

Course Unit	Linear Algebra and Analytic Geometry		Field of study	Mathematics	
Bachelor in	Civil Engineering		School	School of Technology and Management	
Academic Year	2025/2026	Year of study	1	Level	1-1
Type	Semestral	Semester	1	ECTS credits	6.0
Code	9089-849-1101-00-25				
Workload (hours)	162	Contact hours	T -	TP 60	PL -
			TC -	S -	E -
			OT -	O -	

T - Lectures; TP - Lectures and problem-solving; PL - Problem-solving, project or laboratory; TC - Fieldwork; S - Seminar; E - Placement; OT - Tutorial; O - Other

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Learning outcomes and competences

At the end of the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:

1. Operate with the set of complex numbers in multiple representations.
2. Use the calculation matrix for solving systems of linear equations.
3. Identify and manipulate algebraically lines, planes, conics and quadrics.
4. Understand the basic concepts and dimension of a vector space.
5. Identify and represent in matrix linear applications.
6. Determine the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of a linear operator and understand their properties.

Prerequisites

Before the course unit the learner is expected to be able to:

1. Know and apply the algebraic calculation taught in secondary education.
2. Recognize and write the equations of the line and the plane.
3. Use trigonometric functions.

Course contents

1. Complex Numbers
2. Matrices and Determinants
3. Linear Systems
4. Analytic Geometry
5. Vector Spaces
6. Linear Transformations
7. Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

Course contents (extended version)

1. Complex Numbers
 - Algebraic, trigonometric and exponential form.
 - Geometric representation.
 - Operations with complex numbers.
 - Geometric representation of conditions involving complex numbers.
2. Matrices and Determinants
 - Definitions and notations.
 - Matrix operations.
 - Inverse of square matrix.
 - Determinant definition and properties.
 - Laplace's Theorem.
 - Adjoint matrix.
 - Calculating the inverse of an invertible matrix using the adjoint matrix.
3. Linear Systems
 - Classification systems of linear equations for the number of solutions.
 - Solving systems via inverse of the coefficient matrix and the Cramer's rule.
 - Assessment and resolution of systems by methods of Gaussian elimination and Gauss-Jordan.
 - Discussion and classification systems of linear equations based on certain parameters.
4. Analytic Geometry
 - Lines and planes on \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - Distance and angles defined by lines and planes.
 - Relative position of lines and planes.
 - Quadratic forms and its classification.
5. Vector Spaces
 - Definition and examples.
 - Subspaces.
 - Linear combination.
 - Linear independence/dependence.
 - Basis and dimension.
 - Change of basis.
 - Orthonormalization.
 - Gram-Schmidt technique.
6. Linear Transformations
 - Definition and examples.
 - Kernel and range.
 - Matrix representation.
 - Invertibility.
7. Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors
 - Definitions, examples and properties.
 - Characteristic polynomial.
 - Eigenspace.
 - Matrix diagonalization.

Recommended reading

1. Agudo, F. R. D. (1992). Introdução à Álgebra Linear e Geometria Analítica. Escolar Editora.
2. Anton, H. & Chris, R. (2011). Elementary Linear Algebra. John Wiley and Sons.
3. Magalhães, L. (1998). Álgebra Linear como Introdução à Matemática Aplicada. Texto Editora.
4. Nicholson, W. K. (2006). Álgebra Linear. São Paulo: McGraw-Hill.
5. Lay, D. C. , Lay, S. R. & McDonald, J. J. (2016). Linear Algebra and its Applications. Pearson.

Teaching and learning methods

The themes will be presented and discussed throughout the classes, using the resolution of tasks to deepen them. There will be individual and group sessions outside class schedule to accompany the student's work. The use of software will be encouraged.

Assessment methods

1. Distributed evaluation - (Regular, Student Worker) (Final, Supplementary)
 - Practical Work - 20%
 - Intermediate Written Test - 40% (Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4)
 - Final Written Exam - 40% (Chapters 5, 6 and 7)
2. Distributed evaluation - (Regular, Student Worker) (Final, Supplementary)
 - Intermediate Written Test - 50% (Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4)
 - Final Written Exam - 50% (Chapters 5, 6 and 7)
3. Final exam - (Regular, Student Worker) (Supplementary, Special)
 - Final Written Exam - 100%

Language of instruction

Portuguese, with additional English support for foreign students.

Electronic validation

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