Calculator Policy for Exams in ECE Undergraduate Courses School of Electrical and Computer Engineering

Effective Spring 2015

Effective beginning in January 2015, the only calculator permitted for exams in ECE undergraduate courses (those at the 10000 – 40000 level) will be the Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS scientific calculator. This is an inexpensive calculator with a 2-line display, a fraction feature, one or two-variable statistics, simple conversions, and basic scientific & trigonometric functions. Students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the use of this calculator well in advance of any exam.

Of course, instructors can still choose to not allow calculators on their exams.

This policy addresses the potential for academic dishonesty given the features of many advanced calculators (programmability, large memory capacity, wireless communication, etc.), thus ensuring the integrity of the exam. In addition, a common calculator provides a fair and uniform exam experience for all students.

