



Linear Algebra for Engineering

Course Code	Course Num.	Course Name	Credit Hours	Lec	Lab	Tut	Prerequisites
MAT	MAT 226	Linear Algebra for Engineering	4	3	0	2	MAT105

Objectives

- To provide students with a good understanding about matrices concept and methods of linear algebra
- To let students be familiar with basics of vector spaces and linear transformations.
- To connect linear algebra to other fields.
- To know some applications of Linear Algebra.

Topics to be Covered:

List of Topics	No. of Weeks	Contact Hours
Matrices and Gauss Elimination: Linear equation and systems, Matrix notations and operations, Method of elimination, Row and row reduced echelon form of a matrix, Definition of the inverse of a square matrix, Inverse of square matrix by Gauss elimination, Factorization $A = LU$.	4	16
Determinants: Determinants and their properties, Cofactor expansions, Cramer's rule.	1	4
Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors: Eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a square matrix, Characteristic polynomial of a square matrix, Matrix diagonalization, Applications to differential equations.	1	4
Vector spaces: Introduction to vectors and matrices, Vectors in R^2 and R^3 , Dot product, Norm, Distance, Orthogonal vectors, Angle between two vectors, Vector spaces, Rank, Nullspace, Linear independence of vectors, Spanning subspace, Basis and dimension, Orthogonality, Projection, Gram-Schmidt normalization.	5	20
Linear transformations: Basic definitions, the matrix of a transform, Coordinates and change of basis, Homomorphism and isomorphism, Diagonalization.	2	8
Applications: matrices in Engineering, Graphs and Networks, Markov matrices, Population, Gaussian elimination in practice.	1	4
Review.	1	4





Schedule of Assessment			
	Assessment task	Week Due	Proportion of Total Assessment
1	Midterm 1	6 th / 7 th week	20 %
2	Midterm 2	11 th / 12 th week	20 %
3	Quizzes, Homeworks, class participation, and mini-projects	During the semester	20%
4	Final Exam	16 th week	40 %

Learning Resources

Textbook <i>Linear Algebra, Gareth Williams, 6th edition, 2008, Jones and Bartlett</i>
Other Essential References Materials <i>Linear Algebra, Schaum's Outline, S. Lipschutz, M. Lipson, McGraw-Hill 3rd edition. (2000).</i>
Other Recommended Textbooks and Reference Material - <i>Linear Algebra, S. Leduc, Cliffs Notes (1996).</i> - <i>Linear Algebra, A Modern Introduction, D. Poole, Brooks Cole; 1st edition. (2002).</i>

