

King Fahd University of Petroleum & Minerals  
Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Math.411-152

Course Syllabus

**Course Instructor:** Prof. Abdelkader Boucherif

**Text Book.** Functions of several variables by W. Fleming.

**Recommended New Text:** “Functions of Several Real Variables”  
by M. Moskowitz and F. Paliogiannis, World Scientific,  
Singapore, 2011

**Topics to be Covered:** Theory of sequences and series of functions. Real functions of several real variables: limit, continuity, differentiability. Taylor’s theorem. Maxima and minima, Lagrange multipliers rule. Elementary notion of integration on  $\mathbf{R}^N$ . Change of variables in multiple integrals, Fubini’s theorem. Implicit and inverse function theorems. Convergence and divergence of improper integrals- Differentiation under the integral sign .

**Course Objectives:** This course is designed to provide a rigorous mathematical basis for the analysis of “Functions of several variables”.

**Students Learning Outcome:** After completion of the course, the students should be able to

- Gain familiarity with functions of several variables
- Be able to understand and write proofs of theorems
- Apply the results to solve exercises, mostly theoretical in nature
- Prepare the students for higher level analysis courses

**Computer Usage:** Computer software is not required in this course, however, the student is encouraged to use packages such as Maple, Mathematica, ... etc.

## Weekly Coverage of Course Material

Wk	Date	Material
1	1.1-1.3	The Euclidean space $\mathbf{R}^N$ .
2	1.4-1.5	$\mathbf{R}^N$ as a metric space. Sequences and series in $\mathbf{R}^N$
3		Series in $\mathbf{R}^N$
4	2.1-2.2-2.3	Functions on $\mathbf{R}^N$ . Limit and Continuity,
5	2.4-2.5	Linear transformations-Continuous Functions on compact sets
6	3.1	Differentiable Functions.
7	3.5	The mean value theorem. Taylor's Theorem.
8	3.6-3.7	Minima, Maxima.
9	3.8	The Inverse and Implicit Function Theorems.
10	3.9	Lagrange multiplier-Applications
11	4.1	Integral in $\mathbf{R}^N$ - Integrals over bounded sets
12	4.2-4.3	Properties of multiple integrals. Iterated integrals- Fubini's theorem
13	5.1	Change of variables
14	5.2-5.3.1	Convergence and divergence of improper integrals -Differentiation under the integral sign
15		REVIEWS