

BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCE, PILANI WORK INTEGRATED LEARNING PROGRAMMES COURSE HANDOUT

Part A: Content Design

| Course Title | Software Architectures |
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| Course No(s) | SE ZG651/ SS ZG653 |
| Credit Units | 5 |
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| Date | |

Course Objectives:

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| No | Course Objective |
| CO1 | To enable software engineers to architect software systems using industry best practices |
| CO2 | To enable project managers to understand techniques of software architecture, and help them take appropriate decisions |
| CO3 | To enable software professionals to take up research activities in the domain of software architecture |

Learning Outcomes:

| No | Learning Outcome |
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| LO1 | Ability to identify architecturally significant requirements and apply appropriate tactics to address them |
| LO2 | Ability to determine appropriate architecture patterns for given requirements |
| LO3 | Ability to document architecture that meets the needs of stakeholders |
| LO4 | Ability to analyse architecture and determine its appropriateness given the requirement and determine risks |
| LO5 | Awareness of best practices in design of cloud based applications, distributed applications and mobile applications |
| LO6 | Awareness of new technologies and their architecture and understanding of situations when to use these technologies |
| LO7 | Ability evaluate the cost and benefit of different architecture options to aid in decision making |

Text Books:

| T1 | Software Architecture in Practice, Third Edition, Len Bass, Paul Clements, Rick Kazman, Pearson |
|----|---|
| | 2013 ISBN:978-93-325-0230-7 |

| T2 | Essential Software Architecture, Second Edition, Ian Gorton, Springer 2011 |
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| | ISBN:9783642191756 |

Reference Material:

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| R1 | Software Modelling and Design, Hassan Gomaa, Cambridge University Press 2011, ISBN:9780521764148 | | | | |
| R2 | Microsoft Application Architecture Guide, Second Edition, Microsoft 2009, ISBN: 9780735627109 [Availability: Online Free] | | | | |
| R3 | Enterprise Architecture at Work: Modelling, Communication and Analysis, Third Edition, Marc Lankhorst et al., Springer 2013, ISBN:9783642296505 | | | | |
| R4 | Architecting for the cloud: | | | | |
| | Developing Multi-tenant Applications for the Cloud on Microsoft Windows Azure, Third Edition, Microsoft 2012, ISBN:978-1-62114-023-8 [Availability: Online Free] | | | | |
| R5 | Architecting for the Cloud Amazon Web Services – Architecting for the Cloud: Best Practices, January 2011, Jinesh Varia [Availability: Online Free] https://media.amazonwebservices.com/AWS Cloud Best Practices.pdf DZone's Guide to Building and deploying applications on the cloud | | | | |
| | https://dzone.com/guides/building-and-deploying-applications-on-the-cloud | | | | |
| R6 | Architecting for mobile • https://magora-systems.com/mobile-app-development-architecture/ • https://www.intellectsoft.net/blog/mobile-app-architecture/ • https://www.uxpin.com/studio/blog/successful-mobile-applications-ui-design-patterns/ • https://www.smashingmagazine.com/2018/02/comprehensive-guide-to-mobile-app-design/ • Architecting Mobile Solutions for the Enterprise – Dino Esposito, 2012, Microsoft Press, ISBN: 978-0-7356-6303-2 | | | | |
| R7 | Identifying Architecturally Significant Functional Requirement Research paper by TCS – https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 What You Ask is What You Ge https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 What You Ask is What You Ge https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 What You Ask is What You Ge https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 What You Ask is What You Ge https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 What You Ask is What You Ge https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 You Ge https://www.researchgate.net/publication/278242211 You Ge https://www.researchg | | | | |
| R8 | ATAM case study – Rockwell Collins – CAAS – Common Avionics Architecture System | | | | |
| | Video: https://youtu.be/da9MHLeTwvY Product description: https://www.rockwellcollins.com/Products and Services/Defense/Avionics/ Integrated Cockpit Solutions/Common Avionics Architecture System.aspx Rockwell Collins case study: https://resources.sei.cmu.edu/asset_files/TechnicalNote/2003_004_001_14150.pdf | | | | |
| R9 | ATAM case study: Battlefield Control System: https://resources.sei.cm u.edu/asset_files/TechnicalReport/2000_005_001_13706.pdf | | | | |
| R10 | Serverless architecture: • https://docs.aws.amazon.com/lambda/latest/dg/welcome.html • https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/reference-architectures/serverless/web-app | | | | |
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| | Container technology: https://www.cio.com/article/2924995/what-are-containers-and-why-do-you-need-them.html | | | | |

considerations/

Failure management in distributed systems:

