

ELEN 30012

Signals & Systems

Summary of
Mid-Test
Results 2020

Aim of the Mid-Test

- Test is intended to give you a realistic indication of `how you are going' in the subject e.g. indicative mark if you continue along the same study path as for the first 5 weeks of the semester.
- Exam questions will be similar in style to the mid-test, but some will be longer. There will be some `Harder' questions to filter the top end of the grade distribution.

Breakdown of 2020 Test marks

84 students took the test. Median mark was 29/50.

Test Mark/50	No. Students	Percentage of class
0-14.5	5	6.0
15-19.5	9	10.7
20-24.5	13	15.5
25-29.5	18	21.4
30-34.5	8	9.5
35-39.5	16	19.0
40-44.5	8	9.5
45-50	7	8.3

Past ELEN30012 Subject Results

Year	% passing	% H1	Median subject Mark
2019	76.8	16.2	65
2018	74.4	14.9	64
2017	79.4	25.1	69
2016	75.1	36.3	74
2015	81.4	27.0	74
2014	74.9	17.1	64

Interpretation of the Test Marks

- Test mark of above 30 indicates your study methods '**Should Be**' adequate to pass.
- Test mark of below 20 indicates a '**Significant Risk**' of exam failure.
- Test mark of below 15 indicates a '**HIGH RISK**' of exam failure.

Interpretation of the Test Marks II

- MidTest results do not 'guarantee' your final mark: In 2019:
- One student scored 10/50 on the test and still managed to pass the subject;
- Another student scored 35/50 and obtained an H1, while
- Another student scored 38/50 on the test and failed the exam!

Its all up to you ...

- I DO NOT 'mark to a curve'.
- There are no pre-determined percentages of students getting Honours, Pass or Fail Grades.
- Exam marks will not be scaled in any way.
- All fail exam scripts are re-marked, in line with University policy.

How to Improve for the Exam I

- Doing as many questions as possible from the Practice Problem Booklet is **vitaly important** for learning this subject.
- Workshop Questions and Assignments are also examinable.
- It is crucial that you work through questions to obtain the correct answer. Do NOT give up!

How to Improve for the Exam II

- Buy the Kamen&Heck textbook - and read it too!
- Watch all the lectures – again!
- Prepare questions to ask me in my consultations session (Mondays 12.00) , or after the lectures.
- In extreme cases: the last date for Approved Withdrawal (not counted as a failure) from semester 2 subjects is Friday October 16.