

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

Numerical analysis 383 (WTW 383)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	18.00
NQF Level	07
Programmes	BCom specialising in Statistics and Data Science
	BSc in Actuarial and Financial Mathematics
	BSc in Applied Mathematics
	BSc in Chemistry
	BSc in Chemistry 4-year programme
	BSc in Mathematical Statistics
	BSc in Mathematics
	BSc in Mathematics 4-year programme
	BSc in Meteorology
	BSc in Meteorology 4-year programme
	BSc in Physics
	BSc in Physics 4-year programme
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
	Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
	Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	WTW 114, WTW 123 WTW 124 and WTW 211
Contact time	2 lectures per week, 1 practical per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Mathematics and Applied Mathematics
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Direct methods for the numerical solution of systems of linear equations, pivoting strategies. Iterative methods for solving systems of linear equations and eigenvalue problems. Iterative methods for solving systems of nonlinear equations. Introduction to optimization. Algorithms for the considered numerical methods are derived and implemented in computer programmes. Complexity of computation is investigated. Error estimates and convergence results are proved.

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