

Classical and Quantum Information Theory

Fall 2022 Course Syllabus

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COURSE INFORMATION

Course number: MATH 4397-01 (24332) for undergraduate
MATH 6397-05 (24333) for graduate

Time: MWF 12pm-1pm, face to face lecture.

Location: S 116

Textbook: *Quantum Computation and Quantum Information*, by I. Chuang and M. Nielsen
The Theory of Quantum Information, by John Watrous
Quantum information theory, by Mark Wilde

Prerequisite: For undergraduate, Math 3338 Probability & Math 4377 Advanced Linear Algebra. Quantum Mechanics will be appreciated but not required.

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OVERVIEW

Information theory is the scientific study of the quantification, storage, and communication of digital information. It has been widely used in the communication and cryptography in our daily life. In last several decades, motivated by quantum computation, quantum information theory has been a rapidly growing area studying how information can be processed, transmitted and stored in quantum mechanics systems.

The aim of this course is to give a minimal introduction to both classical and quantum information theory in a unified manner. We will start with some basics in Shannon's classical information theory and then study their counterpart in quantum mechanics models. After that, we will focus on the quantum side and cover some selected topics such as entanglement, Bell's inequality, Shor's algorithm, Quantum Teleportation and Superdense coding, etc.

Prerequisites for this course will be solid background on Probability and Linear algebra. Knowledge on Quantum Mechanics will be appreciated but not required.