- https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/guide/design-principles/self-healing
- https://dzone.com/articles/microservices-in-practice-1

R11 Technology topics

Technologies: https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/

NoSQL databases

https://www.dataversity.net/a-brief-history-of-non-relational-databases/#

https://www.couchbase.com/resources/why-nosql

https://www.thoughtworks.com/insights/blog/nosql-databases-overview

Big data analytics

Data mining & analytics: https://www.educba.com/data-mining-vs-data-analysis/

Technologies: https://www.edureka.co/blog/top-big-data-technologies/

Tools: https://www.guru99.com/big-data-analytics-tools.html

Use cases: https://www.datamation.com/big-data/big-data-use-cases.html

Case studies: https://data-flair.training/blogs/big-data-case-studies/ https://businessesgrow.com/2016/12/06/big-data-case-studies/

Hadoop

https://www.mssqltips.com/sqlserverauthor/77/dattatrey-sindol/

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apache_Hadoop

https://mapr.com/products/apache-hadoop/

https://www.sas.com/en_in/insights/big-data/hadoop.html

Real time analytics

https://www.sisense.com/glossary/real-time-analytics/

 $\underline{https://search customer experience.techtarget.com/definition/real-time-analytics}$

https://www.scnsoft.com/blog/real-time-big-data-analytics-comprehensive-guide

Spark

https://spark.apache.org/streaming/

https://databricks.com/glossary/what-is-spark-streaming

Use cases: https://www.qubole.com/blog/apache-spark-use-cases/

Machine learning

 $\underline{https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/data-guide/big-data/machine-learning-at-scale}$

Primer: https://www.sas.com/content/dam/SAS/en_us/doc/whitepaper1/machine-learning-primer-108796.pdf

Steps: https://towardsdatascience.com/6-important-steps-to-build-a-machine-learning-system-d75e3b83686

Blockchain

Introduction: https://www.pwc.co.uk/financial-services/fintech/assets/blockchain-an-intro.pdf

Blockchain at Maersk: https://www.computerworld.com/article/3298522/ibm-maersk-launch-blockchain-based-shipping-platform-with-94-early-adopters.html

Security

OpenId: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OpenID

OAuth: https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-oauth-use-cases-01#section-2.1

https://www.csoonline.com/article/3216404/what-is-oauth-how-the-open-

authorization-framework-works.html

De-militarized zone: https://searchsecurity.techtarget.com/definition/DMZ

Firewall:

https://www.cio.com.au/article/365101/

top seven firewall capabilities effective application control/

https://www.fortinet.com/products/next-generation-firewall.html#services

 $\underline{https://www.securedgenetworks.com/blog/11-Features-to-Look-for-in-Your-Next-linear and the properties of the propert$

Generation-Firewall

| R12 | LDAP: https://stackoverflow.com/questions/239385/what-is-ldap-used-for Integration strategies: Book 'Enterprise Integration Patterns' - Gregor Hohpe and Bobby Woolf IoT https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/reference-architectures/iot/ Tashpology tronds: |
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| K12 | Technology trends: https://www.thoughtworks.com/radar https://www.infoq.com/ https://www.developertoarchitect.com/ Micro-frontends: https://martinfowler.com/articles/micro-frontends.html |
| R13 | Transitioning from Developer to Architect: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JV8HNsFWHD4 |
| R14 | Case studies Architecture patterns – Case studies SoA at CIGNA SaleForce.com SoA at TripAdvisor Micro-Services at Danske Bank Case studies.zip Architecture evaluation and revision – Case study Scaling hospital call center Scaling, caching, reliability case study: Netflix http://highscalability.com/blog/2017/12/11/netflix-what-happens-when-you-press-play.html |
| R15 | Microservices in practice: https://dzone.com/articles/microservices-in-practice-1 |
| R16 | Tactics to address different quality attributes: https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/patterns/category/availability |

