Syllabus for Math 809, Spring 2011

Numerical Solutions of Partial Differential Equations III

Please read this syllabus carefully. You will be responsible for all the information given here, and for any modifications to it that may be announced in class. Updated information and handouts can be accessed at our website: www.math.ohio-state.edu/~kao/

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Textbook: Numerical Methods for Conservation Laws. Randall J. LeVeque. Birkhäuser

Lecture: 12:30pm MWF@ Journalism Bldg 0139

Topics: derivation of conservation laws; weak solutions; viscosity solution; entropy condition; Riemann problem; numerical schemes: Godunov, Lax-Friedrich, Lax-Wendroff, ENO,...etc.

Office Hours: WF 10:30-11:30am @MW410

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Tentative Schedule: We will basically follow the flow of the textbook but discuss theories and numerical approaches simultaneously.

Grading: Class participation (10%), homework (60%) and final project (30%)

Class Participation: You are expected to attend all lectures, and are responsible for all information given out during them. Excessive absences without any medical reasons will result in points lost from your class participation grade. Activities such as sleeping, reading, listening to headsets, browsing the web, conversing with other students, and so on do not constitute class participation. Students engaging in such behavior during the lecture will be counted as absent.

Homework: I encourage students to discuss HW with each other. However, you should still write your own answers. No late HW will be accepted. Source codes for numerical HWs need to be also submitted electronically to kao@math.ohio-state.edu. I will check randomly whether the source code does provide the correct solution in the written solutions you hand in. The title for the e-mail need to be "809HW#- your name".

Final Project: Final project will be given in the sixth week and is due in the tenth week. The project includes reading papers and reproducing numerical results shown in the paper.

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