

MA 30300. DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS AND PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION FOR ENGINEERING AND THE SCIENCES (SPRING 2024)

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Time: Mon. Wed. Fri. 1:30pm-2:20pm (414), 2:30pm-3:20pm (413), PHYS 333

First Class: Mon., January 8, 2024

Last Class: Fri., April 26, 2024

For other important dates, see Purdue 2023-2024 Academic Calendar.

(see also *Course Webpage* for supplementary course materials)

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This is a methods course on differential equations for students in any branch of engineering and science, designed to follow MA 26200 or MA 26600. The main topics covered include: linear systems of ordinary differential equations, nonlinear systems, Laplace transform, Fourier series, separation of variables for partial differential equations, and Sturm-Liouville theory.

MAJOR LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- (1) Classify homogeneous first-order linear systems of differential equations by their phase portraits and solve them by using the eigenvalue method.
- (2) Analyze the behavior of nonlinear systems near critical points by their stability and type and apply this knowledge to study some applicable models and mechanical systems.
- (3) Use the method of Laplace transform to solve linear differential equations.
- (4) Use the Fourier series and the method of separation of variables to solve partial differential equations.
- (5) Use the eigenfunction expansion method to solve Sturm-Liouville problems.

TEST BOOK & LEARNING RESOURCES

Textbook: C. H. Edwards, D. E. Penney, and D. T. Calvis, *Differential Equations and Boundary Value Problems: Computing and Modeling*, Tech Update, 6th Edition. We will cover most of Sections 5, 6, 7, 9 and part of Section 10 of the textbook.

- It is not required to have a physical copy of the textbook. The access code for an electronic version of the textbook can be found on *MyLab Math*.
- A physical copy of the textbook can be purchased on: Hardcover edition with MyLab Math 18-Week Access Card and Pearson eText ISBN-13: 9780135998137.

Course Resources: The main learning management system will be *Brightspace*. The following platforms (accessible through *Brightspace*) will also be used for assignments and other activities:

- *MyLab Math* for online homework.
- *Gradescope* for handwritten homework.
- *Piazza* for class discussions.
- *Zoom* for potential online discussions and virtual meetings.

COURSE ARRANGEMENTS

Course Schedule:

Week	Start Date	Topics (Sections in the textbook)	Homework Due	Comments
1	Jan. 8	5.2, 5.5		
2	Jan. 17	5.5, 5.3	HW 1 due	No class on Mon., Jan. 17 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
3	Jan. 22	6.1, 6.2	HW 2 due	
4	Jan. 29	6.3, 7.1, 7.2	HW 3 due	
5	Feb. 5	7.3, 7.4	HW 4 due	
6	Feb. 12	7.5, 7.6	HW 5 due	
7	Feb. 19	2.4, 2.5, 2.6		
8	Feb. 26	Review and Midterm I	HW 6 & 7 due	
9	Mar. 4	9.1, 9.2	HW 8 due	
10	Mar. 11			No class this week (spring vacation)
11	Mar. 18	9.3, 9.4	HW 9 due	
12	Mar. 25	9.4, 9.5		
13	Apr. 1	Review and Midterm II	HW 10 due	
14	Apr. 8	9.6, 9.7	HW 11 & 12 due	
15	Apr. 15	10.1	HW 13 & 14 due	
16	Apr. 22	Review for Final		Quiet period
	Apr. 29	Final exam week		

(Schedule is subject to change. Any changes will be posted on *Brightspace*.)

Lecture Notes: Lecture notes will be posted in *Brightspace* and will be organized in form of chapter modules (Chapter 1, Chapter 2, etc). Typically, there will be three lectures per week, each corresponding to a section in the textbook and about 50 min long.

Office Hours: WF, 11:00am-12:00pm (Eastern Time). The time is subject to change. The connection information will be posted on *Brightspace*.

Homework: There will be online and handwritten homework given every week.

- > The online homework is collected through *MyLab Math*.
- > The handwritten homework should be submitted to *Gradescope* and graded by a grader. Your responses can either be handwritten or typed with LaTeX.

Note that answers to all problems are provided at the end of the book, thus you should always show your work of full solutions in the handwritten homework to receive credits. No points will be given if you only write the final answer. Normally, homework will be due every **Sunday at 11:00pm**. Late homework will not be accepted.

Exams: There will be two Midterm Exams, tentatively in Week 7 and Week 13 and a Final Exam in the Finals Week. We will have Review sessions for each exam.

