

Advice I would give to a future student taking this course

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For several semesters, I was concerned about taking the Computational Methods course because, at that moment, I thought that I would need to review every type of math from algebra to differential equations. But now, after taking this course I realized that it was not as hard as I first thought. This class is organized in such a way that you can learn the material and do well in the tests no matter what your strategies of studying are. If you are a type of person, like me, that cannot follow everything that the professor is writing on the board, you can watch the videos on that particular topic. I found that going to class and reinforcing the lecture by watching the videos was the best way for me to learn the material. However, I didn't watch the videos every time there was a class. I watched them after the professor had completed a particular section, so I could study that concept at once and then do the multiple choice quizzes and homework at the end of that particular section. One of the major suggestions that I can give to any person that is going to take this class is to not procrastinate and study a couple days before the test. There is a lot of material for this class, and to understand some sections you would need to have learned the previous one. Another suggestion is to take this class right after the Programming Concepts course. The projects are very long and sometimes it can be frustrating if you don't work well with MATLAB.