedback to students and allow the course to be broken into smaller segments to facilitate learning.

It is unusual for individual questions on class tests to be marked out of more than 3 or 4 marks, and advice is given to tutors as to how those marks are to be awarded. Generally part-marks are awarded according to the number of correct steps made in answering the question. Students should raise any concerns that they have regarding their marks with their tutor when their papers are returned. If their concerns are not satisfactorily resolved, they may speak to the First Year Director.

Detailed marking schemes are prepared for the marking of the end of semester examination and check marking is generally used for quality assurance. Marks will only be changed if the mark is inconsistent with the marking scheme.

At the end of the marking process a committee of staff determines the pass mark and produces the final (scaled) marks.
Details regarding the assessment tasks scheduled during the semester are given later in this document.

Computing and self-paced online modules

In addition to the Calculus and Algebra components, there is a Computing component in MATH1231. This is partly interwoven with the Calculus and Algebra components and partly independent of them. To assist in the self-directed learning of this component of the course, online self-paced learning modules are available in UNSW Blackboard. These modules guide students through the computing component of this course and are integrated with, and enhance the lecture and tutorial content presented in Calculus and Algebra.

Students are expected to work through and complete the specified online modules according to the schedule given on page 11. Associated with each module is a graded quiz, done in Maple TA, and the completed quizzes contribute 4% to the final grade. Learning content will be accessible at all times for learning and revision, but the online assessments will only be available for credit until the published deadlines, given on page 11.

More information about the Computing component is given later in this booklet (see pages 11 and 26) and in the booklet Computing Laboratories Information and First Year Maple Notes 2012. These computing notes are freely available from the MATH1231 module on UNSW Blackboard, and also on the computers in the mathematics computing laboratories.

To assist you with any Maple issues, Maple consultants are available in the laboratory RC-G012 during weeks 1 to 5 for at least the two hours between the two lecture times. Any additional hours or changes will be posted on Blackboard. For details of the laboratory opening hours see page 26.

UNSW Blackboard

The School of Mathematics and Statistics makes extensive use of the centrally provided electronic learning environment known as “UNSW Blackboard”. This information booklet, the algebra and calculus problems sets and computing information are all available via the appropriate course module on the UNSW Blackboard server. Access to this server is via any suitably configured web browser from any computer with an internet connection. The URL for UNSW Blackboard is

http://lms-blackboard.telt.unsw.edu.au

The School of Mathematics and Statistics web pages for Current Students also have a Quicklink to UNSW Blackboard. Access to UNSW Blackboard (and myUNSW) is via a ”Web Single Sign On” page, where your “User ID” is z immediately followed by your student number and your “Password” is your zPass. The “Forgot Your Password?” button is a link to the IDM Self Service page where you can reset or “unlock” your zPass if needed. Help for using Blackboard is available via links from the UNSW Blackboard landing page or directly via the URL

http://support.telt.unsw.edu.au/blackboard

The “Maths Info (Maths marks)” link is particularly important as this takes you to the log-in page of the Student Portal for the School of Mathematics and Statistics. Once through this gateway you have access to your mathematics assessment marks, including results of any class tests that may be available and your provisional end of semester mark.
Course Materials

The course materials for MATH1231/1241 are:

MATH1231/1241 Course Pack 2012.
Computing Laboratories Information and First Year Maple Notes 2012.

The latest edition of the textbook, Salas, Hille and Etgen *Calculus - One and Several Variables*, 10th Edition comes packaged with access to the electronic resources known as WileyPlus. This electronic version provides internet access to the textbook, problems, worked solutions, tests (for self-assessment) and other electronic resources related to the text material. The purchase of the text from the UNSW Bookshop gives web access to the WileyPlus server for one year; it is possible to renew the web access on a yearly basis at a fee determined by the publisher. It is also possible to purchase just the web access to the electronic version of the textbook for one year. This can also be done at the UNSW Bookshop. Note that these WileyPlus electronic resources are provided by the publisher John Wiley, and not by the School of Mathematics and Statistics. Any difficulties that you might have with access to WileyPlus must be resolved directly with the publisher.

Salas & Hille is sold at the UNSW Bookshop. Course Packs and computing notes are also sold through the UNSW Bookshop.

The Course Pack contains the following items:

- *Information Booklet for Semester 2 – replace with this Information Booklet for Summer session.*
- *Algebra Notes (for MATH1231);*
- *Calculus Notes (for MATH1231);*
- *Past Exam Papers Booklet.*

Booklets contained in the Course Pack will not be available separately from the School of Mathematics and Statistics. However the information in this booklet and the algebra and calculus problems can be accessed through the web from the MATH1231 module on the UNSW Blackboard server. Information on accessing the UNSW Blackboard server is given above.

Getting help outside tutorials

If you are having difficulty understanding the lectures or doing the suggested problems, always try to get help through your tutorials. In most cases there will be other students who are having the same difficulties and it is better to provide help to all at once rather than giving the same explanation to ten or twenty students individually outside class.

Full time members of staff will announce through lectures when they are available for consultation. You can also avail yourself of the **Student Support Scheme**. This Scheme is financed by the School of Mathematics and Statistics and is staffed by later year mathematics students.

**Student Support Scheme**

The Student Support Scheme (SSS) is a drop-in consultation centre where students can come for free help with certain first- and second-year mathematics courses. The type of help offered
by the tutors of the SSS is either one-on-one assistance; or, at busier times, assistance in small groups. Students typically bring their partial solutions of mathematics coursepack questions to the SSS office. An SSS tutor then provides guidance and advice. The SSS office is located in RC-3064. During summer session the Student Support Scheme will be open from week 2, with further details of opening times available on the website

http://www.maths.unsw.edu.au/currentstudents/student-support-scheme

Problem sets
Problems for Algebra are included in the Algebra Notes and similarly, problems for Calculus are included in the Calculus Notes. These problem sets are also available in the algebra component and calculus component folders of the Course Materials folder for MATH1231 in UNSW Blackboard. Problems for the Maple computing component are available online in the Maple self-paced learning modules folder on UNSW Blackboard, and on page ?? of this booklet.

