

Reference group meeting GLM

15.11.18

Textbook and course content:

Everything from the textbook is on the module pages. This means that the module pages and the exercises should be enough for the exam.

As for the course content, module 6 is new this year. Also, modules 5 and onwards were new just a few years back.

Mette will post a sheet about how everything in the course is connected.

Interactive lectures (IL):

There is some discussion about how Interactive lectures are working out.

- Some people still think it is hard to attend IL if they are not up-to-date on the topics.
- Other people think they benefit from them either way, because there will be some repetition of the topic and it is possible to ask questions. In that way, they will benefit on a general level, even though they don't get the details.
- One challenge observed by both students and lecturers, is that some groups tend to get stuck on details and thus don't get through the important parts of the IL. Lecturers try to help push groups forward, but it is challenging. How much people learn depends on the group they're in.
- Other reflections on the IL:
 - o It might be hard to work on the IL problems on your own during the semester as the tasks are mostly exam questions.
 - o One might learn from the IL unconsciously, even if it doesn't feel like it.
 - o It is still understandable not to attend IL; this way of learning is not for everyone.

In addition, it is agreed upon that also the plenary lectures in GLM are more interactive than many other courses, and that to have interactive lectures in all subjects would be too much. It is hard to be up-to-date in all courses all the time!

Exercises:

A lot of people have not started on exercise 3 yet, but the general impression is that it looks doable and not that much work.

People are also very pleased with exercise 2.

Activities onwards:

All (available) information about the exam will be given in the last lecture.

In the last weeks, there will be individual supervision hours. These will be on 07.12, 14.12 and 18.12 at 10-12. This means that also people who have the Mathematical Modelling exam the 18th have hours they can attend. In addition, we will have a discussion group on Blackboard (though it is recommended to show up in person) and it is possible to visit Mette in her office.

Questionnaire:

There will be a questionnaire with question about the course for students to fill out.

Exam:

Mette is still working on figuring out how the digital exam will be.

Students need to download Safe Exam Browser on their laptop, log into Inspera and do a test exam to get familiar with the setup. A link will be posted, and Mette will go through how the exam will look in the last lecture.

We want to do a digital exam because it is important to give feedback to NTNU about how digital exams are working out for mathematics. Digital exams are what will be used in the future.