INTRODUCTION TO NUMERICAL METHODS: Analysis and Computation: MATH:3800, Section 0121

Cross-listed: CS:3700, Section 0121

Course meeting time and place: 10:30AM-11:20AM MWF, 221 MLH

Department of Mathematics

Course ICON site: To access the course site, log into Iowa Courses Online (ICON) https://icon.uiowa.edu/index.shtml using your Hawk ID and password.

Course Home: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) is the home of this course, and CLAS governs the add and drop deadlines, the second-grade only option (SGO), academic misconduct policies, and other undergraduate policies and procedures. Other UI colleges may have different policies.

Instructor:

- Laurent O. Jay
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Prerequisites:

- MATH:1560 Engineering Math II: Multivariable Calculus OR MATH:1860 Calculus II
- MATH:2550 Engineering Math III: Matrix Algebra OR MATH:2700 Introduction to Linear Algebra
- Some computer programming experience, preferably MATLAB, will be helpful.
- Some knowledge of differential equations will also be helpful.

Description of course: Topics to be covered:

- Chapter 1 - Computer representation of numbers
- Chapter 2 - Sources and analysis of errors
- Chapter 3 - Polynomials in one variable
- Chapter 4 - Linear interpolation in one variable
- Chapter 5 - Numerical integration in one variable
- Chapter 6 - Solution of systems of linear equations by direct methods
- Chapter 7 - Solution of systems of linear equations by iterative methods
- Chapter 8 - Nonlinear equations in one variable
- Chapter 9 - Optimization in one variable
- Chapter 10 - Scalar ordinary differential equations

This course plan may be modified during the semester. Such modifications will be announced in advance during class periods and on the course web page; the student is responsible for keeping abreast of such changes. This is NOT a course on learning MATLAB or PYTHON! This is a mathematically oriented course on the mathematics of numerical methods (that may be used by MATLAB and PYTHON). If you are looking for a course to learn MATLAB or PYTHON then you should take for example the course ME:4111/CEE:4511 Scientific Computing & Machine Learning, it used to be called Numerical Calculations.

Learning Objectives: This course will cover some basic topics of numerical analysis at an introductory level (see the course description above for the list of topics to be covered). The main objective will be to have a clear understanding...
of the ideas and techniques underlying the numerical methods, results, and algorithms that will be presented, where error analysis plays an important role. You will then be able to use this knowledge to analyze the numerical methods and algorithms that you will encounter, and also to program them effectively on a computer. This knowledge will be useful in your future to solve various problems numerically.

**Class procedures:** The majority of each class period will be lecture oriented. It is strongly advised to read the material to be discussed before coming to class. Therefore, if there is a difficult point, you will know beforehand where it arises, so that you can benefit from the lecture more effectively. If a point remains unclear you can ask questions in class. Readings may be assigned. **Standard out-of-class preparation is at least six hours per week.**

**Textbook/Materials:**

- **Course pack (required):** My class notes will be available as a course pack at the IMU bookstore for $15.25+tax in January the week before the start of the semester.
- **Additional useful readings:**
Academic Honesty and Misconduct: All students in CLAS courses are expected to abide by the CLAS Code of Academic Honesty. Undergraduate academic misconduct must be reported by instructors to CLAS according to these procedures. Graduate academic misconduct must be reported to the Graduate College according to Section F of the Graduate College Manual.

Student Collaboration on homework: The homework for this course is designed to help you master your knowledge related to the topics covered during lecture. As such, you may discuss on the homework problems with others or use online resources. However, please be aware that to master the skills needed for this class, practice is required and that to do well on the final exam you will need to work many of these problems multiple times without help. Be sure to test your knowledge by doing much of the homework on your own. Students are allowed to partially collaborate with others on homework through discussion for the most difficult problems. However, each student must turn in their own homework and it must not be a copy of someone else homework. Students are responsible for understanding this policy; if you have questions, ask for clarification. Word per word copies will not be tolerated. In extreme cases students may be requested to stop any kind of collaboration with other students.

Student Complaints: Students with a complaint about a grade or a related matter should first discuss the situation with the instructor and/or the course supervisor (if applicable), and finally with the Director or Chair of the school, department, or program offering the course. Undergraduate students should contact CLAS Undergraduate Programs for support when the matter is not resolved at the previous level. Graduate students should contact the CLAS Associate Dean for Graduate Education and Outreach and Engagement when additional support is needed.