Content Structure

| Module No | List of Topic Title | Reference | Recorded Lectures |
|--------------|---|---|---|
| M1 | Introduction to Software Architecture • What is Software Architecture? • Definitions of Software Architecture • Architecture Structure and Patterns • Good architecture • Importance of Software architecture • Contexts of Software architecture • Architecture competence | T1 - 01, 02, 03, 24 | RL 1.2 A Brief History of Software Architecture RL 1.3 Introduction to the Styles, Views and Three structures |
| M2 | Software Quality Attributes • Understanding Quality Attributes • Interoperability • Testability • Usability • Performance • Scalability • Modifiability • Security • Availability • Integration • Other Quality Attributes • Design Trade-Offs | T1 - 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12 R16 | RL 3.1 Quality classes, Quality attribute, quality attribute scenario and architectural tactics RL 4.1 Usability and its tactics RL 4.2 Availability RL 5.1 Modifiability RL 5.2 Performance RL 6.1 Security RL 6.2 Testability RL 6.3 Interoperability |
| M3 | Capturing Architecturally Significant Requirements | T1 - 15, 16, 17 R7 | RL 19.1 Architecture and Requirements RL 19.2 Designing the Architecture RL 8.2 Introducing Agile methodology |
| | Architecture design Design strategy Steps of Attribute-Driven design Architecting in Agile projects | | |
| M4 | Documenting Software Architecture Importance of architecture documentation Architecture Views Quality attribute views – Security view, Communication view, Reliability view Combining Views Philippe Kruchten's 4+1 view Documentation Package | T1 – 18 | RL 7.1 Introduction to OO Design RL 7.2 Introduction to UML RL 8.1 Documenting Architecture using UML RL 8.3 Rational Unified Process RL 20.1 Designing and Documenting the Architecture # 2 |

| M5 | Layered architecture: Guidelines for different layers • Presentation • Business • Data Layer • Service | R2 | Recording not available |
|----|---|---------------------|---|
| | Architecture evaluation (ATAM) • Factors for evaluation • Trade off analysis • Evaluation method | T1 – 21 R8 R9 | |
| | Architecture Conformance techniques during implementation | T1 - 20 | |
| | Architecture & Testing Architecture Reconstruction Raw view extraction View fusion | T1 - 19 T1 - 20 | |
| | Finding violations | | |
| M6 | Architectural patterns Layered MVC Publish-subscribe Pipe & Filter Service Oriented Architecture and Microservices | T1 R14 | RL 9.1 Pattern Definition, Classification, Category and Intro to Layering RL 9.2 Layering Pattern RL 10.1 Pipe and Filter RL 10.2 Blackboard RL 11.1 Distributed System RL 12.1, 12.2 MVC Intro and detail RL 13.1, 13.2 Microkernel RL 13.3 Reflection |
| M7 | Architectural patterns | T1 R14 | |

| M8 | Integration strategies File transfer, Messaging, RPC, WebSockets, API Gateways Architecting for Cloud | T1 | RL 17.1 Introduction and Virtualization basic RL 17.2 IAAS and Data storage RL 18.1 Quality attribute revisited RL 18.2 Multi-Tenant Architecture, |
|-------|---|------------|--|
| | Benefits of Cloud based approach Developing Multi-tenant Applications for the Cloud Amazon Web Services tools Trends in Cloud app development – languages, DB, Micro-services, CI / CD | R4 R5 | Micro Services, CAP Theorem |
| | Technologies | R10 | |
| | Failure management | R10 | |
| M9.1 | Architecting for Mobile • Types of mobile applications: native, cross platform, web app • Design considerations • Android Application components • Patterns in Mobile Application • O Store locally, sync later • Responsive design • UI design patterns | R6 | Recording not available |
| M9.2 | New technologies & their architecture Use cases and architecture of: | R11 R12 | Recording not available |
| | Big data NoSQL Databases Hadoop MapReduce Real-time analytics Artificial intelligence & Machine Learning Block Chain IoT Security: AuthID, OAuth | | |
| M10.1 | Economic analysis of architectures Decision-making context Basis for economic analysis Cost Benefit Analysis Method | T1 | |
| M10.2 | Recent developments and Emerging trends • WebAssembly • Service mesh • Edge computing | R12 | |

