Oral Qualifying Exam Syllabus

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1. Algebraic Number Theory

- (a) Number Fields: Integral Bases, Different, Discriminant
- (b) Ramification, Splitting of primes
- (c) Ideal Class Group, Minkowski's Bound, Finiteness of class number
- (d) Dirichlet's Unit Theorem

2. Elliptic Curves

- (a) The Group Law and Isogenies of elliptic curves
- (b) Elliptic Curves over finite fields, The Hasse Bound
- (c) Elliptic functions and elliptic curves over C
- (d) Elliptic Curves over global fields, The Mordell-Weil Theorem

3. Analytic Number Theory

- (a) Analytic properties of Dirichlet L-functions and the Riemann zeta function
- (b) Dirichlet's Class Number Formula for quadratic fields and Dirichlet's Theorem on Arithmetic Progressions
- (c) The Prime Number Theorem
- (d) The Prime Number Theorem for Arithmetic Progressions and the exceptional zero

4. Modular Forms

- (a) Modular Forms for the full modular group and its congruence subgroups
- (b) Holomorphic Poincare and Eisenstein Series
- (c) Hecke Operators
- (d) Automorphic L-functions