MATH 1120, Basic Linear Algebra I

3 Credits, 3 hours lecture

Course Description

This course covers systems of linear equations, vectors in n-space, vector equations of lines and planes, matrix algebra, inverses and invertibility, introduction to linear transformations, subspaces of n-space, determinants, introduction to eigenvalues and eigenvectors, the dot product and orthogonality, applications in a variety of fields, and numerical methods.

Pre and Co-requisites

MATH 30-1

Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs)

Upon successful completion of the course, the student shall be able to:

CLO1: Perform basic algebraic operations with matrices and vectors (addition, scalar multiplication, products).
CLO2: Use vectors and matrices to represent equations, geometrical relationships, transformations, and other concepts.
CLO3: Row-reduce a matrix to its reduced row echelon form and use this form to solve linear equations, test independence, determine fundamental matrix spaces, and solve other matrix problems.
CLO4: Compute the determinant of a matrix and use it to determine properties of the matrix.
CLO5: Determine a basis for a given space/subspace and create a set of coordinates with respect to this basis.
CLO6: Determine the fundamental spaces associated with a matrix (row space, column space, null space, eigenspace) and describe the relationships between the geometry of these spaces.
CLO7: Determine whether a given matrix is diagonalizable, and, if it is, determine a diagonalization.
CLO8: Use the Gram-Schmidt process to determine an orthogonal (or orthonormal) basis of an inner product space and use this basis to perform projections.

Evaluation

Assessment Type	Percentage
Assignments (At-home, In-class, etc.)	15%
Term Tests (Midterms, Quizzes, etc.)	35%
Final Exam	50%

Course Completion Requirements

Minimum passing mark of 50% or D is required. Note: A C- is required to use this course as a prerequisite for subsequent courses or to often transfer this credit successfully to other institutions. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of their specific program requirements.

Grading Scale

4.0 Grade Scale	Alpha Grade	Percentage Grade
4.0	A+	93-100
4.0	A	85-92.9
3.7	A-	80-84.9
3.3	B+	77-79.9
3.0	B	74-76.9
2.7	B-	70-73.9
2.3	C+	67-69.9
2.0	C	64-66.9
1.7	C-	60-63.9
1.3	D+	55-59.9
1.0	D	50-54.9
0.0	F	0-49.9

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