Advanced Calculus I: syllabus

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This course proposes an in-depth and rigorous discussion of the fundamental tools of real analysis and calculus, such as limits, sequences, continuity and differentiability of functions. The aim is to establish in a precise way the main notions, and to make the students familiar with mathematical reasoning (analyzing definitions, understanding and constructing proofs, etc...).

The course is mainly based upon the following textbook:

E.D. GAUGHAN, *Introduction to Analysis*, 5th edition, Brooks/Cole Publishing Co. ISBN: 0-534-35177-8; ISBN-13: 9780534351779, (2009).

Personal work: Our section meets twice a week, namely on Tuesday and Thursday, from 6:10 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Prior to each lecture, the relevant sections in the textbook are suggested for reading, and the lecture emphasizes on the salient points of the topic.

A workshop session is organized by M. Balasubramanian, every Tuesday from 7.40 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Students are asked to hand over a redaction of (a part of) their work during every session of the workshop.

Every Tuesday, a homework is assigned, focusing essentially on the material of the previous week's lectures. The homework is collected during the lecture on the next Tuesday.

No late homework will be accepted, whatever the reason invoked.

Grading policy: The final grade for this course is based upon points; the maximum number of points is 600 and the breakdown is as follows:

- 100 points for each of the two midterm exams,
- 200 points for the final exam,
- 100 points for the workshop sessions' work,
- 100 points for the homeworks.

From this number of points, a letter is eventually derived, by means of a cut-off yet to be decided.

Tentative schedule of the lectures

I. Revisions from the course Math 300; preliminaries

- **Lecture 1:** Presentation of the course; introduction of the basic notions around *sets*: union, intersection, inclusion, proving an equality between two sets.
- **Lecture 2:** Basic notions around *relations* and *functions*: definitions, composition, inverse, image of a relation / a function.
- **Lecture 3:** The *induction principle* and several of its variants; applications on several examples.
- **Lecture 4:** Equivalence between two sets, and the concept of countable sets; operations between countable sets (Cartesian product, union, etc...).
- **Lecture 5:** Some facts around real numbers; lower and upper bound principles and density of rational numbers among real numbers.

II. The fundamental objects of real analysis: sequences

- **Lecture** 6: The notions of *sequence* and of *convergence* of a sequence: definitions, examples; unicity of the limit of a sequence.
- **Lecture 7:** Cauchy sequences: definition, and connections with convergent sequences; definition of the notions of neighborhoods, accumulation points and the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem.
- **Lecture** 8: Operations on sequences: sum, product, etc... and consequences on the limits; passing to the limit in inequalities; examples.
- Lecture 9: Subsequences and monotone sequences: definitions, properties, examples

III. Limits of functions

- **Lecture** 10: Definition of the limit of a function at a point; examples.
- Lecture 11: No lecture! First midterm exam!
- Lecture 12: Connections and characterizations of the limits of functions with limits of sequences.
- **Lecture** 13: Behavior of the limits of functions with respect to operations: sums, products, etc... Handling limits of functions in inequalities.
- Lecture 14: Limits of monotone functions.

IV. Continuity of functions

- **Lecture** 15: Notion of *continuity* of a function at a point; characterization in terms of limits; examples.
- Lecture 16: Operations over continuous functions: sum, product, composition, etc...

- **Lecture** 17: Topological considerations: open, closed and compact sets; the Heine-Borel theorem.
- **Lecture** 18: *Uniform continuity* of functions; the Heine theorem.
- **Lecture** 19: Further properties of continuous functions: connections with open, closed, compact sets; the Bolzano theorem, and the intermediate-value theorem (I).
- **Lecture** 20: Further properties of continuous functions: connections with open, closed, compact sets; the Bolzano theorem, and the intermediate-value theorem (II).

V. Differentiability of functions

- Lecture 21: Definition of the *derivative* of a function at a point; examples.
- Lecture 22: No lecture! Second midterm exam!
- Lecture 23: Behavior of the derivative with respect to operations on functions: sums, products, etc...
- Lecture 24: Rolle's theorem and the Mean-Value theorem (I): applications and examples.
- Lecture 25: Rolle's theorem and the Mean-Value theorem (II): applications and examples.
- Lecture 26: Further applications of the previous concepts: L'Hospital's rule and the Inverse-Function theorem.