Remember that Mathematics, like tennis, can’t be learnt just by watching someone else do it. The key to success is to work through all the problem sets in your own time. To get the most out of tutorials, you should attempt the relevant problems (as indicated in the problem schedules) before the tutorial so that you know which problems you find difficult.

Calculator Information
For end of semester UNSW exams students must supply their own calculator. Only calculators on the UNSW list of approved calculators may be used in the end of semester exams. This list is similar to the list of calculators approved for HSC examinations.

BEFORE the exam period calculators must be given a “UNSW approved” sticker, obtainable from the School of Mathematics and Statistics Office, and other student or Faculty centres. The UNSW list of calculators approved for use in end of semester exams is available at


Assessment
The final raw mark will be made up as follows:

- Algebra and Calculus class tests 20%
- Online Algebra and Calculus tests 4%
- Online Computing tests (Maple) 4%
- Laboratory Computing test (Maple) 8%
- End of semester exam 64%

Note that:

- You will not be allowed to take a calculator into class tests.
- Tutors are expected to enter class test marks into the School’s database within a fortnight of the test being sat. These marks are then available to you through the Student Web Portal accessed via the “Maths Info (Maths marks)” link on the home page of MATH1231 on the UNSW Blackboard server. It is your responsibility to check that these marks are correct and you should keep marked tests until the end of semester in case an error has been made in recording the marks. If there is an error, either speak to your
tutor or bring your test paper to the Student Services Office as soon as possible but no later than Monday 11th February 2013.

- Your final raw mark is scaled by the School of Mathematics and Statistics to produce your final mark. This is done so that the final distribution of marks is consistent with general university guidelines regarding the percentages of students with various grades, and to maintain consistent standards from year to year. A small committee of the teaching staff determines this final scaling.

- The date of the final exam will be announced later. Once the examinations section finalises the examination timetable, you will be able to find out the time and place of the MATH1231 examination from myUNSW. The web page


has many useful links related to the running of UNSW examinations.

- Be aware that a **final mark of 49 often means that the course has been failed and has to be repeated.** Therefore, it is very important that you attempt all in-semester assessment tasks.

- If your final mark is in the range 46-49 then you may be awarded the grade of “Pass Conceded” (PC) provided your average mark for all your courses is sufficiently high. This decision is not made by the School of Mathematics and Statistics. The rules governing the granting of the grade of PC are on the web page


- Medical certificates will generally **not be accepted for missing the deadlines for the online tests.** See the section on “Computing Information” for more details.

**Online Algebra and Calculus tests**

Before the algebra and calculus tutorial class tests you must complete a simple online test that is designed to help you prepare for the tutorial tests. These tests are accessed via the web page

http://mapleta.telt.unsw.edu.au/mapleta

where your “User login” is z followed by your UNSW student number and the “Password” is your zPass. The schedule for these online tests for MATH1231 is given below.

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<td>TP2 - Math 1B Algebra online test 1</td>
<td>2pm Wednesday 12/12/2012</td>
<td>1pm Wednesday 19/12/2012</td>
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<td>TP3 - Math 1B Calculus online test 2</td>
<td>2pm Wednesday 9/1/2013</td>
<td>1pm Wednesday 16/1/2013</td>
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<td>TP4 - Math 1B Algebra online test 2</td>
<td>2pm Wednesday 16/1/2013</td>
<td>1pm Wednesday 23/1/2013</td>
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The material covered by these tests is the same as for the tutorial algebra and calculus tests, as given on page 21 and 24.

Detailed information on how to use the online testing system is available from the MATH1231 course module on UNSW Blackboard in the folder. In this section there is also a link, labelled “Link to Maple TA”, to the web page where the tests are available. Despite the name “Maple” appearing in the link, these online tests are algebra and calculus tests and should not be confused with any other online test. To give you some familiarity with the online testing system a practice test will be available from week 1. You will be allowed 5 attempts at each online test but only your best mark for each test will count. Then, the best 3 of these 4 marks, one from each online test, will contribute up to 4% of your final grade.

Note:

- the first test becomes available at 2pm on Wednesday of week 2;
- each attempt at these tests must be your own work, but you are encouraged to discuss the methods required with other students;
- each version of a test will be slightly different, so don’t just copy answers from one attempt to the next;
- only a limited numbers of users can have simultaneous access to Maple TA, so do NOT leave your attempts at these tests to the last day;
- no additional attempts will be granted. You have 5 attempts at these tests to allow for technical or other problems that may result in one or more attempts being lost;
- no deadline extensions will be granted. You should attempt these tests with sufficient remaining time to allow for unplanned service interruptions.

Class tests

Details of the dates and content of tests are given on pages 21 and 24 of this booklet. Sample copies of the tests are included in the Algebra and Calculus Notes.

Note that

- YOU MUST TAKE EACH TEST IN THE TUTORIAL TO WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN OFFICIALLY ALLOCATED.

  - To each test you must bring
    - your Student ID card
    - some blank A4 writing paper
    - a stapler (so that you can staple a cover sheet to your answers).

  - Normal exam conditions apply in tests. In particular, during the test you must not have visible any material relevant to the test and you must not try to get assistance from (or give assistance to) any other person.

  - You will not be allowed to use a calculator in class tests.
• When your test answers have been marked and handed back to you by your tutor, don’t try to change your answers or falsify the marks awarded — a student who tried to do this recently was penalised by being given a failure in the course.