Part B: Contact Session Plan

| Academic Term | Second Semester 2023-2024 |
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| Course Title | Software Architectures |
| Course No | SE ZG651/ SS ZG653 |
| Lead Instructor | Harvinder S Jabbal |
| Version | 1.4.1 |

Contact Session-1, Module M1 Introduction

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|--------|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-1 | RL 1.2 | A Brief History of Software Architecture | |
| During CS-1 | CS-1 | Introduction | |
| Post-CS-1 | | T1 - 01, | |

Contact Session-2, Module M1 Architectural Context

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|-------|---|------------|
| Pre-CS-2 | RL1.1 | RL 1.3 Introduction to the Styles, Views and Three structures | |
| During CS-2 | CS-2 | CS02A_Architectural Context CS02B_What Is Software Architecture | |
| Post-CS-2 | | T1 - 02, 03, 24 | |

Contact Session-3, Module M2 Quality Attributes

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|----------------------------|---|------------|
| Pre-CS-3 | RL 3.1 RL 4.1 RL 4.2 | Quality classes, Quality attribute, quality attribute scenario and architectural tactics Usability and its tactics Availability | |
| During CS-3 | CS-3 | Quality classes, Quality attribute, quality attribute scenario and architectural tactics Usability and its tactics Availability | |
| Post-CS-3 | R16 | Tactics to address different quality attributes: https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/patterns/cat-egory/availability T1 – 04, 11, 5 | |

Contact Session-4, Module M2 Quality Attributes

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|----------|--------|---------------|------------|
| Pre-CS-4 | RL 5.1 | Modifiability | |
| | RL 5.2 | Performance | |

| | RL 6.1 | Security | |
|-------------|--------|------------------------------------|--|
| During CS-4 | CS-4 | Modifiability Performance Security | |
| Post-CS-4 | | T1 - 07, 08, 09 | |

Contact Session-5, Module M2 Quality Attributes

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| Pre-CS-5 | RL 6.2 RL 6.3 | Testability Interoperability | |
| During CS-5 | CS-5 | Testability Interoperability | |
| Post-CS-5 | | T1 - 06, 10, 12 | |

Contact Session-6, Module M3/M4 Architectural Requirement Design/ Documentation

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|---------|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-6 | RL 19.1 | RL 19.1 Architecture and Requirements | |
| | RL 19.2 | RL 19.2 Designing the Architecture | |
| | RL 8.2 | RL 8.2 Introducing Agile methodology | |
| | RL 7.1 | RL 7.1 Introduction to OO Design | |
| | RL 7.2 | RL 7.2 Introduction to UML | |
| | RL 8.1 | RL 8.1 Documenting Architecture using UML | |
| | RL 8.3 | RL 8.3 Rational Unified Process | |
| | RL 20.1 | RL 20.1 Designing and Documenting the Architecture # 2 | |
| During CS-6 | CS-6 | Capturing Architecturally Significant Requirements Architecture design Documenting Software Architecture | |
| Post-CS-6 | | T1 - 15, 16, 17 R7 Identifying Architecturally Significant Functional Requirement T1 – 18 | |

Contact Session-7, Module M5 ATAM

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|------|---|------------|
| Pre-CS-7 | | | |
| During CS-7 | CS-7 | Layered architecture: Guidelines for different layers Architecture evaluation (ATAM) | |
| Post-CS-7 | | T1 – 21 R2 Microsoft Application Architecture Guide, Second Edition, Microsoft 2009, ISBN: 9780735627109 [Availability: Online Free] R8 ATAM case study – Rockwell Collins – CAAS – Common Avionics Architecture System R9 ATAM case study: Battlefield Control System: | |

