Ground Rules for ME123 Exam

The exam is given over two days. On the first day you will take the written portion of the exam. On the second day you will take the computer portion of the exam.

For the first (written) portion of the exam, you are allowed only a pencil/pen and paper. No calculators, computers, notes, or electronic devices (e.g., cell phones, music players, etc.) are permitted.

For the second (computer) portion of the exam we will begin at the starting bell, make sure to arrive in time to start up MATLAB before the bell rings. The exam will conclude 5 minutes before the end of the class period, at which point you must close MATLAB; you may use the remaining 5 minutes of the period to upload your files to Moodle.

For the computer portion of the exam you may use only:

- Help or doc files from MATLAB on your laptop.
- Course-related material on your hard drive (programs, notes, etc).
- Files we posted on the course web pages. (This is the only approved use of a web browser on this exam.)
- Paper notes.
- A pencil/pen.
- Moodle for code submission.

You must use meaningful variable names in your program. For example, a variable that represents an angle might be called <code>angle</code> or <code>theta</code>, but not <code>t_c_data</code>. A variable that represents a distance might be called <code>x1</code> or <code>y1</code> or <code>distance</code>, but not <code>counter</code>. Your program should not have extraneous lines of code. For example, if you use the following code scrap [m,n] = size(my data)

but then your program never uses the values of m or n, then this code scrap is extraneous.

When your computer is running, NO electronic communication programs (e.g., email, chatrooms, or instant messaging) are to run. This will result in an F in the course—even if it just pops up to say 'so and so' is on line. SHUT IT DOWN.

You may not listen to music during the exam.

You must remain in the classroom until the bell rings. Since no electronic devices are allowed, you may wish to bring a book, magazine, or pillow if you anticipate finishing early.

The use of any resource not specifically allowed is prohibited. The use of prohibited resources is likely to result in an F in the class.

Cheating, copying, and plagiarizing are strictly forbidden. Violation will result in an F in the course.