

Lecture 7

Linear Systems, Eigenvalue Problem, and Data Analysis

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“A First Course in Computational Physics”; “Numerical Recipes”;

“Elementary Numerical Analysis”; “Computational Methods in Physics and Engineering”.

Required for Lecture 7

- ✦ Know how to solve linear equations.
- ✦ Familiar with library routines, e.g., LAPACK.
- ✦ Know how to obtain eigenvalues.
- ✦ Know how to perform data analysis and approximating curves.
- ✦ Familiar with some iterative approaches

Linear Systems

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- ✦ Systems of Linear Equations
- ✦ Matrix Arithmetic
- ✦ Library Routines
- ✦ Gaussian Elimination
- ✦ The LU Factorization
- ✦ The Eigenvalue Problem
- ✦ Iteration Methods
- ✦ Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)
- ✦ Errors in Solving Linear Systems

Data Modeling

- ⊕ Linear LSQ
- ⊕ Weighted LSQ, Estimated Uncertainties
- ⊕ Polynomial LSQ
- ⊕ Orthogonal Polynomials LSQ
- ⊕ General LSQ
- ⊕ Nonlinear LSQ

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Interpolation and Approximation

- ✦ Interpolation
- ✦ Cubic Splines and Interpolation
- ✦ Derivatives and Integration
- ✦ The Best Approximation Problem

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Lecture 7 Review

- Linear Systems.
- Data Modelling
- Interpolation and Approximation