

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: LINEAR ALGEBRA  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **5001MATHS** (103226)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Applied Mathematics  
Teaching School/Faculty: Applied Mathematics

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**Academic Level:** FHEQ5  
**Credit Value:** 12  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 50  
**Total Learning Hours:** 120  
**Private Study:** 70

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 2

Component	Contact Hours
Lecture	24
Practical	12
Tutorial	12

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

Category	Short Description	Description	Weighting (%)	Exam Duration
Report	AS1	Investigate mathematical questions using computer algebra	25	
Exam	AS2	Examination	75	2

### Aims

*To provide the basic concepts of linear algebra.*  
*To develop manipulative skills in matrix algebra.*  
*To provide practical experience in the application of numerical techniques in linear algebra.*  
*To utilise appropriate software packages, e.g. DERIVE/MATLAB.*

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Perform matrix algebra concepts and operations.
- 2 Solve linear systems of linear algebraic equations, understand the conditions for the existence of solutions.
- 3 Perform and use numerical methods to solve particular linear algebra problems.
- 4 Use the software packages DERIVE and MATLAB to solve problems in the above categories.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

Computer algebra	1	2		
Exam	1	2	3	4

## Outline Syllabus

*Matrix algebra concepts. Row spaces, column space, null space, rank, nullity. Echelon and row-reduced echelon form. Special types of matrices: inverse, triangular, diagonal, unity symmetric, skew-symmetric, idempotent, stochastic - practical examples of the occurrence of each.*

*Methods for solving Linear Systems: Row Reduction, Gaussian elimination.*

*Matrix Factorisation and application to solving linear systems: LU factorisation.*

*Iterative methods for solving linear systems: Jacobi and Gauss Siedel methods.*

*Eigenvalues and eigenvectors, similarity transformations. Markov processes.*

*Gram-Schmidt orthogonalisation.*

*Power Method for evaluating Eigenvalues.*

*N.B. The syllabus will be supported throughout with the software DERIVE and/or MATLAB.*

## Learning Activities

Lectures, tutorials and laboratory based used of mathematical software.

## Notes

This module provides students with the experience of using pencil-and-paper techniques and mathematical software to solve realistic problems in Linear Algebra.