Universidad de Navarra

Calculus I

Teaching guide 2026-27

INTRODUCTION

Brief description

The course Calculus focuses on the study and analysis of real-valued functions of a real variable and their properties. It is a fundamental basis for the development of advanced mathematical knowledge and its application in various scientific and technical disciplines.

During the course, different types of functions (rational, trigonometric, exponential, logarithmic...) and their properties are studied, and their behaviour is analysed in terms of limits, continuity and differentiability.

Additionally, the local analysis of functions is explored in greater depth, studying their maxima and minima, and concavity and convexity. Taylor's formula is introduced, which allows for the approximation of functions by a polynomial.

The course also includes the study of integrals and their properties, as well as numerical sequences and numerical and functional series, which are fundamental in mathematical analysis.

Qualification (Module / Subject)

- Industrial Technologies Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Mechanical Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Electrical Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Industrial Electronics Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Telecommunication Systems Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Industrial Organisation Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Industrial Design and Product Development Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Biomedical Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)
- Artificial Intelligence Engineering (Basic training / Basic mathematics)

Details

- **ECTS:** 6 ECTS
- **Year, semester:** 1st year, 1st semester
- **Character:** Basic
- **Language:** English

Lecturers of the course

- de Zárraga Rodríguez, Marta / Profesora titular
- González Torres, Diego / Profesor colaborador
- Dastbasteh, Reza / Profesor colaborador
- Csiszár, Gábor / Profesor visitante

LEARNING OUTCOMES

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES ENGINEERING

R1 - Students will have demonstrated knowledge and understanding in an area of study that builds on the foundation of general secondary education, and is usually at a level which, while relying on advanced textbooks, also includes some aspects involving knowledge deriving from the cutting edge of their field of study.

R2 - Ability to solve mathematical problems that may arise in engineering. Ability to apply knowledge of: linear algebra; geometry; differential geometry; differential and integral calculus; differential and partial differential equations; numerical methods; numerical algorithms; statistics and optimisation.

R55 - Ability to solve problems involving numerical methods for differential equations and ability to apply mathematical optimisation techniques.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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R24 - Knowledge in basic and technological subjects, which enables them to learn new methods and theories, and provides them with the versatility to adapt to new situations.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

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R3 - Ability to solve mathematical problems that may arise in engineering. Ability to apply knowledge of: linear algebra; geometry; differential geometry; differential and integral calculus; differential and partial differential equations; numerical methods; numerical algorithms; statistics and optimisation.

INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING

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TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

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INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATION ENGINEERING

R1 - Students will have demonstrated knowledge and understanding in an area of study that builds on the foundation of general secondary education, and is usually at a level which, while relying on advanced textbooks, also includes some aspects involving knowledge deriving from the cutting edge of their field of study.

R2 - Ability to solve mathematical problems that may arise in engineering. Ability to apply knowledge of: linear algebra; geometry; differential geometry; differential and integral calculus; differential and partial differential equations; numerical methods; numerical algorithms; statistics and optimisation.

R40 - Provide a solid foundation in science, technology, operations management, production and business management.

INDUSTRIAL DESIGN AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING

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BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

R1 - Students will have demonstrated knowledge and understanding in an area of study that builds on the foundation of general secondary education, and is usually at a level which, while relying on advanced textbooks, also includes some aspects involving knowledge deriving from the cutting edge of their field of study.

R23 - Ability to solve mathematical problems that may arise in engineering. Ability to apply knowledge of: linear algebra; geometry; differential geometry; differential and integral calculus; numerical methods; numerical algorithms; statistics and optimisation.

R31 - Training must provide the graduate with a solid scientific basis to enable them to rigorously address any professional challenges they may face in the biomedical sector.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ENGINEERING

R1 - Describe the fundamentals of linear algebra; geometry, differential geometry, differential and integral calculus, differential and partial differential equations, numerical methods, numerical algorithms, statistics and optimisation to solve mathematical problems applied to the field of engineering.

PROGRAM

1. The real line: The set of real numbers. Important subsets of R. Bounded sets. Intervals. Distance and absolute value. Neighbourhoods.

2. Limits and continuity: Real-valued functions of a real variable. Operations with functions. Transformation of function graphs. Limits of functions. Properties of limits. Operations with limits. Continuity of functions. Operations with continuous functions. Properties of continuous functions. Monotonic functions.