• Your **best three scores** in the four tests will be counted towards your final assessment mark.

**Interpretation of test results**

The average mark for tutorial tests in MATH1231 is between 6 and 7 out of 10. Past experience is that students are likely to have difficulty passing this course if their average test mark is less than 5. If you find that your average after the first two tests is less than 5, you should talk to your tutors about your situation and what you can do about it. Further, past records indicate that about 80% of students whose best three class tests totalled to 17 or less did not get an overall pass in MATH1231.

**Computing Assessment**

There will be two different forms of computing tests. An initial set of four small online tests will be run using Maple TA, followed by a laboratory based test in week 6. The online tests may be completed on any suitable web browser in your own time, but as the Maple package will be needed to answer the questions, the School computing labs are probably the best place to attempt the tests. These online Maple computing tests are linked to the self-paced Maple instruction modules in UNSW Blackboard. Details on using Maple TA for online tests have been given on page 10. These online Maple computing tests will be available (almost) continuously, as they must be completed in sequence, but to gain marks for the computing component of the course the tests must be completed before the deadlines indicated below. You will have an unlimited number of attempts at these online **computing** tests, both before and after the deadlines in the following table. Note that it is only your best mark on each test that counts towards your final grade. Again, **do NOT** leave your attempts at these online tests until the last day. Inability to complete these online tests due to congestion in the school computing labs or in Maple TA on the last day will **NOT** be accepted as an excuse for missing the deadlines.

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In the tables above and in Maple TA the computing tests numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4 correspond to the Blackboard self-paced learning modules 8, 9, 10 and 11 respectively. The tests 1–4 count towards your final mark while tests associated with the Maple module 12 are for further preparation for the Maple lab test in week 6 and do not explicitly count towards your final mark. The online self-paced learning modules 1 to 7 from MATH1131 are provided as a revision resource in Blackboard. (Note that modules 6 and 7 were available in MATH1131 and MATH1141 but their online tests were not counted towards the final mark in MATH1131 or MATH1141.)

The second form of computing test will be run under exam conditions in the School’s laboratories. The time of your laboratory test is determined by your tutorial, so no booking is needed, and you must bring your UNSW Student ID card to the test. Details of the laboratory test are given on page 30. There will also be a practice test available in Maple TA from the start of week 4.
All computing tests are linked to the Algebra and Calculus material, so you should make sure you understand the course work before trying them.

Finally, the end of semester exam may contain one or two sub-questions requiring a knowledge of Maple.

**Graduate Attributes**

This course will provide you with a good working knowledge of Calculus and Linear Algebra, and show, through the lectures, how this mathematics can be applied in interdisciplinary contexts. Your skills in analytical critical thinking and problem solving will improve because of the illustrative examples used in lectures and because of the problem based tutorial classes. These mathematical problem solving skills, which are based on logical arguments and specific techniques, are generic problem solving skills that can be applied in multidisciplinary work. You will be encouraged to develop your communication skills through active participation in tutorials, and by writing clear, logical arguments when solving problems.

**Academic misconduct**

It is very important that you understand the University’s Rules for the conduct of Examinations and the penalties for Academic Misconduct Guide. This information can be accessed through myUNSW at:


In recent years there have been cases where severe penalties have been imposed for misconduct in relation to tests and exams in Mathematics courses.

**Illness and other problems**

If your performance in this course is affected by illness or other serious difficulties which are beyond your control, you can apply for Special Consideration and you may be offered the opportunity for Additional Assessment. See also the sub-section Getting advice on page 14.

In order to be offered Additional Assessment it is essential that you follow exactly the procedures set out in the document entitled “Application for Special Consideration in First Year Mathematics Summer Session 2012-2013”. A copy of this document is included in this booklet on page 15. You should read it carefully now and keep it for reference at the time when you actually need it. Each year there are some students who fail a course because they didn’t follow these instructions. Take particular note that

- The School will **NOT** contact you to tell you that you have been granted Additional Assessment. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to find this out by following the instructions in the document mentioned above.

- If you have a poor record of attendance or performance during the semester you may be failed regardless of illness or compassionate grounds affecting the final exam.

Note also that
• If illness affects your attendance at or performance in a class test, do not make an application for Special Consideration. Simply show the original medical certificate to your tutor and also give a copy of the medical certificate to your tutor. This information will be taken into account when calculating your final assessment mark.

• Transport delays and oversleeping will not be accepted as reasons for missing class tests. (But note that only your best three test results are counted for assessment.)

• If you are unable to attend your Maple laboratory test session because of illness you should contact the Student Services Office as soon as possible and on submission of appropriate documentation, another test time will be arranged.

• If you arrive too late to be admitted to the end of semester exam, go immediately to the Mathematics and Statistics Student Services Office, Room 3090, Red Centre.

**Past examinations**

Recent exam papers, with their solutions, are included in a separate booklet in the Course Pack.

**Information and handouts**

Important announcements may be made in lectures. If you miss a lecture or tutorial, or arrive late for it, it is essential that you check whether you have missed any announcements or handouts. All important administrative announcements, especially those indicating a change to information contained in this booklet, are repeated as announcements on UNSW Blackboard. Further, notices of an urgent nature may be emailed to students at their official UNSW email address.

**School of Mathematics and Statistics Policies**

The School of Mathematics and Statistics has adopted a number of policies relating to enrolment, attendance, assessment, plagiarism, cheating, special consideration etc. These are in addition to the policies of the University. Individual courses may also adopt other policies in addition to or replacing some of the School ones. These will be clearly notified in the Course Initial Handout and on the Course Home Page on the MathsStats web site. Students in courses run by the School of Mathematics and Statistics should be aware of the School and Course policies by reading the appropriate pages on the MathsStats web site starting at:

http://www.maths.unsw.edu.au/currentstudents/assessment-policies

The School of Mathematics and Statistics will assume that all its students have read and understood the School policies on the above pages and any individual course policies on the Course Initial Handout and Course Home Page. Lack of knowledge about a policy will not be an excuse for failing to follow the procedures in it.

