MONTGOMERY COLLEGE
Dept. of Engineering, Physical and Computer Science
ENES 240   Scientific and Engineering Computation

Course Description:

ENES 240   Scientific and Engineering Computation      3 credits
Introduction to fundamental methods of numerical analysis including roots of equations, systems of
linear equations (Gaussian elimination, matrix diagonalization, inversion and iterative methods),
interpolation and curve fitting, numerical integration and ordinary differential equations. Example
problems in the context of engineering applications are solved using a variety of software tools,
including structured programming and high-level computer packages such as MATLAB.
PREREQUISITE: Completion of one semester Calculus. Concurrent enrollment in MATH 182 or
higher. Two hours lecture, two hours laboratory each week.

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Required Textbook:

Applied Numerical Methods with MATLAB for Engineers and Scientists, 2nd edition,
Author: Steven C. Chapra, Published by McGraw Hill

Main Objectives of the Course:

1. To teach the fundamentals of numerical methods, with emphasis on the most essential
   methods.
2. To provide students with opportunity to enhance their programming skills using
   MATLAB environment to implement algorithms.
3. To teach the use of MATLAB as a tool for solving more complicated problems in science
   and engineering.

Course Contents:

1. Introduction to Engineering Computation
2. Graphics and Programming with MATLAB
   Basics of MATLAB and Plotting
   Programming Concepts – script, function, I/O, repetitions, decisions
3. Round-off and Truncation Errors
4. Roots of Nonlinear Equations
   Bracketing Methods and Open Methods
5. Linear Algebra and Matrices Operation
   Determinant, Inverse and Eigenvalues
   Gauss Elimination/Gaussian-Jordan Methods and Iterative Method
6. Interpolation and Curve Fitting
   Polynomial and interpolation
   Least Square Regression
7. Numerical Integration
   Trapezoidal and Simpson’s Rule and others
8. Numerical Differentiation
9. Numerical Solution to Ordinary Differential Equations
   Euler and Runge-Kutta Methods
   Higher Order and System ODEs
10. Symbolic Math Processing

Grade:

   6 Homework/Projects        20%
   3 Tests                   45%
   LAB Exercises             15%
   Final Exam                20%

Reference Books:

   2. *Introduction to MATLAB for Engineers and Scientists*, by Delores Etter, Prentice Hall.

Make-Up Exam Policy:

   Make-up exams are only given to the students who are officially excused. Please contact the instructor at least three days before the exam to rearrange the make-up test. If emergency occurs that students can’t prearrange the make-up test, students need to talk to instructor as soon as possible and provide documents to prove the situations. In these cases, doctor’s letter, government’s paper and other official documents are accepted.

Support Service:

   A student who may need an accommodation due to a disability should talk to me as early as possible. A letter from Disability Support Service (DSS) authorizing your accommodations will be needed.