THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO  
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE  
Department Of Mathematical Sciences

Course #: MATH 5343 CRN 26414  
Course Title: Numerical Solution of Partial Differential Equations  
Credit Hrs: 3  
Term: Spring 2014  
Course Meetings & Location: MW 10:30 – 11:50, Health Sciences 215  
Prerequisite Courses: MATH 2326, 3323, 4329 or equivalent, and programming experience  
Course Fee (if applicable) None  
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Textbook(s), Materials:  
1. Text book: Computational Partial Differential Equations Using MATLAB by Jichun Li and Yi-Tung Chen  

Course Website  
http://www.math.utep.edu/faculty/yi/math5343s14.html

Course Objectives  
(Learning Outcomes): The objectives of the class are to understand  
1. the mathematical and qualitative properties of three basic types of PDE (elliptic, parabolic and hyperbolic equations).  
2. the basic principles of Finite Element Method and Finite Difference Method  
3. how to implement and test the numerical schemes in a computer language (MATLAB)  
4. how to apply these methods to application problems

Course Activities/Assignments:  
Homework: Homework/Lab assignments will be collected throughout the semester. No late homework/lab report will be accepted. Computer programming must be done in MATLAB.

Course project: In addition to homework/lab assignments, students will work on a final project and write a report. Detailed instructions will follow during the semester.

Assessment of Course Objectives: Grade will be based on homework and final project.
Tentative Course Schedule:

Week 1 (1/22):
- Course introduction
- (Chapter 1) Overview of PDEs

Week 2 (1/27 – 1/29):
- Sec. 1.5: Overview of Numerical methods for PDEs
- Finite Difference Method:
  - (LeVeque, Chapter 1) Introduction and finite difference formulas

Week 3 (2/3 – 2/5):
- Finite Difference formulas-continued
- (LeVeque, Chapter 1) Finite Difference Method for two-point boundary value problems:
  - Deriving the system for Dirichlet and Neumann boundary conditions
  - Well-posed-ness issues, Error and stability analysis,

Week 4 (2/10 – 2/12):
- Finite Difference Method for two-point boundary value problems:
  - variable spacing in the grid, discontinuous coefficients, and mildly nonlinear problem
- Computer lab

Week 5 (2/17 – 2/19):
- (Chapter 4) Finite Difference Method for 2-D Elliptic Equations
- (Chapter 2) Finite Difference Method for Parabolic Equations:
  - Forward, Backward and Crank- Nicolson methods, ADI methods
  - Stability analysis

Week 6 (2/24 – 2/26):
- Finite Difference Method for Parabolic Equation continued
- (Chapter 3) Finite Difference Methods for the 1st order Hyperbolic Equations:
  - The upwind scheme, the Friedrichs scheme, and the Lax-Wendroff scheme

Week 7 (3/3- 3/5):
- Numerical solution of linear systems
  - Classical iterative methods
  - Conjugate Gradient (CG)

Week 8 (3/10 - 3/14): Spring break, No classes

Week 9 (3/17 - 3/19):
- (Chapter 6) Finite Element Methods for Two-Point boundary-value problems:
  - The piecewise-linear and higher-order Galerkin methods
Tentative Course Schedule - Continued

Week 10 (3/24 - 3/26):
- Computer lab
- Finite Element Methods for 2-D Elliptic Equations:

Week 11 (4/2):
- Abstract finite element theory

Week 12 (4/7 – 4/9):
- Conforming Finite Element Method
- Nonconforming Finite Element Method

Week 13 (4/14 – 4/16):
- Galerkin methods for the Neumann and the Dirichlet problem
- Curved boundaries
- Quadrature rules

Week 14 (4/21 – 4/23):
- (Chapter 7) Programming Issues – Computer lab

Week 15 (4/29 – 5/1):
- Finite Element Methods for Parabolic Equations

Week 16 (5/5 – 5/7):
- (Chapter 8) Mixed Finite Element Methods:

Grading Policy:
Homework: 70%, Final project: 30%

Attendance Policy:
It is student’s responsibility to attend every class. Students are expected to arrive for class on time and to remain for the class entire period.

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Military Statement: If you are a military student with the potential of being called to military service and/or training during the semester, please contact me by the end of the first week of class.