Course Unit Descriptor

Study Programme: Applied Mathematics (MB)

Course Unit Title: Information and Coding Theory

Course Unit Code: MB21

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Type and Level of Studies: Master Academic Degree

Course Status (compulsory/elective): obligatory for MB, module Techno-mathematics

Semester (winter/summer): Winter

Language of instruction: Serbian

Mode of course unit delivery (face-to-face/distance learning): Face-to-face

Number of ECTS Allocated: 7.5

Prerequisites: None

Course Aims:

Learning the principles of the theory of information, coding in the channel without the interference, the principles of the algebraic theory of coding and the importance of those theories in contemporary communication.

Learning Outcomes:

Minimal: Understanding of the concept and importance of the amount of information, the system of communication, developing the ability of solving typical tasks from coding theory, understanding and implementing codes and source of information and solving optimisation problems. Understanding the principles of binary block-codes, solving problems on linear codes. Desirable: More detailed understanding of the notion and features of entropy, especially of the entropy of sources, the capacity of channels, symmetric channels. Algebraic methods in the applications of block-codes, some classes of linear codes and the capability of their usage.

Syllabus:

Theory

Introduction to probability and analysis of the communicative system. Entropy and information. The information source and its entropy. Channel and capacity. Symmetric channels. Uniquely decoding. Optimality and corresponding codes. The algebraic principles of block-codes. The analysis of different kinds of errors and their detection and correction. Linear codes and other classes of block-codes. Examples of codes in the digital technology.

Practice

Solving problems in relation with entropy and the communication system. Constructions of particular code classes and the source of information. Problems in which different errors are being detected and corrected, using block-codes. Doing exercises of the application of linear codes. Solving problems from other classes of block-codes.

Required Reading:

- 1. B. Šešelja, Teorija informacije i kodiranje, Univerzitet u Novom Sadu, PMF, 2005.
- 2. A. Tepavčević, B. Šešelja, Matematičke osnove informatike, Stylos, Novi Sad, 1995.
- 3. R. Lidl, G. Pilz, Applied Abstract Algebra, 2-nd ed., Springer, 1998.

Weekly Contact Hours: 6 Lectures: 3 Practical work: 3

Teaching Methods:

Lectures and exercises

Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points): 100

Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
Active class	10	written exam	
participation			
Test I and Test II	50	oral exam	40
Preliminary exam(s)			
Seminar(s)			

The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam, project presentation, seminars, etc.