

## Syllabus S2012

# INTRO GEOSCIENCE COMPUTATION

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### PROJECTS:

- Intro to Matlab
- Calculating Gutenberg-Richter laws for earthquakes.
- 1D-2D diffusion equation.
- 1D-2D transport equation.
- 1D-2D advection-diffusion equation.
- Wave propagation in 1D-2D.

January 18<sup>th</sup> 2012: **Introduction.**

- \* Description of the class (Format of class, 55 min lecture/ 55 min exercise)
- \* Login for computers
- \* Check Matlab
- \* Questionnaires
- \* Examples of problems addressed via computation in Geosciences (CIG)

January 17<sup>th</sup>: 2012: Class Introduction

January 19<sup>th</sup> 2012: MATLAB INTRODUCTION (Variables)

**First Homework** (MATLAB INTRO PROBLEMS (always due next Thursday)).

January 24<sup>th</sup> 2012: MATLAB INTRODUCTION (Vectors and Arrays)

January 26<sup>th</sup> 2012: MATLAB INTRODUCTION (Scripts and functions and plotting)

**Second Homework** (Write scripts).

January 31<sup>st</sup> 2012: Richter-Gutenberg law (IF statements)

February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2012: Ground motion (FOR loops)

**Third Homework** (Ground motion homework).

February 7<sup>th</sup> 2012: Heat diffusion 1D steady state (Script for equation solver)

February 9<sup>th</sup> 2012: 1D diffusion (Energy conservation lecture, discretization, FTCS)

**Fourth Homework** (1D non-steady state Heat flow, Mars, Moon)

February 14<sup>th</sup> 2012: 1D and 2D diffusion

February 16<sup>th</sup> 2012: Explicit methods to solve the diffusion problem.

**Fifth Homework** (Diffusion in 2D, Cook steak).

February 21<sup>st</sup> 2012: Matrices Arrays lecture (Inversion, decomposition)

February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012: Crank-Nicholson for Diffusion.

**Sixth Homework** (Diffusion in 2D, Implicit)

February 28<sup>th</sup> 2012: 1D transport – Wave equation in finite difference

March 1<sup>st</sup> 2012: 2D transport- Implicit method for our geosciences problems

**Seventh Homework** (transport schemes)

March 6<sup>th</sup> 2012: Example of transport (fluid advection)

March 8<sup>th</sup> 2012: Midterm exam (Take home starting in class)? Or transport equation in 2D

**SPRING BREAK**  
**CHOOSE PROJECT ASSIGNMENT**

March 20<sup>th</sup> 2012: Midterm exam (Take home starting in class)? Or transport equation in 2D

March 22<sup>nd</sup> 2011: 2D advection-diffusion.

March 27<sup>th</sup> 2012: Convection of mantle in 2D (plumes, mantle convection) from Taras Gerya (ETH Zurich)

April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 5<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 10<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 12<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 17<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 19<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 24<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT

April 27<sup>th</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT PRESENTATION ( AGU style:15 min each)

May 1<sup>st</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT PRESENTATION (15 min each)

May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2012: FINAL PROJECT PRESENTATION (15 min each), project paper due.

**Midterm: Take home.**

**Final project: 5 pages summary + Appendix**

**I INTRO: problem statement with equations**

**II METHODS**

**III RESULTS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

**IV DISCUSSION**

**V APPENDIX WITH CODE AND PLOTTED RESULTS**

**15 min presentation with Powerpoint or Pdf includes 10 slides no more (AGU format)**