**Course improvement**

The School of Mathematics and Statistics has several mechanisms in place for regular review and improvement of First Year courses. One component of the review process is student feedback, generated either by the CATEI surveys or by direct contact from individual students or groups of students. Other elements of our course review processes include:
• feedback on program requirements from academics in other Schools and Faculties;
• regular rotation of lecturing staff teaching First Year courses to generate fresh and innovative approaches to the course content and structure;
• regular review of the quality of the tutors and tutorial problems.

A recent change, requested in several CATEI surveys, is the expansion of the previous “Outline calculus lecture notes” for MATH1131 and MATH1231 to a complete set of calculus notes, comparable to the well-liked algebra lecture notes. Another recent change has been the introduction of short, online tests for Maple associated with the redesigned self-paced Maple learning modules. These changes were again in response to CATEI requests to provide more assistance with learning Maple. Even more recent has been the introduction of short, screen-capture videos to provide instruction on various aspects of the use of the computing facilities within the school. Further, a collection of short videos demonstrating solution techniques in key topic areas is being produced, again in response to requests for more online support in the course.

Getting advice

Your Algebra and Calculus tutors should be able to give you most of the advice you need on mathematical and administrative matters concerning MATH1231. If your problems are more serious, or haven’t been resolved to your satisfaction, come to see me (Peter Brown) at Room 3073, Red Centre. I am happy to see you.

If you have general study problems or personal problems, don’t just hope that they will go away — take advantage of the free and confidential help which is available within the university. The Learning Centre (currently on the lower ground floor of the north wing of the Chancellery Building) provides individual consultations and workshops on study skills, time management, stress management, English language, etc. The Counselling Service (2nd Floor, East Wing, Quadrangle Building) offers the opportunity to discuss any issue which concerns you including academic problems, personal relationships, administrative hassles, vocational uncertainty, sexual identity and financial hardship. For more details, see the UNSW Student Guide.

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APPLICATIONS FOR SPECIAL CONSIDERATION IN FIRST YEAR MATHEMATICS SUMMER SESSION 2012-2013

If you feel that your performance in, or attendance at, a final examination has been affected by illness or circumstances beyond your control, or if you missed the examination because of illness or other compelling reasons, you may apply for special consideration. Such an application may lead to the granting of additional assessment.

It is essential that you take note of the following rules, which apply to applications for special consideration in all first year Mathematics courses.

1. **Within 3 days** of the affected examination, or at least as soon as possible, you must submit a request for special consideration to UNSW Student Central ON-LINE.

   Please refer to link below for How to Apply for Special Consideration,

   https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/atoz/SpecialConsideration.html#
   ApplyingforSpecialConsideration

2. **Please do not expect an immediate response from the School.** All applications will be considered together. See the information below.

3. If you miss a **class test** due to illness or other problems, then you should provide the appropriate documentation to your **tutor** who will record an M. DO NOT apply on-line for special consideration for class tests or for on-line or computing tests.

4. If your course involves a MAPLE/MATLAB lab test which you miss, you should contact the lecturer in charge of computing as soon as possible. A resit will be organised for later in the session.

5. **You will NOT be granted additional assessment in a course if your performance in the course** (judged by attendance, class tests, assignments and examinations) **does not meet a minimal standard.** A total mark of at least 40% on all assessment not affected by a request for special consideration will normally be regarded as the minimal standard for award of additional assessment.

6. It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to find out FROM THE SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS whether you have been granted additional assessment and when and where the additional assessment examinations will be held. **Do NOT wait to receive official results from the university**, as these results are not normally available until after the Mathematics additional assessment exams have started. Information about award of additional assessment is available from the School of Mathematics and Statistics in the following ways:

   a) A **provisional** list of results in all Mathematics courses and of grants of additional assessment will be available via the Mathematics website. Dates for this will be advised.

   b) A **final** list of results and of grants of additional assessment will be available via the Mathematics website. Dates for this will be advised.

7. The **timetables** for the additional assessment examinations will be available on the Mathematics website at the same time as the provisional list of results.

   The date for Summer session additional assessment examinations will be advised.

8. If you have two additional assessment examinations scheduled for the same time, please consult the School of Mathematics and Statistics Office as soon as possible so that special arrangements can be made.

9. You will need to produce your UNSW Student Card to gain entry to additional assessment examinations.
IMPORTANT NOTES

- The additional assessment examination may be of a different form from the original examination and must be expected to be at least as difficult.

- If you believe that your application for special consideration has not been processed, you should immediately consult the Director of First Year Studies of the School of Mathematics and Statistics (Room 3073 Red Centre).

- If you believe that the above arrangements put you at a substantial disadvantage, you should, at the earliest possible time, send full documentation of the circumstances to the Director of First Year Studies, School of Mathematics and Statistics, University of New South Wales, Sydney, 2052.

In particular, if you suffer from a chronic or ongoing illness that has, or is likely to, put you at a serious disadvantage then you should contact the Student Equity and Disabilities Unit (SEADU) who provide confidential support and advice. Their web site is

http://www.studentequity.unsw.edu.au

SEADU may determine that your condition requires special arrangements for assessment tasks. Once the First Year Office has been notified of these we will make every effort to meet the arrangements specified by SEADU.

Additionally, if you have suffered a serious misadventure during semester then you should provide full documentation to the Director of First Year Studies as soon as possible. In these circumstances it may be possible to arrange discontinuation without failure or to make special examination arrangements.

