

Reference group meeting TMA4305 - minutes

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Present: Harald Hanche-Olsen, Eirik Holm and Stein Olav Romslo.

General

- The course is taught in English, for approximately 15 students. About twice of that are signed up for the exam.
- Harald is a little bit behind on organising the course, which shows in the unfinished web pages. This is partly due to some changes in the curriculum, with a new book.
- Change of lecture hours Thursdays will be decided next week (Monday 18th of September). Everyone will get a reminder to answer the Doodle by the end of the weekend.
- Harald will post a provisional curriculum on the web page as soon as possible.

The lectures

- The students like that the lectures follow the book outline. This makes it easier to prepare for lectures and catch up if one misses a lecture.
- The notes complementing the book are good.
- Harald speaks a little fast, and is aware of that. The students have to speak up and ask if something is lost because of fast speech.
- The students have different backgrounds, so the broad targeting of the lectures works fine.

Exercises

- The work load is okay. Some problems are harder than exam problems, which will pay off later.
- Because we only have one hour for exercises, it has to be spent well. Harald solving the problems on the blackboard allows for us to check our work and correct eventual mistakes.

The exam

- The exam will take place on the 29th of November, 9–13.
- Some previous exams will be collected and presented at the web page or in Blackboard.

Activity from the group

- None of the reference group members received any comments or questions regarding the course before the meeting.
- Before the next reference group meeting, there will be a time slot in a lecture to give opinions and remarks to the trusted students.