Drop Deadline for this Course: You may drop an individual course before the deadline; after this deadline you will need collegiate approval. You can look up the drop deadline for this course here. When you drop a course, a “W” will appear on your transcript. The mark of “W” is a neutral mark that does not affect your GPA. Directions for adding or dropping a course and other registration changes can be found on the Registrar’s website. Undergraduate students can find policies on dropping and withdrawing here. Graduate students should adhere to the academic deadlines and policies set by the Graduate College.

Grading System and the Use of +/-: In assigning grades, the plus/minus grading system will be used. The A+ grade will be used only in extraordinary situations. Final grades will be awarded based on the following ranges:

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Course Grades: The final grade will be based as follows:

1. There will be 2 tests during the semester, with each test to account for 22.5% of the course grade.
   - Midterm Exam 1: Wednesday March 8: 6:30-8:30PM in room W10 PPB (Pappajohn Business Building).
2. Homework assignments and quizzes will account for 15% of the course grade. Late homework will be accepted only by special permission of the instructor. Your worst 2 homework scores will not be counted. For example if we have 12 homeworks, we will count only your best 10 homework scores out of 12 homeworks. Only a portion of each homework assignment may be graded, based on the availability of assistance from a grader for the course.
3. The final examination will account for 40% of the course grade and it will be comprehensive.

The 2 tests and final examination are open books and open notes examinations. There will be NO question related to MATLAB or PYTHON in the tests. Smartphones/computers are not allowed. Bring a simple scientific calculator, graphing calculators are fine.

Homework: Will be assigned approximately weekly. Presentation of your results is very important. Scratch paper will not be accepted. Do not expect good grades if your solution to a problem is poorly communicated. Like for everything, if you cannot explain something in great details, you certainly have not fully understood it. The importance of doing homework cannot be overemphasized, most of human people learn by doing, not only by watching and/or listening. Late homework may not be accepted, you need to request permission first or to provide a reasonable justification. Late homework is not accepted once a correction is given. Use of symbolic mathematical software to solve problems is not allowed.
**Computer languages:** The predominant programming languages used in numerical analysis are *Matlab* and *Fortran*. They are available on the Linux network in MLH (see below). Alternatives to *Matlab* are *Octave* and *Scilab*. For programming assignments, no other language will be accepted, except *Python*.

**Linux computer accounts:** Linux computer accounts are available on the Linux network in MLH (computer lab rooms B5). To access your Linux computer account remotely, you can use *FastX*, a graphical Linux virtual desktop environment remotely accessible in your web browser. As long as you have an active Hawk ID and you login at least once in the past year, your CLAS Linux account will remain active. If you fail to use your account in a year, you will receive three notices, and then your CLAS Linux account will be deleted. Also, once your Hawk ID becomes inactive, your CLAS Linux account will be deleted.

**Date and Time of the Final Exam:** The final examination date and time will be announced by the Registrar generally by the fifth week of classes and it will be announced on the course ICON site once it is known. Do not plan your end of the semester travel plans until the final exam schedule is made public. It is your responsibility to know the date, time, and place of the final exam. According to Registrar's final exam policy, students have a maximum of two weeks after the announced final exam schedule to request a change if an exam conflict exists or if a student has more than two exams in one day (see the policy here).

**College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) Course Policies:**

- **Attendance and Absences:** Your responsibilities to this class and to your education as a whole include attendance and participation, check in particular the CLAS policies related to student attendance and absences. You are also expected to be honest and honorable in your fulfillment of assignments and in test-taking situations (the College's policy on plagiarism and cheating is on-line in the College's Student Academic Handbook). You have a responsibility to the rest of the class and to the instructor to help create a classroom environment where all may learn. At the most basic level, this means that you will respect the other members of the class and the instructor, and treat them with the courtesy you hope to receive in turn. Smart phones, cell phones, and pagers must be on silent mode during lecture and they are not allowed in class during exams. If you do bring a phone or pager to an exam, you may leave it in the front of the class during the exam. If a student is found to have a phone or pager during an exam, the phone or pager will be taken from the student and procedures for cheating will be followed. Students with mandatory religious obligations or UI authorized activities must discuss their absences with me as soon as possible. Religious obligations must be communicated within the first three weeks of classes.

- **Exam Policies**

**Communication: UI Email:** Students are responsible for all official correspondences sent to their UI email address (uiowa.edu) and must use this address for any communication with instructors or staff in the UI community.

**Where to Get Help:** Possibly the Math Tutorial Lab. More details will be given after a few weeks of classes.

**Grader:** Liz Brass, office: 261 MH, mailbox is in 15 MLH (MacLean Hall), e-mail: elizabeth-brass@uiowa.edu.

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