A/Professor B. Henry
Head, School of Mathematics and Statistics
UNIVERSITY STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism is the presentation of the thoughts or work of another as one’s own. Examples include:

- direct duplication of the thoughts or work of another, including by copying work, or knowingly permitting it to be copied. This includes copying material, ideas or concepts from a book, article, report or other written document (whether published or unpublished), composition, artwork, design, drawing, circuitry, computer program or software, web site, Internet, other electronic resource, or another person’s assignment without appropriate acknowledgement
  - paraphrasing another person’s work with very minor changes keeping the meaning, form and/or progression of ideas of the original;
  - piecing together sections of the work of others into a new whole;
  - presenting an assessment item as independent work when it has been produced in whole or part in collusion with other people, for example, another student or a tutor; and,
  - claiming credit for a proportion a work contributed to a group assessment item that is greater than that actually contributed;

Submitting an assessment item that has already been submitted for academic credit elsewhere may also be considered plagiarism. The inclusion of the thoughts or work of another with attribution appropriate to the academic discipline does not amount to plagiarism.

Students are reminded of their Rights and Responsibilities in respect of plagiarism, as set out in the University Undergraduate and Postgraduate Handbooks, and are encouraged to seek advice from academic staff whenever necessary to ensure they avoid plagiarism in all its forms.

The Learning Centre website is the central University online resource for staff and student information on plagiarism and academic honesty. It can be located at: www.lc.unsw.edu.au/plagiarism

The Learning Centre also provides substantial educational written materials, workshops, and tutorials to aid students, for example, in:

- correct referencing practices;

- paraphrasing, summarising, essay writing, and time management;

- appropriate use of, and attribution for, a range of materials including text, images, formulae and concepts.

Individual assistance is available on request from The Learning Centre. Students are also reminded that careful time management is an important part of study and one of the identified causes of plagiarism is poor time management. Students should allow sufficient time for research, drafting, and the proper referencing of sources in preparing all assessment items.

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1 Based on that proposed to the University of Newcastle by the St James Ethics Centre. Used with kind permission from the University of Newcastle.

2 Adapted with kind permission from the University of Melbourne.
ALGEBRA SYLLABUS AND LECTURE TIMETABLE

The algebra course for MATH1231 is based on chapters 6 to 9 of the Algebra Notes. Lecturers will not cover all of the material in these notes in their lectures as some sections of the notes are intended for reference and for background reading.

The following timetable is the basic timetable and syllabus which will be followed by MATH1231 algebra lecturers. Lecturers will try to follow this timetable, but some variations are inevitable.

Chapter 6. Vector Spaces

The aim of this section of the course is to introduce the general theory of vector spaces and to give some basic examples. The majority of examples will be for the real vector space $\mathbb{R}^n$, but occasional examples may be given for the complex vector space $\mathbb{C}^n$, as well as from vector spaces of polynomials.

Lectures 1 and 2. Introduction to vector spaces and examples of vector spaces (6.1). Properties of vector arithmetic (6.2).
Lecture 3. Subspaces (6.3).
Lectures 4 and 5. Linear combinations and spans (6.4). Linear independence (6.5).
Lectures 6 and 7. Basis and dimension (6.6).

Chapter 7. Linear Transformations

The basic aims of this section are to introduce the general theory of linear transformations, to give some geometric applications of linear transformations and to establish the close relationship between linear functions and matrices.

Lecture 8. Introduction to linear maps (7.1). Linear maps and the matrix equation (7.2).
Lecture 9. Geometrical examples (7.3).
Lecture 10. Subspaces associated with linear maps (7.4).
Lecture 11. Rank, nullity and solutions of $Ax = b$ (7.4.3). Further applications (7.5).

Chapter 8. Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

The aims of this section are to introduce the ideas of eigenvalue and eigenvector and to show some applications of these ideas to diagonalization of matrices, evaluation of powers of matrices and solution of simple systems of linear differential equations. Examples will be restricted to $2 \times 2$ matrices and very simple $3 \times 3$ matrices.

Lecture 12. Definition, examples and geometric interpretation of eigenvalues and eigenvectors (8.1).
Lecture 13. Eigenvectors, bases and diagonalization of matrices (8.2).
Lectures 14 and 15. Applications to powers of matrices and solution of systems of linear differential equations (8.3).

Chapter 9. Probability and Statistics

The main objective of this section is to introduce some of the ideas in mathematical probability and apply these concepts to discrete and continuous valued random variables and their associated probability distributions. The main distributions studied are the binomial and geometric in the discrete case, and the normal distribution in the continuous case. These are applied to solving a range of problems.
Lecture 16. Revision of set theory (9.1), Mathematical probability (9.2.1, 9.2.2).
Lecture 17. Conditional probability, Bayes’ rule, statistical independence (9.2.3, 9.2.4)
Lecture 18. Random variables, discrete random variables, mean of a discrete random variable (9.3.1, 9.3.2)
Lecture 19. Variance of a discrete random variable (9.3.2), special distributions, the binomial distribution (9.4.1)
Lecture 20. Geometric distribution, sign test, (9.4.2, 9.4.3)
Lecture 21. Continuous random variables (9.5)
Lecture 22. The Normal distribution, approximations to the binomial distribution. (9.6)
Lecture 23. Review.
PROBLEM SETS

At the end of each chapter there is a set of problems. Some of the problems are very easy, some are less easy but still routine and some are quite hard. To help you decide which problems to try first, each problem is marked with an \([R]\), an \([H]\) or an \([X]\). The problems marked \([R]\) form a basic set of problems which you should try first. Problems marked \([H]\) are harder and can be left until you have done the problems marked \([R]\). You do need to make an attempt at the \([H]\) problems because problems of this type will occur on tests and in the exam. If you have difficulty with the \([H]\) problems, ask for help in your tutorial. The problems marked \([X]\) are intended for students in MATH1241 – they relate to topics which are only covered in MATH1241.

