

University of Pittsburgh
Department of Mathematics

MATH 1080 Numerical Linear Algebra

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MWF 10:00am - 10:50am

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Course Description: This course will cover the basic areas of numerical linear algebra including solving systems of equations, error analysis and iterative methods such as the conjugate gradient method and eigenvalue problems. 3 credits.

Prerequisites: Basic knowledge of both linear algebra and computer programming are assumed. No particular programming language will be required. I will use Python, but if you're looking for something with the easiest out-of-the-box implementation, I recommend MatLab which can be purchased from the University for a small fee (O(\$5)).

Text: "Numerical Linear Algebra" by Layton and Sussman.

Print Copy (O(\$20)): <http://www.lulu.com/shop/william-layton-and-myron-sussman/numerical-linear-algebra/paperback/product-21710031.html>

Free E-Book (O(\$ ϵ^2)): <http://www.lulu.com/shop/william-layton-and-myron-sussman/numerical-linear-algebra/ebook/product-21710245.html>

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his or her solutions independently. Copying solutions from other students will be considered cheating, and handled accordingly.

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Grading:

25% - Midterm 1
25% - Midterm 2
25% - Final Exam
25% - Homework

Course Grades:

A	94-100
A-	90-93
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	70-76
D	60-69
F	<60

Final Exam: While the final exam is not worth more than the other exams, because it is cumulative, it is the most important, therefore your final grade cannot exceed your final exam grade by more than one letter grade.

Homework Policy: Assignments will be collected Monday at the **beginning** of class. By 15 minutes into the class period, **no** more assignments will be accepted. This is to prevent the temptation to spend the class period working on your assignment instead of paying attention to the lecture. I highly encourage you to work together but please turn in assignments which are your own. See academic integrity policy.