

SYLLABUS AND COURSE INFORMATION
Spring 2026, Building: DTH Room: 303
MATH 317 – Numerical Analysis, Cross-listed with CSCI317
Meets 1/12/2026 through 5/8/2026, Day and Time: T Th 3:30PM-4:45PM,

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go to Teaching and the left bottom part click on Math317 Numerical Analysis

COURSE TEACHING

The instructor will teach the class following the Text. He will formulate, derive and proof basic theorems and numerical methods. The assignments will include Matlab programs, proofs and problems with numerical calculations. As additional teaching, a description will be given on the correlations between **Machine Learning** (ML) and numerical methods. The participating students may ask questions and discuss the taught material. Hence, attending the class carries advantages of better understanding the material and solved examples.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Text: Applied Numerical Analysis Using Matlab, Lauren V. Fausett, 2nd Ed., Pearson Prentice Hall, 2008. ISBN: 0-13-239728-5

The teacher's notes of a lecture will be posted on D2L - Brightspace before the lecture. Some lectures and proofs go beyond the book and the notes. Hence participating the lectures is useful and necessary.

Helpful Text: Linear Algebra and Optimization for Machine Learning, ISBN 978-3-030-40343-0
ISBN 978-3-030-40344-7 (eBook), ©Springer Nature Switzerland AG 2020 .

Pre-requisite: COSC 1436 Min Grade C and MATH 2414 Min Grade C

Helpful skills: Basic Calculus knowledge and linear algebra concepts, programming skills in Matlab.

Course Content: Text Sections: 1.1-1.4; 2.2-2.3; 3.1- 3.3, 3.5; 8.1, 8.3; 9.1.1, 9.1.2; 11.1, 11.2.1; 5.1.
From the Helpful Text, **in case of time permission** - 1.5 Optimization for **Machine Learning (ML)**;
OR 1.5.1-1.5.2 Taylor Expansion for Function Simplification, along with section 11.1 from the Text.

Students Learning Outcomes:

SLO 1-The student will learn the basic asymptotic notations for numerical methods assessment and some basic concepts from **ML**; will be able to work with and run Matlab numerical programs;

- They will understand and will be able to apply the basic numerical methods for solving :

SLO 2- non-linear equations of high order of one variable;

SLO 3- linear systems of equations; data interpolation and approximation, splines;

SLO 4 – Differentiation, integration. Truncation error;

SLO 5 - The students will learn to analyze a method regarding its convergence, and complexity;

SLO 6 - They will learn to find the right method for the solution of a particular problem.

Calendar: *1st week-* Sections 1.1-1.2 ; *2nd week-* Sections 1.2-1.3; *3rd and 4th weeks -* Sections 1.3, Info about 1.4 on my web page; *5th and 6th weeks –* Sections 2.2-2.3; *6th week –* 11.2; *7th and 8th weeks -* Vasco Popov Method, Analysis; *9th and 10th weeks –* Sections 3.1-3; *11th and 12th weeks* Section 8.1 8.3-Splines; *13th week* continuation Section-8.3; *14th week –* Section 11.1.1.-11.1.3 Numerical Differentiation; *15th week –*summary of the studied methods, preparation for the final exam.

Note: Connections between ML and the numerical methods studied will be given through the course.

MatLab Guide: <http://faculty.tamuc.edu/nsirakov/Teaching/Math%20317-%20Numerical%20Analysis.aspx>

COURSE EVALUATION- Basis for Evaluation:

In-class exam(s)- 44% ; HW/ Num. Methods/proofs - 18% ; Short quizzes- 14%; Final exam - 24%

Grading Policy: *A*:100%- 90% ; *B*:89% - 80% ; *C*:79% - 70%; *D*:69% - 60%; *F*: Less than 59 %

The professor reserves the rights to reward students for continuous hard work.

Additional Performances: Home Practice Problems, Extra Credit Problems

Final Test Section: Math/CS	Date: Thursday May 07, 2026	Time: 1:15PM – 3:15PM
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COURSE POLICIES

HW: *to be solved at home. No makeup is allowed.*

Short quizzes: *are to be solved independently during the class period. No makeup is allowed.*

Tests: *The two in-class tests will be given roughly at regular intervals. Students will be informed of the test dates around a week in advance. The test will take one class period and will be given at the scheduled times only. No opportunity will be given to take the test at earlier or later times except in cases of formal institutional excuses as mentioned above.*

Makeup: *Except in the case of a formal institutional excuse, no individual makeup test will be permitted.*

Cheating: HW, test, quizzes, extra credit problems results will be canceled in case of cheating.

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<http://www.tamuc.edu/aboutUs/policiesProceduresStandardsStatements/rulesProcedures/34SafetyOfEmployeesAndStudents/34.06.02.R1.pdf> and/or consult your event organizer). Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all TAMUC campuses. Report violations to the University Police Department at 903-886-5868 or 9-1-1.

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