There are a number of questions marked \([M]\), indicating that Maple is required in the solution of the problem.

PROBLEM SCHEDULE

The main purpose of tutorials is to give you an opportunity to get help with problems which you have found difficult and with parts of the lectures or the Algebra Notes which you don’t understand. In order to get real benefit from tutorials, it is essential that you try to do relevant problems before the tutorial, so that you can find out the areas where you need help. The following table lists the complete set of problems relevant to each week of the course and a suggested (minimal) set of homework problems for MATH1231 that you should complete BEFORE the tutorial. Your tutor will only cover these in class if you have already tried them and were unable to do them. You may also be asked to present solutions to these homework questions to the rest of the class. Tutors may need to vary a little from this suggested problem schedule.

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CLASS TESTS AND EXAMS

Questions for the class tests in MATH1231 will be similar to the questions marked [R] and [H] in the problem sets. Since each class test is only twenty minutes in length only shorter straight forward tests of theory and practice will be set. As a guide, see the recent past class test papers (at the end of the Algebra notes).

Please note that the Algebra syllabus for 2012 S2 has changed slightly. Chapter 9, on Statistics and Probability has been rewritten and contains some material that is different from previous years. Please note this carefully when you are looking at past exams and revising.

Examination questions are, by their nature, different from short test questions. They may test a greater depth of understanding. The questions will be longer, and sections of the course not covered in the class tests will be examined. As a guide, see the recent past exam papers in the separate past exam papers booklet.

Algebra class test 1 will be given on TUESDAY in week 4 and will be based on suggested problems for weeks 1 to 3.

Algebra class test 2 will be given on Thursday in week 7 and will be based on suggested problems for weeks 4 to 6.

THEORY IN THE ALGEBRA COURSE

The theory is regarded as an essential part of this course and it will be examined both in class tests and in the end of year examination.

You should make sure that you can give DEFINITIONS of the following ideas:

**Chapter 6.** Subspace of a vector space, linear combination of a set of vectors, span of a set of vectors, linear independence of a set of vectors, spanning set for a vector space, basis for a vector space, dimension of a vector space.

**Chapter 7.** Linear function, kernel and nullity of a linear function, image and rank of a linear function.

**Chapter 8.** Eigenvalue and eigenvector, diagonalizable matrix.

**Chapter 9.** Probability, statistical independence, conditional probability, discrete random variable, expected value (mean) of a random variable, variance of a random variable, binomial distribution, geometric distribution.

You should be able to give STATEMENTS of the following theorems and propositions.

**Chapter 6.** Theorem 1 of §6.3, Propositions 1 and 3 and Theorem 2 of §6.4, Proposition 1 and Theorems 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of §6.5, Theorems 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of §6.6.

**Chapter 7.** Theorems 2, 3 and 4 of §7.1, Theorem 1 and 2 of §7.2, Proposition 7 and Theorems 1, 5, 8, 9 and 10 of §7.4.

**Chapter 8.** Theorems 1, 2 and 3 of §8.1, Theorem 1 and 2 of §8.2.

You should be able to give PROOFS of the following theorems and propositions.

**Chapter 6.** Theorem 2 of §6.4, Theorems 2 and 3 of §6.5, Theorem 2 of §6.6.

**Chapter 7.** Theorem 2 of §7.1, Theorem 1 of §7.2, Theorems 1, 5 and 8 of §7.4.

**Chapter 8.** Theorem 1 of §8.1.
CALCULUS SYLLABUS FOR
MATH1231 MATHEMATICS 1B

In this syllabus the references to the textbook are not intended as a definition of what you will be expected to know. They are just a guide to finding relevant material. Some parts of the subject are not covered in the textbook and some parts of the textbook (even in the sections mentioned in the references below) are not included in the subject. The scope of the course is defined by the content of the lectures and problem sheets. The approximate lecture time for each section is given below. References to the 8th and 10th editions of Salas & Hille are shown as SH8 and SH10.

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<td>Mixed derivative theorem, increment estimation.</td>
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<td>Chain rules, tangent planes.</td>
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<td>2. Integration techniques. (4 hours)</td>
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<td>Trigonometric integrals and reduction formulae.</td>
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<td>Trigonometric and hyperbolic substitutions.</td>
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<td>Rational functions and partial fractions.</td>
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<td>Further substitutions.</td>
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<td>3. Ordinary differential equations. (6 hours)</td>
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<td>Particular, general, explicit and implicit solutions.</td>
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<td>1st order equations: separable, linear, exact.</td>
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<td>Modelling with odes</td>
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<td>homogeneous, non-homogeneous (undetermined coeffts).</td>
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<td>4. Taylor series. (7 hours)</td>
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<td>Power series: radius and interval of convergence; operations on power series.</td>
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<td>Area of surfaces of revolution.</td>
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PROBLEM SETS

The Calculus problems are located at the end of each chapter of the Calculus Notes booklet. They are also available from the course module on the UNSW Blackboard server. Some of the problems are very easy, some are less easy but still routine and some are quite hard. To help you decide which problems to try first, each problem is marked with an [R], an [H] or an [HH]. A few problems are marked with an [X] for MATH1241 students.

All students should make sure that they attempt the questions marked [R]. The problems marked [H] or [HH] are intended as a challenge for students in MATH1231 as well as MATH1241. Some harder parts of [R] problems are marked with a star. Any problems which depend on work covered only in MATH1241 are marked [X].

Remember that working through a wide range of problems is the key to success in mathematics.

