



Linear Algebra

Course Code	Course Num.	Course Name	Credit Hours	Lec	Lab	Tut	Prerequisites
MAT	223	Linear Algebra	4	3	0	2	MAT 251

Objectives:

- To introduce students to the subject of linear algebra, this is essential for subsequent courses in mathematics and computer science.
- To let students be familiar with basics of matrix theory.
- To let students be familiar with basics of vector spaces and linear transformations.
- To prepare students for more abstract math courses like “Modern Algebra”.

Syllabus:

- **Matrices and Gauss Elimination:** Elementary row operations, Transpose of a matrix, Inverse of a square matrix, Linear equation systems and Gauss eliminations, Determinants and their properties, classical adjoint; Cramer’s rule.
- **Vectors in \mathbf{R}^2 and \mathbf{R}^3 :** Dot product, projections, cross product, mixed product.
- **Vector spaces:** Basic definitions, subspaces, linear dependence and independence, bases and dimensions, Rank of a Matrix, Inner product spaces and Gram-Schmidt normalization, orthogonal matrices.
- **Linear transformations:** Basic definitions, the matrix of a transform, Kernel and Range of a linear transformation, Matrices of linear transformations, Coordinates and change of basis, homomorphism and isomorphism .
- **Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors:** Characteristic polynomial, diagonalization of matrices, Applications involving Powers of matrices.

References:

- **Linear Algebra**, Schaum's Outline, S. Lipschutz, M. Lipson, McGraw-Hill 3rd ed. (2000).
- **Linear Algebra**, S. Leduc, Cliffs Notes (1996).
- **Linear Algebra: A Modern Introduction**, D. Poole, Brooks Cole; 1st ed. (2002).

