

## MATH 391: Numerical Linear Algebra

### *Fall 2021 Course Syllabus*

**NJIT Academic Integrity Code:** All Students should be aware that the Department of Mathematical Sciences takes the University Code on Academic Integrity at NJIT very seriously and enforces it strictly. This means that there must not be any forms of plagiarism, i.e., copying of homework, class projects, or lab assignments, or any form of cheating in quizzes and exams. Under the University Code on Academic Integrity, students are obligated to report any such activities to the Instructor.

### COURSE INFORMATION

**Course Description:** This course provides an introduction to computational linear algebra. Topics include direct solution of linear systems, iterative methods for linear systems, fast Fourier transforms, least squares problems, singular value decomposition and eigenvalue/eigenvector problems.

**Number of Credits:** 3

**Prerequisites:** MATH 337 with a grade of C or better and CS 113 with a grade of C or better or CS 115 with a grade of C or better or CS 101 with a grade of C or better or CS 100 with a grade of C or better.

**Course-Section and Instructors:**

Course-Section	Instructor
Math 391-001	Professor M. Siegel

**Office Hours for All Math Instructors:** [Fall 2021 Office Hours and Emails](#)

**Required Textbook:**

Title	<i>Numerical Linear Algebra and Applications</i>
Author	Datta
Edition	2nd
Publisher	SIAM
ISBN #	978-0898716856

**University-wide Withdrawal Date:** The last day to withdraw with a W is **Wednesday, November 10, 2021**. It will be strictly enforced.

## POLICIES

**DMS Course Policies:** All DMS students must familiarize themselves with, and adhere to, the [Department of Mathematical Sciences Course Policies](#), in addition to official [university-wide policies](#). DMS takes these policies very seriously and enforces them strictly.

**Grading Policy:** The final grade in this course will be determined as follows:

Homework/Projects	50%
Midterm Exam	20%
Final Exam	30%

Your final letter grade will be based on the following tentative curve.

A	90 - 100	C	65 - 74
B+	85 - 89	D	55 - 64
B	80 - 84	F	0 - 54
C+	75 - 79		

**Attendance Policy:** Attendance at all classes will be recorded and is **mandatory**. Please make sure you read and fully understand the [Math Department's Attendance Policy](#). This policy will be strictly enforced.

**Homework/Project/Quiz Policy:** There will be regular homework assignments from the text and computing assignments using MATLAB. Students are advised to do as many homework problems in the textbook as possible. It is advisable that students familiarize themselves with MATLAB as early as possible. Several MATLAB resources are listed on p. 78 of the text. There will be MATLAB TAs who can assist with assignments.

**Exams:** There will be one midterm exam held in class during the semester and one comprehensive final exam.

Midterm Exam	Week 7
Final Exam Period	December 15 - 21, 2021

The final exam will test your knowledge of all the course material taught in the entire course. Make sure you read and fully understand the [Math Department's Examination Policy](#). This policy will be strictly enforced.

**Makeup Exam Policy:** There will be **NO MAKE-UP QUIZZES OR EXAMS** during the semester. In the event an exam is not taken under rare circumstances where the student has a legitimate reason for missing the exam, the student should contact the Dean of Students office and present written verifiable proof of the reason for missing the exam, e.g., a doctor's note, police report, court notice, etc. clearly stating the date AND time of the mitigating problem. The student must also notify the Math Department Office/Instructor that the exam will be missed.

**Cellular Phones:** All cellular phones and other electronic devices must be switched off during all class times.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

**Math Tutoring Center:** Located in the Central King Building, Lower Level, Rm. G11 (See: [Fall 2021 Hours](#))

**Further Assistance:** For further questions, students should contact their instructor. All instructors have regular office hours during the week. These office hours are listed on the Math Department's webpage for [Instructor Office Hours and Emails](#).

**Accommodation of Disabilities:** The Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) offers long term and temporary accommodations for undergraduate, graduate and visiting students at NJIT.

If you are in need of accommodations due to a disability please contact Scott Janz, Associate Director of Disability Support Services at [973-596-5417](tel:973-596-5417) or via email at [scott.p.janz@njit.edu](mailto:scott.p.janz@njit.edu). The office is located in Kupfrian Hall, Room 201. A Letter of Accommodation Eligibility from the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services office authorizing your accommodations will be required.

For further information regarding self identification, the submission of medical documentation and additional support services provided please visit the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) website at:

<https://www.njit.edu/studentsuccess/accessibility/>

**Important Dates** (See: [Fall 2021 Academic Calendar, Registrar](#))

Date	Day	Event
September 1, 2021	Wednesday	First Day of Classes
September 4, 2021	Saturday	Saturday Classes Begin
September 6, 2021	Monday	Labor Day
September 8, 2021	Wednesday	Monday Classes Meet
September 8, 2021	Wednesday	Last Day to Add/Drop Classes
November 10, 2021	Wednesday	Last Day to Withdraw
November 25 to November 28, 2021	Thursday to Sunday	Thanksgiving Recess - Closed
December 10, 2021	Friday	Last Day of Classes
December 13 and December 14, 2021	Monday and Tuesday	Reading Days
December 15 to December 21, 2021	Wednesday to Tuesday	Final Exam Period

## Course Outline

Week	Topic
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1	<i>Linear Algebra Review</i>
2	<i>Error Analysis</i>
3	<i>Efficiency, Stability, Condition Number</i>
4 - 6	<i>Numerical Methods for Solving Linear Systems, Gaussian Elimination, LU Factorization</i>
7	<i>Review and Midterm</i>
8 - 9	<i>QR, SVD, Projections</i>
10 - 11	<i>Least Squares</i>
12 - 13	<i>Calculating Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors</i>
13 - 14	<i>Iterative Methods for Large and Sparse Problems</i>

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