PROBLEM SCHEDULE

The main reason for having tutorials is to give you a chance to get help with problems which you find difficult and with parts of the lectures or textbook which you don’t understand. To get real benefit from tutorials, you need to try the relevant problems before the tutorial so that you can find out the areas in which you need help. The following table lists the complete set of problems relevant to each week of the course and a suggested (minimal) set of homework problems for MATH1231 that you should complete BEFORE the tutorial. Your tutor will only cover these in class if you have already tried them and were unable to do them. You may also be asked to present solutions to these homework questions to the rest of the class. Tutors may need to vary a little from this suggested problem schedule.

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CLASS TESTS AND EXAMS

Questions for the class tests in MATH1231 will be similar to the questions marked [R] and [H] in the problem sets. Since each class test is only twenty minutes in length only shorter straightforward tests of theory and practice will be set. As a guide, see the recent past class test papers (at the end of the Calculus Notes). The Calculus class tests will take place in tutorials in the following weeks:

**Test 1**  Thursday Week 3

**Test 2**  Thursday Week 6

The tests will cover sections of the syllabus as shown in the table below. The test questions will be similar to the questions labelled by [R] and [H] in the Calculus Problems. The table shows which problems are relevant to each test.

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It is important to note that the class tests do not cover the whole syllabus.

Examination questions are, by their nature, different from short test questions. They may test a greater depth of understanding. The questions will be longer, and sections of the course not covered in the class tests will be examined. As a guide, see the recent past exam papers in the separate past exam papers booklet.
SCHEDULE OF ALL CLASS ASSESSMENTS

Lectures and tutorials run during weeks 1–8. The table below gives the schedule of online tests, class tests and computing assessments.

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Christmas and New Year break

End of session examination will be held during the week 7th to 11th February 2013. Details will be available via myUNSW.

Examples of class tests are contained in the Algebra Notes and in the Calculus Notes. TP1, TP2, etc denote the weeks when the online tutorial preparation tests are due for completion. The availability of these tests is given on page 9 and in Maple TA.
COMPUTING INFORMATION

How much?
In MATH1231 there are online computing tests worth 4% of your final mark and there will be a laboratory test, in week 6 worth 8% of your final mark. Further, there will be exam questions worth at least another 3% of your final mark so in total 15% of your final mark is derived from the computing component of the course. The Computing component depends on the other components and will require a knowledge of the appropriate Algebra and Calculus.

Aim
The aim of the Computing component is twofold.

- Firstly, you will use the Symbolic Computing Package called Maple to do some mathematics on the computer. This use of Maple is integrated with the Algebra and Calculus and is designed to enhance your understanding of the mathematics involved, as well as letting you use Maple as a tool to do the mathematics. You will find the skills you acquire and things you learn useful in many other subjects you study, both within and outside the School of Mathematics. Maple enables you to tackle larger, harder and more realistic mathematical problems as it can handle all the difficult algebra and calculus for you. Furthermore, learning some Maple introduces you to some of the basic ideas in computer programming.

- Secondly, you will gain some experience in teaching yourself how to use a complicated computing package. This is a skill that will be needed in other courses at UNSW and in the workforce.

Computing lab
The main computing laboratory for summer session is Room G012 of the Red Centre. You can get to this lab by entering the building through the main entrance to the School of Mathematics (on the Mezzanine Level) and then going down the stairs to the Ground Level. A second smaller lab is Room M020, on the mezzanine level of the Red Centre.

The laboratories will normally be open as follows:

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Any changes to these times will be posted on the door of Room M020.

Remember that there will always be unscheduled periods when the computers are not working because of equipment problems or the lab is closed and that this is not a valid excuse for not completing tests on time.
Remote Access

Two virtual Linux lab machines called sigma and sigma2 (sigma.maths.unsw.edu.au and sigma2.maths.unsw.edu.au) are available for remote access from your own laptop or home computer. Sigma and sigma2 have exactly the same software available as one of the Red-Centre Linux lab computers (e.g. Maple, MATLAB, etc.). To use this service you will need to download and install the NX client which is freely available for Windows, Mac and Linux. Information on how to download and install this software and use it to connect to sigma is available on UNSW Blackboard in the Computing Component folder of MATH1231. Alternatively, if you know how, you can use ssh to access sigma.

Please note that because this is a remote service that can be used by many students, you may find that sigma is slow to respond or is unavailable, particularly at times of high demand. Hence you are advised not to rely on sigma at critical times such as close to test deadlines. Using an actual computer in the lab or software, such as Maple, installed on your own computer will usually be more reliable.

Getting help with Maple

Maple computing consultants will be available in the Red-centre lab G012 lab during summer session for two hours on each day between the scheduled MATH1231 lectures. On the first Monday and Tuesday consultants will be available for 2 hours following the lectures. From the Thursday of week 1 until the Friday of week 8, consultants will be available for the two hours between the lectures.

Accounts and passwords

If you had an account for computers in the Mathematics Labs in semester 1 or 2, you will continue to use the same account with the same password in summer session. Remember that for the computers in the school laboratories, your login ID is “z” followed immediately by your seven digit student number and your password is your zPass. Be aware that two consecutive failed login attempts will lock you out of the computing system for 30 minutes, or until you reset or unlock your zPass at https://idm.unsw.edu.au. If you have forgotten how to log in and use the lab computers help can be found in chapters 1–4 of the Computing Laboratories Information 2012 booklet and the School web site.

If you have problems with your account, you should go to Room M022 on the Mezzanine Level of the Red Centre between 1pm and 2pm on any weekday from Thursday of Week 1. You will need to show your student card.

