

# Numerical Analysis, Math 4006, Fall 2013

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Topics:

- Numerical Algorithms
  - 1 Finding roots, Heron's algorithm, and where to start
  - 2 An unstable algorithm, general roots, and floating points
- Nonlinear Equations
  - 3 Fixed point iterations and particular methods
  - 4 Further methods, complex roots, and error propagation
- Linear Systems
  - 5 Gaussian elimination and factorization
  - 6 Triangular matrices and pivoting
- Direct Solvers
  - 7 Direct factorization
  - 8 Caution about factorization and banded matrices
- Vector Spaces
  - 9 Normed spaces and triangle inequality
  - 10 Proving the triangle inequality and relations between norms
  - 11 Inner product spaces
- Operators
  - 12 Operators
  - 13 Schur decomposition
  - 14 Convergent matrices and powers of matrices
- Nonlinear Systems
  - 15 Functional iteration
  - 16/17 Newton's method and convergence

- Iterative Methods
  - 18 Stationary methods
  - 19 General splitting and conditions for convergence
- Polynomial Interpolation
  - 20 Taylor's theorem
  - 20 Interpolation
  - 21 Norms on function spaces
- Chebyshev and Hermite Interpolation
  - 22 Error terms and Chebyshev basis functions
  - 23 Lebesgue Function
- Approximation Theory
  - 24 Best approximation polynomials, and Weierstrass' theorem

Textbook: *Numerical Analysis*, Ridgeway Scott,

Software: Octave or Matlab

#### Grading Schedule:

25% Midterm 1, 25% Midterm 2, 25% Homework, 25% Final

Homework will be due roughly weekly and is to be turned in on time—late homework will not be accepted—personal mastery is a necessity for performing well in this (and any other) course. Examinations are taken in class.

The internet is very useful for finding things but is not a substitute for real learning. Referring to material found in the textbook is encouraged while solutions taken from online sources are unacceptable.

#### Important Dates:

- October 10, First Midterm
- November 18, Second Midterm
- December 11-18, Final Examination Period

Disability Statement: Anyone with a documented disability is encouraged to contact the instructor privately and the Office of Disability Services within the first two weeks of class.