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To whomever it concerns

Use of GATE 2014 results for admission/selection purposes

In 2014, examination for papers CE, CS, EC, EE and ME was conducted in **multiple sessions**. Hence, for each of these papers a **normalization formula** is introduced to **convert** the ‘**actual marks**’ obtained by the candidate in a particular paper in a particular session into ‘**normalized marks**’. The **GATE score** for these papers is **calculated using the normalized marks**. This is done to **take into account any variation in the difficulty level** across different sessions for the same GATE paper.

Hence, if any institute/organization wishes to use marks obtained by the candidates as the criterion, then for the multi-session papers, **normalized marks** obtained by the candidate **should be used** instead of the actual marks. **Use of actual marks** for multi-session GATE papers is **NOT RECOMMENDED** since this cannot account for variation in difficulty level across different sessions.

Further, it is **strongly recommended** to use **GATE score** as the criterion for shortlisting rather than the marks obtained since the **formula used for GATE score** calculation duly **takes into account** the variation in **difficulty levels** not only across different **sessions** of the same GATE paper but also **across different GATE papers**.

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