## A Note from the Author

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OK, I would like to pretend that there is some reason for the minimal (infinitesimally small?) progress on construction of this website. I am now (mostly) retired, so I ought to have a lot of free time to devote to this. And, in fact, several planned pages have been started and progressed to a reasonable (but not *complete*) point. But they have not been finished. There are lots of reasons for this, none of them of interest to the teachers and students interested in using this website to further their teaching/learning of numerical analysis. So this part of the website is essentially a big *mea culpa* (Google it) as well as an outline of things I plan to do. (One hopes that one's ambition does not exceed one's ability to finish things.)

- 1. Fortran might not be dead.
- 2. A brief analysis of the Covid-19 pandemic, using elementary tools.
- 3. A look at some "general purpose" codes/scripts to solve two-point BVPs and Poisson problems, using ideas from the text, perhaps a tad extended.
- 4. Some discussion of some old documents on approximation theory that the author found upon cleaning out his office prior to retirement
- 5. A bit more on various issues relating to Runge-Kutta methods.

I'm typing this on February 16, 2022—I hope to have significant portions of this done by mid-summer (2022).

My abject apologies for the delay.