Grading: Your grade will be determined from the total score, whose components have the following maximum values:

Category	Max. Score
Homework	200
Midterm Exam I	100
Midterm Exam II	100
Final Exam	200
Total	600

This semester, we will apply the following rule: students who get at least 97% of the total points are guaranteed an A+, 93% guarantees an A, 90% an A-, 87% a B+, 83% a B, 80% a B-, 77% a C+, 73% a C, 70% a C-, 67% a D+, 63% a D, and 60% a D-. Please note, these are not the actual cutoffs, but rather upper bounds on those. The actual cutoffs of these grades will be determined after the final exam and can be lower but not higher than the ones above. Thus, the actual cutoff for A can be, say 85%, but not 95%.

COURSE AND UNIVERSITY POLICIES:

Attendance and course engagement: This is an in-person course. The students are expected to attend the lectures and read the corresponding lecture notes. Reading the sections in the textbook ahead of time is highly recommended. Students are responsible for completing and submitting all assignments on time. Students must take all exams at the scheduled times (see below for makeup policy). Students are encouraged to participate actively during the lectures and after-class discussions. Students must also check periodically for possible changes in the course schedule (on *Brightspace*) including due dates for assignments and exams.

Late homework: The lowest two online homework scores will be dropped, but in return, late homework will not be accepted. In the event that an assignment is missed for reasons that are serious, unavoidable, and beyond the student's control, the situation will be handled on an individual basis. Documentation may be required in such cases.

Makeup policy: Student needs to inform the instructor of any conflict that can be anticipated and will affect the submission of an assignment or the ability to take an exam. Only the instructor can excuse a student from a course requirement or responsibility. When conflicts can be anticipated, such as for many University-sponsored activities and religious observations, the student should inform the instructor of the situation as far in advance as possible. For unanticipated or emergency conflict, when advance notification to an instructor is not possible, the student should contact the instructor as soon as possible by email, through *Brightspace*, or by phone. When the student is unable to make direct contact with the instructor and is unable to leave word with the instructor's department because of circumstances beyond the student's control, and in cases of bereavement, quarantine, or isolation, the student or the student's representative should contact the Office of the Dean of Students via email or phone at 765-494-1747. Our course *Brightspace* includes a link on Attendance and Grief Absence policies under the University Policies menu.

Academic integrity: Academic integrity is expected for all students at all times in this course. You are free (even encouraged) to work with other students to solve the homework problems. However, you are required to complete and write up solutions for the homework using your own words and on your own. If you worked with any humans, book, the internet, you should be explicit about it and list all sources and the extent of help you got from each resource (no points will be taken for such disclosures). But if you present as your own work what was not, then you will get zero points on the assignment and an academic misconduct filing after the first instance. Of course, you are required to do your own work on each exam (although you can prepare with others).

Nondiscrimination statement: Purdue University is committed to maintaining a community which recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters tolerance, sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among its members; and encourages each individual to strive to reach his or her own potential. In pursuit of its goal of academic excellence, the University seeks to develop and nurture

diversity. The University believes that diversity among its many members strengthens the institution, stimulates creativity, promotes the exchange of ideas, and enriches campus life. More details are available on our course *Brightspace* table of contents, under University Policies.

Students with disabilities: Purdue University strives to make learning experiences accessible to all participants. If you anticipate or experience physical or academic barriers based on disability, you are welcome to let me know so that we can discuss options. You are also encouraged to contact the Disability Resource Center at: drc@purdue.edu or by phone: 765-494-1247. In this mathematics course accommodations are managed between the instructor, the student and DRC Testing Center. If you have been certified by the Disability Resource Center (DRC) as eligible for accommodations, you should contact your instructor to discuss your accommodations as soon as possible. Here are instructions for sending your Course Accessibility Letter to your instructor: <https://www.purdue.edu/drc/students/course-accessibility-letter.php>.

Emergency preparation: In the event of a major campus emergency, course requirements, deadlines and grading percentages are subject to changes that may be necessitated by a revised semester calendar or other circumstances beyond the instructor's control. Relevant changes to this course will be posted onto the course website or can be obtained by contacting the instructors or TAs via email or phone. You are expected to read your *@purdue.edu* email on a frequent basis.

COVID-19 statement: If you become quarantined or isolated at any point in time during the semester, in addition to support from the Protect Purdue Health Center, you will also have access to an Academic Case Manager who can provide you academic support during this time. Your Academic Case Manager can be reached at acmq@purdue.edu and will provide you with general guidelines/resources around communicating with your instructors, be available for academic support, and offer suggestions for how to be successful when learning remotely. Importantly, if you find yourself too sick to progress in the course, notify your academic case manager and notify me via email or *Brightspace*. We will make arrangements based on your particular situation. The Office of the Dean of Students (odos@purdue.edu) is also available to support you should this situation occur. Other important policies can be found in *Brightspace*.

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