

Dear Students,

Here is a page with some beginning resources on getting started with Python:

<https://www.math.wisc.edu/wiki/index.php/AppliedAlgebraCourse>

It includes a link to the square.mat file you need for HW 1.

There are many people in the course with programming experience, so please consult with your group members to get started.

The shortest possible instructions:

- Look at the link I sent you
- Install Python, following the instructions
- Run ipython from a Command Prompt/Terminal window, and follow one of the beginner tutorials, entering commands into ipython as you read.

Jeff, Shamgar, Steve and I will be available next week to help. Steve is also available this week to answer questions.

Regards,

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