

Course: **Math 551—Numerical Methods**
Time: Spring 2009, 4:00-5:15 TTh, JB 335
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Text: Cleve Moler, *Numerical Computing with MATLAB*, SIAM, 2004. I recommend that you also buy the *Student Edition of MATLAB*.

Syllabus: Chapters 1–8, 10 of the text. More details will be given on my web page.

Grading (approximate)

Homework	100 points
Exam I	100
Exam II or Project I with presentation	100
Final exam or Project II with presentation	<u>100</u>
	400 points total

Grading scale: I do not have a fixed grade scale. I will assign grades in a reasonable manner and inform you of how you are doing relative to the rest of the class after each exam or project.

Attendance policy, etc.: Regular attendance is mandatory. I will pass around an attendance sheet during each class. Good attendance will count in your favor, if your grade is borderline. If you fall behind or have other problems with the class, please contact me *as soon as possible*. Turning in homework late, missing class, or missing exams for any reason is highly discouraged. I will try to be helpful if you have special difficulties. *If you miss an excessive number of classes, you may fail the course or your grade may be lowered.*

Important dates:

Spring break: 3/16–3/22.

Last day to drop with a “W”: 4/1.

Last day of classes: 5/11.

Final exam: Tuesday 5/19, 5:40-7:30 PM, in classroom.