

Ground Rules for the first MATLAB Exam

For the first (written) portion of the exam, you are allowed only a pencil/pen and paper. No calculators, computers, or notes.

For the second (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 ME123 course web pages. (This is the only approved use of a web browser on this exam.)
- Paper notes.
- A pencil/pen.

You must use meaningful variable names in your program. For example, a variable that represents an angle might be called **angle** or **theta**, but not **t_c_data**. A variable that represents a distance might be called **x1** or **y1** or **distance**, but not **counter**. Your program should not have extraneous lines of code. For example, if you use the following code scrap

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[m,n] = size(my_data)
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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, chat rooms, 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 listen to music during both portions of the exam. If you are using your computer to listen to music during the written portion of the exam, you must still have the lid of your computer mostly shut.

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.

We will begin the exam at 10:00 AM. (This allows 5 minutes after the bell for you to boot your computers.) At 10:40 AM, you must close/quit/exit the MATLAB program. You will have the remaining 5 minutes to post your files to the DFS folder.