3. Elementary functions: Polynomial function. Rational function. Absolute value function. Trigonometric functions. Inverse functions of the trigonometric functions. Exponential function. Logarithmic function. Hyperbolic functions. Inverse functions of the hyperbolic functions. Power function. Infinitesimals and infinites.

4. Differentiability: Differentiability of real-valued functions of a real variable. Relationship between differentiability and continuity. Operations with differentiable functions. Differentials.

5. Local study of functions: Increasing and decreasing intervals. Local and absolute extrema. Theorems for the local study of functions. Curvature. Inflection points.

6. Taylor's formula: Taylor polynomial. Taylor's theorem. Theorems for the local study of functions with successive vanishing derivatives.

7. Indefinite integrals: Indefinite integral. Integration by substitution method. Integration by parts method. Integration of rational functions. Integration of functions reducible to rational functions.

8. Definite integrals: Riemann integral. Properties of the Riemann integral. Fundamental theorem of calculus. Integration by substitution method for definite integrals. Integration by parts method for definite integrals. Calculation of the area of plane regions.

9. Improper integrals: Integration of bounded functions on unbounded intervals. Integration of unbounded functions on bounded intervals. Integration of unbounded functions on unbounded intervals. Convergence tests for improper integrals of non-negative functions.

10. Numerical sequences: Numerical sequences. Classification of numerical sequences. Properties of convergent sequences. Properties of divergent sequences. Monotonic sequences. Asymptotically equivalent sequences. Tests for the calculation of the limit of sequences.

11. Numerical and functional series: Numerical series. Geometric series. General harmonic series. Properties of numerical series. Series of positive terms. Absolutely convergent series. Alternating series. Functional series. Power series.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

The 150-180 hours (6 ECTS) dedication to the course Calculus is divided into the following educational activities.

Lectures (60 hours)

The lectures (in the classroom) will encompass both the theoretical development of the course and the resolution of exercises.

Tutorials (1 hour)

The lecturers will be available to address any questions and provide students with more personalised support in acquiring knowledge and skills.

Independent study (111 hours)

Students will have to study the theory presented in each lecture independently and work on the exercises proposed by the lecturers. In order to facilitate the monitoring of the course and the independent study, students will have access to study material including proposed exercises, examples of previous exams, videos and tutorials.

Assessment (8 hours)

Throughout the semester, midterm exams will be conducted to evaluate students' progress, as well as a final exam.

ASSESSMENT

Important remarks

- Please be advised that any attempt to commit fraud, cheating, plagiarism or any other form of academic misconduct constitutes a serious offence and, as such, is subject to disciplinary action under the provisions of the "Regulations on community life and conduct at the University of Navarra" (Title IV "Student academic discipline regulations").
- Students with specific educational support needs should contact the Academic Coordination Office to request an adjustment to the assessment and/or additional time for the completion of the exams. For such adjustments to be considered in an exam, students must submit their request at least 15 days in advance.

Ordinary call

The assessment will be based on the following activities:

- Midterm exam 1 (M1):
  - Score: 2.5 points.
  - Date: 5th of October.
- Midterm exam 2 (M2):
  - Score: 3.5 points.
  - Date: 2nd of November.
- Final exam:
  - Content: The final exam will have three parts (F1, F2 and F3). In parts F1 and F2, the same contents as in the midterm exams M1 and M2 will be evaluated, respectively. In part F3, the rest of the contents of the course will be evaluated.
  - Score: 2.5 points (F1) + 3.5 points (F2) + 4 points (F3).
  - Date: 4th of December.

The final mark of the ordinary call is:

max (M1, F1) + max (M2, F2) + F3

In order to pass the course, the final mark must be greater than or equal to 5.

Extraordinary call

The assessment will be based on the extraordinary final exam (12th of January), in which all the contents of the course will be evaluated.

The final mark of the extraordinary call is the mark of the extraordinary final exam. The marks of the midterm exams and the final exam of the ordinary call will not be considered.

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OFFICE HOURS

The lecturers will organise a weekly question session in which they will be available to address any questions regarding the theory and the proposed exercises. The schedule and the location of the question session will be determined at the beginning of the course.

Additionally, the lecturers will be available for individual consultations. It is necessary to request an appointment via email in advance.

BIBLIOGRAPHY AND RESOURCES

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