Math 640A Homework 1, due Friday September 13.

- 1. Buy/ find/ acquire the textbook: Numerical Analysis: Mathematics of Scientific Computing, 3rd edition, by David Kincaid and Ward Cheney, Brooks/Cole, 2002. Read the book!
- 2. (40 points) Do this problem as a Good Problem, paying attention to the *Layout* handout. You are encouraged but not required to LATEX your good problems. See the back of this sheet for a description of the Good Problems.

Write your mathematical autobiography. Include your background, current interests, future goals, why you are taking this class, and whatever else is relevant or interesting. Target length is 2 pages. Grammar, spelling, presentation, etc. count.

- 3. (30 points) Section 1.1 problems 9, 12, and 23.
- 4. (30 points) Section 1.2 problems 8 and 14.