ENCH620: METHODS OF ENGINEERING ANALYSIS, Fall 2008

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Course Description:
This course introduces the graduate students of chemical and biomolecular engineering to those areas of advanced mathematics which are currently most important in the engineering science. In particular, the course includes (the chapters’ numbers are from Kreyszing, 9th ed.):
(a) Linear Algebra (Ch. 7, 8)  
(b) Vector Calculus (Ch. 9, 10)  
(c) Ordinary Differential Equations (Ch. 1-5)  
(d) Numerical Methods (Ch. 19-21)  
(e) Probability and Statistics (Ch. 24, 25)  
(f) MATLAB: introduction and basic programming (Class Notes)  
Most material taught during the semester is accompanied and explained via MATLAB.

Recommended Textbook:
This book is on reserve in the Engineering Library. Note that the library has also an array of books with similar title; all of them may be used for further study.

Grading Policy:
Homework and Class Participation 20 %  
Mid-term exam 30 %  
Final exam 50 %

Homework Assignments:
Team homework problems (to be solved by hand and by MATLAB) will be assigned on a regular basis.  
The homework must be submitted at the beginning of the class the date it is due.  
The problems and the solutions will be posted on the course web page.
Examinations:
All exams are “closed-books”/“closed-notes” (notes on 3 sheets of paper allowed). The “mid-term” exam will be one class period in length. Date for “mid-term” exam (subject to change): Wednesday October 22, 2008. Final Exam: the date is set by the University (December 15-20, 2008).

Course Objectives:
The course main goal is to provide a solid knowledge of the mathematics on Linear Algebra, Vector Calculus, Ordinary Differential Equations as well as Probability and Statistics, which may be used for the solution of a wide range of engineering and biological problems. The students should also become familiar with numerical analysis, computational methods, usage and programming via MATLAB, that can be used for all the aforementioned mathematical concepts.

Academic Honesty:
Plagiarism and academic dishonesty will not be tolerated, and suspected incidence will be referred to the Student Honor Council of the Judiciary Programs. For more information see: http://www.testudo.umd.edu/soc/dishonesty.html & http://www.shc.umd.edu

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The University of Maryland, College Park has a nationally recognized Code of Academic Integrity, administered by the Student Honor Council. This Code sets standards for academic integrity at Maryland for all undergraduate and graduate students. As a student you are responsible for upholding these standards for this course. It is very important for you to be aware of the consequences of cheating, fabrication, facilitation, and plagiarism. For more information on the Code of Academic Integrity or the Student Honor Council, please visit http://www.shc.umd.edu

To further exhibit your commitment to academic integrity, remember to sign the Honor Pledge on all examinations and assignments: “I pledge on my honor that I have not given or received any unauthorized assistance on this examination (assignment).”