Computing syllabus

The Maple computing component is taught via a series of self-paced modules located in UNSW Blackboard and available from the folder, using Blackboard breadcrumb notation,

[MATH1231 Mathematics 1B](#) Course Materials > Computing component

You are expected to work steadily through these modules, completing the test in Maple TA at the end of each module before moving on to the next module. The test in Maple TA for module 11 must be completed by 4pm Friday of week 5, but there are other internal deadlines for the component quizzes. The timetable for the completion of these small tests is explained in detail in the section on Computing tests on page 11 and is clearly visible in Maple TA.

The online teaching package for MATH1231 consists of the following modules:
Module 8 Functions of two or more variables: defining functions, partial derivatives, mixed derivatives and plotting functions of two variables.

Module 9 Further calculus: partial fractions, ordinary differential equations, initial conditions, sequences, series and Taylor series.

Module 10 Further linear algebra: matrix operations and properties, nullspace, kernel, rank, nullity, eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Module 11 Geometry: dot and cross products, the geom3d package and its use.

Module 12 Programming in Maple: Maple procedures, booleans, loops and conditionals.

WARNINGS

Misuse of computers is treated as Academic Misconduct and is a serious offence. Guidelines for acceptable conduct are in the Computing Notes.

The Mathematics Computer Labs can be heavily used so plan what you are going to do on the computer BEFORE you sit down at a PC — don’t waste your time and other people’s. Problems with your own (home) computer, internet service or the UNSW IT systems are not considered to be an excuse for missing tests or test deadlines. So you should PLAN AHEAD and not leave online assessments until the last few hours.

You should not use Maple to do your Algebra and Calculus tutorial problems (unless it is explicitly indicated) until you have understood the material thoroughly, as working through the problems is important for learning the material. Once the material is understood you can then use Maple to check your answers. You may also use Maple for other subjects. It is academic misconduct to do other people’s tests or to allow others to do your test.

Assessment

There will be two different forms of computing tests. The details of the online Maple tests have been described previously in the section on Computing tests on page 11.

The second form of computing test will be run under exam conditions in the School’s computing laboratories during week 6. The test will be conducted using Maple TA and your test time is determined by your tutorial timetable. There is no need to book for the test and by logging into Maple TA early in week 5 you will see a link to your laboratory test. You must inform the lecturer-in-charge of computing if you do not see this link, or there are problems with your allocated test timeslot. A practice version of the Maple laboratory test will be available from the beginning of week 1. You will have unlimited attempts at this test. As usual you must bring your UNSW student ID card to the laboratory test.

All tests are linked to the Algebra and Calculus material, so you should make sure you understand the course work before trying them.

Finally, the end of semester exam may contain one or two sub-questions requiring a knowledge of Maple.

Special consideration for the laboratory test

If you are unable to attend your Maple laboratory test session because of illness or other circumstances outside of your control you should contact the Student Services Office as soon as
possible and on submission of a suitable medical certificate or other appropriate documentation, another test time will be arranged. Tutors do not have permission to accept medical certificates for the computing test.

If possible, special arrangements for the computing laboratory test will be made for students with supporting documentation from SEADU. If you wish to exercise this option, you must contact Dr Kress before the laboratory tests have commenced so that any needed special facilities can be implemented.

Dr Jonathan Kress (Room: Red Centre 4102)
Lecturer in Charge
First Year Computing

Details of the computer laboratory Maple test follow in the next pages.
MATH1231 LABORATORY TEST

Tests will be held in the Red-Centre computer lab G012 at various times during Week 6. Based on your tutorial timetable, you will be allocated a time slot in week 6 and a Maple TA laboratory test class before the end of week 4. You can check your laboratory test time by logging into Maple TA. If the allocated laboratory test time is unsuitable you need to contact the lecturer in charge of computing to see if other time slots are available. In general you will need very strong reasons to change the allocated test time as it is expected that all students are on campus for the whole of the teaching hours of summer session.

The test will be on the features of Maple which are covered in Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 of the First Year Maple Notes 2012. You should make sure you are familiar with the setting for Maple on one of the Red-Centre lab computers or the remote access computers sigma and sigma2 as the setting in the lab make Maple behave differently to the default set up you may be used to if you use your own copy of Maple. Chapter 3 of the First Year Maple Notes describes these settings.

You will NOT need to remember the exact syntax of each command because you will be provided with a hard copy of the First Year Maple Notes in the test and you will also have access to an on-line copy of the Notes. However, you WILL need to practise for the test by working through the Practice Maple Test. Don’t read the materials provided and work out commands which you think will work. It is essential that you try out your answers on a computer to check that they do work and to get practice at recognising and recovering from common mistakes such as omitting the colon in := or forgetting to unassign a variable.

A practice laboratory test will be made available in Maple TA by the start of week 1. Initially, you should try the problems a few at a time and revise your methods as necessary after checking the correct answers in the Maple TA gradebook. By the time you take the actual lab test you should be able to easily complete all of the questions on the practice test well within 35 minute time limit. More details on the laboratory test will be made available during the session and posted on Blackboard.

You will NOT be allowed to take any calculators or writing materials (pens, pencils, paper) into the test.
The School of Mathematics and Statistics is committed to providing, through its own laboratories, all the computing facilities which students need for courses taught by the School. No student should feel the need to buy their own computer in order to undertake any Mathematics course. Nevertheless, the following information is provided for the benefit of those who may wish to use their own computer for work associated with Mathematics courses.

All of our courses have a UNSW Blackboard presence, and it is there you should look for course materials or links unless your lecturer tells you otherwise. UNSW Blackboard may be accessed from any computer with internet access; see their help files and pages for technical requirements and how to check whether your web browser is supported. Some courses may also make use of Maple TA for testing. If you use your own computer to access this system, you should have an up to date browser and java plugin.

The School of Mathematics and Statistics provides assistance to students using teaching software in its laboratories. It does not have the resources to advise or assist students in the use of home computers or in communication between home computers and university facilities.
## SOME GREEK CHARACTERS

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