

MTH 5051: Applied Discrete Mathematics
Fall 2019

Textbook: *Discrete and Combinatorial Mathematics (Classic Version) 5th edition*, by Ralph P. Grimaldi, Pearson. ISBN-13: 9780321385024

Course Description:

The main emphasis of this course will be on logic fundamentals, induction, recursion, combinatorial mathematics, and graph theory. The first half of the semester covers the counting techniques, combinatorics, and combinatorial proof techniques, including math induction and pigeonhole principle. The second half is dedicated to the fundamentals of graph theory, where the graph theoretical approaches to solve optimization problems such as shortest path, minimum spanning tree, network flows, minimum vertex cover, and graph coloring are covered in depth. Applications from several fields of science and engineering, including computer science, operations research, and computer and electrical engineering are introduced.

Course Topics:

This course will cover the following chapters from Grimaldi:

- Chapter 1: Fundamental Principles of Counting
- Chapter 2: Introduction to Logic
- Chapter 4: Properties of the Integers: Mathematical Induction
- Chapters 5 and 7: Relations and Functions
- Chapter 8: The Principle of Inclusion and Exclusion
- Chapter 9: Generating Functions
- Chapter 10: Recurrence Relations
- Chapter 11: An Introduction to Graph Theory
- Chapter 12: Trees
- Chapter 13: Optimization and Matching

Grading Policy:

Project	→	20%
Homework	→	20%
Midterm Exam	→	30%
Final Exam	→	<u>30%</u>
TOTAL	→	100%

Grading Scale: A: 90 – 100; B: 80 – 89; C: 70 – 79; D: 60 – 69; F: below 60

Assignments:

There will be a written homework assignment for each chapter. Each homework assignment you submit must be neat, legible, stapled, with name written clearly on top. Students are permitted, and in fact encouraged to work together. However, each student must write-up and submit an independent solution in his/her own words. The list of homework problems will be announced on CANVAS. Please cite the external references that you use to improve your understanding of the course material.

Project:

A final project will be given based on the student's interests and background. The project report is due the last day of classes.

Suggested Additional Readings:

- *Introduction to Graph Theory*, by Douglas West (2nd edition, Prentice-Hall, 2001).
- *Graph Theory*, by R. Diestel (3rd edition, Springer).
- *Applied Combinatorics*, by F. Roberts and B. Tesman (2nd Edition, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2004).
- *Combinatorics and Graph Theory*, by J.M. Harris, J.L. Hirst and M.J. Mossinghoff (2nd edition, Springer, 2008).

Additional Resources:

- Graph Theory Tutorials: <http://www.utm.edu/departments/math/graph>
- Graph Theory Glossary (by West) <http://www.math.uiuc.edu/~west/openp/gloss.html>
- Open Problems { Graph Theory and Combinatorics <http://www.math.uiuc.edu/~west/openp>
- Planar Graph Java Applet Game: <http://www.planarity.net>
- Combinatorics Net: <http://www.combinatorics.net>
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