

## Module Description: Introduction to Scientific Computing

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| Code:   | CS3200   |  |
| Semester:   | Spring 2020  |  |
| Lectures :  | MEK 3550 in the Mechanical Engineering Building Monday and Wednesday 1.25pm-2.45pm.  |  |
| Credits:  | 3 credits (6 assignments +10 in class exercises and both exams)  |  |
| Prerequisites:  | Prerequisites: "C-" or better in CS 1410 OR EAE 1410 AND MATH 2270   |  |
| Co-requisites:  |  |  |
| Assessment:   | <p>6 practical assignments: (66%); Exams: One hour and 20 minutes midterm (10%) one two hour final (14%). 10 in class activities (10%)</p> <p><b>Exam Dates:</b><br/> <b>Mid-term</b> Monday February 24th 2020<br/> <b>Final</b> Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup> 2020</p> |  |
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| <p><b>Objectives:</b><br/> On completing of this module students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Use polynomial; interpolation and/or least squares to compute intermediate values in a data sets for scientific computing and data science.</li> <li>(ii) Use numerical techniques for integration and differentiation to compute numerical approximations to integrals and differential equations</li> <li>(iii) Solve both small and large systems of linear equations and understand when such procedures work and when they don't.</li> <li>(iv) Use eigenvalue –based approaches in to calculate the solution to data science type problems</li> <li>(v) Be able to solve single nonlinear and systems of non linear equations</li> <li>(vi) Be aware of the challenges of using finite precision floating point arithmetic.</li> </ul> |  |  |
| <p><b>Syllabus:</b> CS 3200 serves as an introduction to several computational science &amp; engineering techniques &amp; The goal is to create a course that will be useful to engineering &amp; science undergraduates who are interested in learning more about problem solving using a computational approach. Background knowledge of programming, linear algebra &amp; calculus is assumed. Topics we'll cover during the semester related to these areas including:</p> <p>Continuous, discrete, &amp; statistical modeling of problems, solving linear (direct and iterative methods) &amp; non-linear systems, interpolation &amp; approximation, least squares data approximation, eigenvalues, singular value decomposition</p>  |  |  |

Monte Carlo methods

**Course Texts :** the course will be based on of the following online texts  
Computing with MATLAB by Cleve Moler

A traditional textbook print edition, published by the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, is available from the [SIAM Web site](http://www.siam.org). An online version is available at <https://www.mathworks.com/moler/chapters.html>

Scientific Computing by Timo Heister Leo G Rebholz  
Available in print and ebook forms from google apps store  
See <https://www.math.clemson.edu/~heister/scicompbook/>

In addition the practical exercises will make use of Matlab. This may be purchased from the campus Office of Software Licensing for \$30. Matlab is available on the Engineering CADE lab machines.  
<https://software.utah.edu/news/mathworks.php>