

# MATH 2111 Matrix Algebra and Applications

## Course Outline --- Fall 2023/2024

### 1. Instructor

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### 3. Meeting Time and Venue

#### Lectures:

**Date/Time:** Tuesday & Thursday: 12:00 PM-1:20 PM

**Venue:** Rm 2407 (Lift 17-18)

#### Tutorials:

##### **Date/Time/Venue:**

T1A: wed /18:00-18:50/LSK1009;

T1B: Tue /18:00-18:50/Rm 2503 (Lift 25-26)

T1C: Thu /18:00-18:50)/CYTG009B;

### 1. Course Description

Credit Points: 3

Pre-requisite: A passing grade in AL Pure Mathematics / AL Applied Mathematics;  
OR MATH 1014; OR MATH 1018; OR MATH 1020; OR MATH 1024

Exclusion: MATH 2121, MATH 2131, MATH 2350

Brief Information/synopsis:

This course covers the basic concepts and computation techniques of linear algebra that are essential for various applications in science and engineering subjects.

## 2. Intended Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this course, students are expected to be able to:

No.	ILOs
1	Explain the core theories and concepts of a system of linear equations.
2	Manipulate the basic algebra and computation techniques of matrices and determinants.
3	Describe the basic terminologies that appeared in vector spaces and inner product spaces.
4	Formulate the concept and properties of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a matrix.
5	Operate the diagonalization process and the Gram-Schmidt process, and recognize their applications

## 3. Assessment Scheme

a. Examination duration: 1.5 hrs Mid-term Test / 3 hrs Final Examination

b. Percentage of coursework, examination, etc.:

<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Assessing Course ILOs</u>
10% Online Webwork Exercises	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
30% Mid-term Test	1, 2
60% Final Examination	1, 2, 3, 4, 5

c. The grading is assigned based on students' performance in assessment tasks/activities.

## 4. Student Learning Resources

Course Webpage:

Textbook: David C. Lay et al., *Linear Algebra and its Applications*, Fifth Edition, Pearson.

## 5. Teaching and Learning Activities

Scheduled activities: Weekly 4 hrs (lecture + tutorial)

- Lectures: focus on main concepts and some basic simple problems to help understand the main concepts
- Tutorials: focus on review and presenting more complicated problems that can help students understand the materials taught in lectures; answering students' questions.

Online Webwork Exercises: (~3hrs/week self-study)

<https://webwork.math.ust.hk>

The MATH Support Center (Rm 3010-3013)

Check more information from the website: <http://www.math.ust.hk/~support>

## 6. Course Schedule (~36 lecture hours)

Keyword Syllabus:

- Chap 1 Systems of Linear Equations** (~10 hours)
  - Systems of Linear Equations;
  - Row Reduction and Echelon Forms;
  - Vector Equations;

(iv) The Matrix Equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ ; (v) Solution Sets of Linear Systems; (vi) Linear Independence;  
(vii) Linear Transformations; (viii) The Matrix of a Linear Transformation.

- **Chaps 2 and 3 Matrix Algebra and Determinants** (~8 hours)

(i) Matrix Operations; (ii) Matrix Inverse; (iii) Characterizations of Invertible Matrices;  
(iv) Introduction to Determinants; (v) Properties of Determinants;  
(vi) Cramer's Rule, Volume, and Linear Transformations

Midterm Exam date: 2:15 pm---3:45 pm, Oct. 14, 2023

- **Chap 4 Vector Spaces** (~6 hours)

(i) Vector Spaces and Subspaces; (ii) Null Spaces, Column Spaces, and Linear Transformations;  
(iii) Linearly Independent Sets and Bases; (iv) Coordinate Systems;  
(v) Dimension of a Vector Space and Rank of a Matrix.

- **Chap 5 Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors** (~4 hours)

(i) Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues; (ii) The Characteristic Equation; (iii) Diagonalization;  
(iv) Applications to Dynamical Systems and Differential Equations.

- **Chap 6 Inner Product Spaces** (~6 hours)

(i) Inner Product, Length, and Orthogonality; (ii) Orthogonal Sets; (iii) Orthogonal Projections;  
(iv) The Gram-Schmidt Process; (v) Least-Squares Problems; (vi) Applications to Linear Models.

- **Chap 7 Symmetric Matrices and Quadratic Forms** (~2 hours)

(i) Diagonalization of Symmetric Matrices; (ii) Quadratic Forms and the Principal Axes Theorem.