

# Math 2350 Applied Linear Algebra and Differential Equations

Syllabus – Fall 2021

## Course Home Page

[http://www.math.ust.hk/~machas/la\\_ode/fall2021/](http://www.math.ust.hk/~machas/la_ode/fall2021/)

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## Lectures

L1: Tue, Thurs 15:00-16:20 Rm 2465

L2: Mon 16:30-17:50, Fri 12:00-13:20 Rm 2465

## Teaching Assistants and Tutorials

T1a: Mon 9:30-10:20 Rm 2302 (FANG Zheyue)

T1b: Mon 16:30-17:20 Rm 1009 LSK (FANG Zheyue)

T2a: Mon 15:00-15:50 Rm 6573 (XIAN Zhuozhi)

T2b: Thur 17:00-17:50 6602 (XIAN Zhuozhi)

## Course Description

Credits: 3 units; Topic: Linear algebra and differential equations

Exclusions: MATH 2111, MATH 2121, MATH 2131, MATH 2351, MATH 2352

Prerequisites: AL Pure Mathematics/AL Applied Mathematics; or MATH 1014; or

MATH 1018; or MATH 1020; or MATH 1024

## Student Learning Resources

Course Lecture Notes can be obtained as a pdf file from the course website.

Supplement: Matrix Algebra for Engineers

Supplement: Differential Equations for Engineers

Textbooks (for reference): Linear Algebra and its Applications by David Lay; Elementary

Differential Equations and Boundary Value Problems by Boyce & DiPrima.

## Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students should

1. Develop an understanding of the core ideas and concepts of linear algebra and ordinary differential equations;
2. Recognize the power of abstraction and generalization, carry out mathematical work with independent judgement;
3. Apply rigorous, analytical and numeric approach to analyze and solve problems using concepts of linear algebra and differential equations;
4. Demonstrate skills in reading, interpreting and communicating mathematical content which are integrated into other disciplines or appear in everyday life;
5. Develop the mathematical maturity to undertake higher level studies in mathematically related fields.

## Assessment Scheme

Worksheets: 10%

Midterm: 40%

Final: 50%

## Assessing Course ILOs

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### Week 1:

*0.14* Course introduction; complex numbers

### Week 2:

*1.1-1.8* Matrices, transposes, inverses, rotations, permutations, projections

### Week 3:

*2.1-2.5* Gaussian elimination, reduced row echelon form, inverses, LU decomposition

### Week 4:

*3.1-3.4* Vector and inner-product spaces,

### Week 5:

*3.5-3.7* Four fundamental vector spaces of a matrix, Gram-Schmidt, orthogonal projections

### Week 6:

*3.9-3.10, 4.1-4.3* Least squares, determinants

### Week 7:

*5.1-5.3* Eigenvalues and eigenvectors, diagonalization

### Week 8

*6.1, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3* Introduction to odes, Euler method, separable equations, linear equations

### Week 9

*7.4, 8.1- 8.3* Applications, Euler method 2D, superposition, Wronskian

### Week 10

*8.4-8.6* Homogeneous odes, difference equations, inhomogeneous odes

### Week 11

*8.8-8.9* Inhomogeneous odes, resonance, applications, damped resonance

### Week 12

*9, 10.1-10.4* Series solutions, systems of first-order linear odes

### Week 13

*10.5* Normal modes, Final exam review