Contact Session-8, Module M5 Conformance, Testing, Reconstruction

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|------|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-8 | | | |
| During CS-8 | CS-8 | Architecture Conformance techniques during implementation Architecture & Testing Architecture Reconstruction | |
| Post-CS-8 | | T1: 19,20 | |

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Contact Session-9, Module M6 Patterns

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|-------------|--------|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-9 | RL 9.1 | Pattern Definition, Classification, Category and Intro to Layering | |
| During CS-9 | CS-1 | Nomenclature of Architectural Patterns | |
| Post-CS-9 | | T1 R14 Architecture patterns – Case studies – Case studies | |

Contact Session-10, Module M6 Patterns

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------------|------------------------------|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-10 | RL 9.2 RL 10.1 RL 10.2 | RL 9.2 Layering Pattern RL 10.1 Pipe and Filter RL 10.2 Blackboard | |
| During CS- 10 | CS-1 | Layered MVC SOA | |
| Post-CS-10 | | T1 R14 Architecture patterns – Case studies | |

Contact Session-11, Module M7 Patterns

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------|---------------|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-11 | RL 11.1 | RL 11.1 Distributed System | |
| | RL 12.1, 12.2 | RL 12.1, 12.2 MVC Intro and detail | |
| | | RL 13.1, 13.2 Microkernel | |
| | RL 13.1, 13.2 | RL 13.3 Reflection | |
| | DT 400 | | |
| | RL 13.3 | | |
| During CS- | CS-11 | Adaptable | |
| 11 | | Sublisher Subscriber | |
| | | Shared Data | |
| | | Map Reduce | |
| | | Multi Toer | |
| Post-CS-11 | | T1 | |
| | | R14 Architecture patterns – Case studies | |

Contact Session-12, Module M8 Cloud

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------------|--|--|------------|
| Pre-CS-12 | RL 17.1 RL 17.2 RL 18.1 RL 18.2 | RL 17.1 Introduction and Virtualization basic RL 17.2 IAAS and Data storage RL 18.1 Quality attribute revisited RL 18.2 Multi-Tenant Architecture, Micro Services, CAP Theorem | |
| During CS- 12 | CS-12 | Integration strategies Architecting for Cloud Best Practices The Road Ahead. | |
| Post-CS-12 | | T1; R4 Architecting for the cloud; R5 Architecting for the Cloud; R10 Serverless architecture | |

Contact Session-13, Module M9 Mobile Phone Architecture

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------------|------|----------------------------|------------|
| Pre-CS-13 | | | |
| During CS- 13 | CS-1 | Architecting for Mobile | |
| Post-CS-13 | | R6 Architecting for mobile | |

Contact Session-14, Module M9 Big data, Analytics, IoT, Machine Learning

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------------|-------|---|------------|
| Pre-CS-14 | | | |
| During CS- 14 | CS-14 | New technologies & their architecture; Big Data; NoSQL; Security; Machine Learning. | |
| Post-CS-14 | | R11 Technology topics. R12 Technology trends | |

Contact Session-15, Module M10 Management & Governance

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------------|-------|---|------------|
| Pre-CS-15 | RL1.1 | | |
| During CS- 15 | CS-15 | Economic analysis of architectures; Management Practices; Recent developments and Emerging trends | |
| Post-CS-15 | | R12 Technology trends | |

Contact Session-16, Module M11 CBAM

| Time | Туре | Description | References |
|------------------|-------|---|------------|
| Pre-CS-16 | RL1.1 | | |
| During CS- 16 | CS-16 | Economic analysis of architectures Cost Benefit Analysis | |
| Post-CS-16 | | T1 | |

Course Contents

Mid sem exam syllabus: Modules 1 to 5 Compre exam syllabus: Modules 1 to 10

Contact sessions:

For each module there will be a contact session. The contact session is expected to cover:

- Key concepts in the module
- Examples / case studies
- Experience sharing from participants
- Exercises

Students are expected to go through the reference material and / or recorded lectures, before coming to the class.

Students may be given home work at the end of each contact session.

Assignments:

Assignment #1 (5% weight). Each Student to submit individually.

Objective: To get familiar with the software architecture basics.

Activity:

- 1. Choose an existing system from your workplace
- 2. Understand the purpose (goal) of the system & its key requirements
- 3. Study the architecture and understand the tactics used

Document your work in the following format in PPT:

- 1. Purpose of the system (Goal)
- 2. Key requirements of the system functional & non-functional
- 3. Utility tree of Architecturally Significant Requirements (ASR)
- 4. Tactics used to achieve the top 5 ASRs
- 5. Software Architecture diagram Context diagram, Module decomposition, Component & Connection diagram, Deployment diagram
- 6. Description of how the system works
- 7. Key learnings (one slide)

Assignment #2 (10% weight). Each Student to submit individually.

Objective: To gain experience in architecting real life applications in domains such as Retail, Transportation, Healthcare, Hospitality, etc. Example systems: Swiggy, Uber, an IoT system to monitor health of industrial air conditioners.

Activity

- 1. Identify top 3 Architecturally Significant Requirements (ASRs) and write them in the form of a Utility tree. Why are these architecturally significant?
- 2. Describe in detail, the tactics you recommend for each ASR. For example, if caching is a tactic you recommend, please mention what you will cache, what tool you would use, how it will work, etc.
- 3. Draw 2 software architecture diagrams component & connection view and deployment view to understand how the system works.
- 4. Indicate important messages between components by labelling the connections in the C&C view. Also indicate the communication method used.
- 5. Draw sequence diagram for one major scenario (use case). Mention the scenario.
- 6. State the architecture patterns used. Explain, where in the architecture, these patterns have been used.
- 7. What did you learn by doing this assignment? Mention 3 key learnings. One slide per person.

Evaluation criteria:

- a) Easy-to-understand diagrams
- b) Clarity of description
- c) Correctness of work products

Evaluation Components

| No | Name | Туре | Duration | Weight | Day, Date, Session, Time |
|------|--------------------|-------------|----------|--------|--|
| EC-1 | Quiz-I | Online | | 5% | February 19-28, 2024 |
| | Quiz-II | Online | | 5% | March 19-28, 2024 |
| | Quiz-III | Online | | 5% | April 19-28, 2024 |
| | Assignment I | Online | | 5% | TBA |
| | Assignment-II | Online | | 10% | Individual Submission TBA Group Discussion TBA |
| EC-2 | Mid-Semester Exam | Closed Book | 2 Hours | 30% | Saturday, 16/03/2024 (FN) |
| EC-3 | Comprehensive Exam | Open Book | 2½ Hours | 40% | Saturday, 18/05/2024 (FN) |

Note - Evaluation components can be tailored depending on the proposed model.

Syllabus for exams:

- Syllabus for Mid-Semester exam (Closed Book): Modules 1-5
- Syllabus for Comprehensive exam (Open Book): Modules 1-10

Evaluation Guidelines:

- 1. For Closed Book tests: No books or reference material of any kind will be permitted. Laptops/Mobiles of any kind are not allowed. Exchange of any material is not allowed.
- 2. For Open Book exams: Use of prescribed and reference text books, in original (not photocopies) is permitted. Class notes/slides as reference material in filed or bound form is permitted. However, loose sheets of paper will not be allowed. Use of calculators is permitted in all exams. Laptops/Mobiles of any kind are not allowed. Exchange of any material is not allowed.
- 3. If a student is unable to appear for the Regular Test/Exam due to genuine exigencies, the student should follow the procedure to apply for the Make-Up Test/Exam. The genuineness of the reason for absence in the Regular Exam shall be assessed prior to giving permission to appear for the Make-up Exam. Make-Up Test/Exam will be conducted only at selected exam centres on the dates to be announced later.

It shall be the responsibility of the individual student to be regular in maintaining the self-study schedule as given in the course handout, attend the lectures, and take all the prescribed evaluation components such as Assignment/Quiz, Mid-Semester Test and Comprehensive Exam according to the evaluation scheme provided in the handout.